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HOURS: MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8 AM TO 4 PM ALL DOORS EXCEPT FOR MAIN ENTRANCE (DOOR #1) WILL BE LOCKED AT 3:00 PM



OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE SUPERHEROES!

Friday, April 11th, 9:00 am Sign up by April 3rd



"Our Volunteers are Superheroes!" and also organization, their time, skills and compassion. We cannot thank you enough for all that you give, but we

can try! We'd like to celebrate you at our Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. If you have volunteered within the last year, please join us. Please remember to sign up by April 3rd. We look forward to seeing you!



The Center will be closed on Friday, April 11th, for our Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast.

WOOD SHOP FUNDRAISER-RAISED PLANTERS AND POTTING BENCHES/BEVERAGE CENTERS

Our craftsmen in the Wood Shop are once again bringing back the raised planters and potting benches/beverage centers. These are on display at the Center if you would like to see them. This is a great way to save your back and your knees and plant your flowers, herbs, vegetables, etc. in a raised planter and use the potting bench for planting your beautiful flower pots or also as a beverage center on your deck or patio. For a 4' raised planter the price is \$210 and for a 6' it is \$250. Potting benches/ beverage centers are \$210. These items are available with casters for an extra \$75 per item. These will be delivered at no cost within 10 miles of our Center. Delivery charges will apply outside of a 10-mile radius from the Center. Order deadline is April 1, 2025. Delivery will be in April.

CHAN'S GARDEN FUNDRAISER

the backbone of our We are having a restaurant giving fundraiser and we hope that you will ! support us once again. Please go to Chan's Garden during this 4-day Chinese Restauran



event. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support our programs. All you need to do is come to our Center and get a voucher for this event, or clip it from page 14 of this newsletter, and take it to Chan's Garden, located at 310 State Street on March 18th-21st, 11:30 am-7:30 pm. You can use this voucher to dine-in or takeout for lunch or dinner and we will receive 15% less tax and gratuity. You can call (269) 983-2609 to place a takeout order. It is mandatory that you have this voucher, no photos will be accepted. These vouchers are for anyone to use, so pick some up for friends!

~Notes from the Board~

March is the transition month between Winter and Spring. The most celebrated day of the month is St. Patrick's Day. There is a common saying "The luck of the Irish." However, Senior Center members don't have to be Irish to be lucky - your key tag is your good **luck** charm!

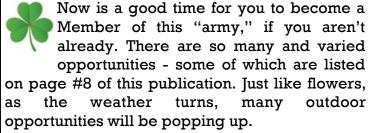
wonderful place to come each weekday. brimming with exciting, interesting, educational and fun things to do.

There is another saying that can be applied to our Senior Center operations - "Luck is where opportunity meets preparation." Our Center provides us with numerous opportunities as outcomes of the Staff's great attention to preparation. As such a well-run organization, Center Staff and Program Leaders are always positioned to make the most of opportunities for the development of new programs, and for strengthening popular existing programming for us all to enjoy. Luck is not a coincidence here.

Another key element of this well-run organization is our dedicated "army" of Volunteers who work so harmoniously to deliver excellence. Last year, there were an AMAZING 249 Member Volunteers who gave a combined total of 18,616

hours of their time to assist with Center operations! We are so **lucky** to have such caring and dedicated Members with a giving spirit.





Some examples are gardens preparation and And we are ALL so lucky - or maybe we should new plantings, Wildflower Trail maintenance, substitute the word "blessed," to have such a Friendship Garden planting and care to name a few. Check out these opportunities. You A place that is so welcoming and can also see daily Volunteer listing opportunities on the Volunteer bulletin board at the main entry, just behind the Greeter Station, or simply visit Sharyl Freehling, Volunteer Coordinator, in her office next to the East Entry hallway. Help us to stay lucky by sharing your time and talent to make our Senior Center the best it can be.

> "The best luck of all is the luck you make for others."

> > ~SJLSSC Board Of Directors~ ~Dennis McCarthy~



TRIP REMINDERS

All Center trips are for seniors 60+ and their spouses, unless otherwise noted. All people signing up for our trips must be a member. If you are signing up and paying for someone else, you must have their phone number in order to add them to the trip list. We only accept cash or checks. Most trips fill quickly, but members are highly encouraged to sign up on trip waiting lists, as there are usually cancellations prior to the trip. In cases of cancellations, if a replacement can be found, refunds less a \$10.00 administrative fee, are given. All of our trips depart from Roger's Foodland, 4039 Hollywood Road, St. Joseph.

CONSISTENT MONTHLY PROGRAMS

BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, March 12th, 10:00 am
The book to read for the month of
March is "Gimpel The Fool" by
Isaac Bashevis Singer. Leading the
discussion will be Mae Green. If you
have a passion for reading, then



please join us the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

COOKIES & CANVAS

Friday, March 21st, 12:00 pm-3:00 pm \$20 per person, payable at sign up-NO REFUNDS Make checks payable to Roy Hruska DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS MARCH 19TH



The watercolor painting for the month of March is called "Best Friends." This painting is on a 9" x 12" canvas and all

materials needed for this class are provided. Remember to sign up soon.

