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April - September 2024

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Summer Guide

GENERAL

INFORMATION

April - September 2024 Registration begins April 8

Welcome to West

Bloomfield Parks’ Summer

Guide! Inside you’ll find

great programs for you and

your family to enjoy now

through September.

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Fees are listed as West Bloomfield residents first, followed by non-residents.

Recreation Activities Center

4640 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield, MI 48323

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm

Offices are closed June 19, July 4, September 2.

Connect Hours: 8:30 am-4 pm

Visit wbparks.org/connect for a list of closures.

Park Hours: Parks are open daily from 8 am -

dusk, year-round.

Phone: (248) 451-1900

Email: info@wbparks.org

Staff Contact Information:

Contact information for individual staff can be

found at: wbparks.org/staff.

Registration:

To register for a program, call (248) 451-

1900 or visit us online at wbparks.org.

Community Tranist: (248) 706-2411

To schedule a ride; service for residents

who are disabled or 55+.

Early Registration Discount: Save

$5 by registering at least 7 days prior

to program start date. Applies to most

youth and adult programs.

 Program Location

 Instructor

COMMISSIONERS

UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS

All meetings are at 6 pm at Town Hall (4550 Walnut

Lake Rd.). They are open to the public and can be

viewed online live at civiccentertv.com.

Terrance T. Adams

Merv Aronoff

David Barash

Robert V. Brooks

April 25

May 23

June 27

July 25

August 22

John A. Erich

Vincent C. Kirkwood

Sally Wenczel

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The Nature of Community.

FROM

DIRECTOR

the

A SEASON OF RENEWAL: CREATING COMMUNITY

THROUGH PEOPLE AND EXPERIENCES

As we embrace the vibrant season of renewal, I am

delighted to share what spring brings to the West

Bloomfield community. Within this Activity Guide, you’ll

notice a theme of fostering connections, connecting

with one another, fostering personal well-being and

engaging with the great outdoors.

Connecting seniors to resources to age gracefully: At

Connect, we believe that living an active and engaged

life is the key to longevity and happiness. From fitness

classes that help build and sustain balance to social

gatherings that nourish the soul, we aim to create a

supportive environment where friendships flourish and a

sense of belonging is cultivated.

Connecting to family: The moments we share bring us

together. Rediscover the excitement of Touch-A-Truck’s

return, celebrate the completion of our skatepark

renovation and learn about the upcoming addition of the

new playground at Drake Sports Park this fall. Explore

additional improvements along the West Bloomfield

Trail. Users will benefit from easier trail crossings across

Orchard Lake Road. Anticipate the opening of a restroom

and water bottle refill station in June. We’re committed

to making your connections on the Trail even more safe

and enjoyable.

Connecting with our new faces: We are thrilled to

welcome our new team members whose diverse skills

and fresh perspectives promise to enhance our programs

and facilities and bring new ideas to West Bloomfield.

You can learn more about our new staff members on our

website at wbparks.org/staff.

Connecting Community: As our community embraces

the concept of aging in place, we are proactively

preparing for the future. Explore page six for details

on the proposed bond, pending Township Board

approval, aiming to secure $25 million for crucial capital

enhancements. These improvements encompass an

enhanced Connect facility by relocating it to the Civic

Center campus and adding on 22,000 sq. feet.

In addition, the funds will also be used for expanded

pickleball courts at Drake Sports Park, playground

replacements at three parks and replacement of the

paved walking path at Marshbank Park.

In closing, our dedication remains strong in nurturing

connections, advocating for wellness and enriching the

lives of our residents. Wishing you a season filled with

joy, connection and the revitalization that only spring

can offer.

Kelly Hyer, CPRP

Parks and Facilities

Explore

YOUR PARKS

Lochaven Rd

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Hiller Rd

Square Lk Rd

Willow Rd

8

Keith Rd

6

Union Lk Rd

Commerce Rd

Green Lk Rd

W Long Lk Rd

9

1

Martin Rd

Lone Pine Rd

Pontiac Trl

West Bloomfield Trl

Martin Pkwy

13

Orchard Lake Rd

12

10

Walnut Lk Rd

Haggerty Rd

5

Drake Rd

Middlebelt Rd

7

W Maple Rd

Farmington Rd

Inkster Rd

Halsted Rd

4

M-5

3

W 14 Mile

M-

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Bloomer Park

Bloomfield Knolls Park

Connect Senior Center

Drake Sports Park

Karner Farm

Keith Sports Park

Lily Pad Springs

Marshbank Park

Pine Lake Park

Recreation Activities Center

Sylvan Manor Park

West Bloomfield Trail

West Bloomfield Woods Nature Preserve

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WB PARKS BOND PROPOSAL

AUGUST 6 ELECTIONLEARN programming

Space dedicated lounge

Space for seniors Indoor pickleball, table tennis,

Walking track + more focused on mental

& physical wellbeing Expanded

Nature center more meeting & event space options Critical support for creating a healthier community through expanded

Recreation programming for all ages and enhanced park amenities.

20-YEAR $25 MILLION BOND FOR:

• A new, larger CONNECT community center for all ages• Expanded programs for seniors• Enhanced park amenities CONNECTING COMMUNITYHOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

A resident whose home has a taxable value of $100,000

Will be assessed approximately $35 annually.

NEW CONNECT CONCEPT33, 000-square-foot multigenerational

Facility on the Civic Center Campus CURRENT SENIOR

CENTER• 9,000 square feet• Temporary space

• Located off-site• 600+ members• 6,000+ visits since

August 2023SERVING 2X

THE RESIDENTS

SINCE 1970• 65,000 residents

And growing

• 50% are 50 or older ADDITIONAL

IMPROVEMENTSNEW PLAYGROUNDS AT

PINE LAKE, BLOOMER &

MARSHBANK PARKSEXPANDED

PICKLEBALL COMPLEX

AT DRAKE SPORTS PARKPAVED WALKING PATH

REPLACEMENT AT

MARSHBANK PARKWHAT IS BEING ASKED? 6

Opening May 24

Located at 6200 Farmington Road

Pre-sale admission available

April 24 for West Bloomfield residents

Or May 9 for nonresidents

Session Hours are as follows, seven days a week:

• (3) Sessions: 11:00 am–1:00 pm, 1:30-3:30 pm, 4:00-6:00

pm - Plus special Twilight Sessions (see below)

• Limited hours on some weekdays in the beginning/end of

the season. See wbparks.org/lilypadsprings for details.

• Anyone 6 months and older entering the splash pad must

pay the entrance fee.

• Pre-registration limited to 10 people per reservation.

• Resident pre-sale: available 30 days in advance

• Non-residents pre-sale: available 15 days in advance

• On-site sales begin 15 minutes prior to session

• New! Tickets are available online until 10 am the day of

your visit.

Lily Pad Springs includes:

• Fun for children of all ages

• Over 50 play features and 4 water slides

• Splash bucket that dumps 55 gallons of water

• ADA and Universally Accessible

Weather hotline: (248) 451-1940

wbparks.org/LilyPadSprings

Residents: $4/person per session

Non-residents: $7/person per session

Private Party Rentals

Reservations begin April 24 - $550

Includes splash pad and tent for private party

(up to 100 people)

See wbparks.org/rentals for additional details.

Sensory Friendly Mondays

For our park visitors that may find a regular day at

the splash pad a little overwhelming, this special

session is perfect for you.

Mondays from 11 am–1 pm

June 3-August 5

Twilight Sessions

Join us for our once-weekly evening session!

Tuesdays Twilight sessions:

6:30-8:30 pm

June 11-August 6

Semi-Private Rentals

Reservations begin April 24 - $100

Includes tent rental (up to 40 people)

Group cannot exceed 40 people, admittance

fees not included. See wbparks.org/rentals for

availability & additional details.

Parks and Facilities

Park

Improvements

West Bloomfield Trail Restroom & Hawk Lights

Thanks in part to a $100,000 grant from Oakland County, we will be opening a permanent

restroom along the west Bloomfield Trail this June! The restroom will be located at the

Arrowhead Rd. trailhead and will feature two unisex restrooms and a refillable water

bottle station/drinking fountain. We will host a ribbon cutting during our National Trails

Day event on June 1 at 9:30 am. See page 13 for details.

Two new hawk lights have been added along the West Bloomfield Trail at Orchard Lake Road crossing #2 (at Orchard Lake and

Old Indian Trail) and Orchard Lake crossing #3 (just south of Commerce Road). These lights help trail users cross the road more

safely and efficiently. For an instructional video on how these lights work, visit wbparks.org/wbtrail.

COMING

THIS FALL!

YEAR-ROUND, HEATED

RESTROOMS & DRINKING

FOUNTAINSThis project is partially funded by Oakland County Parks and

Recreation’s Park Improvement and Trailways Grant Program.

Drake Sports Park

Playground & Skate Park

The skate park at Drake Sports Park was replaced

late fall of last year and is now open!

We will be replacing the playground at Drake Sports Park this summer/fall.

