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Discover the Offerings at the Oshkosh Seniors Center







FITNESS AND WELLNESS

EDUCATION AND ART

SOCIALIZE AND CONNECT THROUGH TECH

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Welcome to the Oshkosh Seniors Center

The Center is here to help you be heart healthy!





OSC Weather Policy If the weather outside is frightful...

It is the policy of the Oshkosh Seniors Center to follow the Oshkosh Area School District's lead on closures due to weather. Therefore, <u>if the school district</u> <u>has closed—the Center will be closed</u>.

Please keep in mind this is for the safety of the participants and staff. Updates will be posted on the Oshkosh Seniors Center Facebook page and on WBAY, Channel 2, and with Oshkosh Media.

2023 Fitness Benefit

If you have any changes in your Medicare Advantage Insurance Plans, please be sure to check to see if you have a Fitness Benefit. The plans may allow you to work out at the Center at NO COST TO YOU!

Please stop at the front desk of the North Building with your insurance card, and we will be happy to see if you are eligible.

OSC honors Silver & Fit, Active & Fit, Renew Active, and Silver Sneakers

Classes are listed alphabetically by category and then by date order.

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Enrichment

Building North (N) South (S)

Quilting 108 (S) Appliques Wednesdays, February 1-22 9-11 am Instructor: Liz Lahm Cost: R \$15/NR \$16.50

Min/Max: 2/10 Register by Friday, January 27 Payment due upon registration

Often a design element of a quilt is an image on top of a background. There are several methods to apply these images. In this class we will learn some of these methods and use





them to applique images on various backgrounds. When you register, please request a supply list with photo samples of projects.

Participants must bring their own sewing machine and have a good working knowledge of it.

Art Expression (S) Thursdays & Fridays, February 2-24 9-11:30 am

Cost: R \$1.50/NR \$2.25 per visit Do you need a space to create an art project or to work on a hobby? Bring

your project and own supplies.



Senior Center supplies are not to be used during this time. Enjoy the company of other artists while you work on your projects. The kiln is not available for firing at this time.

Intermediate Stained Glass (S) Tulip Bevel Cluster Mondays, February 6-27, 10 am –12 pm

Instructor: Marla Tonn Cost: R \$40/NR \$45 Min/Max: 2/6 Registration January 23-February 2

Payment due upon registration

Instructor Marla Tonn is an experienced stained glass artist. She will guide you in making this stained glass project working with bevel clusters, and perimeter beading on edge. **Experience in working with stained glass required for this class.**

Needle Felting Colorful Eggs (S)

Tuesday, February 7, 9-11 am Instructor: Jane Wells/Kerry Wolfe Cost: R \$10/NR \$11.50 Min/Max: 3/10

Register by Thursday, February 3 Payment due upon registration

Step-by-step instructions on how to make these sweet eggs wil

be shared. This is a fun and easy project. Various design ideas available.



Fill your basket with something different this year!

Hand Building with Clay (S) Tuesdays, February 7-28, 12-3 pm Instructor: Kathi Dittmer

Cost: R \$45/NR \$50 Min/Max: 3/8 New Start Time-Extra hour added!

Register by Thursday, January 26 Payment due upon registration

This class offers a fun community environment to explore the creative world of clay. The fee includes 6 pounds of clay, glazes, and two firings. **Beginners welcome!** Please note, class supplies are for use during regularly scheduled class times only.

Meet the Artist:

Alma Woodsey Thomas (1891-1978)

In 1907, Thomas and her family migrated from Columbus, Georgia, to DC, and by 1924, she became the first art department graduate at Howard University. She studied the latest developments in art, visiting



museums in New York, Europe, and DC, including The Phillips Collection. For 35 years in a segregated city, she empowered art students at Shaw Junior High School to see beauty every day and brought exhibition opportunities and cultural enrichment to Black youth.





Enrichment

Pyrography Rural Landscape (S)

Thursdays, February 2-March 23, 1-3 pm Instructor: Cedric Richeson & Dick Krummick Cost: R \$45/NR \$50 Min/Max: 3/10

Register by Thursday, January 26 Payment due upon registration

Create a beautiful rural landscape on this rustic basswood country plank. Emphasis will be on tones and shading. Barkside plank is approximately 23-24" long and 6-8" wide, and is included in class fee along with a test strip.

Pre-requisite: "Beginning Woodburning or permission of instructor"



Looking for a new hobby? How about woodcarving. This class is specifically geared towards beginner carvers. Give it a try!

Beginner Carving Class (N) Smoothie Bird Carving Thursdays, February 9-March 2 9am-12 pm Instructors: John Goheen & Dick Krummick Cost: R \$35/NR \$40 Min/Max: 3/10 Register by Thursday, January 26 Payment due upon registration

This is a great class to begin your wood carving journey. Using the techniques and methods taught, you will carve a smoothie bird using basswood. Award winning instructors will be able to teach you in the basics of woodcarving and finishing. Carving tools available for use. Reserve at time of registration.



Power Tool Carving (N)

Mondays, February 6-27, 8 am-12 pm Instructor: Gene Bengel & Don Schettl Cost: R \$40/NR \$45-4 week session Min/Max: 5/12

Register by Thursday, February 2 Payment due upon registration

Join fellow peers for power carving in the woodshop! This class is open for those carvers who want to refresh their skills. Award-winning carving instructors will be available to instruct and problem solve. Bench fan & dust collector required for this class. **Basic Machine Safety Training is required for participation in this class.**

*Hand Tool Relief Carving (N) Horse on the Farm *Note Building

Mondays, February 6-March 27, 1-3 pm Instructors: Master Carver Gene Bengel Cost: R \$40/NR \$45 Min/Max: 3/10

Register by Monday, January 30 Payment due upon registration

Make this beautiful low/shallow relief carving under the guidance of Master Carver Gene Bengel. Carving will be on an 8 X 10 piece of basswood. During this 8 week class, you will learn how foreground, subject, background and horizon all relate to each other. Carving tools available for use. Reserve at time of registration.