STAMP CAMP

Tuesday, March 25th, 12:00 pm-3:30 pm \$20 per person, payable at sign up-NO REFUNDS Make checks payable to Caryn McFall DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS MARCH 21ST



Come join in the fun and fellowship of the NEW format of Stamp Camp with Caryn McFall. In response to the creativity of our participants, classes will now include 4 Create Your Own Cards. Blank cardstock will be given,

then crafters will design their own cards using a variety of papers, stamps, embossing supplies, decorative scissors, punches, and embellishments. In addition, as in former classes, a card sample, materials and written instructions will be provided for pre-designed cards. You will leave with 4 pre-designed cards, 4 Create Your Own Cards and 8 envelopes. You will need to bring small scissors and double stick tape for class. Sign up soon; class size is limited.

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BEGINNER UKULELE

Tuesday, April 15th, 2:00 pm

This is a progressive class, so it is important to attend every week to keep up with instruction. Class will be every Tuesday from



2:00 pm-3:30 pm. The instructor has a very limited amount of ukuleles to share, so it is best to have your own ukulele. If you would like to purchase a ukulele, it is best to purchase a tenor ukulele for adults because they are easier to play and available online. Registration for this class is required.

FOOT CLINICS





By Appointment Only

Blessed Feet, LLC performs Foot Clinics at our Center two times a month. Please contact Jane Sherwin at 269-240-3437 with any questions and for appointments. This service is available to our members, but not a function of our Senior Center.

NEW MEMBERS - CIRCUIT TRAINING ROOM

If you are a new member to the Circuit Training Room, you must first undergo a 1-hour orientation. To do this, you must come into the Center and go to the Circuit Training Room to sign up for your orientation. This cannot be scheduled over the phone. Hours of orientation will be Monday through Friday, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. You must be a member of our Senior Center and then you can sign up for orientation. Remember to check in under Circuit Training Room when you come in for your orientation. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need more **Greeters** since we have opened another entrance in our building. Our Greeters work 2-hour shifts, starting at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 2:30 pm. If you are interested, please talk to Sharyl, our Volunteer Coordinator.

SJLSSC LIBRARY

The Library here at the Center is not accepting books at this time; however, we are accepting magazines, but they should not be older than 3 months. Thank you!



HENDERSON CASTLE MURDER MYSTERY & KALAMAZOO VALLEY MUSEUM

Thursday, May 15th \$135 per person, payable at sign up TRIP MUST FILL BY APRIL 5TH

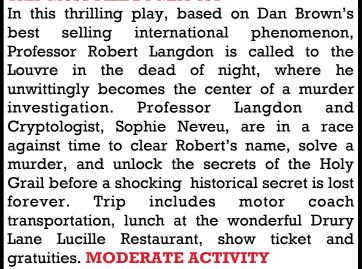


This trip includes round trip transportation, lunch, and all gratuities. Enjoy an interactive experience in a Murder Mystery. Prepare for a performance of intrigue, lies, and deception as you try to unravel all the new clues to establish a motive for murder. If you are up for a little adventure, this is the trip for you. You will also have time to tour Henderson Castle as well as about 1-1/2 hours at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum to take in the exhibits. Sign up soon!

MODERATE ACTIVITY

THE DA VINCI CODE

Thursday, May 29th Drury Lane Theatre - Oakbrook, IL \$140 per person, payable at sign up TRIP MUST FILL BY MAY 1ST



WAITING LIST

A BEAUTIFUL NOISE - APRIL 5TH
MACKINAC ISLAND GRAND EXPERIENCE MAY 13TH-MAY 16TH
CHICAGO ARCHITECTURAL TOURS JUNE 24TH
HAMILTON - JULY 31ST



CANADA - MONTREAL, QUEBEC CITY & OTTAWA

August 2nd-9th, 2025
\$1,381 per person, double occupancy
\$1,361 per person, triple occupancy
\$1,700 per person, single occupancy
\$75 deposit due per person at sign up
Balance is due May 19th



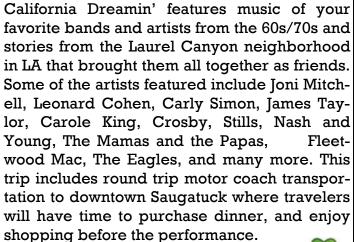
Mandatory trip meeting-Friday, July 25th, 10:00 am

Grab your passport and let's head across the border to visit beautiful Canada! This fantastic trip includes transportation on a top-quality motor coach, 7 nights lodging (including 5 consecutive nights in Canada) and 12 meals (7 breakfasts & 5 dinners). Enjoy guided tours of Montreal, Quebec City and Canada's Capital city, Ottawa - including the Notre Dame Montreal's Basilica, Underground Ottawa's Parliament Hill, St. Joseph's Oratory of Mount Royal and a narrated cruise on the stunning St. Lawrence River. Visit the trip board at the Center for more information. All passengers on this trip MUST have a current passport and MUST attend the trip meeting on July 25th at 10:00 am. Trip insurance is available and recommended.