Construction will begin in early August and should take six weeks to build. The

new playground will be built on the open green space that is northeast of the

current playground. The old playground will remain open during construction

and will be removed once the new playground is finished.

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Special

EventS

TouchTOUCHTRuckTRUCK-A-

Friday, April 26Timeslots Beginning

at 4pmDrake Sports Park

Resident child $7 Nonresident child $9

Sponsored by:

registration required in advance

fee includes tire obstacle course, goody bag and popcorn.

Get a first-hand look at police, fire,

construction and other cool vehicles!

FIRST TIMESLOT IS SENSORY FRIENDLY!

ONLINE

PRE-ORDER

MAY 12-16BEGINNING AT 8 AM

NATIVE PLANT SALE9AM-12PMMARSHBANK PARKPICK UP MAY 18Visit plantsforecology.com for a list of plants and to shop.

A wide range of trees, shrubs and plants are available for purchase!

Plants for Ecology will donate a portion of the proceeds to ourNature Room to help further our mission of environmental education!

NO ONSITE SALES

GO FISH!

SUNDAY, JUNE 9TIMESLOTS BEGINNINGAT 9AMMARSHBANK PARK Special guest; Mike McKinstry from The Bassquatch Hunter: Fish Out of Water AGES 3+RESIDENT $9/NONRESIDENT $11LIMITED NUMBER OF FISHING POLES AVAILABLE ALONG WITH

HANDS-ON INSTRUCTION FROM WB PARKS STAFF.

THIS EVENT IS ON THE DNR'S FREE FISHING WEEKEND, SO NO FISHING LICENSE IS REQUIRED.

FISHING!PRIZES!CRAFTS!

Bees Butterflies &Butterflies &Blooms

A Festival For Pollinators! August 24thMarshbank Park10am-

12pmBuzz and flutter about Marshbank Park to learn about the importance of our pollinators & what you can do to help these critters that are

so important to our earth.

Monarch tagging with butterfly release Sweep netting for native pollinators Beeswax craft Interactive talks with Bees in the D & Xerces Society

Live caterpillar displays

Native seed giveaway Presented by:

Sponsored by:

Free! No registration required! All ages!

ONLINE

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Marshbank Music at Marshbank Park

5:30 - 8:30 pm

Food service starts at 5:30, music kicks off at 6:00

Lineup July 10: Dan Rafferty Band Rock and Pop Hits July 17: ThunderBeards ZZ Top Tribute This event ends at 8:15 pm.

July 24: Detroit Retro Society Soul, Funk, R&B and more July 31: Mobile Dueling Piano Interactive musical comedy

Sponsored by:

Variety of food trucks Available!

Kids Komotion

EVENT PARTNER

Marshbank Park FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM THE WEST BLOOMFIELD OPTIMIST CLUB!

INFLATABLES!

SPONSORED BY:

THE FUNNY DUMPLINGS

MAY 16

5-7PMFREE!

CHILDREN'S THEATREOF MICHIGAN

JUNE 2010AM-12PM

GUY LOUISSFERLAZZA

AUGUST 2210AM-12PM

BRING SOCKS

FOOD TRUCK11:30AM-1:30PM11:30AM-1:30PMTUESDAYSTO VIEW THE COMPLETE2024 FOOD TRUCKLINEUP VISIT:

This is an event series organized by

West Bloomfield Township, Library,

Police and Parks Departments.

Tent between the Library &

Recreation Activities Center!

In the Civic CenterComplex4600 Walnut Lake Road,

West Bloomfield 48323MAY 7TH-SEPTEMBER 24TH

WBPARKS.ORG/FOODTRUCKTUESDAY

SPONSORED BY:

National Trails Day

Check in between 8-8:30 for a free t-shirt!

T-shirts are first-come-first-serve while supplies last.

Saturday, June 18 am Start at

Walnut Creek Middle School

Celebrate National Trails Day on the West Bloomfield Trail!

Join us at 9:30 am for the ribbon cutting ceremony for the

new Arrowhead Rd. trailhead restroom!

Walk WB

Tuesdays at 7 pm, Saturdays at 8 am

May 7-August 27

Walk WB is a fun, free program

designed to encourage fitness

opportunities while enjoying all the

parks and trails West Bloomfield

has to offer.

Walks are scheduled at various locations throughout West

Bloomfield and range from 2.2 to 3.7 miles.

On the second Tuesday of each month, Henry Ford Health

experts will be available prior to the walk to answer

questions and encourage dialog about health concerns.

Gifts will be given to walkers that complete 26.2 miles (a

marathon). Names will be placed in the $250 grand prize

drawing (one entry for each walk) done after the 8/27

walk.

Sponsored by:

The schedule and walk maps are available at:

wbparks.org/walkwb

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we are changing healthcare.

Our expert teams are delivering care that redefines what’s possible—from neurosurgery,

cardiac care and stroke treatment to robot-assisted joint replacements, cancer management

and a birthing center like no other. For your convenience, we’ve also added a spacious

new parking structure. Discover the most advanced care, close to home.

We’re on a mission to build a healthier community.

henryford.com/westbloomfield

SPECIAL EVENTS

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every day.

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free living, wonderful dining, and comfortable spaces to gather with friends and

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whenever you need it, all under the same roof. Now that’s a retirement life you can

love—and that’s the singular vision of senior living Edward Rose and Sons brings to

every one of our communities.

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Founders Club Member! SCHEDULE A VISIT TODAY!

Call 248-850-1351

MINI REDS

& REDS JUNIOR ACADEMYSOCCER FOR AGES 4-12 AT DRAKE SPORTS PARKJUSTIN KANE Program Director

kane.lfcmi@gmail.comLiverpool FC IA Michigan and West Bloomfield Parks have teamed up to offer a recreational soccer program

for ages 4-12 in the community. Your child will have a fantastic time working with our coaches who deliver a

fun, energetic session in a positive learning environment. Open to all levels of skill/experience.

Mini REDS (2020-2017)

Engage your little one with fun activities designed

for development of basic motor skills, body

mechanics, and soccer skills.

REDS Junior Academy (2016-2012)

Enhance your child’s technical skills and prepare

them for competition in a fun and enriching

atmosphere. Training once per week followed by

an in-house game on the weekend.

LEARN TO PLAY

THE LIVERPOOL WAYLFCInternationalAcademyMI.com/RedsVISIT WEBSITE

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Receive a $5 discount by registering at least 7 days prior to class start date.

YOUTH

RECREATION

Fees are listed as resident rate followed by nonresident.

Sports

Tiny Tykes & Mighty Tykes

A fun introduction to the very

basic elements of the game: small

coaching groups, lots of running,

kicking, laughing and making new

friends. For Tiny Tykes, parents

are encouraged to join in and help

guide their child through this fun

learning experience.

 Marshbank Park

Tiny Tykes...............................3-5

4/24-5/29 | W | 5:00-6:00P | $149/$164

4/24-5/29 | W | 6:00-7:00P | $149/$164

Mighty Tykes............................6-9

4/24-5/29 | W | 7:00-8:00P | $149/$164

Learn-To-Play Olympic

Team Handball............8-10

Team Handball is one of the most

popular Olympic sports in the world.

Combining elements of soccer and

basketball, the sport is easy to learn,

fun to play and a great way for kids

to exercise. Participants will learn

the FUNdamentals of Team Handball

while also building confidence and

developing skills like communication

and respect.

 Drake Sports Park

4/30-5/28 | Tu | 6:00-7:00P | $95/$105

Track & Cross Country....9-13

Learn the fundamentals of running

and training techniques. This

program covers all aspects of track

and field events and cross country.

 Drake Sports Park

5/6-6/3 | M | 6:30-7:30P | $95/$105

Sand Volleyball

Learn hand-eye coordination, reflexes

and proper volleyball techniques. This

class is an introduction to all aspects

of the volleyball sport.

 Marshbank Park

Ages 7-9

5/8-5/29 | W | 5:30-6:30P | $97/$107

Ages 10-12

5/8-5/29 | W | 6:30-7:30P | $97/$107

Basketball

Enhance your basketball skills

including dribbling, passing,

shooting and defense.

 Bloomer Park

Ages 8-11

5/7-5/28 | Tu | 5:30-6:30P | $97/$107

Ages 12-15

5/7-5/28 | Tu | 6:30-7:30P | $97/$107

Flag Football................7-10

Learn the fundamentals of passing,

catching and running. No tackling!

Designed for both beginners and

those with some or no playing

experience.

 Drake Sports Park

5/6-6/3 | M | 5:30-6:30P | $95/$105

T-Ball...............................3-5

Kids will be introduced to the sport

of baseball. They will explore the

essentials of the game, including

throwing, catching, fielding, base

running and tee-based batting.

 Keith Sports Park

5/2-5/23 | Th | 5:00-6:00P | $97/$107

Baseball.........................6-9

You will learn basic baseball skills

including throwing, catching, fielding,

running the bases and hitting.