Chillin' with the Penguins (N)

Tuésdays, February 7-28, 1-3 pm Instructor: Linda Gomach **Cost: R \$35/NR \$40** Min/Max: 3/6

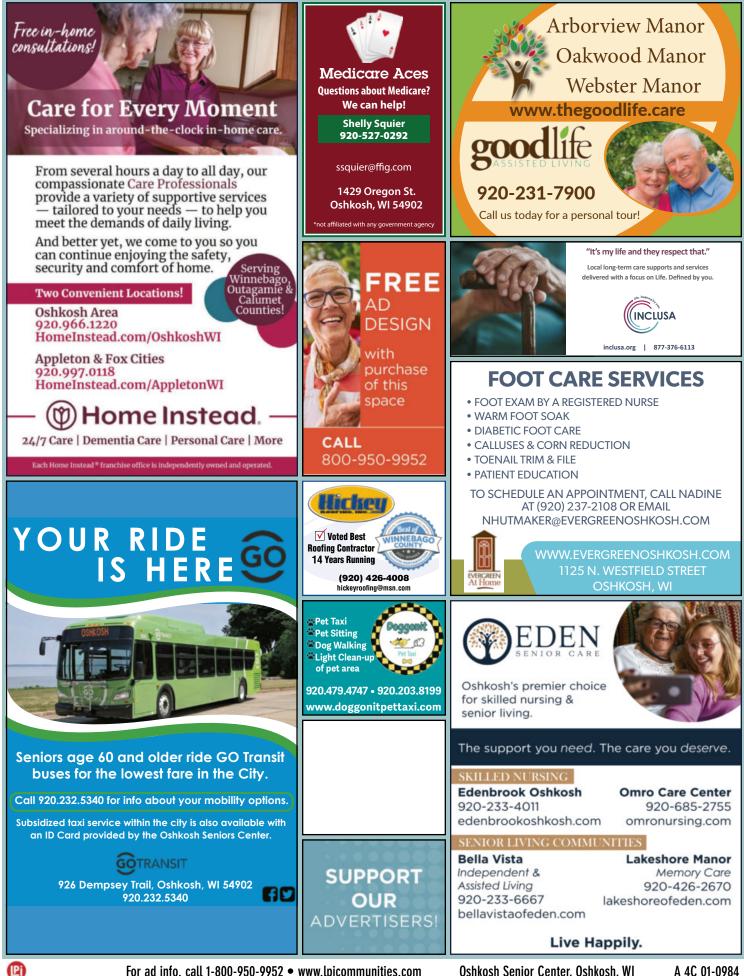
Register by Tuesday, January 31 Payment due upon registration

Make two 3D self-standing penguins from pieces of wood that simply slide together! You will get step by step instruction, and use a

band saw, scroll saw, and sanders for the project. Finish may include decoupage. One penguin is approximately 20" tall, and the other is 18" tall. Project is similar to the one shown.

Basic Machine Safety Training is required for participation in this class.





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Enrichment

Building North (N) South (S)

Woodshop Safety Refresher (N)

For those who have already completed Basic Wednesdays Safety Training

Friday, February 10, 10-11 am **Register by Friday, February 3**

Facilitator: Jeff Becker **Cost: Free**

Min/Max: 3/10

In order to attend one of these safety trainings you must have been a previous woodshop participant who has gone through the safety training before. You will only be required to attend ONE of the training dates above. Once you do, your safety certification will be valid for one year.

Safety Trainings

Basic Machine Safety Training (N) Fridays, February 17 & 24, 10 am-12 pm Facilitator: Jeff Becker Cost: R \$5/NR \$7.50 Min/Max: 3/10

Register by Friday, February 10

All **NEW** participants wanting to use the woodshop for woodshop classes and/or open guided hours are required to attend the machine training class. The two class requirement for all participants **must** be taken in consecutive weeks. Once you have completed the training you may use the designated machines in the shop. Materials provided for the training.

Upcoming!

Round Designer Table (N) Tuesdays, March 7-28, 1-3 pm Instructors: Linda Gomach, Diane Curtis

Cost: R \$50/NR \$55 Min/Max: 3/6

Register by Tuesday, February 28 Payment Due Upon Registration

This class is open to all levels of skill. You will learn how to glue pieces of wood together to make one solid piece, cut on band saw, sand and router wood. Top may be stained, painted, wood burned, and colored. Finish as you desire with help from instructors. Table is approximately 22" tall and 24" in diameter.

Machine Safety Training Required.

Don't have Safety Training? Sign up for February session starting February 17!

Guided Woodshop Hours (N)

Cost: \$5/NR \$6.50 (per session)

This time in the woodshop is designed to allow participants to come in and use the machines to work on their own projects, with support from woodshop monitors as needed.

Machine Safety Training required to use machines in the shop.

Session 1

9-11:30 am Walk in

Session 2

12-2:30 pm

Must register in advance. Hours will be canceled if there aren't any reservations.

Need something repaired? Stop in during quided hours to discuss with a woodshop volunteer.





Fitness

Building North (N) South (S)



February is Heart Health Month We can help you get started!

WORKING OUT

GET INTO Make it easy on yourself to Move More with these tips and tricks.





1. Make It Yours

Lean into your own personality to get into the groove. Your favorite music, your ideal time of day and activities you actually enjoy are more likely to keep you motivated.

2. Stay Supported

Make sure you have the right gear for each activity for added comfort and support. That may mean a moisture-wicking shirt, sports bra, or shoe inserts.

3. Break It Up

It's OK to break up your total physical activity goal into shorter sessions. Aim for at least 150 minutes per week. 10-minute bursts a few times a day can get you there without feeling overwhelmed.

4. Build It In

Create space in the natural flow of your life to add activity so it doesn't feel like a chore. Sneak it into quality time with family and activities you're already doing.

5. Give It Time

It can take a while for a behavior to become a habit. Try to be active around the same time each day – even if you don't go all out every time – to help the routine stick.

6. Keep It Going

If you miss a day or a workout, don't worry about it. Skip the guilt and focus on what you will do tomorrow!



For more ideas on staying active, visit heart.org/HealthyForGood

Fox Fitness Center (N) Monday-Friday 7 am - 4 pm

Stay Active Pass & Insurance Reimbursement Eligible

The Fox Fitness Center has a wide selection of equipment for both strength and cardiovascular health, as well as flexibility.

