

The Next Chapter

Our mission is to enhance the quality of life and well-being for area seniors and their families.

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Inclement Weather Policy The Chelsea Senior Center closes when the CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT CLOSES for SNOW or ICE or EXTREME COLD. All programs, on-site congregate lunch, and home delivered meals are cancelled when CSC is closed for bad weather. Check local radio or television stations, or Chelsea School District's social media accounts, for closing information. If CSC is closed, our telephone voicemail message will be updated by 8:00 a.m. stating the closure (734) 475-9242.



Generations Interviews

Thursday, December 4, and Friday, December 5 9:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Seniors, we need your wisdom, stories, and voices. Beach Middle School 6th grade students will visit CSC to work on a Generations assignment. We encourage you to volunteer (we need LOTS!) and take time to

share your history, experiences, and interesting lives with the younger generation. To register as a volunteer please call or email CSC with your name and phone number.



December Birthdays Celebration

Friday, December 5 at Noon

Hosted by Comfort Keepers. Join us to celebrate December birthdays! Enjoy a tasty lunch

and have fun this month decorating cookies with friends. To register call or email CSC.



Mitchell Community Christmas Lunch

Friday, December 19

Doors open at Noon, Register by Dec 15

Presenting sponsor Staffan Mitchell Funeral Home. Join friends for this annual traditional meal at CSC.

Registration is required to reserve a meal. Space is limited. Register by Dec 5 by calling CSC.



Disability Rights Michigan 101

Wednesday, December 3, 1:00 p.m.

Presented by Disability Rights Michigan. Drop in and learn how DRM protects & advocates for the rights of people with disabilities across the state. As many people encounter disability for the first time as they age, understanding your rights & available support becomes especially important. This presentation will cover DRM & the National Protection and Advocacy Network, what they do, and how they can help when rights are at risk. Whether you are an older adult, a caregiver, or a service provider, you will come away with practical tools & resources to support disability rights in your community. Drop in and join us!



Gifts of Autumn

Join us for a fundraising tradition, Gifts of Autumn, as we celebrate your generosity, ask that you continue to support CSC financially, and enjoy an evening of food, fun, and smiles! To attend this fundraising event, call or email CSC with your name and phone number.



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Holiday Sing-along

Thursday, December 11, 12:30 p.m.

Drop in and join us as we raise our voices together in song to celebrate the season. Led by Kathleen Daniels and accompanied on piano by

Pam Mansfield, enjoy a good old fashioned Christmas tune sing-along complete with a hot chocolate bar and holiday cookies. Be sure to mark your calendars for this first of what we hope will be a long standing holiday tradition at CSC. Drop in and sing along with us!



December Dress-Up Spirit Week!

Chase away the December blues and enjoy Spirit Week at CSC. Each day, if you choose, dress up according to the themes below. Share some December Spirit and have fun!

Monday, Dec 15; Winter Wonderland: wear your whites, blues, and sparkles.

Tuesday, Dec 16; Grinch Day: Grinch green & Whoville fun.



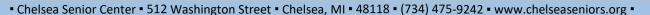
Wednesday, Dec 17; Channel Your *Flannel*: wear your favorite flannel

Thursday, Dec 18; Holiday Head wear & *Mistletoe*: hats, headbands, earrings, socks.

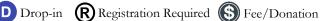
Friday, Dec 19; Festive Friday: get decked out and wear all of your most festive gear!













Art for Life: Evolution of Santa Thursday, December 11, 3:00 p.m. Suggested \$5 donation



Presented by Kathy Gunderson. Join Kathy as she follows the evolution of a 4th century saint from Turkey to that "jolly old elf" we know today as Santa Claus. Santa has become a blend of cultures, legends, religions and even politics, who for centuries has brought us magic, hope and joy during the holiday season. To register call or email CSC with your name & phone number.



Knit & Crochet Group Pre-Holiday Sale: Friday, December 5 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.





Need help finding a gift? Stop by the Lobby and see the group's handcrafted products for sale: hats, scarves, mittens, lap robes, towels, dishcloths, scrubbies, and so much more! All proceeds to benefit the Chelsea Senior Center.