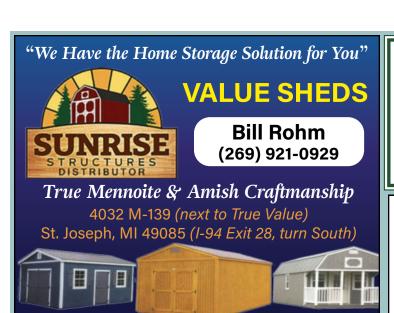
VERY ACTIVE ACTIVITY

CALIFORNIA DREAMIN'

Friday, September 19, 2025
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\$116 per person, payable at sign up



MODERATE ACTIVITY - NEW TRIP



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CORNHOLE DAYS

Tuesdays, March 11th & March 18th 10:00 am-12:00 pm (30 minute slots)





Are you looking for a fun winter activity to share with friends? Enjoy the fun summer lawn game of Cornhole indoors during these

cold winter months! Cornhole (also known as sack toss or bags) is a popular American game in which 2-4 players take turns throwing fabric bean bags at an inclined board with a hole in its far end. The goal of the game is to score points by either landing a bag on the board or putting a bag through the hole. We will have 2 "courts" set up with 30 minute time slots per court. Registration is required. Every Friday in March & April, from 2:15 pm-3:45 pm, will be open courts for Cornhole - No registration required.

I'M NOT FEELING WELL



Please remember during the winter months it is important to stay home if you don't feel well. Help us to keep our Center a healthy place to be this winter. Get plenty of rest, stay hydrated and give your body the time

it may need to recover.



SPRING AHEAD - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour SJLSSC SOFTBALL on Sunday, March 9th, or Saturday night, March 8th, before you go to bed! It's also a great time to replace the batteries in your smoke/carbon monoxide detectors as well.



Words cannot express how LUCKY we are to have our wonderful **Volunteers! Thank you for EVERYTHING** you do!

Our Senior Center has an Abuse Prevention Policy that prohibits any form of violence, abuse or harassment including verbal, sexual or emotional abuse. Copies of the policy are posted at the Center. Please report any incidents to the Executive Director.

ATTENTION MEMBERS - TIME TO UPDATE



Once a year we ask all members update their personal information with us. If your phone number, email address, home address or emergency contact information changed. has

please take a moment and let us know. Every month we receive newsletters back due to a change in address, and we do get charged for each newsletter that is returned to us. Also, if you have changed your mind about receiving the newsletter in the mail and would rather just pick it up here at the Center or receive notification through your email when it is available to view online, please let us know so we can make that change for you. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

PLEASE SLOW DOWN



Please remember to slow down when entering and exiting our parking lot. When classes get out the parking lot can become congested, so take a few extra minutes when leaving. Look both ways and look behind you when

backing up and pulling out of your parking space. Your safety is important to us!



Did you know that the Center has a softball team? Softball begins in April, so if you would be interested in playing, stop at the front desk and leave your name and number. Details to follow!

HEALTHY EATS



Do you get hungry while at the Center, forgot to eat breakfast, need an idea for lunch, want to catch up with a friend? Stop into Friendship Hall and grab a bite to eat at Healthy

Eats, brought to you by Base Bowls.

If you would like an email reminder when the newsletter is online, please email us at assistant@sjlsc.org

DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contributions non-profit to our corporation are tax deductible. There are many ways to donate and assist us in continuing to provide many services to our members.

BERRIEN **COMMUNITY** FOUNDATION **ENDOWMENT FUND** - Made to ensure long term sustainability of our organization.

contribute to our direct building expense.

FORGET-ME-NOT SOCIETY - Honoring those who choose to make a legacy gift to the SJLSSC Endowment Fund, which is administered by the Community Foundation. Berrien endowment will provide essential stability for our Center.

HONORARY DONATIONS - Made in honor of someone who has enriched your life.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS - Made in memory of a friend or loved one who has passed away.

DONATIONS PROGRAM Designate donation for a particular program we offer at the Senior Center; exercise classes, Circuit Training Room, Wood Shop or to one of our outside areas; the Walking Trail, Friendship Garden, or the Wild Flower Trail.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO STATE WHAT SPECIFIC FUNDRAISER YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR DONATION TO BE DESIGNATED FOR. THANK YOU!

SJLSSC CHOIR ACCOMPANIST NEEDED



The St. Joseph-Lincoln Senior Service Center Choir is in need of a volunteer accompanist to assist with and occasional practices performances. The SILSSC Choir

meets on Mondays at 1:30 pm in Friendship Hall. Previous experience as a choir accompanist is preferred. Please see Jamie Bingaman, SJLSSC Program Coordinator if you're interested in volunteering to help with this fun program!

EMERGENCY DOOR NUMBERS



We have recently installed numbers over the doors in our building to assist members in case of an emergency.