We have seven Life Fitness Circuit Series pieces, including a seated row, chest press, squat, leg curl and extension, ab crunch, and lat pulldown. Along with that equipment, we have free motion strength equipment, Nusteps, Physiosteps, treadmills, ellipticals, recumbent bikes, and Precor Stretch Trainers. This year we added a Matrix Krankcycle and the Matrix X4 Training System. If you have questions about the equipment or need training please schedule time with Alec Jensen, Fitness and Wellness Coordinator at 920,232,5320.







Check with the front desk to find out if your Medicare advantage plan will pay the fee, then workout for FREE!

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Fitness Opportunities

Cost: Stay Active Pass or Fitness Reimbursement Plan Eligible OSC accepts Renew Active, Silver Sneakers, Silver and Fit, and Active and Fit Rate sheets available at Front Desks for non-insurance eligible Please stop at desk if insurance information has changed

Rapid Movement Training (N) Mondays & Wednesdays 8:30-9 am

Instructor: OSC Staff Drop-in eligible

Rapid movement training is a new and fun way to get your cardiovascular work in. This class improves your cardio by doing fast and quick bursts of exercise then letting your heart rate back down. This training style helps improve agility, power, coordination, and balance, all of which help to reduce the risk of falls.

Range of Motion (N) Mondays & Wednesdays 9:15-9:45 am

Instructor: Alec Jensen **Drop-in eligible**

This class will be a combination of yoga, stretching, and other therapeutic movements. By gently working on our mobility and



flexibility, we can create a greater range of motion to minimize aches and pains! It is strongly recommended that you are able to independently get up and down from the floor to participate in this class. Participants must bring their own exercise mat.

Silver Sneakers Classic (N) Mondays & Wednesdays 10:45-11:30 am

Instructor: Jean Wollerman Drop-in eligible

Increase muscle strength and range of movement, so you are ready for the activities needed for daily living. You will use a chair for seated exercises, as well as standing with support. You will use hand weights, exercise bands, and small exercise balls for resistance. We may modify exercises for your ability level.



Life Fitness & Movement (N) Tuesdays & Thursdays 9-9:30 am

Instructors- Tuesdays: Gerardo Thursday: Alec **Drop-in eligible**

The class is an energizing modern approach to low impact aerobics and strength training. We will be focusing on building our total physical well-being. This class will utilize bodyweight movements, resistance bands, and light cardio to improve fitness.

Tai Chi Energy (N) Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:45-10:15 am

Instructor: Alec Jensen Drop-in eligible

Tai chi is a noncompetitive, selfpaced system of gentle physical exercise and stretching. Each posture flows into the next without pause, ensuring



that your body is in constant motion to help with energy flow. This class is geared towards beginner and intermediate levels of tai chi.

Movement Exercise (N) Tuesdays & Thursdays 11-11:45 am

Instructors-Tuesdays: Gerardo Thursday: Bobbie Jo

Drop-in eligible.

A class for senior adults with ongoing conditions such as Parkinson's, MS, or those who struggle with balance-related issues. This class will help increase your energy, flexibility, endurance and improve your sense of well-being by utilizing stress -free



Line Dancing (N)

Instructor: Debbie Ruck

Drop-in eligible

Kick up your heels and impress your friends and family when you show off your line dancing skills! Line dancing is a great way to exercise while having fun!

Advanced Line Dancing Mondays & Tuesdays 12:30-1:30 pm

Prior experience preferred

FFC 3g (N) Fridays, February 3-24, 9-9:45 am

Instructor: Alec Jensen Max: 10

Register by Thursday, February 2

OSC is introducing a different way to exercise! FFC 3g is different than your typical group exercise class. In this format, participants will be in 3 different groups (hence the 3g) exercising in 3 different areas of the Fox Fitness Center (FFC). In this format, we will coach you through various exercises. The coach will not be in front of you for the entire class, so it's up to you to keep yourself accountable during the workout. This class will use bikes, treadmills, free weights, and weight machines to get a quality workout! If you are unfamiliar with how the fitness equipment works, you may sign up for an equipment orientation with Alec before starting this class. Call 920.232.5320 for an appointment.

Synergy Fitness (N)

Mondays, February 6-27, 8-8:30 am

Instructor: Alec Jensen Max: 10

Register by Thursday, January 31

This class will use timed circuits and a combination of TRX, strength/cardio machines, free weights, and body weight to provide a full-body workout. You will learn new skills and ways to strengthen your body and cardiovascular system in new ways.

This class is perfect for those who like small group based classes with a lot of camaraderie. You also get the benefits of the coaches being able to give you one on one help.

Beginner Chair Yoga (N) Thursdays, February 2-23, 1-1:45 pm Instructor: Catherine Huybers

Drop-in eligible. No class on January 26.

Chair yoga is a gentle practice in which postures are performed while seated and/or with the aid of a chair. Chair yoga allows you to perform yoga poses while seated or using a chair for balance. Chair-based yoga offers the same benefits as traditional yoga, like boosting strength, flexibility, and mental well-being. No Prior experience is necessary for this class. Wear comfortable exercise attire.

Yoga GOLD (N)

Fridays, Februarý 3-24, 9:30-10:15 am Instructor: Catherine Huybers

Drop-in eligible

Whether you're aiming to get stronger and more flexible or you just want to decompress and still your mind, yoga can help. Yoga Gold combines traditional yoga with elements of chair yoga. Strongly recommended that you are able to independently get up and down from the floor to participate in this class. Participants must bring their own exercise mat.

Keep Moving! (N)

Friday, February 3-24, 10:30-11:15 am Instructor: Jean Wollerman

Drop-in eligible

This session class will keep you moving through the winter season. Cardio, strength, stretching, balance and some nutrition chats to help keep you fit during the winter months.

Upcoming Stand Up and Move More (S) Thursdays, March 9-30 with a refresher day and social on April 27th, 1:30-3:00 pm Instructor: Jean Wollerman

Cost: \$15.00

It is well known that insufficient physical activity is a risk factor for developing numerous chronic diseases and early mortality. Sedentary behavior has been identified as an additional health risk. Come and learn different ways to keep moving so you don't develop sedentary behaviors. This classroom style class will get you out of the habit of sitting and into the habit of moving to keep healthy.

Wellness

Mindfulness Meditation (S)

Thursdays, February 2-23, 11 am-12 pm Instructor: Donna Janus

Cost: R \$1.25 /NR \$1.75 per visit

This secular and supportive group is for beginners and experienced meditators. Classes include: guided instruction, time for discussion, and Q&A. Beginners learn how to meditate while experienced



meditators learn how to deepen their practice. All levels learn why and how Mindfulness and Meditation work to increase well-being.