 Keith Sports Park

5/2-5/23 | Th | 6:00-7:00P | $97/$107

Learn to Play

Lacrosse.....................5-10

Lacrosse is an awesome sport, but

it’s also challenging! This program

will teach kids the basic skills

and rules in a fun and supportive

environment. By the end of the

program, your child will step onto

the lacrosse field with confidence!

 Drake Sports Park

5/2-5/30 | Th | 6:00-7:00P | $115/$130

Amazing Athletes Tots

Class................................1-3

Amazing Athletes is an educational

sport and fitness program. Children

learn the basic fundamentals of five

sports (football, soccer, volleyball,

baseball and basketball). Class also

focuses on gross motor development,

cardio fitness and nutrition. Parents

must stay.

 Drake Sports Park

4/24-5/29 | W | 10:00-10:30A | $137/$152

Gymnastics

Kids will use the floor, bars, beam, vault

and trampolines to learn cartwheels,

handstands, back walkovers, rolling

and other skills. Each class includes

movement to music creating a

fun atmosphere while building

coordination, rhythm and timing.

 Drake Sports Park

Itty Itty Bunnies - Ages 1.5-3

5/9-5/30 | Th | 6:00-6:30P | $73/$83

Bizzy Bunnies - Ages 3-5

5/9-5/30 | Th | 6:35-7:05P | $73/$83

Happy Hoppers - Ages 6-8

5/9-5/30 | Th | 7:10-7:40P | $73/$83

Tennis Clinic

This class is for beginner through

intermediate players. Clinic will

focus on learning the fundamentals

of hitting the ball and learning skills

to improve your playing ability. Youth

will be grouped based on ability

level. Bring a water bottle and a

tennis racquet.

 Drake Sports Park

Ages 6-8

5/21-5/30 | Tu,Th | 5:00-6:00P | $77/$87

Ages 9-12

5/21-5/30 | Tu,Th | 6:00-7:00P | $77/$87

Fall Soccer League

WB Parks has

partnered with

the Liverpool

FC IA Michigan

to offer a

recreational

soccer program

for our

community. Your

child will work

with coaches

who deliver a fun, energetic session

in a positive learning environment.

Session will contain components

of athletic development, 1v1

domination, and end with an in-

group game. Your child will also

receive an LFC training shirt. Visit

wbparks.org/soccer for more

information and to register!

 Drake Sports Park

• Program runs on Saturdays 9/7-

10/12

• Registration begins 4/8 and ends

8/31

• No refunds after 8/25

• Request to play with your friends

and neighbors when registering,

but it’s not guaranteed!

• Teams are formed on a first

come, first served basis until full.

• Cost $137/$152 ages 4-5 or

$173/$193 ages 6-12

YOUTH RECREATION

Leaders in

Training Program

An empowerment program designed for

young leaders aged 13-16. Get all the

details on page 18!

Receive a $5 discount by registering at least 7 days prior to class start date.

CPR Certification....11-14

This course covers: injury

prevention, babysitting emergencies,

9-1-1 calls, child and infant CPR

and AED, how to help a choking

child, water and playground safety.

This is a great class for youth with

younger siblings, those who babysit,

or require certification for school

activities. Upon completion, students

will receive a Heartsaver K-12

certification card, valid for 2 years.

 Recreation Activities Center

7/13 | Sa | 9:00A-12:00P | $60/$70

8/10 | Sa | 9:00A-12:00P | $60/$70

Beecher Charm School

Beecher Charm School teaches

character-building, social and

communication skills and cultural

competence that helps uplift

and enhance personal presence,

confidence, self-image, poise and

grace. Students will receive a

certificate of completion upon the

end of the six week program.

 Beecher Etiquette School

Ages 9-12

4/27-6/1 | Sa | 9:00-11:00A | $209/$229

Ages 13-17

4/27-6/1 | Sa | 12:00-2:00P | $209/$229

Chess Wizards.............6-10

Chess Wizards will teach different

chess lessons best suited to students

individualized needs. All lessons

have an activity and homework to

accompany them and this program

has well over 80 different lessons to

keep challenging the little wizards!

Chess has been taught for thousands

of years because of its emphasis on

logic, tactics and sportsmanship. This

program will coach your kids to a

higher level of education!

5/14-6/4 | Tu | 6:00-7:00P | $73/$83

Leader In Training

Program (LIT)

Our LIT program offers teens the

opportunity to gain and strengthen

leadership skills. LITs will support

staff in the facilitation of our camp

programming. Responsibilities

will include but are not limited

to: assisting camp staff with

implementing daily activities, craft/

game prep, setup and clean-up,

assisting with field trips and other

off-site activities. Please visit

wbparks.org/lit for more details.

This program is for young individuals

that exhibit great role model

behavior and enjoy working with

and mentoring youth. Must apply

to be considered for the program.

Application deadline is 5/6. Early

registration discount does not apply.

6/24-8/9 | $300/$325 | 13-16

VR STEM Edutainment

This program aims to explore

diverse STEM topics. Fostering

education, engagement, motivation,

and inspiration for young minds

to pursue careers in science,

technology, engineering, and

mathematics, cultivating future

innovative leaders.

Ages 7-10

5/1-5/29 | W | 5:30-7:00P | $205/$230

No class 5/8

Ages 11-14

5/2-5/30 | Th | 5:30-7:00P | $205/$230

No class 5/9

SERVICES:

•We provide Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA Therapy)

•Our team consists of Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA) and

Registered Technicians (RBT)

•Social, behavioral, and motor skills development•Community outings/Field trips•Parent consultations and training•Sibling support and training•Attend IEP meetings•Provide Speech Therapy & Occupational Therapy

Contact:

(313) 694-7700support@mybrighttherapy.com

7011 Orchard Lake Rd. West Bloomfield MI, 48322

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Camp Schedule

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Register by June 1 to receive a $10 discount off each week!

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Age Requirements

Campers must turn the advertised age within one month of the camp

start date (unless noted otherwise). Ages for each camp are listed next to

the title.

No latchkey available.

The information in this brochure is considered accurate as of 3/7/24 and

subject to change. Fees are listed as resident rates first, followed by non-

resident rates.

Camp

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Forms

Camp Registration = Camp Waiver + Concussion Form + Payment

• Every child must have all required camp forms completed and submitted

before they can be registered for camp.

• Forms only need to be submitted once for the entire summer.

• Camp forms can be submitted online at wbparks.org/camps, except for the

optional medication form which must be completed by your doctor

• Once your required and optional camp forms have been processed, you will

receive an email confirmation. At that point, you can either register online

or give us a call for assistance.

Optional form:

• Permission to Administer Medication and Release of Claims (form found at

wbparks.org/camps)

• Only required if your child needs to take medication (including an inhaler or

epi-pen) during camp hours. Must be completed by a doctor. The completed

form can be emailed to camps@wbparks.org.

Payment: We accept cash, check and all major credit cards.

Registration Deadline

Registration begins April 22 at 8 am. Early registration for 2023 returning Camp

WB participants is on April 19 from 6 am-4:30 pm. Register by June 1 and

receive a $10 discount on each week of camp.

• Registration deadline: 11:59 pm, the Tuesday prior to the camp start date

(unless stated otherwise)

• Transfers/cancellations must be requested before the registration deadline

and will incur a $10 fee per transaction.

• Registration after the deadline will only be accepted if space allows and

you will be charged a $20 administration fee.

Refunds

Refunds must be requested by 11:59 pm, the Tuesday prior to the camp start date,

less a $10 administrative fee. There will be no refunds given after this time frame.

Refund requests due to medical reasons: If your refund request is medical in

nature, please provide a doctor’s note with date of ineligibility of participation

and those dates will be fully refunded (less the dates you attended before the

medical issue) and no administration fee will apply. Ineligibility of participation

dates must be within the dates for which you are requesting a refund, otherwise

the request cannot be honored. Requests must be made before the last class/

camp date. The doctor’s note must be received within two weeks of the request.

Weather Plan

If camp needs to be cancelled in

advance, we will decide by 8 am

the morning of camp. Our goal

is to have the weather hotline

updated by 8:15 am. A make-up

day has been pre-scheduled for

select camps. If no make-up day is

offered, a prorated refund will be

provided. See Parent Newsletter for

specific inclement weather details,

emailed prior to the start of camp.

Weather hotline: (248) 451-1930

Camp WB...................6-11

Keep your busy bee entertained,

engaged and learning this summer

with our action-packed, state-

licensed day camp! Camp WB offers

unique arts and crafts projects,

naturalist-led nature exploration,

fishing, sports, games, water

activities and more. Some of

our unique activities will include

guest speakers facilitating exciting

experiences.

Your camper will experience a

variety of weekly activities including:

Tuesdays spent at Marshbank Park,

Wednesdays at Lily Pad Springs splash

pad and weekly field trips. On field

trip days, the pick-up time will be

4 pm. Your camper will have new

experiences every day throughout

the summer.