CURRENT FUNDRAISERS

501(c)3 CHAN'S GARDEN FUNDRAISER - We are having a Chan's Garden Fundraiser from March 18th-21st, 11:30 am-7:30 pm. Don't forget your voucher. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support our programs. Thank you in advance for your help.

FRIENDSHIP GARDEN DONATIONS - Due to BUILDING FUND DONATIONS - Made to the success of the Friendship Garden harvest last year that many of our members enjoyed, Volunteers have been making strategic plans to make improvements. To do this, we need your help! Donations are greatly needed and appreciated!

> WALKING TRAIL BRICKS This is opportunity for you to celebrate the life of someone by purchasing a brick to be placed on the walk around the flag poles. Remember a loved one who brought light to your life, a friend or your grandchildren. The purchase of a brick will forever honor or memorialize our loved ones. The profits from this project will assist in maintaining the Priscilla Upton Byrns Walking Trail and Gardens. Bricks ordered now until September 2025, will be available in October 2025. Order forms can be emailed, mailed, or picked up at the front desk.

> WOOD SHOP RAISED PLANTERS/POTTING BENCHES/BEVERAGE CENTERS - The Wood Shop raised planters and potting benches/ beverage centers are back! Stop in and take a look at them. See page #1 for more details.

SJLSSC CHOIR



New to the Center beginning in 2024 is the SILSSC Choir. They meet here at the Center on Mondays at 1:30 Friendship Hall for rehearsals. They are having a lot of fun and if you are interested in joining the Choir, stop in on a Monday They 1:30 pm. have



performed at the Whitcomb Towers (top picture) and at Crown Pointe (bottom picture).



BINGO Thursday, Mar. 13th, 1:00 pm \$1 Thursday, Mar. 27th, 1:00 pm **NO BINGO ON APRIL 10TH** PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE GYM **UNTIL ROOM IS SET UP. THANKS!**

RECURRING SCHEDULE

MONDAYS

9:00 am - Resistive Exercise

9:30 am - Quilting Group

10:00 am - Calisthenics

10:00 am - Jokers and Marbles

11:00 am - Balance Class

12:00 pm - Tai Chi

12:30 pm - Hand & Foot Cards

1:00 pm - Art Co-Op See bulletin board for wkly. topic

1:15 pm - Beginning Line Dancing

1:30 pm - Choir Class No class on April 21st

1:45 pm - Intermediate Line Dancing

TUESDAYS

9:00 am - Resistive Exercise

10:00 am - Range of Motion No class until March 25th

11:00 am - Chair Drumming No class until March 25th

12:30 pm - Advanced Pickleball

1:00 pm - Euchre

12:30 pm - Advanced Ukulele

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

2:00 pm - Beginner Ukulele

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

WEDNESDAYS

9:00 am - Resistive Exercise

9:00 am - Greeting Card Making

10:00 am - Calisthenics

11:00 am - Balance Class

11:45 am - Cardio Drumming

12:00 pm - Parkinson's Exercise

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

12:30 pm - Dominoes

1:00 pm - Mah Jongg

1:00 pm - Advanced Pickleball

1:00 pm - Stitch & Chat

2:30 pm - Intermediate Pickleball

THURSDAYS

9:00 am - Resistive Exercise

10:00 am - Range of Motion

11:00 am - Tai Chi

12:30 pm - Beginner Pickleball 1st & 3rd week - NO

CLASS ON APRIL 10TH

12:30 pm - Scrabble

12:30 pm - Hand & Foot Cards

1:00 pm - BINGO 2nd & 4th week

2:00 pm - Intermediate Pickleball 1st & 3rd week

FRIDAYS

8:30 am - Zumba

9:30 am - Chair Yoga No class March 28th & April 4th

10:30 am - Beginner Pickleball

12:00 pm - Parkinson's Exercise

REGISTRATION REOUIRED

12:00 pm - Intermediate Pickleball

1:00 pm - Euchre

1:00 pm - Sit & Share-Parkinson's Support Group

LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Class descriptions are posted outside the gym and information is available at the front desk.

WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER

- ♦ Arts/Crafts
- Betty Kohn Outdoor Fitness Zone
- ♦ Book Club
- ♦ Cards/Games
- ♦ Circuit Training Room Open 9:00 am-3:00 pm
- ♦ Commodity Distribution
- ♦ Community Resource Center
- ♦ Computer Lab/Computer Classes
- ♦ Educational Programs
- Fitness Classes
- Foot Clinic
- Friendship Garden (Seasonal)
- ♦ Garden Nook
- ♦ Golf League (Seasonal)
- ♦ Hanes Family Wild Flower Trail
- ♦ Healthy Eats M-Th.10:00 am-1 pm, F 11:00 am-1 pm
- ♦ Lending Library
- ♦ Loan Closet
- ♦ Lunch (Meals on Wheels)
- ♦ Parkinson's Support Group (Sit & Share)
- Picklehall
- Priscilla Upton Byrns Walking Trail & Gardens
- Puzzles (to take home)
- ♦ Softball (Seasonal)
- ♦ Transportation In Our Service Area
- Trips
- ♦ Ukulele Classes REGISTRATION REQUIRED
- Videos Of Exercise Classes On Our Website
- ◆ Videos Of How To Properly Use Our Outdoor Equipment On Our Website
- Volunteer Opportunities
- ♦ Website & Facebook
- Wood Shop OPEN 9 am-3 pm