Grief Support (S)

Thursdays, February 2 & 16, 1-2:30 pm Monday, February 20, 9:30-11 am

Facilitator: Meredith Schlute, Compassus Hospice Cost: R \$1/NR \$1.25 per visit

Register by calling 920.232.5305

For any adult grieving the death of a loved one, this is an opportunity to come together and work with a specialist. Meredith Schlute with Compassus Hospice will facilitate group conversations around how we grieve, and allow a safe space for support.

Lifting Discouragement (S) Tuesday, February 14, 10-11am

Presenter: Jeanne Gehrke, Dreams of Jeanne LLC Cost: Free

Register by Friday, February 10

Looking for a natural kick of energy? If you're feeling tired, bored, listless, or uninspired, reach for energizing essential oils and dietary supplements. You might be surprised at the difference these natural gifts of the earth can make in your everyday life.

Over Come Knee Pain (S)

Monday February 13, 10-11am Presenter: Physical Achievement Center

Cost: Free

Register By: Friday, February 10

Discover non-medical options to overcome your limiting knee weakness and pain. You will learn unique and clinically proven approaches to build strength and confidence in your knees (even with arthritis and "bone on bone"). Information presented will help you learn about options for you and those you care about.

FREE Blood Pressure Checks Tuesday, February 14, 10:15-11:15 am (N) Monday, February 27, 10:15-11:15 am (S)

High blood pressure usually has no symptoms and cannot be detected without being measured. Get yours checked for free. RSVP Volunteer Retired Nurse, Terri Radtke, will be conducting the blood pressure checks. No appointment necessary.

February is American Heart Month, a time when all people can focus on their cardiovascular health. The Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention is shining a light on hypertension (high blood pressure), a leading risk factor for heart disease and stroke.

Memory Care Screening (S) Thursday, February 16, 10:30 am-12 n

Thursday, February 16, 10:30 am-12 pm Facilitator: ADRC

Cost: Free Max: 6

Register by Tuesday, February 14

Alisa will be available each month to complete a free memory screening or to answer questions regarding a variety of topics related to memory loss, dementia and caregiving. Memory screenings are an important tool in identifying possible changes in memory and cognition. All appointments take approximately 20 minutes in a one-on-one setting. **Call 920.232.5301 to schedule your appointment.**

Cooking with Alec (S)

Chipotle Greek Vegetarian Štuffed Zucchini **Friday, February 17, 1-2 pm** Presenter: Alec Jensen **Cost: R \$6/NR \$7.50** Max: 15

Register by Wednesday, February 15

Learn how to make nutritional foods and pick up a few cooking hacks along the way. Join Alec as he demonstrates the value and variety of a healthy diet. Samples provided.

A Healthier You (S) Monday, February 27, 1-2 pm

Presenter: Dena Myer, RD & Diabetes Educator, Aurora Health

Cost: Free

Register by Friday February 24

Are you interested in learning more about nutrition and how to develop healthy lifestyle habits? Join in on Dena's engaging and fun presentations. Handout included. Programming to improve the lives of people experiencing dementia and those that care for them



Mindworks (S) Thursdays, February 2-23 11 am-2 pm-Lunch Included Facilitator: Fox Valley Memory Project To register call 920.225.1711 or email: info@ foxvalleymemoryproject.org

Mindworks is a facilitated program designed for people with early symptoms of dementia or memory loss. The curriculum provides opportunities for enhanced social connections while promoting brain health and overall wellness. Each class provides care partners three hours of free time while their loved one attends class. Memory Care Screening (S) Thursday, February 16 10:30 am-12 pm Facilitator: ADRC Dementia Care Specialist Cost: Free Appointment Required Call 920.232.5301 Max: 6

Memory screenings are an important tool in identifying possible changes in memory and cognition. One-on-one 20 minute appointments. Come get your baseline screening today! Tender Loving Care (TLC) Support Group (S) Thursday, February 23 1-2 pm Facilitator: Fox Valley Memory Project Cost: Free (Supported by the Fox Valley Memory Project)

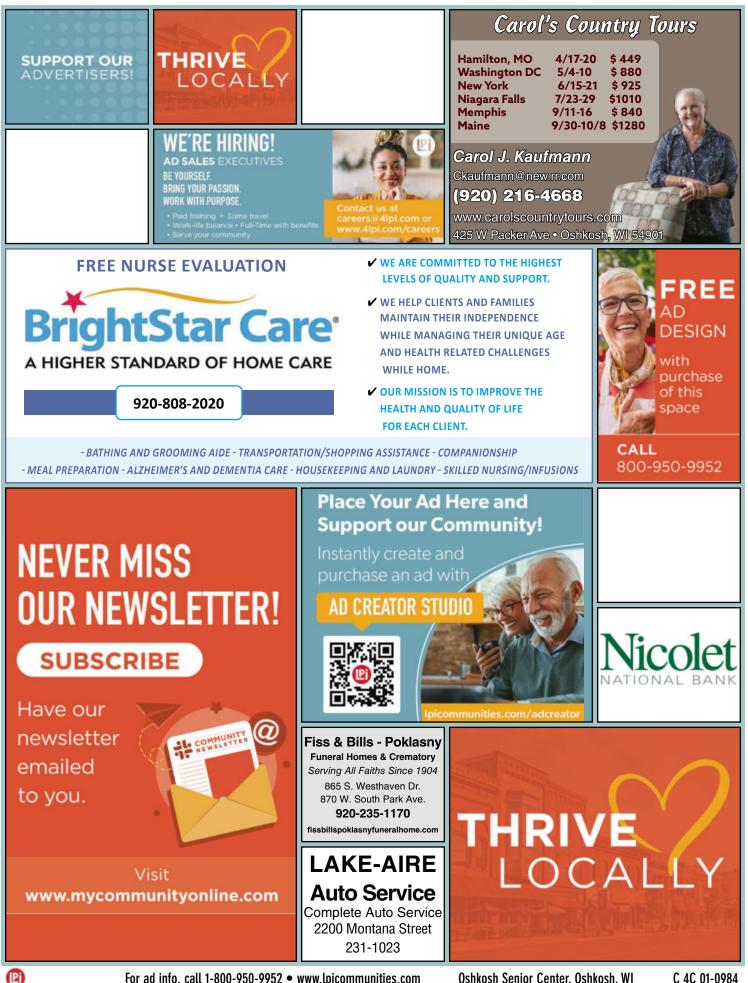
This support group offers a supportive and safe environment to share, interact, listen, and learn with other caregivers and care partners of those with a memory loss disability. This group is specific to dementia caregivers.