 Drake Sports Park

6/10-6/14| 9:00A-3:00P | $250/$275

6/17-6/21\* | 9:00A-3:00P | $212/$237

6/24-6/28 | 9:00A-3:00P | $250/$275

7/1-7/3\* | 9:00A-3:00P | $154/$174

7/8-7/12 | 9:00A-3:00P | $250/$275

7/15-7/19 | 9:00A-3:00P | $250/$275

7/22-7/26 | 9:00A-3:00P | $250/$275

7/29-8/2 | 9:00A-3:00P | $260/$285

8/5-8/9 | 9:00A-3:00P | $250/$275

Camp pricing varies weekly based on field trip

costs and number of camp days offered.

\*No camp on June 19, July 4 & 5

Field Trips

June 13: Urban Air

June 20: Blake’s

Orchard + Pool Day

June 27: U of M Museum

of Natural History

July 3: Upland Hills

Farm

July 11: Jimmy Johns

Field

July 18: Red Oaks

Waterpark

July 25: Imagination

Station

August 1: Bonaventure

+ Pool Day

August 7: Rolling Hills

Water Park

Camp WB 2.0..............6-11

Camp WB 2.0 is packed full of a

kid’s favorite summer camp activity,

FIELD TRIPS! All four days will include

at least one exciting field trip

destination. The week will be full

of ever-changing fun and engaging

activities along the way. Be sure to

secure your child’s spot early! You

must be registered for at least one

week of Camp WB in order to register

for Camp WB 2.0.

Field Trip Destinations Include

(subject to change):

Creature Conservancy, Cook’s Dairy

Farm, Michigan Science Center &

Rev’d Up

 Drake Sports Park

8/12-8/15 | 9:00A-3:00P | $325/$350

Camp WB Camp Out

This social event gives campers a

unique opportunity to hang out with

their camp friends and our staff in a

cool, overnight camping experience.

Reserved for Camp WB participants

that have attended at least one week

of camp prior to 7/19. To register,

call 248-451-1900. Space is limited so

register early! Registration deadline is

7/9. Campfire dinner will be provided

and made by the campers. Activities

will include: roasting s’mores,

campfire stories, camp games, a

naturalist-led activity and other fun.

Drop-off is at the Drake Community

Building at 7:30 pm and pick-up is at

8 am.

7/19-7/20 | F | $50/$60

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Basketball....................8-11

Campers will enhance their basketball

skills including dribbling, passing,

shooting and defense through skill-

based instruction and small-sided

scrimmages. Designed for beginning to

intermediate players.

 Fun Time Sports

 Bloomer Park

6/10-6/14 | 9:00A-12:00P | $195/$215

6/10-6/14 | 9:00A-3:00P |$265/$290

7/8-7/12 |9:00A-12:00P | $195/$215

7/8-7/12 | 9:00A-3:00P |$265/$290

7/29-8/2 | 9:00A-12:00P | $195/$215

7/29-8/2 | 9:00A-3:00P |$265/$290

Flag Football................7-10

Campers will learn the fundamentals

of passing, catching and running, No

Tackling! Designed for beginners and

those with some playing experience.

 Fun Time Sports Instructor

 Drake Sports Park

7/22-7/26 | 9:00A-12:00P | $195/$215

Sand Volleyball

This Camp is an introduction

to all aspects of the volleyball

sport. Campers develop hand-eye

coordination, reflexes and proper

volleyball techniques.

 Fun Time Sports Instructor

 Marshbank Park

Ages 7-9

6/24-6/28 | 9:00A-12:00P |$195/$215

7/15-7/19 | 9:00A-12:00P |$195/$215

8/12-8/16 | 9:00A-12:00P |$195/$215

Ages 10-12

6/24-6/28 | 1:00P-4:00P | $195/$215

7/15-7/19 | 1:00P-4:00P | $195/$215

8/12-8/16 | 1:00P-4:00P | $195/$215

SOCCER

 Challenger Sports Coaches

Each camper receives a ball & t-shirt

Tiny Tykes & Mighty Tykes

A fun introduction to the very

basic elements of the game: small

coaching groups, lots of running,

kicking, laughing and making new

friends. For TinyTykes, parents

are encouraged to join in and help

guide their child through this fun

learning experience.

 Drake Sports Park

Tiny Tykes...........................3-4

8/5-8/9 | 9:00A-10:00A | $175/$195

Mighty Tykes.......................5-6

8/5-8/9 | 10:00A-11:30A | $175/$195

Challenger Core

Soccer..........................7-14

We use age-appropriate practices to

help players develop at their own

pace, learn brand new skills and

become all-round better players.

These camps introduce international

training tactics to campers including

an educational approach that

uses soccer to teach the core

values of responsibility, integrity,

respect, sportsmanship and

leadership. Campers will receive an

individualized evaluation.

 Marshbank Park

6/17-6/22 | 9:00A-12:00P | $205/$225

6/17-6/22 | 9:00-3:00P | $255/$280

These camps run Monday-Saturday.

No camp on Wednesday, June 19.

 Drake Sports Park

7/15-7/19 | 9:00A-12:00P | $205/$225

7/15-7/19 | 9:00A-3:00P | $255/$280

8/5-8/9 | 9:00A-12:00P | $205/$225

8/5-8/9 | 9:00-3:00P | $255/$280

Don’t miss our

Leader in Training

program on page 18!

Baseball..........................6-9

Campers will learn basic baseball

skills including throwing, catching,

fielding, running the bases and

batting. Bring a baseball glove.

 Fun Time Sports Instructor

 Drake Sports Park

7/29-8/2 | 1:00P-4:00P | $195/$210

T-Ball................................3-5

Campers will be introduced to

the sport of baseball. Kids will

explore the essentials of the game,

including throwing, catching,

fielding, base running and tee-

based batting. Bring a baseball

glove.

 Fun Time Sports Instructor

 Drake Sports Park

6/10-6/14 | 9:00A-10:00A | $145/$160

7/29-8/2 | 9:00A-10:00A | $145/$160

Track & Cross

Country................9-13

Learn the fundamentals of running

and training techniques. This camp

covers all aspects of Track and field

events and Cross Country.

 Fun Time Sports Instructor

 Drake Sports Park

7/22-7/26 | 1:00P-4:00P | $195/$215

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The instructor for our art camps is

Kidcreate, unless stated otherwise.

 Kidcreate Art Instructor

 Marshbank Park

Candy Shop...................4-9

Campers we will learn step-by-step

drawing and sculpting techniques as

they create jumbo-sized goodies.

We’ll make some of your campers

favorite candies out of paint,

clay and a variety of other art

materials.

6/24-6/28 | 9:00A-12:00P | $210/$235

Beyond Pokemon......5-12

Your child will put their Pokemon

skills to work as they create Pokemon

inspired art. The kids will work with a

variety of art materials as they make

their own trading cards, Pokemon-

inspired creature and a map of its

habitat!

6/24-6/28 | 1:00P-4:00P | $210/$235

Mess to the Max!.........4-9

Campers will be maximizing the

mess to make it the very best!

Campers will paint with plaster,

sculpt with gooey gunk, make papier

mache puppies and fling paint like

Jackson Pollock. These projects are

so messy your mom would never let

you make them at home!

7/22-7/26 | 9:00A-12:00P | $210/$235

Modern Masters in

Clay.................................5-12

Campers be inspired by Vincent Van

Gogh, Claude Monet, Gustav Klimt

and Pablo Picasso. They will recreate

famous works of art like Van Gogh’s

Field of Irises, Monet’s Sailboat at

Le Petit Gennevilliers, Klimt’s The

Sunflower, and Picasso’s Colombe-

all in clay. You better make room to

display these masterpieces!

7/22-7/26 | 1:00-4:00P | $210/$235

Art Camp with Mrs.

Lindsay..........................5-12

Campers will get to choose their

own subjects and explore with

several different mediums and

techniques.

Each camper will receive a small

sketchbook, drawing pencil,

brushes, acrylic paint set, canvas,

clay and more! Expect to make a

fun mess and plan to have at least

one finished art piece per day! A $25

material fee (cash, check or venmo)

is due to the instructor on the first

day of camp.

 Lindsay Bochenek

6/11-6/13 | 10:00A-1:00P | $175/$195

7/10-7/12 | 10:00A-1:00P | $175/$195

7/16-7/18 | 10:00A-1:00P | $175/$195

7/30-8/1 | 10:00A-1:00P | $175/$195

8/13-8/15 | 10:00A-1:00P | $175/$195

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STEM CAMPS

iCode

 iCode Instructor

 iCode Novi

 48000 Grand River Ave., Novi 48374

Roblox Editor..............5-12

Campers will create projects using

block-based coding, a programming

style that shows texted-

based coding is not essential.

Demonstrating Video games filled

with characters, object interaction,

physics and goals are a great way

to spark creativity and learning.

7/1-7/3 | 9:00A-3:00P | $310/$310

YouTube Production...5-12

Perfect for future content creators

to learn skills that will push their

videos to the top. Campers will

learn how to use digital cameras,

edit audio/video and produce

content that is unique and

interesting for their audience.