If you are looking for ways to give back to the community or if you have extra time in your schedule, we need you! We are in need of volunteers in the following areas:

- ⇒ Art/Craft Classes
- ⇒ Bingo Set Up & Tear Down
- **⇒** Front Door Greeters
- \Rightarrow Fundraising Quilt Raffle, Super Books
- $\Rightarrow \ \ \text{Handymen or Handywomen}$
- ⇒ Light Ironing
- ⇒ Newsletter Mailing
- \Rightarrow Transportation Drivers
- \Rightarrow Wood Shop Hosts



If you are interested, please call the Center and speak to our Volunteer Coordinator, Sharyl.

Background checks are performed on all Volunteers to insure the safety of our members and for the credibility of our Center.







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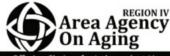
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- We are asking that everyone exit our Center by 3:45 pm so the Staff can securely close our building. All doors will be locked at 3:00 pm, EXCEPT for the main entrance, (door #1). We appreciate your cooperation!
- Remember to sign in when entering the building for any reason, even to sign up for a trip, returning a library book or signing up for a program. You need to go through the screens until you find the activity/activities you are here to attend and remember to hit **FINISH** when done so it will log your day's activities.
- Please arrive at least 10 minutes before a program is due to begin so you are not interrupting a program by arriving late.
- Please remember if you have robo call blocker, you will not receive our calls.
- Please remember to sign up for all programs that you'd like to attend. Thank you!
- VOLUNTEERS Please remember to sign in on the monitor as Volunteering and record your volunteer hours so you are accounted for on our daily number of people in our building.
- Please call ahead if you need loan equipment.
- We are in need of sympathy cards. Also, birthday cards for: daughter, daughter-inlaw, son, son-in-law, granddaughter, grandson, niece, and by age (but we do not need any for 80 years of age). No Christmas cards at this time.
- Class descriptions are available at the front desk, on our website and on the bulletin board by the gym entrance.
- If you cannot attend a program you've signed up for, please call and cancel.
- Please check the Recurring Schedule (page #8) every month. If we know that a class is cancelled when the newsletter goes to print, we will note it and you will not receive a robo call.
- To be eligible to use the services at our Senior Center, <u>you or your spouse</u> need to be 60 years of age or older. You need to be in our service area to use our transportation, run for our Board of Directors and/or vote in our Annual Board Election.

WOOD SHOP INFORMATION

Below is some general information about how our Wood Shop operates. For more details please call or stop at the front desk.

CURRENT HOURS/DAYS OF OPERATION

The Wood Shop is closed on Mondays until March 11th.

Tuesdays opens at 12:00 pm until March 11th.
Wednesday-Friday 9:00 am-3:00 pm

To use the Wood Shop, you must be a current member of SILSSC and make an appointment to sign up for a mandatory Safety Orientation Class, which are on Wednesdays only. You can make an appointment for orientation at the front desk, which is approximately 3 hours. You need to sign up 2 business days in advance to attend an orientation. The cost of our Wood Shop orientation is \$20. This fee will include a 1-month membership, which will start on the 1st business day after the orientation. Also included for this price is a project, which will include all materials to be completed during your first month. Safety glasses are mandatory. If you do not have a pair, you can purchase them at the front desk; \$2 for regular safety glasses and \$5 for glasses that fit over a prescription.

To use the Wood Shop after orientation, you need to have an active Wood Shop membership and sign all membership documents. All fees are to be paid at the front desk before you can use the Wood Shop.

Wood Shop Member Payment Plans

- \$5 daily fee
- * \$20 monthly fee
- * \$30 monthly fee for couples
- \$200 yearly fee or \$300 yearly fee for couples.

NO REFUNDS AFTER PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.

Please ask for a copy of the Member Guidelines so you are aware of how our Wood Shop operates.





IRISH STICK CHAIR CLASS

Tuesdays, March 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th (4-day class) 3:00 pm-6:00 pm - Instructor Tom Hurst Open to SJLSSC Wood Shop members only (max 4)

\$350 per person, payable at sign up-NO REFUNDS

Traditionally known for its unique design, the Irish Stick Chair is characterized by simple, rustic elements recalling authentic Irish folk art. This is an advanced craftsmanship project. Students must be a Wood Shop member and have extensive, well-rounded wood shop experience. It is recommended students park in the circle drive at the front of the building, as you will be exiting out the front exterior doors (by the Wood Shop). MUST ATTEND ALL 4 CLASSES

LIFE CARE PLANNING

Wednesday, March 5th, 1:30 pm

Life Care Planning (LCP) legal services is a holistic approach focused on helping families with every aspect of caring for someone with a chronic illness. Join Bill Westerbeke as he discusses how LCP helps people find and pay for good long-term health care by bundling protection, Medicaid benefits asset qualification. long-term services coordination, community and nursing home advocacy, crisis intervention and other services. Remember to sign up if you would like to attend.