Thank you to our community partners for making this programming possible.











Create a Fall Prevention Plan with the Help of the Oshkosh Seniors Center

- Take a class proven to prevent falls. Tai Chi, Silver Sneakers
- Schedule a personal training session
- Start using the strength training equipment in the Fox Fitness Center

PRO-ACTIVE

There are ways to reduce your risk of falling and it starts with *Building* your Strength!



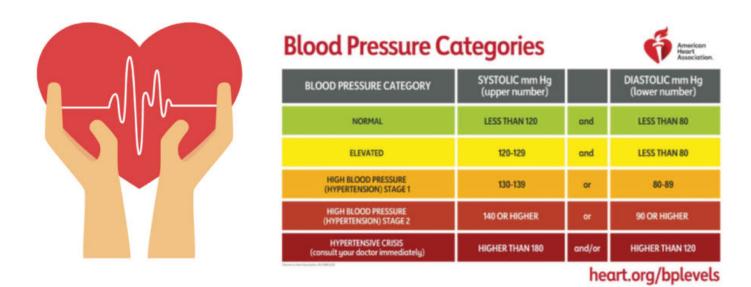
Facts about Falls from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Falls are a threat to the health of older adults and can reduce your ability to remain independent. However, falls don't have to be inevitable as you age. You can reduce your chance of falling or help a loved one prevent falls.

One out of five falls causes a serious injury such as broken bones or a head injury.

Each year, millions of older people-those 65 and olderfall. In fact, more than one out of four older people falls each year, but less than half tell their doctor. Falling once doubles your chances of falling again.

Over 800,000 patients a year are hospitalized because of a fall injury, most often because of a head injury or hip fracture.



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FREE Blood Pressure Checks Tuesday, February 14, 10:15-11:15 am (N) Monday, February 27, 10:15-11:15 am (S) Free Blood Pressure log and materials to those who get blood pressure checked



Check out heart healthy food activities on page 21



ADVOCAP MEAL PROGRAM join 43 for dine in meals



MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

Available For Dine-In at 11:15 am in Classroom B



THURSDAY-FRIDAY Available For Dine-In at 11:15 am in the Oasis Room

MUST REGISTER BY CALLING 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE 920-450-5122 NO DAY OF DROP INS

MEALS HELD AT THE OSHKOSH SENIORS CENTER 200 N. CAMPBELL ROAD

Connect through Tech

Building North (N) South (S)

Embrace technology with Connect through Tech and the world will be at your fingertips!



One on One Tech Appointments

Designed to improve your digital literacy (all levels of expertise are welcome).

Meet with an instructor one-on-one to tackle a technology problem you may be experiencing. Common issues we deal with—passwords, setting up new devices, navigating Facebook or certain apps, saving pictures, exploring features on your devices, texting, talk features and more. Keep in mind it's not always a "one and done" appointment but we will work with you until you are a pro! We are even available to help you purchase and upgrade your devices.

Mondays, February 6, 13, 20, and 27 9 am, 10:15 am, 11:30 am, 12:45 pm

Tuesdays, February 7, 14, 21, and 28 9 am, 10:15 am, 11:30 am, 12:45 pm

Wednesdays, February, 1, 8, 15, and 22 9 am, 10:15 am, 11:30 am, 12:45 pm

Cost: R \$2/NR \$2.75 per class By Appointment Only 920.232.5301

Wi-Fi Access (S) Cost: FREE

Bring your own device to access the Oshkosh Seniors Center's WiFi. Find a cozy spot in the Great Room, M-F, 8 am to 4 pm, and enjoy the high-speed internet service. No password required.

One on One with Sandy Toland (S)

Sandy is from the Oshkosh Public Library and can not only answer questions about the library online services, but any other technology challenges you are experiencing.

Mondays, February 6, 13, 20, and 27 9:15 am, 10:30 am, 11:45 am, 1 pm

Cost: R \$2/NR \$2.75 per class By Appointment Only 920.232.5301



How to Stay Safe Online Wednesday, February 22 1:30 pm (S) Must Register 920.232.5300

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Program will cover the following:

- What is Cybersecurity?
- How to stay safe online
- Strong Passwords
- Keeping Information Private
- Two-factor authentication
- Back up your data
- Online Banking
- How to Recognize Scams



CHAT & CHOP-SALADS (S) Tuesday, February 7 10 am -12 pm Instructor: Kerry Wolfe Cost: R \$10 / NR \$11.50 Min/Max: 2/8

MATTERS

COOKING

HEART HEALTHY

Register by Wednesday, February 1 Payment due upon registration

We will be making 3 different salads, a fruit salad, a pasta salad, and a type of lettuce salad. We will be putting a special twist on these salads. Find your aprons, your appetite and come join us.

COOKING WITH ALEC (N)

CHIPOTLE GREEK VEGETARIAN STUFFED ZUCCHINI

Friday, February 17 1-2 pm

Instructor: Alec Jensen Cost: R \$6 / NR \$7.50 Max: 15

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Learn how to make nutritional foods and pick up a few cooking hacks along the way. Join Alec as he demonstrates the value and variety there is in a healthy diet. Samples provided.

Building North (N) South (S)

Book & Puzzle Pick Up (S) Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm Cost: Free

The Center has books, DVDs, and puzzles for you to enjoy at home. Materials are all located in the South building ONLY. When finished, items should be returned to the bin located under the West covered entrance of the South building. Did you know we have a wide selection of Great Courses available? Great Courses offer DVD presentations from award-winning experts and professors from the most respected institutions in the world. History, language, art cooking, the topics are endless. Check out a "Great Course" today! ***Please check in under "General Activities" on the kiosk when visiting the Center for books and puzzles.**

Brain Game Kit (S) Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm Cost: Free

Come and pick up a brain kit and challenge yourself with the variety of brain games. Return to the south building when finished for others to enjoy.