7/22-7/26 | 9:00A-3:00P | $490/$490

Minecraft Camp: The Building

Blocks of Coding ...7-13

Learn conditionals, functions,

coordinates and more in block-based

coding and JavaScript. Campers

will design an original, creative

project to program four tools for a

survival backpack to help them in a

Minecraft world.

8/5-8/9 | 9:00A-3:00P | $490/$490

Snapology

If your child is registered for two

half day camps, pack a lunch and

two snacks. They will be supervised

during lunch (12-1pm).

 Snapology of Troy Instructor

 West Bloomfield Middle School

STEAM Survivor.........5-10

Campers will put their design,

building and critical thinking skills

to the test! They will be given daily

challenges in which they will design

functional solutions with their

teammate using LEGO® bricks! This

program encourages kids to carefully

work through the engineering design

process and see how well they can

design with a purpose.

6/24-6/28 | 9:00A-12:00P | $230/$255

Pokemania.......................5-10

Campers will build and explore the

world of Pokemon out of LEGO®

bricks. They create their own gyms,

battles and generation of Pokemon.

Your child will have a blast becoming

the best Pokemon trainer ever.

6/24-6/28 | 1:00-4:00P | $230/$255

Attack Bots Robotics..6-12

Campers will learn important,

foundational coding skills while

building military inspired robots.

Campers will learn about sequencing

commands, value and sensor inputs

and loops as they create robotic

catapults, crossbows, battleships

and much more using our LEGO®

WeDo Robotics kits!

7/29-8/2 | 9:00A-12:00P | $250/$275

Jedi Masters................6-12

Your youngling will explore the

galaxy with their master building

skills and our intergalactically-

focused curriculum. Motivated to

become Jedi-like heroes in the

movies, campers will learn to

concentrate on mastering the Force,

appreciating the use of teamwork to

build battle drones and AT-Walkers,

and make their very own lightsaber

to use in battle.

7/29-8/2 | 1:00-4:00P | $230/$255

Advanced Mining &

Building .............7-14

Minecraft® lovers unite! This camp

involves advanced Minecraft®

building using LEGO® bricks and

game-play experience. Campers will

learn the art of crafting and stirring

up their own potions.

8/12-8/16 | 9:00A-12:00P | $230/$255

Animation Studios ....7-14

Create amazing movies with stop

motion animation using LEGO®

bricks. Campers will work in teams

to produce their very own movie,

complete with dialogue and sound

effects. Movies are uploaded to a

secure site for family and friends to

see how cool they are!

8/12-8/16 | 1:00-4:00P | $250/$275

Emotion in Motion.....5-12

This inclusive occupational therapy-

based camp is designed to help

kids develop their emotional

intelligence. Through interactive

games and creative activities,

campers will improve their ability

to understand and manage their

own and others’ emotions. They will

develop self-awareness, empathy

and communication skills that will

empower them to build better

relationships.

8/5-8/9 | 10:00A-1:00P | $290/$315

Camp registration

opens on April 22!

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Single Day

Nature Camps

The registration deadline for these

camps is two business days prior

to the program date. Every child

must have all required camp forms

completed and submitted before

they can be registered for single-day

camps. All of these naturalist-led

programs include a hike, live animal

encounters, games and a craft.

 WB Parks Nature Staff

Serene Safari..............6-12

Join us for a day of making

meaningful connections with the

natural world. Explore your senses

through fun activities during a

mindful hike. Flex your creativity

using materials found on the trail to

create nature art. Engage in yoga

surrounded by the tranquil sounds of

nature with DownPup Yoga.

 Recreation Activities Center

6/17 | M | 9:00A-3:00P | $85/$95

Fishing Frenzy .........6-12

Fish are friends, not food! Spend the

day at our fishing pier at Marshbank

Park on Cass Lake where campers will

learn about catch and release fishing.

We will be joined by special guest

Mike McKinstry from “The Bassquatch

Hunter: Fish Out of Water” on the

Discovery Channel! A hike, games and

craft are part of this camp. Fishing

poles provided.

 Marshbank Park

7/22 | M | 9:00A-3:00P | $85/$95

Eco-Explorers ...........6-12

Creativity meets conservation in this

ultimate eco-adventure for young

environmental enthusiasts! Explore

the world of recycling right with a

special guest from Green For Life

(GFL). Meet animals that recycle right

out in nature, make unique creations

using recycled items and get hands-on

with green games and activities.

 Recreation Activities Center

7/11 | Th | 9:00A-3:00P | $85/$95

Wildlife Detectives....6-12

Join the ranks of wildlife detectives

with a day of decoding animal signs

and uncovering the secrets of the

local animal kingdom. Campers will

hone their observational skills and

engage in exciting, wildlife-themed

challenges and scavenger hunts.

 Recreation Activities Center

7/18 | Th | 9:00A-3:00P | $80/$90

Water Bug Wonders....6-12

Dive into a day of watershed

exploration. Joined by the Clinton

River Watershed Council, campers will

discover the animals that call Cass

Lake home. Expect a day filled with

fishing, outdoor games and hiking

adventure! Fishing poles provided.

 Marshbank Park

7/25 | Th | 9:00A-3:00P | $85/$95

Scaly & Slimy..............6-12

Embark on an ooey gooey adventure

exploring the world of reptiles and

amphibians. Create slime to mimic

some of the unique textures found

in nature. Meet the cold-blooded

critters that call the Nature Room

home and observe the characteristics

that make them scaly & slimy.

 Recreation Activities Center

7/31 | M | 9:00A-3:00P | $80/$90

Night at the Nature

Room Overnight

Camp..............................8-13

Spend the night with the animal

ambassadors in the Nature Room

to celebrate the end of the 2024

Nature Camp season. A night hike,

stargazing, story and more will make

up this nocturnal night out! The

nature fun continues in the morning

before pickup at 8:30 am. Your

camper must have attended at least

one Single Day Nature Camp or one

week of Camp WB in 2024 to sign up

for this experience.

 Recreation Activities Center

8/9-8/10 | F, Sa | 6:30P-8:30A | $95/$105

Nature

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Appointments

Discover your wild side when you

book a naturalist-guided nature

appointment! Nature appointments

include a live animal, interactive

nature talk, stories and more. We

welcome families, school field

trips (including preschoolers),

homeschoolers, scout groups

and many other community

organizations for fun educational

programs that are available year-

round. You can visit wbparks.org/

nature-appointments for details

and pricing.

Contact our award-winning

Naturalist David Anthony at (248)

451-1909 or danthony@wbparks.

org for more details on available

topics and to schedule your nature

appointment.

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All programs take place at the Recreation Activities Center and

are led by WB Parks Nature Staff, unless stated otherwise.

Family Programs

All children and adults must register

for these programs.

Who’s Calling? Frog Hike....8+

As spring rain fills our wetland

ponds, frogs and toads are out

and about in large numbers. This

interactive walk will help you learn

the “when” and “whys” of Michigan’s

vocal amphibians. Learn how the

Friends of the Rouge citizen scientist

volunteers monitor wetlands for frogs

and toads.

 WB Woods Nature Preserve

5/3 | F | 7:30-8:30P

Garlic Mustard

Gatherers.........................5+

Are you interested in putting

in some volunteer hours or

just doing some good in your

community? Help with invasive species

management by removing garlic

mustard plants. Training provided.

Some friendly competition is included

– let’s see who can gather the most!

Winner will receive a small prize.

 Marshbank Park

5/8 | W | 6:00-7:30P

Hero Hike..........................3+

Hike with a naturalist and one

of WB’s very own heroes, a local

Army sergeant! Come dressed as

your favorite hero or in camouflage

to explore the trail. Make a craft

and interview our guest hero after

the hike.

 Marshbank Park

5/11 | Sa | 1:00-2:30P | $2/$4

Beekeeper for a Day

Hive Tour....................8+

Become a Beekeeper for the day! Join

us as we explore the magical world

of beekeeping with our friends at

Bees in the D! Discover how integral

honey bees are to our food system and

how incredible these misunderstood

creatures really are.

You’ll have the opportunity to put on a

beekeeping suit and get hands on with

the bees to learn how a hive works and

thrives.

 Karner Farm

5/19 | Su | 10:00A-12:00P | $30/$35

8/3 | Sa | 10:00A-12:00P | $30/$35

Planting for Beginners....3+

Are you interested in learning about

gardening by getting some hands-on

experience? Not only will you learn

how to garden, but you will also

learn all about what makes plants

important. This program will take

place outdoors and will be fun for the

whole family!

5/20 | M | 6:00-7:30P | $5/$7

Live Animal Show: The

Reptarium........................5+

Join the Reptarium for live animal

encounters featuring a variety of

reptiles and amphibians!

6/22 | Sa | 6:00-7:00P | $9/$11

Little Hikers......All Ages

Join our Naturalist on a nature

discovery walk. Enjoy silly songs

and fun activities to keep all ages,

from babies to school-aged engaged.

Families can explore the Nature

Room and Outdoor Natural Play Area

after the hike.

5/2, 6/6, 8/1 | Th | 10:30-11:30A |

$3/$5 per family

Free!