Time Travel with Tom Senior Center Exploring Members' Stories and CSC's 60 years! Tuesday, December 9, 1:00 p.m.



Hosted by Tom Higgins. Drop in for this special monthly series featuring live interviews with CSC members from past and present. Look back with us and learn more about CSC's impact. This month's interview: Jim Randolph



<u>Ask an Expert:</u> Healthy, Happy, and Ageless for the Holidays



an **EXPERT** Wednesday, December 10, 11:15 a.m.

Facilitated by Sophia Speroff, Registered Dietician, & Betty Chaffee, your friendly neighborhood pharmacist. 'Tis the season to feel your best! Discover how healthy eating, medication awareness, and active living work together to keep you strong and vibrant through the holidays and beyond. The best gift you can give yourself? A healthier, happier you! To register, call or email CSC with your name & phone number.

- Due to special events and the holidays, there are several program changes in December. Please carefully review the calendar on pages 8 & 9 for event schedule.
- CSC will be closed for the holidays on Dec 24, 25, 26, 31, Jan 1, and Jan 2.
- Happy Hour returns January 2026.



We are excited to share that as of November 1, 2025, the Chelsea Senior Center has entered into agreement with Chelsea Schools District for technology support here in our building. We have a long-standing, collaborative relationship with the district, and this new agreement will help CSC and CSD grow together into the future in this space.

We have received a lot of helpful feedback so far, and we hear you! Among the many upgrades that we have in the works, in order to better serve all, are:

- A boosted and more reliable WiFi signal throughout all classrooms and program areas in the building.
- Enhanced voice amplification technology to better, and more easily, provide program leaders the ability to be heard at higher volume. Our hope is for each classroom to have its own dedicated microphone system.
- Expanding our ability to share more CSC programming remotely, for those isolated or homebound.

Safety in our building is paramount. One upgrade you may have already noticed in some of our classrooms (111, 112, 113 and 114) is the addition of a dedicated telephone. These phones will allow program leaders and you to much easier contact the CSC main office in the event of an emergency. Instructions on how to quickly dial the front office will soon be posted at each telephone set.

Additionally, we are thrilled with the response so far to our new lobby Ambassador Welcome Area, and re-location of the check-in kiosk to the main lobby. Many of you have commented on how much traffic flow has improved with this change. Soon we will have a more substantial and permanent Ambassador desk in place, to even better welcome and guide everyone who comes into our building. We're learning as we go, but the Ambassador program is already meeting a need we have long recognized and hoped to address.

Look for these and more improvements in the near future, and please continue to let us know how we can make the Chelsea Senior Center even better for you!

Staff Senior Center

Jennifer Smith Executive Director Jon Van Hoek Assistant Director Meredith Nelson Administrative Coordinator Jan Scarbrough Bookkeeper **Gina Frankhart** Senior Services Coordinator Marcia White Member & Volunteer Services Coordinator Emily Nagaonkar Ease the Day Program Manager **Dawn Putnam** Connections Coordinator Bonnie Beeman Senior Nutrition Program Coordinator Sam Angus Ease the Day Program Coordinator **Diane Thompson** Office Manager



CSC has been offering services beyond our walls since 2013. We

provide referrals & resource lists for many requests including in-home care, house cleaning, handyman services, and transportation needs. *For more* information call, email, or stop by CSC.

CSC continues to connect area seniors to transportation options. The WAVE Bus is our



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go-to option that provides transportation for all living and traveling in greater Western Washtenaw County to the rest of the county. For more information visit www.ridethewavebus.org. To schedule a ride with WAVE call (734) 475-9494. When there is a need that WAVE cannot meet, CSC can connect seniors with other options. For more information on transportation options for seniors please call, email, or stop by CSC.



Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition **Program** provides meals to seniors who are 60

years of age and better.

Senior Café: Lunch is served each weekday in the cafeteria at Noon. Doors open at 11:45 am. See page 15 for this month's menu . Please call to reserve a meal.

Meals on Wheels: Home delivered meals is an option available for seniors who are homebound. The program delivers meals in Chelsea five days/week and in Manchester two days/week. If you know of someone who could benefit from a friendly check in and a hot meal delivered, call CSC for more information.