Elder Benefit Specialist (S) Wednesdays, February 1-22, 10-11:30 am Cost: Free

Walk-in, no appointment necessary

Winnebago County Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) Lisa Madell will provide confidential assistance for various topics and issues to anyone 60+. EBS services are completely free, and the service is not based on income. EBS can help you understand Medicare and the insurance options that go with it, public benefit programs, and assist with denials and appeals. Oshkosh's EBS, can be reached tollfree at 877.886.2372.

Ukulele Play Along (S) Wednesdays, February 1-22 10:30 am-12 pm Cost: R \$2/NR \$2.50 per visit Min/Max: 3/20

Looking for some fun people to play ukulele with? If you already know 2-3 strum patterns and 8-10 chords, you will be able to play along. There is a wide variety of music played from different genres. Play music under the guidance of a Ukulele volunteer. Please bring your music, or if needed, a music packet will be supplied. All levels of players are encouraged to attend.

Ukulele Lessons Everyone Welcome!

Thanks to a generous donor, the Seniors Center has ukuleles available for use. The lending program requires a \$150 check for deposit, and when the Ukulele is returned, we give you back your check. Call Bobbie Jo at 920.232.5301 for information about a Ukulele "rental."

Beginner Ukulele Lessons (S) Fridays, February 3-24,

11 am-12 pm



Instructor: Joe Wiedenmeier **Cost: R \$40/NR \$45 for 4 week session** Min/Max: 5/12

Register by Wednesday, February 1 Payment due upon registration

Research shows learning something new is the best way to improve brain health. You do not need to know how to read music to learn to play the uke. Don't have your own Ukulele? Rent one from the Center.

Intermediate/Advanced Combo Ukulele Lessons (S)

Fridays, February 3-24, 11 am-12 pm Instructor: Aaron Baer

Cost: R \$40/NR \$45 for 4 week session Min/Max: 10/20

Register by Wednesday, February 1 Payment due upon registration

With Aaron's style of teaching, he will be able to challenge both skill levels during the same lesson.

Beginner 2 Ukulele Lessons (S)

Fridays, February 3-24, 12 -1 pm

Cost: R \$40/NR \$45 for 4 week session Min/Max: 10/20

Register by Wednesday, February 1 Payment due upon registration

This class is for those who have completed beginner ukulele class, and are ready to take the next step. This is an ideal class for those who need an ukulele refresher class. Chords, strumming, and playing songs will be emphasized in this class. Come join the fun!

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PRESENTATION

The Underground Railroad in Wisconsin (S)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

1-2 PM

Presented by: Sandra Toland, Oshkosh Public Library Cost: Free Register by February 7

Did you know Wisconsin played a role in ushering enslaved people to freedom during the 19th century? Wisconsin's citizens were firm in their convictions of not wanting slavery in their state, despite the United States Constitution's orders to return all freedom seekers. Evidence of this was when 5,000 citizens broke Joshua Glover out of Milwaukee County jail and sent him on his way to Canada via local underground railroad stations. This brought national attention to Wisconsin, making it the only state to defy the fugitive slave law.



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Book Sharing Club (S) NEW! Thursday, February 9, 1:30-3 pm Facilitator: Lois Potratz Cost: R \$1.25/NR \$1.75

Register by Tuesday, February 7 This is not your "traditional" type of book club. Rather than everyone reading the same book, members choose an author or a subject and then we each pick any book by that writer or on that topic. We share comments and/or give a short review of our selection.

The author is Tana French, first lady of Irish Crime. She does a series of the Dublin Murder Squad but a couple of other stand-alone titles are The Witch Elm and The Searcher. Choose one of her books and join the group to share your likes and dislikes and insights about your favorite character.

All book lovers are welcome!

Bingo (S) Monday, February 13, 2-3:30 pm Sponsored by Edenbrook Cost: Free **EDENBROOK** Min/Max:10/55 **Register by Thursday, February 9** Come for a fun afternoon of bingo!



Cost: Free Donations Appreciated Light Refreshments After

> Register by Monday, February 13

Pianist Sheri Tipton will entertain on the piano and lead us in singing along. Come join the fun





Wednesday, February 22 Serving at 11:30 am Cost: \$10 Max: 50 Tickets on sale January 24-February 15

Chicken Whole Wheat pasta Honey-glazed spiced carrots Dessert



Popcorn & A Movie (S) Wednesday, February 22 12:45 –2:00 pm Cost: Free- Donation for popcorn appreciated Min/Max: 2/50

Register by Tuesday February 21

Enjoy a movie with the company of friends. Movie is free, donations accepted for popcorn. Inquire at the front desk for movie details. NOTE: MPLC regulations prohibit us from disclosing titles of upcoming movies in the newsletter.

Nursing Home Crisis Planning (S)

Use Funeral Trusts, Annuities to Preserve Wealth Friday, February 24, 10-11 am Presenter: Attorney Joseph McCleer **Cost: Free**

Register by Wednesday, February 22

McCleer Law Office details ways you can still preserve your wealth even if you or your spouse are already in an assisted living facility or nursing home or likely will be within the next five years. Topics covered include funeral trusts,

converting IRAs into exempt annuities, and **24** other strategies for qualifying for Medicaid.

In collaboration with Learning In Retirement

Programs held at the Oshkosh Seniors Center 200 North Campbell Road Registration Required for all programs 920.232.5300 10-11:30 AM

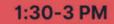
Food Decisions & Consumer Values (S)

What we eat (and what we decide NOT to eat) is changing as our values and our understanding of the connections between our food system and the environment grow.

Drawing on insights from marketing, consumer behavior and social psychology, this presentation blends research at the intersection of food and consumer values to propose a framework for understanding how and why these values—Sustainability, Ethics, Equity, and Dining for health—are transforming what people eat.

Presenter: Dr. Melissa Bublitz, UWO Professor of Marketing

Media & Culture



1:30-3 PM



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Upcoming!

In subtle and not-so-subtle ways, media narratives, characters, and everyday situations reveal aspects of cultural beliefs, values, and behaviors. Learn how you can better interact with films and other media to understand different cultures and develop empathy.

