

Located in Waconia City Hall 201 S Vine ST, Waconia, MN 55387 952-856-4474

> Open Monday - Thursday 10 am to 3 pm daily

Events & Activities April 2024



Movie at the Senior Center: "*A League of Their Own"* Tuesday, April 9 at 12:30 pm

One of the most beloved baseball movies of all time; a laugh out loud comedy you will not want to miss! Popcorn, snacks and beverages provided.

Scenic River Bluff Tour at the Senior Center Thursday, April 18 at 10:30 aM



The Mississippi River bluff country is one of the most beautiful areas of Minnesota. Enjoy visual road tripping, shopping and eating as we explore, with Minnesota historian Doug Ohman, the scenic river towns that makes this area so special.

DAY TRIP

Art In Bloom 2024 at the Minneapolis Institute of Art Thursday, April 25 from 9:20 am - 2:30 pm

Join us for a visit to MIA followed by lunch at the Olive Garden. Transportation and the MIA are free, but the cost of lunch is your responsibility.

9:20 am: Board the bus at Waconia City Hall
10 am: Arrival at MIA
12 pm: Depart MIA for the Olive Garden
2:30 pm: Bus arrives back at City Hall

Registration is required by April 15; limited to 20 people.

Watercolor Painting of Landscapes* Thursday, April 11 at 10 am

Join an Artist-Instructor from the Minnetonka Center for the Arts to explore brush handling, composition and color use. All materials, including watercolor paints, will be provided by the MCFTA. Registration is required;

limited to 10 people.



World of the Monarch Thursday, April 23 at 12:30 pm

View the monarch's fascinating life stages, and learn about the migration of this remarkable butterfly through a PowerPoint slide presentation with questions and discussion. This presentation is provided by the Lowry Nature Center.

Personalized Art Board with Mrs. C's Art Class* Thursday, April 30 at 12:30 pm

Make your own personalized art board.

Registration is required; limited to 10 people.



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Recurring Monthly Activities



Personal Technology Support 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month, 12 pm - 3 pm by appointment Volunteers from Senior Community Services' Technology Education, Connection & Help (TECH) Services team can help you:

- Troubleshoot device settings or errors
- Find and use helpful device features
- Manage online security and safety
- Download and manage applications
- Virtually connect via Zoom or Facetime

There is no cost, but you must sign up for an appointment. Bring your device with you.



Book Club 1st Tuesday each month at 1:30 pm Join us for a discussion of the book "*The Best We Could Do*" by Thi Bui. This is a FREE Book Club offered with Carver County Library.

Donuts with a Deputy Monday, April 22 at 10 am Join us for coffee and donuts as we listen to updates from Sheriff Tyler. His updates are always entertaining and informative. You won't want to miss it! "Class of '65" 1st Thursday each month at 10 am Meet other "65ers" to connect and reminisce!



On the last Wednesday of each month we celebrate with special treats!

Quilting Group 2nd Monday each month, 10 am All quilters, including beginners, are invited to join this group each month.

Craft Group* 3rd Thursday each month, 1 pm Make your own windchime for spring. All materials will be provided.

> Registration is required. Limit 8 participants.



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Poetry Reading Tuesday, April 30 at 11 am in the Oak Room

Bring your favorite springtime flowers poetry to share with the group or just come and listen to others reading. Enjoy a fun beverage while you listen.

Waconia Area Senior Center April 2024 Events & Activities Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
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10 am: Chair Yoga 11 am: Games of Choice 12:30 pm: Mahjong	Mexican Train Dominoes 9:15 am: Advisory Committee 10 am: Cribbage 1:30 pm: Book Club 12 pm - 3 pm: Tech Support (Oak Room)	10 am: Card Games 10:30 am - 3 pm: "Beautiful" at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater (pre-registration was required in March) 12:30 pm: Yahoo BINGO	10 am: "Class of '65" 12:30 pm: Bridge
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15	16	17	18
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22	23	24	25
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Fitness & Health

SilverSneakers Chair Yoga

1st and 3rd Monday each month, 10 am

Move your body through a series of seated and standing yoga poses. Chair support helps you safely perform a variety of postures designed to increase flexibility, and improve balance, and range of movement. Restorative breathing exercises and final relaxation promote stress reduction and mental clarity.

There is no cost for SilverSneakers members; non-members pay a \$5.00 fee.

Want to become a member? Stop in before class to fill out the paperwork or call Kristi at Safari Island at 952-442-3105 to enroll.

Cardio Drumming Monday, April 29 at 10 am

Chair or no chair, you decide what works for you. We move to the beat of the music and have a great time. Enjoy this lowimpact exercise; modifications provided. It is a guaranteed fun time!



Thank you to Safari Island for providing instructors for these fitness classes offered at the Senior Center!

Games

BINGO Wednesdays at 12:30 pm Join us for classic and Yahoo BINGO.

Bridge Thursdays at 12:30 pm Join us each Thursday.

Card Games Several days each month; see calendar for times

Drop in to join a variety of card games including Hand & Foot, 500, and Kings Corner. Cards provided by the Senior Center.

Cribbage

Tuesdays at 10 am Beginners and experts are invited to play.

Mahjong Mondays at 12:30 pm Beginners and experts welcome! Mahjong sets provided by the Senior Center.

Mexican Train Dominoes Tuesdays Dominoes provided by the Senior Center.



Are you helping an older adult or someone with a cognitive diagnosis?

Senior Community Services social worker Sara Roberts, LSW, can caregiver coaching and counseling that helps caregivers sustain their ability to provide help and maintain their own life balance while caring for a loved one. If you, or the person you're caring for, resides in Carver County, contact Sara to schedule an in-person or virtual appointment. Call 612-868-6720 or email s.roberts@seniorcommunity.org.

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