Cost per meal is \$5 if you are under 60 and a \$3-\$5 suggested donation if you are 60 or better.

The Trinh Pifer Intergenerational Garden provides space



Intergenerational Garden

and activities for multiple generations to engage and collaborate. Keep a lookout for garden activities and events!

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A NOTE FROM JENNIFER...

I cannot believe that it is December 2025. It's been 5 years since the pandemic when all humans experienced the same global threat. The world is a changing place as are our communities, but some things remain constant. For me, it's people. I am humbled and inspired by the people who came before me, who helped shape, nurture, and create the Chelsea Senior Center. Their vision, forward thinking, insightfulness, responsiveness, focus on seniors, and great financial stewardship inspires me each day.

An example: back in 2013, Chelsea Community Senior Services (C2S2) was



launched as a program of the Chelsea Senior Center. C2S2 began as a grassroots collaboration among many community partners with a shared focus on "Aging in Place." For Chelsea Senior Center, this focus has not changed. All that we offer seeks to support those of us who are getting older, so seniors can live in their homes safely, independently, in a familiar environment regardless of age, income, or ability. We have more to do! Expanding C2S2 is one way that we can better meet you where you are in your aging journey.

Introducing *A Brief Stop*, an adult personal needs closet that is available to all seniors in our area. Opening December 2 at CSC, A Brief Stop will have available a variety of adult briefs and pads alongside other related products to help us live with confidence as we connect and engage in our daily lives. A Brief Stop seeks to supplement regular needs and be a discreet, easily accessible, frequently open space. Donations of products, financial contributions, and many volunteer hours will help us keep A Brief Stop a vital resource for area seniors.

How are we able to expand in this way? The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners recently granted funds to the Chelsea Senior Center, alongside 10 other Centers, tasking us to continue to be the trusted boots on the ground, senior-serving organizations that we are and who reflect our unique communities and support the seniors within our reach. These funds, collected through the older persons millage from many of us, taxpayers in Washtenaw County, will boost the unique needs of each senior center organization and will be put to good use in ways that make sense for the seniors and Centers in each community. A Brief Stop is the first way we're rising to the task. We have much more to share. Stay tuned!

My ears are always ready to listen, and my door is always open. Please seek me out if you'd like to chat, have concerns to share, or need a spot to just be.

Jennifer

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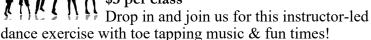
Happy Trails Hike (R)Faster paced for the steady trekker Fridays at 10:00 a.m. (no hikes 12/26 & 1/2)

Facilitated by Lizzy Wilson. Join Lizzy as she leads brisk 2 to 3-mile hikes that destinations vary each week. Must have Michigan Recreation Pass on vehicle and a current CSC membership or signed Participant Waiver. If you need to know hike location prior to registering, call CSC. *NOTE: Hikes will be canceled for ice, below zero temperatures, or high wind. *You must register each week. Call or email CSC your name, phone number, email address, and date of



hike.

Line Dancing Mondays, 8:30-9:30 am \$3 per class





Square Dancing Thursdays, 1:00-2:30 p.m. \$2 per class



Drop in and join Walt each week to learn, dance, meet new friends, & have fun. Singles welcome! Group works best if there are at least 8 people each time. \$2 class fee payable to Walt. For more information contact CSC.



Genealogy Help Group Monday, December 8, 1:00 pm Facilitated by Bill O'Reilly. Gather to share ideas & techniques on tracing your family history, for all levels of understanding and research.



TOPS Club Take Off Pounds Sensibly Thursdays

9:00-9:45 a.m. Weigh-In Real Weight Loss.® 9:45-10:45 a.m. Meeting

We can't guarantee weight loss just by attending meetings, but we can offer support through each stage of the journey, including after you reach your goal weight. Join us, first meeting is free! \$70 New Membership; \$1/meeting, both payable to the TOPS Club Leader. For more information call CSC or visit TOPS Club website: www.tops.org



Red Hat Ladies Meets monthly



engage, have fun and enjoy friendship. Their next gathering is Tuesday, December 9, 11:30 a.m., Aubree's Pizzeria & Grill, 8031 Main St #101, Dexter. For more information call coordinator Babette (734) 904-8718.