Presenter: Cooper Wakefield, Ph.D., Professor of Communication at Marian University

Want Super Longevity? Attitudes Towards Medical Advancement

With advancements in medicine and medical technology, we've steadily increased human life expectancy for over a century and are now discussing the possibility of super longevity. Understanding the purpose of prolonging life must accompany a comprehensive assessment of the needs and consequences for people and society. Presenter: Dr. Juyeon Son, UWO Associate Professor of Sociology

Learning in Retirement at UW Oshkosh

Social and Educational

Building North (N) South (S)

Book Talk (S) Lily & the Octopus by Steven Rowley Tuesday, March 2, 9:30—11:00 am Faciltator: Kerry Wolfe Cost: \$1.25 R / \$1.75 NR Register by Thursday February 3

Lily & the Octopus is an epic adventure of the heart. The magic of the novel is in the read. This is a story about that special someone: the one you trust, the one you can't live without. Interested as to how it ends? Come and join us for Book Talk.



Wisconsin Warmers (S)

Thursdays, 9 am-3 pm Currently Seeking Volunteers!

Consider joining a fun group who have been making quilts and other items to distribute to those in need in our community for over 25 years. No experience necessary and all supplies provided. Also, we accept donations of 100% cotton fabric or monetary contributions to help fund our work. All donations need to be brought to the South building front desk to be processed and a donation form completed. P.S. We usually have an unending array of chocolate candy available for our volunteers!



Upcoming!

Watch the March newsletter for Great Courses topics and/or discussion groups! Stay Social Cost: R \$.75/NR \$1.25 Daily Rate/Per Visit or Purchase a Monthly Stay Social Pass

- Single serve beverages allowed (bottled water sold at front desk) Soda machine is available.
- Please wash hands before playing
- All cards and games end at 3:30 pm

Please note; All cards and games are played at the South building ONLY

Cribbage

Mondays & Fridays, 8:30-11:30 am Beginners welcome

Need a spot to play with Friends? NEW! Open Cards & Games

Grab your friends, pick a time to meet and come play Mondays, 12:30-3:30 pm

Mahjongg, Mexican Train

Tuesdays, 12:30-3:30 pm

Bid Euchere, Rummikub

Wednesdays, 12:30-3:30 pm Beginners welcome

Knitting & Crochet

Thursdays, 8:30-11:30 am

Sheepshead

Thursdays, 12:30-3:30 pm

Open Bridge

Fridays, 12:30-3:30 pm

informal time to listen to live music.

Live piano music Thursday afternoons in the

South building Great room. Sherri Tipton tickles the ivories on the baby grand, sharing a variety of music for listeners to enjoy. This is an









Can you feel the love?

February is the month for celebrating love; we hope you feel the love the Friends of the Oshkosh Seniors Center has for the programming and impact of the work of the Center. We want to make a difference in our older adults' lives and look forward to making 2023 one of our best fundraising years! It starts with your help. So please consider volunteering, donating, or attending Food Truck Fridays.

> The Friends of the Oshkosh Seniors Center

We accept gifts to further the mission of the Oshkosh Seniors Center to enrich the lives of older adults in our community throughout the year. Individuals aged 70 1/2 or older may make a charitable distribution from their IRA. It's as simple as designating the Friends of the Oshkosh Seniors Center as the beneficiary. You may also designate a gift to the Center in your will. Your contributions help the Center provide additional programming that allows older adults to stay active, social, and informed.
Contact your professional advisor and share your intentions. They can assist you with making a planned gift and explain the tax benefits. Here's the information you will need: Friends of the Oshkosh Seniors Center PO Box 3423 Oshkosh, WI 54903-3423 ES# 008-0000-529165-04. If you have questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Anne Schaefer, Marketing and Fund Development Coordinator, at 920.232.5306

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Winnebago Senior Tours

Tours Sign-up Options

- Desk for registration is available
 9 am -1 pm
 MONDAY through THURSDAY
 South Building. 200 N. Campbell Rd.
- Place your payment in the drop box located next to the WST Desk **OR**



 Mail your check to: Winnebago Senior Tours P. O. Box 1851 Oshkosh WI 54903-1851 Please be sure to note the trip on the check memo line.

> Winnebago Senior Tours (WST) accepts CHECKS AND EXACT CASH ONLY

Detailed flyers available at the Seniors Center South Sign up now, don't delay

For questions call 920.232.5312

Music Man

The Fireside Theatre-Fort Atkinson Date: Thursday, March 16 Cost: \$130 (\$20 non-refundable deposit)

Depart: 7:45 am Return: 6 pm

Strike up the band for Broadway's brassiest musical comedy. Winner of eight Tony Awards including



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Best Musical, *The Music Man* has delighted audiences the world over with its tale of the fasttalking, charming con man, the prim but passionate librarian, the bumbling mayor, and all the colorful characters that make this show a classic. Add such songs as "Goodnight My Someone," "The Wells Fargo Wagon," and "76 Trombones" and you have a guaranteed great time. Entrée Choices: Chicken Piccata, BBQ Ribs, or Cod.

Guides: Cindy Paffenroth & Marianne Zarling

Cats – The Musical

The Performing Arts Center-Appleton Date: Sunday, March 26 Cost: \$70 (\$20 non-refundable deposit) Depart: 11:30 am Return: Immediately after the show

An anthology-style musical taking place over one night. Set in a junkyard, each cat wants to enter the Heaviside Layer or cat heaven, hoping to be reborn a



"hotter" cat. Deuteronomy, a lovable rotund cat oversees each cat's song-plea. Grizabella, an old scruffy cat attempts to become part of this junkyard scene, but the other cats judge her appearance and shun her. After the lead cats have their moment in the spotlight, Deuteronomy decides Grizabella deserves to ascend to the Heaviside Layer. Includes: Show ticket, School Bus transportation and tip. Guides: Cheryl Freiberg & Ginnie Riley

Grumpy Old Men

The Fireside Theatre-Fort Atkinson Date: Thursday, April 20 Cost: \$130 (\$20 non-refundable deposit) Depart: 7:45 am Return: 6 pm

This is the story of Max and John, neighbors who have been feuding for most of their lives. Invigorated by their shared affection for their beautiful new neighbor across the street, they face-off as romantic rivals until their hilarious shenanigans finally bring about a



resolution to their long-standing differences. Based on the 1993 film, this stage adaptation captures the lovable crotchety characters through twinkling humor, great songs, and the affectionate depiction of a small town that feels like home to everyone. Entrée choices: Pretzel Crusted Stuffed Chicken,

Grilled Pork Ribeye, Trout. Guides: Cheryl Freiberg and Laurie Peach

Winnebago Senior Tours

Branson and the Ozarks Dates: April 25 to 30 Cost: TBD

Take a group bus tour to Branson- "Live Music Show Capital of the World." You will see 3 shows in 2 different Theaters including the Haygoods. But it is not just about the shows, you will travel to the Ozarks and tour the Dogwood Canyon Nature Park where an open air tram will take you past towering bluffs, breathtaking waterfalls and cross creek beds by way of beautifully crafted stone bridges. On the way home, you will tour Fantastic Caverns on a Jeep-drawn tram. Guide: Cindy Paffenroth

More to come on this trip. Watch the b rochure rack at the WST Desk for further details.