ORGANIZED BY DESIGN

Thursday, March 6th, 1:00 pm

Professional Organizer, Becky Martin, returns for another illuminating workshop on the art of home organization. In this comprehensive workshop, you will gain insights into the world of decluttering and organization. Space is limited, so please remember to sign up.

BANDSAW BOX CLASS

Tuesday, March 18th, 9:00 am-12:00 pm Instructor Tom McDonough

Open to SJLSSC Wood Shop members only (max 4)

\$15 per person, payable at sign up-NO REFUNDS Make a bandsaw box from a single piece of wood.

HISTORIC WHITCOMB - YESTERDAY, TODAY & TOMORROW

Monday, March 17th, 10:30 am



Join Sue Veldmen, Director of Marketing & Community Outreach at The Whitcomb Senior Living Tower, for an engaging presentation on the fascinating history,

exciting present, and bright future of The Whitcomb. Learn how this iconic downtown landmark has evolved from a historic hotel into a vibrant senior living community. We'll explore historic photos, recent renovations and future plans, with interactive discussions along the way. Whether you're planning for the future or just curious about this St. Joseph treasure, sign up for this wonderful program in advance.

PEN TURNING CLASS

Monday, March 17th, 3:00 pm-6:00 pm Open to all SJLSSC members (max 6) - Instructor Tom Hurst

\$20 per person, payable at sign up-NO REFUNDS Learn to turn on the lathe and make two beautiful writing pens. It is recommended students park in the circle drive at the front of the building, as you will be exiting out the front exterior doors (by the Wood Shop).

ANNE'S REAL ESTATE ROUND TABLE, FEATURING NATE TRIPP - LAKE MICHIGAN REAL ESTATE LIQUIDATORS

Thursday, March 20th, 1:00 pm



Wondering if you need an estate sale, tag sale, auction, or perhaps just internet sales? Join real estate broker Anne Odden for Anne's Real Estate Round Table with guest Nate Tripp, as he discusses the experience of

his family's 3rd-generation company, Lake Michigan Estate Liquidators. Nate understands that every condition is unique and will discuss options for the many different situations his company has experienced. Advance registration is required, so don't forget to sign up.

VIRTUAL REALITY BOOK PROGRAM

Brian Johnston, Lincoln Township Pubic Library Tuesday, March 25th, 10:30 am-12:00 pm

The Lincoln Township Public Library (LTPL) has launched an exciting new program that brings literary classics into the 21st century. Running January-April, each month SJLSSC members will read an "assigned" book and then meet as a group to discuss the novel. The book for March is The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald. A limited number of book copies will be available at the Senior Center the last week of February. Class size is limited, so register soon!

AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE

Mondays, March 31st & April 7th 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Join Jo Ann Flowers from the AARP, A Driver Safety Volunteer, as she hosts the AARP Smart Driver Course. This is an 8-hour classroom-only course, taken over 2 days. The fee for AARP members is \$20, and for non-members \$25, payable in full the first day of class. Attendees MUST attend both sessions to receive a certificate, which can be presented to some insurance carriers for a discount. Registration is required and there is a limit on class size, so please remember to sign up to attend this class.

FRAUD PREVENTION STRATEGIES

Monday, April 14th, 10:30 am

With fraud targeting seniors 60 and older, Rachel Tompkins, UFCU Fraud Manager and the United Federal Credit Union Fraud team will be presenting information on current scams, fraud trends, how to avoid being scammed, and basic advice on fraud from the Credit Union. Advanced registration is required.

SHAKER OVAL BOX CLASS

Monday, April 14th & Tuesday, April 15th (2-day class) 12:00 pm-3:00 pm - Instructor Glen Peterson

Open to SJLSSC Wood Shop members only (max 6)

\$40 per person, payable at sign up-NO REFUNDS Students will make two beautiful oval Shaker-style boxes. Must attend both classes.



BOOK TALK - GORILLA IN THE ROOM AND OTHER STORIES

Thursday, March 27, 1:00 pm



Join us for a captivating book talk with Ed Tracy, author of Gorilla in the Room and Other Stories (Koehler Books 2021), a poignant and inspiring memoir that delves into the author's battle with late

stage cancer. An award-winning television and webcast producer, program host and Chicago theatre critic, Ed Tracy brings his storytelling and theater expertise to the page, offering a unique blend of humor and insight. In this discussion, Ed will share the inspirations and experiences behind his work, and offer a deeper look into the writing and publishing process. Please sign up at the front desk to attend.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS

Thursday, April 3rd, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm



Established in 2017, Dementia Friends Michigan (DFM) is a 1-hour informational

session designed to help you understand how to better communicate and support those with dementia. Join Julie Schwartrz from the Area Agency on Aging as she helps you learn: dementia-friendly practices, how to take action in your community, what it's like to live with the disease, and effective communication and support. Please sign up at the front desk if you would like to attend.