Blood Pressure Checks D See calendar for dates & times. Meets in the Lobby. Thank you to our volunteer nurses for their time & service!



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<u>Senior Fun Bowling at Chelsea Lanes</u> (R)

Wednesdays 1:00 p.m., August-May Join the gang at the alleys for fun & friendly competition. Join a team or be a sub! For

more information call Chelsea Lanes (734) 475-8141.



Estate Planning O&A 3rd Wednesday, 11 a.m.-Noon

Facilitated by Leigh A. Beauchamp, Estate Planning Attorney. Drop in and join Leigh for this casual Q&A. It is not intended to

replace meeting with a lawyer regarding your specific needs.



Loss & Healing Group Every Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.

Facilitated by Gina Frankhart & Ginnie *Hartman*. Are you coping with a loss and need a place to talk, share, listen, and heal? Join us to learn about the stages of grief, coping skills, and creative expression. To register call or email CSC with your name & phone number.



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A Moment For Me: A Caregiver Support Group Every other Wednesday, 9:45 a.m.



Facilitated by Ginnie Hartman. Group is open to any family caregiver who could use a break & benefit from the support of others with similar changes to their lives. Caregivers, you are welcome to bring your loved ones who will benefit from the safe & nurturing environment of CSC's Ease the Day adult day program while you build a support network. **Pre-registration is required for respite care. To register call or email CSC with your name & phone number.



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Ease the Day: Caregiver Respite **Adult Day Program at CSC**



Are you at home caring for a loved one? Looking for a break from the routine, a little time to yourself and a social opportunity for the person for whom you care? This break from caregiving is powered by CSC staff and outstanding community volunteers. If you know of someone who could use a break, wants to give their loved one a fun, engaging time with others,



and lives in our area, call us. We have options to help.

> For more information call Chelsea Senior Center (734) 475-9242 or email caregiversupport@chelseaseniors.org

Footcare Appointments w/ Heather Schanz, BSN, RN, CDP, FCN



Heather provides quality, preventative routine foot care for seniors that is safe & gentle. This 30 minute service is available by appointment-only. Fees determined by Heather. This service is private pay; insurance can not be billed for this service. To schedule an appointment call Heather directly: (414) 436-6876.

Chair Massage w/ Sue Rodgers



Enjoy a relaxing, seated chair massage by licensed massage therapist Sue Rodgers. This service is available by appointment-only. Fees

determined by Sue. To schedule an appointment call Sue directly: (734) 320-1564.

Rankin Hearing Checks: Rankin



audiology & hearing Audiology & Hearing in Chelsea will provide, at their office, complimentary hearing screening. Give Rankin a call: (800) 437-9923.



Notary Public Service



CSC has two Notaries on our team. Call CSC for an appointment.

Donations to our C2S2 Program appreciated.

Chelsea Community Social Worker: Emilee Fetters



Emilee provides support & resources to families, students, seniors and anyone in the community who could benefit from having an advocate or someone to talk to about mental health & well-being. To contact Emilee call or email CSC and we will connect you with her.



Paper Shredding Service Bv Appointment Only



This service is **by appointment only**. You will have a **two hour** time block, which is approximately 16 inches of paper, to patiently feed your papers 10 sheets at a time through the machine yourself. This machine is for PAPER ONLY; NO staples, paperclips, plastic, metal, envelopes, folders, CDs, or DVDs. Recycle & trash bins will be available for non-sensitive paper materials. *Prior to your appointment we encourage you to remove paper from folders & envelopes, take out staples, remove paper clips, etc. * Check in at the CSC office, \$10 donation per 2-hour appointment expected, and a staff member will show you how to operate the machine. To schedule an appointment give CSC a call.



Secretary of State Mobile Office Appointments at CSC



Tuesday, December 2, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The Michigan Secretary of State Mobile Office will be at CSC to provide their services to help you complete Secretary of State transactions including State ID, Driver's License, Voter Registration, Vehicle and Plate transactions, Disability Parking Placards, and more. **Appointment is required.** All transaction fees payable to the State of Michigan. For more information or to schedule an appointment give CSC a call (734) 475-9242.