The Duttons

Schauer Arts Center-Hartford Date: Saturday, April 29 Cost: \$99 (\$20 non-refundable deposit) Depart:11:45 am

Return: Immediately after the show

The Duttons are a performing family of three generations of amazing talent. They have been recording, performing and touring together professionally for over 30 years. The adult Duttons started out their musical training as classical musicians when they were children, but it didn't take long for them to branch out to play just about any style of music. Along with the



classical, they play pop, country, bluegrass, and gospel. Their ability to adapt and play just about any style of music is just one of the things that makes them so

unique as well as their ability to connect with their audience. They own their theater in Branson as well as one in Mesa, Arizona where they perform from December to April.

Included is bus transportation, show tickets and lunch at the Mineshaft in Hartford. Guides: Pat Heyer and Laurie Peach

Exploring the Amish Community of Cashton

Date: Friday, May 12

Cost: \$95 (\$20 non-refundable deposit) Depart: 7:00 am Return: 6:00 pm

Set deep in the heart of southwestern Wisconsin you will find a serene spot nestled in the valley two miles east of Cashton. The Kuderer farm is home to the Village Shops at "Down A Country Road." After spending time at the village shops, our guide, will ride along with us on our tour bus as we visit the Amish community. We will learn the history, traditions, and customs of the Amish through the

eyes of an experienced tour guide. Enjoy hearing about the customs of courtship and marriage, church services, funeral practices and much more. Our guide will share many heartwarming stories of experiences she has had amongst her Amish friends and neighbors.



You will have a chance to meet Amish families as we stop at their farmyards to look at the goods they may have for sale. Such as plants, hanging baskets, annuals, garden décor, candy, quilts, wood working, and bakery items. After our tour we will travel toward Sparta (the bike capital of America) for lunch and tour other local attractions. Guides: Cindy Paffenroth and Lauralyn Hensarling

"Ain't too Proud"

The Performing Arts Center-Appleton Date: Wednesday, June 21 Cost: \$75 (\$20 non-refundable deposit) Depart: 6:00 pm

Return: Immediately after the show

Ain't Too Proud—The Life and Times of the Temptations is the electrifying new smash Broadway musical that follows The Temptations' journey from the streets of Detroit to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. It is a thrilling story of brotherhood, family, loyalty and betrayal during a decade of civil unrest in America. Music includes "My Girl," "Just My Imagination," "Get Ready," and "Papa Was a Rolling Stone.

Guides: Cheryl Freiberg and Lauralyn Hensarling

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Hamilton

The Performing Arts Center-Appleton Date: Wednesday, May 17 Cost: \$180 (\$20 non-refundable deposit) Depart: 6:00 pm

Return: Immediately after the show Hamilton is the story of America then, told by America now. Featuring a score that blends hiphop, jazz, R&B and Broadway, Hamilton has taken the story of American founding father Alexander Hamilton and created a revolutionary moment in theatre. A musical that has had a profound impact on culture, politics, and education. With book, music, and lyrics by Lin-Manuel Miranda, direction by Thomas Kail, choreography by Andy Blanenbuehler, and musical supervision and orchestrations by Alex Lacamoire, Hamilton is based on Ron Chernow's acclaimed biography. It has won Tony, Grammy, and Oliver Awards, the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, and an unprecedented special citation from the Kennedy Center Honors. Includes: Theatre ticket & Express transportation. Guides: Cheryl Freiberg & Pat Heyer

Alaska Discovery Land & Cruise Featuring a 7-night Holland American Cruise Date: August 2–13

SOLD OUT Wait List Available

Now is the time to cross traveling to Alaska off your "Bucket List"! Traverse the Pacific Coast by land and sea aboard Holland America's Noordam Cruise Ship on a breathtaking journey that takes you from Alaska to Vancouver, British Columbia. Passport is required. Cruise the Sternwheeler Discovery and encounter Alaska's diverse culture and rich history. Ride in a luxury domed railcar from Denali to Talkeetna, soak in views of the incredible landscapes from glass-ceiling railcars and open-air observation platforms as guides provide expert commentary. Travel into Denali National Park to view the region's wildlife. Cruise through Glacier Bay and the Inside Passage, taking in rugged natural wonders. Explore Alaska's gorgeous capital, Juneau. See flyer for complete details. Guide: Cheryl Frieberg

France Magnifique Discovery September 14–25

Cost: \$4999 Double (early booking)

From the royal Palace of Versailles to the enchanting streets of Paris, grab a baguette and rendezvous with the best of France. Set off for the Normandy coast where the largest invasion in history took place during World War II. Visit the Caen Memorial Peace Museum, Juno Beach, the Normandy American Cemetery and Visitors Center on Omaha Beach, walk Pointe du Hoc Ranger Memorial, and make your way to Sainte Mere Eglise, the heart of the American Airborne operations on D-Day. Delight in a 2-night stay in a stunning, renovated château in the UNESCO World Heritage Loire Valley. Enjoy a visit of the famous Chenonceau Castle. Sip wine during a tour of a winery and its impressive underground caves. Glide along the Seine as you take in the highlights in Paris. Savor the views and rich cuisine during dinner at the Eiffel Tower. Bask in the robust history, culture and romance of these celebrated cities and charming towns.

> SPACE IS LIMITED on this tour!!> Save \$250/per person when you sign up now.Guide: Cheryl Freiberg

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