ART CO-OP WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

Monday, April 7th, 12:30 pm-3:00 pm \$30 per person, payable at sign up - NO REFUNDS Make checks payable to Alexandra Hibshman Limit 15



Join us for another watercolor class. Alexandra Hibshman returns to teach "Seascapes" - techniques for painting water, waves and beaches. All materials are provided.

Remember to sign up if you'd like to participate.















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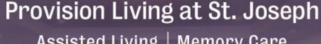




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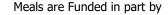


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Senior Nutrition Services Region IV

Menu Is Subject To Change Without Notice

Lunch is served 11:15 am-12:00 pm Vegetarian meal also available MARCH





Served in partnership with the Senior Center and Senior Nutrition Services, DBA Meals on Wheels of SW Michigan.

			DBA Meals on Wheels of SW Michigan.		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
3 Honey lime chicken Cilantro rice Rustic root veggies Blueberry compote	4 FAT TUESDAY Not too spicy gumbo Red beans & rice Banana pudding	5 Meatball sub Baked diced sweet pots. Mushrooms Fruit cocktail	6 Chicken teriyaki chow mein Oriental vegetables Mandarin oranges	7 Meatless goulash Beans Broccoli Apple slices	
10 Smothered pork loin Rice pilaf Asparagus cuts Apple crisp	11 Shepherd's pie Diced beets Creamed spinach Tropical mixed fruit	12 Spinach salad with chicken Cornbread Yogurt & strawberries	13 Spanish chicken/rice Mixed veggies Carrot coins Peaches	14 Baked potato Black beans & cheese Broccoli florets Mandarin oranges	
17 Corned beef/ cabbage, red potatoes & carrots Biscuit Irish fluff	18 Sweet & sour chik'n Rice Oriental veggie blend Pineapple tidbits	19 Lentil stew Whole wheat bread Tossed salad w/ranch Fruit crisp	20 Cheeseburger Potato wedges Green peas Berry applesauce	21 Chickpea spaghetti Marinara sauce Italian green beans Fruit crisp	
24 Meatloaf Mashed potatoes Broccoli Peaches	25 Chicken alfredo Spinach Green beans/peppers Tropical fruit mix	26 White bean chicken chili/carrot coins Crackers Warm cinnamon apples	27 Beef & cheese enchiladas Veggie blend/peas Pineapples	28 Vegetable frittata Sweet potato hash Banana Birthday cake	
31 BBQ pork ribette Mac & cheese Italian green beans Fruit cocktail	S) E				
St. HAPPY A DAY TO DAY			Meals provide Carbs: 75 grams Calories: 800 avg. Sodium: 800 mg Protein: 19 grams Total fat: 30% 2% Milk	Your donation toward the cost of the meal helps to make sure that these meals can continue. Please be as generous as you can. We thank you!	

Please support the St. Joseph-Lincoln Senior Service Center by attending this event. Everyone

is welcome!

Chan's Garden

310 State Street, St. Joseph

March 18th-21st

Hours: 11:30 am-7:30 pm Phone: 269-983-2609 Dine-In or Takeout

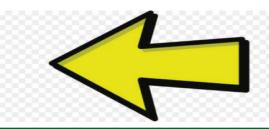
Offer valid only on these dates.

Chinese Restaurant

SJLSSC will receive 15% of your food purchase. Tax and gratuity are not included.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE CENTER!

If you are unable to make it into the Center to pick up a voucher, just snip this one from our newsletter and present it upon purchase of your meal. Need more than 1 voucher? Feel free to make a copy of this one. We thank you in advance for supporting the St. Joseph-Lincoln Senior Service Center.





To everyone who brings goodies or snacks: Carrie Fisher, Jane Jeffery, Millie Carney, Adolf Pelzer, Joyce Wood, Connie Yore, Sharon Kabel, Debra Mihlhauser, Lani Agens, Lisa Hilton, Mary Jane Hiler, Celina Bevelhymer, Sandy Andert, Janet Smiedendorf, Sally Matzke, and Dolores Frantz.

To everyone who donates other items that benefit the Center and Members:
Sandra Kay's Bakery, Walgreens - Stevensville, Vickie Nordberg, Tim Kragt,
Peggy Miller, John Hylok, Chris & Judy White, Deb & John Terry, Jane Jeffery,
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Anonymous, Chris Wright, Mary Jane Hiler, Jane Marshall, Pauline Fox, Diane Wollenslegel, Bob Hauch, George Turner, Dolores Frantz, Jane Marshall, Mina Halsey, Deb Bodine, and Kim & Gregg Blanchard.

MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS:

- Erlinda Huntington, Ruth Betker and Anonymous Donors made <u>Donations to our Transportation Program</u>.
- * Joe Mikowski and Celina Bevelhymer made a Donation to the Building Fund.
- * Stan Comstock made a <u>Donation to Parkinson's Exercise</u>.
- * Shirley Johnson made a <u>Donation to our Brick Fundraiser</u>.
- * Charles & Lorraine Jespersen, Sharon Nystuen, Merrily Mahon & Suzanne Jewell made <u>Donations to our Growth Endowment Fund through the Berrien Community Foundation.</u>
- Pauline Fox, Aileen VandeKoppe, Jill Kerby, Mary Sundblad, Denny & Terri Swanson, Merrily Mahon, J.W. & K.A. Hanley, Donald & Karen Brown, Jim Thompson, Dea Carle, Steve & Deda Winkler, Gary & May Sisson, Mark & Cynthia Herzog, Gary & Diane Kurek, Gayle Coon and Marcie Kelly made a Donation in Memory of Joe Ferrier.
- * Bob & Gloria Hopkins and Donna Lippert made a <u>Donation of Thrivent Choice Dollars.</u>

Many thanks to Tom & Lisa Swank for initializing the January Challenge in the Circuit Training Room for members to donate disinfectant wipes. We received 64 containers and through a Thrivent donation that number was matched. We should have enough disinfectant wipes for a while!

WISH LIST: Muffins, individually wrapped candy, store bought breakfast pastries, coffee cakes, and bottled water.

FRIENDSHIIP GARDEN



We're growing! Due to the success of the Friendship Garden harvest last year that many of our members enjoyed, volunteers have been enthusiastically making strategic plans on how to improve the 2025 season. After working diligently throughout the winter, we have devised a total renovation of the Friendship Garden that will be even more beautiful and bountiful. The new design is aimed to provide you with more variety, better quality, and quantity of the veggies we grow. In order to complete this feat and serve you more, we need your help to implement these improvements and maintain it. Unfortunately, money is the one thing we cannot grow!

DONATIONS are greatly needed and appreciated! Please take your donations to the receptionist and specify that it is for the **FRIENDSHIP GARDEN**. Thank you in advance ~ **Friendship Garden Volunteers**.

SJLSSC GOLF 2025 CO-ED GOLF LEAGUE



You must be a member of the Center to join this league. Not a member? Visit us and sign up at the front desk. We play individuals, instead of teams, at Pebblewood Golf Course in Bridgman. 2025 league fees are \$240 unless you're a Pebblewood member, then it's free. Make your check payable to Bob Hopkins by the end of March. You can drop it off at the SJLSSC front desk. You can play at Pebblewood without green fees on Tuesdays as long as the course is open. Our scheduled foursome tee times will begin at 10:00 am Tuesday mornings beginning April 29th. In our 20-week season, you'll be scheduled to play against 20 different players, men and women. Women play from the red tees, and men who are 75 and older also play from the red tees. Younger men play from the gold tees. Each

match is played over 9 holes with 100% handicap. Handicap is the average of your last 5 rounds. Bob Hopkins will be accepting new league members up until April 18th. Married couples can choose to always play in the same foursome, **OR** 1 spouse can choose to play in the following foursome. That way you'll only need 1 cart. Anyone signing up after April 18th will be added to our subs list. Subs don't have to pay to join, and will get lots of opportunities to play. To join the league or get more information, contact Bob by email at hopkins6314@gmail.com. It's time to dig out those clubs!!

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National Do-Not-Call	(888) 382-1222
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Social Security	(800) 772-1213
To Report a Scam-Treasury Dept.	(800) 366-4484
Veterans Affairs Office	(269) 983-7111



MARCH ACTIVITIES

- 3 Art Co-Op Offsite 1:00-3:00 pm
- 4 Wood Shop Irish Stick Chair 3:00 pm-6:00 pm
- 5 Life Care Planning 1:30 pm
- 6 Organized by Design 1:00 pm
- 11 Cornhole Days 10:00 am-12:00 pm
- 11 Wood Shop Irish Stick Chair 3:00 pm-6:00 pm
- 12 Book Club 10:00 am
- 13 Bingo 1:00 pm \$1
- 17 Wood Shop Pen Turning Class 3:00 pm-6:00 pm
- 18 Wood Shop Band saw Box 9:00 am-12:00 pm
- 18 Cornhole Days 10:00 am-12:00 pm
- 20 Board Meeting 10:00 am
- 20 Anne's Real Estate Round Table 1:00 pm
- 21 Commodities 9:00 am-11:00 am
- 21 Cookies & Canvas 12:00 pm-3:00 pm
- 25 Virtual Reality Book Club 10:30 am-12:00 pm
- 25 Stamp Camp 12:00 pm-3:30 pm
- 26 Newsletter Mailing 8:30 am NEW TIME!!
- 27 Bingo 1:00 pm
- 27 Book Talk 1:00 pm
- 31 AARP Smart Driver Course 8:00 am-12:00 pm



The Center will be closed on Tuesday, April 2nd, for all activities & transportation.