Mending Service *This service is for CSC Members*



Simple repairs, hemming, simple zipper replacement. Clothes must be freshly cleaned,

placed in a bag with your name, phone number, description of repair needed clearly labeled on bag. Drop off bag to CSC Front Desk. *Donations to C2S2 program appreciated.*



Technology Support



Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.-Noon

Need help with your computer, laptop, phone, or tablet? We have expert volunteers who can

help and offer guidance; bring in your device, passwords and/or log-in IDs so they can better assist you. Donations to our C2S2 program appreciated.



State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)



SHIP is Michigan's FREE, unbiased resource to help you navigate Medicare. Their certified counselors can help you better understand your Medicare

benefits. For more information or for assistance call SHIP directly: (800) 803-7174.

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Drop-in and try new games & meet new people! \$ optional pay-to-play for prizes

BINGO

Mondays & Fridays, 9:00 a.m. \$

Bingo cards and place markers available, members available to teach you how to play.

Pool/Billiards

Mondays & Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.

Table in Room 113, drop-in play, all skill levels welcome, cues available and members available to teach you how to play.

Hand & Foot Mondays, 12:30 p.m.

Drop-in card game, all skill levels welcome, members available to teach you how to play.

Mexican Train Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m.

Try this modern version of traditional dominos game, members available to teach you how to play.

Game Time

Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.

Your choice of *Mah-Jongg*, *Pinochle*, *Scrabble*, and more, all skill levels welcome, members available to teach you how to play.

Bridge

Thursdays, 12:30 p.m.

Trick-taking card game, all skill levels welcome, members available to teach you how to play.

Cribbage

Fridays, 10:00 a.m.

Involves playing & grouping cards in combinations to gain points, all skill levels welcome, members available to teach you how to play.

Euchre

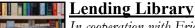
Fridays, 12:45 p.m. \$

Trick-taking card game, all skill levels & new players welcome, members available to teach you how to play.



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In cooperation with Friends of the CDL Located in Room 112, there are no fees, no checkout, and no time



limit when a **book or puzzle** is borrowed. Simply return when finished!

Community Computer Use

Weekdays, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. CSC's community computers w/internet & printers are available for CSC Members to use in Room 113 during our regular business hours.





Cranium Crunchers Mondays

12:45-2:00 p.m.

Facilitated by Gina Frankhart

Join us for games and activities designed to improve cognition, memory function, and foster discussion. We have games, discussions, exercises, fun, and more!

Newsletter Assembly

Join us as we fold and label each newsletter for monthly mailing to CSC membership. See calendar for date and time.





Open Painting Studio w/Chelsea Artists Guild

Thursdays, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Enjoy open painting studio time and artistic fellowship with CSC membership.

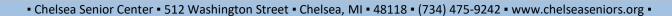
Bring your own materials. No instruction provided.



Paper Crafts: Card Making 2nd Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

Taught by Camille Bauer. Creative instruction & all materials provided. Leave with 3

personalized cards unique to the current month and general themes. \$10 class fee payable to Camille. To register call or email CSC with your name & phone number.

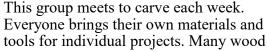


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Woodcarving

Fridays, 10:00 a.m.-Noon



carvers have basic tools on hand to share and are happy to provide instruction. Stop in and check it out!



Ukulele

Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

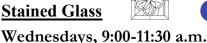
New players always welcome!

Group meets weekly to practice & learn new songs. CSC has ukuleles to borrow if you want to try playing before you buy one, just

stop by CSC office to sign one out.



Stained Glass



Join us to create a piece at your own pace under the supervision of a patient instructor. Glass, all materials, & tools provided. All levels of skill are welcome. Great gift idea! \$3 per class fee.



Jam Sessions

Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.

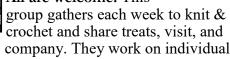
Grab your instrument, bring your musical talents and enjoy some time to jam. All musicians

welcome: vocalists, woodwind & brass players, string players, percussionists, guitarists, etc. Listeners welcome too so drop in & join us!



Knit & Crochet Group

Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. All are welcome! This



enjoy each others' company. They work on individual projects or pieces to donate using donated yarn. Check out their hand-crafted items for sale in Room 112. All are invited, even if you don't knit or crochet, to have a seat, visit, and enjoy a treat!