Free!

Pollinator Storytime

around the Hive............3+

Join us for a story, songs and a craft

- all about bees and other native

pollinators. The program will be

on the pathway to the beehives at

Karner Farm. We will observe the

hives from a distance and use nets

to catch and observe our native

pollinators that may be fluttering in

the gardens nearby.

 Karner Farm

6/27 | Th | 5:30-7:00P | $7/$9

Night Hike Series...........8+

Experience the trails after dark on

these naturalist-led hikes. Different

nighttime nature topics will be

explored each month.

Nocturnal Animals

Explore the animal kingdom after

dark. Learn about the nocturnal

animals that call West Bloomfield

home.

5/22 | W | 8:00-9:30P | $3/$5

S’mores Stroll

Enjoy the thrill of nocturnal

exploration, captivating storytelling

and the cozy warmth of a crackling

campfire. We will start the night with

a hike and end with s’mores!

6/27 | Th | 8:00-9:30P | $3/$5

Astronomy Adventure

Embark on a sensory adventure while

enjoying the wonders of nature on

the starlit trail.

8/2 | F | 8:00-9:30P | $3/$5

Family Fun Field Trip:

Detroit Abloom...............5+

Calling all parents and grandparents!

Join a naturalist on this fun recycling

adventure at Detroit Abloom!

This field trip includes a tour of

the gardens at Detroit Abloom,

including time to make discoveries

in the Kids Abloom Garden. Learn

about the importance of native

plants and pollinator conservation.

Transportation from the Recreation

Activities Center included.

8/2 | F | 8:00A-12:30P | $9/$11

NATURE PROGRAMS

Adults & Seniors

Your Natural, Edible Yard:

Un-Lawning........................16+

Save money and save your health by

ditching that lawn company. Let’s take

a closer look at the “weeds” (dandelion,

violet, plantain and more) growing

right under our feet! Learn how to

add nutrient-packed plants to meals

and learn tips on how to maintain a

beautiful, chemical-free lawn. The

program includes some foraged snacks,

take home recipes and a guided hike.

 Sally Wenczel

5/22 | W | 6:00-7:30P | $7/$9

Senior Seasonal Hikes

Join our naturalist on a seasonal nature

discovery walk. Each walk ranges

from 1-1.5 miles. Explore various

trails in West Bloomfield and

observe the changing seasons.

Hiking poles provided.

 Drake Sports Park

5/15 | W | 2:00-3:30P

 WB Woods Nature Preserve

6/12 | W | 2:00-3:30P

 Bloomer Park

7/10 | W | 2:00-3:30P

Fishing & Kayaking

 Marshbank Park

“Like, Totally!” 1980’s

Fishing Day...................5+

Join us for fun, family fishing. The

family that rocks our ‘80s gnarly and

bodacious costume contest will win

the coveted “fishing trophy”. Fishing

equipment and bait will be provided.

Fishing licenses are required for

anyone over 17 to fish.

8/17 | Sa | 1:00-2:30P | $8/$10

Storytime & Fishing w/

Bassquatch.....................6+

Join Mike McKinstry, of “The

Bassquatch Hunter: Fish Out of

Water” on the Discovery Channel, in

this family fun event! Mike will read

his book, “The Adventures of Seth-

Squatch”, do a fun craft and then hit

the docks to fish! Fishing instruction is

available so no experience necessary.

7/26 | F | 5:00-6:45P | $5/$7

Family Kayak...................8+

Discover the fun of kayaking on scenic

Cass Lake during this naturalist-

led paddle. Upon arrival, receive a

brief lesson on how to successfully

enter, exit and paddle. Fee is per

person, choose single or double kayak

at registration. All equipment is

provided, including life jackets.

8/14 | W | 7:00-8:30P | $43/$48

Senior Kayak

Fun on the water doesn’t have to

end as you age. Join us as we explore

Cass Lake, the largest and deepest

lake in Oakland County. Must be able

to get in and out of a kayak with

minimal assistance. All equipment is

provided, including life jackets. Fee

is per person, choose single or double

kayak at registration.

8/14 | W | 9:00-10:30A | $38/$43

Free!

Nature Open

Hours

Check out all the Nature Room

and Outdoor Natural Play Area has

to offer. No matter the weather or

the season - we have something

fun for you! The Nature Room

inside the Recreation Activities

Center has animal ambassadors

(reptiles & amphibians), a craft

and so much more.

The outside space features natural

elements for play, designed to

engage children with nature.

Naturalist staff will be on hand to

answer your nature questions. Best

of all - IT’S FREE!! Children must

be accompanied by an adult.

 Recreation Activities Center

Saturday, May 11 from 9-11 am\*

Tuesday, May 21 from 4-6 pm

Thursday, June 13 from 12-2 pm

Saturday, June 22 from 1-3 pm

Saturday, July 13 from 11 am-1 pm

Friday, July 26 from 1-3 pm

Thursday, August 1 from 12-2 pm

Saturday, August 17 from 9-11 am

\*Our Community Garage Sale is the

same day. See page 13 for details.

Greater West Bloomfield

Michigan Week

Cordially invites you to celebrate

Our community volunteers at the

52nd Michigan Week community awards Breakfast

$35 Reservations - purchase online at

www.michiganweek.orgwww.michiganweek.orgDeadline for reservations, April 19, 2024 SEVEN O’CLOCK AM

Friday May 10

2024Temple Israel

5725 Walnut Lake Road

West Bloomfield, MI 48323

Nature

Volunteer

Opportunities

Bluebird Nest Monitoring:

Do you love birds? Are you

concerned about the sharp decline

of bluebirds and other cavity-

nesting birds? Monitoring the nest

boxes along the Civic Center trails

comes with the near certainty of

seeing baby birds in their habitat.

Become a citizen scientist today

by volunteering with WB Parks’

naturalist team to monitor nest

boxes for the NestWatch program.

NestWatch is a nationwide nest-

monitoring program designed to

track the status and trends in the

reproductive biology of birds. All

training is simple and provided.

Garlic Mustard Pulls

Help with invasive species

management by removing garlic

mustard plants. Training provided.

Sign up for these opportunities

at wbparks.org/volunteer!

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SUMMER

GUIDE

Receive a $5 discount by registering at least 7 days prior to class start date.

ADULT

RECREATION

Pre-paid, individual classes are available for most fitness classes.

Pilates Mat

A full body workout focusing on the

core muscles, abdomen and spine.

If you have an injury or special

issue with your upper body, or have

lower back problems (osteopenia

or osteoporosis), you will learn the

proper way to exercise the core

muscles in a safe way.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Lisa Fein

5/6-6/10 | M | 9:00-10:00A | $65/$75

5/6-6/10 | M | 6:30-7:30P | $65/$75

5/8-6/5 | W | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

6/17-7/15 | M | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

6/17-7/15 | M | 6:30P-7:30P | $65/$75

6/26-7/24 | W | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

7/29-9/2 | M | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

7/29-9/2 | M | 6:30P-7:30P | $65/$75

7/31-9/4 | W | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

No class 5/27, 8/5, 8/7

Strength Training + Abs

Building muscle is the best way to

speed up your metabolism, even

better than cardio! It improves bone

mass, and is essential for preventing

and improving osteoporosis. You will

be coached to make sure you are using

the correct form when performing

exercises that target all major muscle

groups from head to toe. Floor

exercises are included.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Lisa Fein

5/7-6/4 | Tu | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

5/10-6/7 | F | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

6/18-7/16 | Tu | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

6/21-7/19 | F | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

7/30-9/3 | Tu | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

8/2-8/30 | F | 9:00A-10:00A | $65/$75

No class 8/6

Cardio Combo

A complete workout; strength

training for the upper & lower body,

cardio & flexibility. You’ll get great

conditioning for your heart and

lungs with low impact aerobics and

you’ll speed up your metabolism

strengthening your abdominal

muscles and back. Stretching will

keep the muscles flexible and

prevent injury.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Lisa Fein

5/8-6/5 | W | 6:30-7:30P | $65/$75

6/26-7/24 | W | 6:30-7:30P | $65/$75

7/31-9/4 | W | 6:30-7:30P | $65/$75

No class 8/7

Zumba®

We take the “work” out of workout,

by mixing low-intensity and high-

intensity moves for an interval-style,

calorie-burning, dance fitness party.

Come ready to sweat and prepare to

leave empowered and feeling strong.

 Brenda Pamela Zarinana

 Drake Sports Park

5/8-6/5 | W | 6:30P-7:15P | $60/$70

6/26-7/24 | W | 6:30P-7:15P | $60/$70

7/31-9/4 | W | 6:30P-7:15P | $60/$70

No class 8/7

Zumba® Gold

Join us for a modified Zumba® class

that recreates the original moves,

at a lower-intensity. This low impact

choreography focuses on balance,

range of motion and coordination.

 Brenda Pamela Zarinana

 Drake Sports Park

5/10-6/7 | F | 11:30A-12:15P | $60/$70

6/21-7/19 | F | 11:30A-12:15P | $60/$70

8/2-8/30 | F | 11:30A-12:15P | $60/$70

Don’t miss our

senior fitness

classes on page 34!