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1st Tuesday, 12:45 p.m.

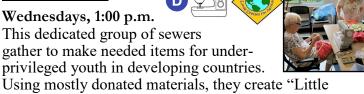
For people who love to sing along to songs they hear. No voice training or choral experience needed. We'll sing

to different genres, and when all the words don't come flooding back when you start, lyrics will be provided. Worried about singing? Drop in to dance or just listen and enjoy the music!



Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.

This dedicated group of sewers gather to make needed items for under-



Dresses" for young girls, shorts for boys, and long, ankle length skirts, and feminine pad kits for older girls. If you are looking for a way to get involved, consider volunteering to help! Join us to iron, cut, sew, and smile!



Silver Maples & Friends Choir

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. Choir meets at Silver Maples of Chelsea

All seniors, CSC members & Silver Maples residents, are welcome to add voices to the mix and enjoy the fellowship that sharing a love of music brings. Choir meets at Silver Maples. For more information contact

Quilting

Tuesdays, 1:00-4:00 p.m. All are welcome!



Quilters work on either personal or collaborative projects made from donated fabric and materials. Join us for All-Day Quilting on the last Tuesday of each month 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



Writers Group: Thoughts & Paragraphs

3rd Wednesday, 1:00 p.m.





Facilitated by Jan Bernath.

Drop in to share your experience and perspectives on life with seniors who meet monthly to read their stories to fellow writers. The purpose is to express yourself on paper in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. Having an attentive, interested audience to listen to and enjoy what you write can be motivating!

choir director Jeff Crowder: jdcrwdr@gmail.com

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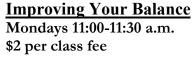
Movement | Exercise

D Drop-in (R) Registration Required (S) Fee/Donation



Mondays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. (skip 12/29)

Instructor Dianna Kause. A gentle, meditative practice with breathing, stretching, balance & flexibility. Designed for those able to transition from floor to standing. Variations & props are offered. Limited supply of mats, blocks, blankets. {Classes thru Dec 8 are free thanks to Washtenaw Community College Senior Emeritus Program.}





Instructor Pam Mansfield. Join us for this exercise class that takes steps to have better balance & prevent falls. This class will include information on the different aspects of balance, and exercises to improve our ability to keep standing. Exercises will be adapted to the capabilities of participants. \$2 per class payable to Pam.

Walking Halls at WSEC

Weekdays, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Check-in at CSC Kiosk before you begin. 16 laps around the "Lobby Loop" is one

mile. So grab a friend and get moving!



Enhance Fitness Exercise D Mon-Wed-Fri; 9:45-10:45 a.m. \$2/class suggested donation

Enhance Fitness is an evidence based fitness program geared toward improving the overall functional fitness and well-being of older adults. Classes focus on cardio vascular conditioning, strength training, flexibility, and balance training. Instructors are certified. Bring your own water bottle. {Monday Classes thru Nov 24 are free thanks to Washtenaw Community College Senior Emeritus Program.}



Fridays; last class of semester Dec 5 Beginning Level: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Intermediate Level: 11:40 a.m.-12:40 p.m.

Instructor Karla Groesbeck. Reduce stress & increase vitality through these natural & compelling movements. No matter age or fitness level, the practice of meditation & mind-body exercise can bring calm, improve your flexibility, balance, motor skills, & mental focus. {Classes are free thanks to the Washtenaw Community College Senior Emeritus Program.}



Chair Yoga

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.-Noon (skip 12/4)

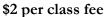


Instructor Dianna Kause. This class is accessible to everyone! Practice meditative breathing to quiet the mind while gaining flexibility, balance & strength. Option to stay seated for entire class or stand on the floor or on a yoga mat. Variations & props are offered. Limited supply of mats, blocks, blankets. {Classes thru Dec 18 are free thanks to Washtenaw Community College Senior Emeritus Program.}



Body Core Strengthening

Wednesdays, 11:00-11:30 a.m.



Instructor Barb Kindt. Join us for this exercise class on core strengthening. Bring your yoga mat and water bottle. Must be able to get down on floor on your mat and back up to standing position. \$2 per class fee payable to Barb.

Movin' & Groovin'

Tuesdays, 11:00-11:30 a.m. Thursdays, 9:45-10:15 a.m.



Get a great workout with this 30-minute adaptive movement

exercise class provided by *Ballet Chelsea*. Sit, stand, move & groove to the music, and have fun!



CSC Indoor Pickleball Club

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-2:30* p.m. \$25/year CSC Membership AND \$20/year Indoor Pickleball Club Fee

Indoor play at WSEC. Both drop-in and court sign-up sessions available. Remember to always sign in at a CSC kiosk each time you come in to play and make sure your memberships are current. *Thursday court time ends at

12:30 p.m. For more information contact CSC.



Cardio Drumming

Tuesdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Thursdays, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

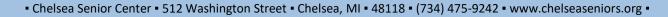




\$1 suggested donation to cover equipment

Cardio Drumming provides a whole brain & whole body workout that promotes cognitive, physical, social, & emotional health at all life

stages. You can participate at your level: seated or standing. We have balls & tubs to use or you can bring your own. Drumsticks are available to purchase in office for \$3.





CSC Travel Opportunities





Nite Lites at MIS

Brooklyn, MI

Thursday, December 11, \$99/person Depart 4:15 p.m., Return 8:30 p.m.

WAIT LIST ONLY



New Year's Eve on the River

Cincinnati, OH/Covington, KY



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December 30 - January 1 \$919/Single PP - \$899/Double PP

Price includes escorted roundtrip coach transportation, two nights accommodations on Cincinnati Riverfront, tour & sight-seeing, NYE river cruise, and so much more! \$100 deposit due at Registration. Full payment due Nov 30.



Mystery Trip

Wednesday, January 14, \$77/person Depart 10:30 a.m., Return 3:00 p.m.

Price includes roundtrip coach transportation, driver tip, admission, and an early lunch. <u>Trip Clue</u>: we will travel not too far. George Washington would liked this and Red Riding Hood would have said, "Grandmother, what big _you have..." You and others may benefit from this trip. <u>NOTE</u>: trip will include a lot of walking. **Full payment due at Registration.**



Hamtramck Perogies & Paczkis



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Thursday, February 12, \$132/person Depart 8:45 a.m., Return 3:45 p.m.

WAIT LIST ONLY



Michigan Thrift Store

<u>Adventure</u>

Thursday, March 19, \$95/person Depart 8:00 a.m., Return 5:30 p.m.

Price includes roundtrip coach transportation, lunch at Clara's on the River in Battle Creek, a shopping bag, and driver tip. \$25 deposit due at Registration. Full payment due Feb 19.



Holland Tulip Time

Holland, MI



Thursday, May 7, \$158/person
Depart 7:45 a.m., Return 5:45 p.m.

Price includes roundtrip coach transportation, lunch at Curragh Irish Pub & Restaurant in Holland, shopping time in downtown Holland, visit at Veldheer Tulip Gardens, and driver tip. \$25 deposit due at Registration. Full payment due April 7.



Canal Days

Grand Rapids, Ohio

Wednesday, June 10, \$112/person Depart 8:15 a.m., Return 5:30 p.m.

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Price includes escorted roundtrip coach transportation, stop at Jeffrey's Antique Gallery, lunch at Miss Lilly's, a mule drawn canal boat ride along the Miami & Erie Canal, and driver tip. \$25 deposit due at Registration. Full payment due May 10.











Registration:

- Payment is required to register for a trip. No over the phone payment accepted.
- All ages welcome! Non-CSC Members must have a Non-Member Participant Form on file at CSC.

Trip Communication:

CSC sends AUTOMATED CALLS before all trips in order to share payment due reminders and specific trip information. These calls show up on caller ID as *Suspected Spam*. **PLEASE ANSWER** because answering machines and voicemails do not handle these messages well and you will miss valuable trip information.

Departure Information:

- You must travel with the group to and from CSC in order to participate in these trips.
- All trips leave from CSC's large east parking lot. Arrive 30 minutes prior to trip's departure time to insure group leaves on schedule. Park your vehicle in the 3rd or 4th row of lot.