Yang Family Tai Chi

This style of Tai Chi is gentle and

graceful, helps relax the mind and

body, relieve stress and tension,

and develop balance, flexibility and

muscle tone. The advanced class is

only for those that have previously

taken class with the instructor. We

will practice Yang Style Saber form

and Hand forms. Beginner = 9 am,

Intermediate = 10 am, Adv. = 11 am

 Recreation Activities Center

 Han Hoong Wang

6/1-7/27 | Sa | $75/$85

No class 6/22, 7/6

Integrated Yoga

Yoga postures, meditation, breathing

exercises and mindfulness are

combined to create a safe and fun

approach to calm the mind and find

ease of movement. Not strenuous,

yet still challenging, this class is a

“work in” not a “work out”.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Katherine Schaefer

5/6-6/3 | M | 10:30A-12:00P | $61/$71

No class 5/27

Sunset Yoga

A summertime favorite every

year! Meet at the top of the hill

at Marshbank Park for a relaxing

sunset yoga practice. This is a

guided class with music. No yoga

experience necessary.

 Alicia Long, RYT-200

 Marshbank Park

5/9-6/6 | Th | 6:30-7:30P | $70/$80

6/20-7/18 | Th | 6:30-7:30P | $57/$67

8/1-8/29 | Th | 6:30-7:30P | $70/$80

No class 7/4

Barre by the Bay

Overlooking Cass Lake and using the

rails by the fishing pier, we will flex

and flow our way through a workout.

Barre engages all muscles and

incorporates low-impact movements.

No experience necessary.

 Alicia Long, RYT-200

 Marshbank Park

6/20-7/18 | Th | 9:00-10:00A | $57/$67

8/1-8/29 | Th | 9:00-10:00A | $70/$80

No class 7/4

Essentrics

This class will rebalance your

body, unlock tight joints, restore

connective tissue and relieve tension

in overworked muscles. This form

of exercise is distilled from Tai Chi,

dance technique and physiotherapy.

Class is done barefoot and consists of

standing, floor and chair exercises.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Robin Gillis

5/9-6/6 | Th | 10:00-11:00A | $60/$70

 Lauren Bauer

6/20-7/18 | Th | 10:00-11:00A | $49/$54

8/1-8/29 | Th | 10:00-11:00A | $60/$70

No class 7/4

Tennis Skill Building

This class is for beginner through

intermediate players. Clinic will

focus on forehand, backhand and

setting up points. Participants will be

grouped based on ability level.

 Drake Sports Park

5/2-5/30 | Th | 7:30-8:30P | $72/$87

Popular Motown Hustles

Learn popular hustle dances that

are done in clubs and social events.

The hustle is a form of line dancing

with a variety of moves and turns.

Individuals and couples are welcome.

 Recreation Activities Center

5/2-5/30 | Th | 7:30-8:30P | $55/$65

Motown Ballroom

This popular style of ballroom dance

stems from the “baby boomer”

generation and combines the “Social”

and the “Cha-Cha” often seen at

weddings and other social events.

You will learn basic ballroom steps

and several dance combinations.

Individuals and couples are welcome.

The last class of each session will run

an additional hour.

 Recreation Activities Center

5/2-6/6 | Th | 6:30-7:30P | $75/$85

Open Studio Art Camp

Join us for for this four day art camp

where anything goes. Finish started

art projects or create something new

with an award winning instructor. All

mediums are welcome. Help will be

individualized for each student. You

must provide your own supplies.

 Marshbank Park

8/13-8/16 | Tu, W, Th, F |

10:00A-2:00P | $165/$185

Pastels

Fabulous color, rich luminosity

and beautiful renderings are all

features of working with soft

pastels (colored chalks). Learn

how to layer pastels and to use

colors and hues to create depth and

interest. Work from a still life set

up or your own photo for reference.

Learn how to properly frame your

finished pastel.

 Marshbank Park

5/9-6/20 | Th | 1:00-4:00P | $185/$205

No class 5/16, 7/3

Heartsaver: First Aid/

CPR/AED

This course teaches the critical skills

needed to respond to and manage

an emergency until medical services

arrive. The class covers: First aid;

choking relief and sudden cardiac

arrest in adults, children and infants.

Must pass written exam/skills test.

American Heart Association Cards are

valid for 2 years.

 Recreation Activities Center

6/25 | Tu | 5:00-8:00P | $70/$80

8/13 | Tu | 5:00-8:00P | $70/$80

BLS for Healthcare Workers

This course allows you to participate

in simulated clinical scenarios.

The class covers: adult, child and

infant CPR; ventilations with a

barrier device; one and two rescuer

techniques; use of the bag-valve

mask; use of AED (automated

external defibrillation); relief of

foreign body airway obstruction

(choking) for adults and infants. Must

pass written exam/skills test.

 Recreation Activities Center

6/18 | Th | 5:00-8:00P | $70/$80

8/6 | Tu | 5:00-8:00P | $70/$80

Receive a $5 discount by registering at least 7 days prior to class start date.

Pickleball:

Full descriptions available at

wbparks.org/pickleball. Due to

the popularity of pickleball, non-

residents may register two weeks after

registration opens for residents on

4/15 (i.e. 4/29), pending availability.

 Drake Sports Park

 Jan Walton

Pickleball 100

5/14 | Tu | 1:30-3:30P | $40/$45

5/15 | W | 2:30-4:30P | $40/$45

5/21 | Tu | 3:00-5:00P | $40/$45

5/22 | W | 1:30-3:30P | $40/$45

6/4 | Tu | 1:30-3:30P | $40/$45

6/5 | W | 2:30-4:30P | $40/$45

6/11 | Tu | 3:00-5:00P | $40/$45

7/16 | Tu | 1:30-3:30P | $40/$45

7/23 | Tu | 3:00-5:00P | $40/$45

8/6 | Tu | 1:30-3:30P | $40/$45

Pickleball 125:

5/14 | Tu | 4:00-5:00A | $30/$35

5/15 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

5/21 | Tu | 1:30-2:30P | $30/$35

6/4 | Tu | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

6/5 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

6/12 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

7/16 | Tu | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

7/17 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

7/24 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

8/6 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

8/7 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

8/14 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

Pickleball 200

Pre-requisite: Pickleball 100

5/22 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

6/11 | Tu | 1:30-2:30P | $30/$35

6/12 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

7/17 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

8/7 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

8/13 | Tu | 3:00-4:00P | $30/$35

Pickleball 250

Pre-requisite: Pickleball 200

6/12 | W | 2:30-3:30P | $30/$35

7/17 | W | 2:30-3:30P | $30/$35

7/24 | W | 1:00-2:00P | $30/$35

8/7 | W | 2:30-3:30P | $30/$35

8/14 | W | 2:30-3:30P | $30/$35

Pickleball 300

Pre-requisite: Pickleball 250

7/23 | Tu | 1:30-2:30P | $30/$35

7/24 | W | 2:30-3:30P | $30/$35

8/13 | Tu | 1:30-2:30P | $30/$35

8/14 | W | 4:00-5:00P | $30/$35

Doubles Ladder

Below 3.5:

5/2-6/6 | Th | 10:30A-12:30P | $40/$45

5/7-6/11 | Tu | 7:00-8:15P | $40/$45

6/20-8/1\* | Th | 10:30A-12:30P | $40/$45

6/25-7/30 | Tu | 7:00-8:15P | $40/$45

8/13-9/17 | Tu |7:00-8:15P | $40/$45

8/15-9/19 | Th | 10:30A-12:00P | $40/$45

Above 3.5:

5/2-6/6 | Th | 9:00-10:15A | $40/$45

5/7-6/11 | Tu | 5:30-6:45P | $40/$45

6/20-8/1\* | Th | 9:00-10:15A | $40/$45

6/25-7/30 | Tu | 5:30-6:45P | $40/$45

8/13-9/17 | Tu | 5:30-6:45P | $40/$45

8/15-9/19 | Th | 9:00-10:15A | $40/$45

\*No class 7/4

Men’s Fall Softball

Fall Leagues will be at Drake Sports

Park on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The

top 6 teams participate in a single

game elimination tournament at the

conclusion of the season.

Registration begins 7/10 for returning

teams and 7/23 for new teams.

Visit wbparks.org/softball for more

information. Registration deadline is

8/9. League runs 8/20-9/24.

Team Fee: $675 (early registration

discount doesn’t apply)

ADULT RECREATION

Our pickleball program is

sponsored by:

JULY 12 FROM 12-1 PM

VETERANS MEET-UP

SUMMER PICNIC

AT CONNECT

Join other vets for our seasonal Veterans Meetup!

Lunch will include: fried chicken, a biscuit,

coleslaw and a dessert. Free for veterans. There

is a fee for the guest: R $11/NR $13 each.