Cancellation Policy:

- Cancellation of a trip before 30 days of departure date is fully refundable. Refund will be issued prior to the trip's departure date.
- Cancellation within the 30 days of departure date is non-refundable. Exception: IF a trip is a 'Wait-List-Only' status, and IF your spot is filled by a Wait List member, a refund will be issued after the trip departure date.

Connections | Community



<u>Chelsea Hospital</u> <u>Community</u> Christmas Dinner

Thursday, December 25 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

At the Chelsea Hospital Dining Room

Members of our community who would be alone on Christmas Day or who cannot afford a Christmas meal are invited to gather for a free meal at Chelsea Hospital's Dining Room, Registration

Hospital's Dining Room. <u>Registration</u> required by Thu Dec 18.

Space is limited. Register by calling Chelsea Senior Center (734) 475-9242





Chelsea Chamber Players Annual Hometown Holiday Concert Sunday December 7th, 7:00 p.m. Chelsea First United Methodist Church FREE ADMISSION

Celebrate the season with music that warms the heart! This collaborative community event features enchanting performances by the Chelsea Chamber Players, St. Joseph Parish Choirs,



Saturday, December 6, 2025 | 6pm



Stay informed & connected! Communicating with our Membership

CSC has an amazing communication method that we use to let our members know of:

weekly updates

when we are closed

when classes are unexpectantly cancelled
share information with those signed up on a trip

If you are not receiving these emails or automated phone call communications, please let CSC know.



AARP Free Tax Preparation Assistance



Appointments run Feb-Apr 2026

Scheduling begins mid-January 2026

This FREE tax preparation assistance service is provided by trained IRS/AARP Volunteers and intended for Older Adults who have lower income levels and simple returns. AARP membership is not required. The volunteers can assist with Federal and Michigan (no other states) 1040 forms and credits and amended returns. Returns are submitted electronically and you will receive a paper copy to take home. They can also offer advice if you are doing your own return and have questions. For more information or to schedule an appointment call CSC starting middle of January 2026.



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| EMBER 2025 ENIOR CENTER MENU | FRIDAY | EIRTHDAY CELEBRATION Meatloaf/Gravy Whipped Potatoes Green Beans Applesauce WG Bread 2 | 12 Chicken Parmesan Spaghetti w Sauce Carrots Grape Juice | Christmas Luncheon Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Bean Casserole WG Dinner Roll | 26 Chelsea Senior Center Closed | Chelsea Senior Center Closed |
| EMBER 2 | THURSDAY | 4 Sweet & Sour Chicken WG Brown Rice Peas Com | 11 Beef Hot Dog Baked Beans Mixed Vegetables Orange WG Bun | 18 Chicken Patty Redskin Potatoes Com Orange WG Bun | 25 Chelsea Senior Center Closed Merry Christmas! | Chelsea Senior Center Closed Happy New Year! |
| | WEDNESDAY | 3 Turkey Reuben on WG Bread Sourtrant Mixed Vegetables Grape Juice | 10 Roodles Noodles Three Bean Salad Banana WG Dinner Roll | 17 General Tso's Chicken WG Brown Rice Peas Corn | 24 Chelsea Senior Center Closed | 31 Chelsea Senior Center Closed |
| DEC | TUESDAY | 2 Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Orange WG Dinner Roll | 9 BBQ Pork Baked Beans Tater Tots Applesauce WG Bun | 16 Tacos Lettuce/Tomato Shredded Cheese Black Bean Fiesta WG Tortilla 2 Banana | 23 Ham Sweet Potatoes Peas Apple Juice WG Bread 2 | 30 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn Orange |
| | MONDAY | 1 Geulash Carrots Banana WG Breadstick | 8Chicken Drumstick Mashed Potatoes Gravy Green Beans Applesauce WG Bread 2 | 15 Potato Wedges Coleslaw Applesauce WG Bun | 22 Hamburger Tater Tots Peas Diced Pears WG Bun | 29 Ravioli Spayhetti Sauce Carrots WG Sliced Bread Apple |

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In memoriam:

Gloria O'Quinn Sandy Zeeb



Mark your Calendars:

Dec 19: Mitchell Family Community Christmas Lunch
Dec 24-26: Closed for Christmas Holiday
Dec 31-Jan 2: Closed for New Year's Holiday



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