SENIOR RECREATION

Independence Day JUNE 26 MARSHBANK PARK 12-1:30 PM

ENJOY SOME MUSIC AND A GREAT OUTDOOR LUNCH

UNDER THE MAPLERIDGE SHELTER!

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. RESIDENT $5/NONRESIDENT $7SPONSORED BY:

Kentucky Derby Day

Friday, May 312-1:30pmConnectCelebrate the 150th Kentucky Derby

By crafting a unique Derby hat & placing your bet on derby-themed races and games!

Resident $11/Nonresident $13Sponsored by:

Enjoy a themed lunch and beverages!

Explore LOCAL HISTORYSUMMER 2024 PROGRAMS For more details, event updates, and a complete list of events, visit gwbhs.org/events.

March with us in the Keego Harbor Memorial Day Parade!

Monday, May 27 • 9 am - 12 volunteers are invited to walk, bike, or drive

Their classic car with us in the parade! To

Participate, email contact@gwbhs.org.

National Trails Day Walk\*

Saturday, Jun 1Visit Orchard Lake Museum along the West

Bloomfield Trail! Details at wbparks.org.

\*Sponsored with West Bloomfield ParksGWBHS.orgOrchard Lake Museum3951 Orchard Lake Rd.

Juneteenth in the WB Saturday, Jun 15WB High School - 4925 Orchard Lake

Learn about local Black history at the

GWBHS table during this free, family event.

Details at www.juneteenthwb.orgVolunteer Appreciation Reception Wednesday, Jul 17 • 6 - 8 pm

Orchard Lake Museum - 3951 Orchard Lake Members, supporters, and volunteers will

celebrate with refreshments, an amazing

raffle, and a toast to 50 years!

RSVP: contact@gwbhs.org.

Visit the Museum this summer!

Open house hours: 1-4 pm Admission: free May 5/3 5/17 5/26June 6/9\* 6/21 6/30July 7/5 7/14\* 7/19August 8/2 8/11\* 8/16 8/25\* Themed events: 6/9 Apple Island Tours,

7/14 E. LeRoy Pelletier, 8/11 Poker Rally - Ferrari Dino

Fri Sun Fri Sun Car Show & Poker Rally:

Things You Auto Know About Local History Sunday, Aug 11Start & end at WB High Schoolgwbhs.org/pokerrallySpecial 50th

anniversary

event!

Apple Island Tours are back!

Apple Island Tours\*

Saturday, June 8 & Sunday, June 9Travel by pontoon boat for a self-paced tour of the island.

Ticket donations: $25 adult, $15 child (ages 5-12)

No children under 5 years old. Online reservations for members only.

gwbhs.org/apple-island-tours

Community transit

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All programs require pre-registration and take place at Connect

unless noted otherwise. Programs are subject to change.

Fitness:

Receive a $5 discount by registering at

least 7 days prior to class start date.

Gentle Yoga for Health

Enjoy this gentle mat class

designed for seniors; incorporating

mindfulness, meditation and breath-

work. Improve movement and

mobility with a focus on balance

and the core. Strengthen and

stretch with safety to improve your

postural alignment. Julie Levinson

is a Certified Yoga Therapist and

Certified in Teaching Yoga to seniors.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Julie Levinson, E-RYT, C-IAYT

5/8-6/12 | W | 10:30-11:30A | $83/$93

6/26-7/24 | W | 10:30-11:30A | $70/$80

7/31-8/28 | W | 10:30-11:30A | $70/$80

Gentle Chair Yoga

Focus on the therapeutic benefits

of yoga for both body and mind

with Julie Levinson, Certified Yoga

Therapist. Improve your balance,

strength, flexibility and mobility.

Attention to breath-work and

meditation are included in this

practice. The class is tailored to

meet the needs of each individual.

Pre-paid individual classes available.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Julie Levinson, E-RYT, C-IAYT

5/8-6/12 | W | 12:00-1:00P | $83/$93

6/26-7/24 | W | 12:00-1:00P | $70/$80

7/31-8/28 | W | 12:00-1:00P | $70/$80

No class 8/7

Chair Exercise

This class works on both the upper

and lower body of individuals

who find it difficult to stand and

exercise for an hour. Using a

chair, you will work on strength,

balance and stretching while

sitting or standing. Fall prevention

techniques are also discussed.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Lisa Fein

5/6-6/10 | M | 1:00-2:00P | $65/$75

5/10-6/7 | F | 1:00-2:00P | $65/$75

6/17-7/15 | M | 1:00-2:00P | $65/$75

6/21-7/19 | F | 1:00-2:00P | $65/$75

7/29-9/2 | M | 1:00-2:00P | $65/$75

8/2-8/30 | F | 1:00-2:00P | $65/$75

No class 5/27, 8/5

Move Strong

This small-group exercise class is

specifically designed to help you

improve your ability to move safely

and independently in life. Proper

form and strategies for bending,

reaching, lifting, sitting/standing

and balancing will be at the heart of

these fun and meaningful sessions.

 Recreation Activities Center

 Gayle Taub

5/10-6/21 | F | 9:00-10:00A | $137/$152

7/12-8/23 | F | 10:00-11:00A | $137/$152

No class 5/24, 8/2

Fitness Plus

Join our total-body wellness fitness

class, where we blend a diverse

range of equipment and exercises

to cater to all fitness levels. This

dynamic class is designed to enhance

cardiovascular endurance, build

strength, improve balance and

stability and increase overall range

of motion. A chair is used for seated

or standing support.

 Lois Costello

5/6-6/24 | M | 12:00-1:00P | $26/$31

7/8-8/19 | M | 12:00-1:00P | $26/$31

No class 5/27

Line Dance

With roots in country and western dancing, line dancers now step theirdance routines to a wide variety of popular music.

5/3-8/30 | Tu 11:00A-12:00P | F 10:00-

11:00A | $5/$7 per class No class 5/10

Tennis Skill Building

This class is for beginner through intermediate players. Clinic will focus on forehand, backhand and setting up points. Participants will be grouped based on ability level. Bring a water bottle and a tennis racquet.

6/3-6/12 | M, W | 5:00-6:00P | $72/$82

Mah Jongg for Beginners

If you have been wanting to learnthe popular game of Mah Jongg, this beginner’s class is for you! Learn the basics of playing and keeping score following the National Mah Jongg League rules. A $14 material fee will be collected in the first class.

Recreation Activities Center

5/1-5/22 | W | 1:00-4:00P | $40/$45

Canasta: Beginner

Learn the popular game of Canasta!

This class is for beginners who have

never played before or for those

who have just learned but need to

sharpen their game. You will learn

game basics and strategies to win.

There will be a $10 material fee

collected the first day of class.

Recreation Activities Center

8/5-8/26 | M | 9:00-11:00A | $60/$70

Canasta-Strategy

This class is for the intermediate or

advanced player who wants to build

on their Canasta skills and learn

more about strategies to strengthen

their game! Special and Splash

hands, as well as 7’s, Aces and Wilds

will be discussed. There will be a

$10 material fee collected the first

day of class.

6/3-7/1 | M | 9:00-11:00A | $60/$70No class 6/17

Programs offered in partnership with:

Tech Talk Technology is ever-changing and it can feel impossible to keep up! Let our teen volunteers help you navigate SENIOR RECREATION Friday Lunch at Connect In May – we will feature pizza and Senior Nature

Programs don’t miss our senior

Hikes and Senior Kayak

On page 27!

Free!

Your technology questions with patience and knowledge. Class topics below. Classes are held from 4-5:30 pm.

WB Township Public Library

6/3: Notes / Open Q&A8/12: FaceTime / Open Q&A

Speed Dating with Books

Are you ready to find your next great read? Come and speed date with librarians of the West Bloomfield Library and you might just find the “one”! In this hour long program you will be introduced to at least15 books and get to hear a quick synopsis from a librarian and the reasons they loved it!

6/27 | Th | 11:00A-12:00P

West Bloomfield Public Library Pop-up

Stop by and see what is new and

exciting at the library! Each month

a librarian will be at Connect for

an hour with new books and media

available for checkout. They will

be able to help WB residents sign

up for and renew library cards,

place holds on materials and

register patrons for upcoming

library programs. Returns of library

materials cannot be accepted.

salad from Benito’s Pizza. In July we will serve assorted bagels and mixed cream cheese from Jersey Bagel Make a day of it and stay for “Bingo for Connect members” after lunch.

You must pre-register for lunch and Bingo separately.

5/17 | F | 11:30A-12:30P | $9/$117/19 | F | 11:30A-12:30P | $9/$11

Pine Lake Marina Tour

Gather at Pine Lake Marina fora walking tour with historical information about the longtime marina, water taxis and trolley transportation. We’ll walk to the Interurban railway bed. Program offered in collaboration with Greater West Bloomfield Historical Society.

Pine Lake Marina8/15 | Th | 7:00-8:00P| $8/$10

Diamond Painting

Diamond Painting is the newest art

craze that uses an applicator to

apply sparkling resin rhinestones

on an adhesive color-coded piece.

Join artist, Kim Oderkirk, as

she instructs and helps with the

provided diamond painting coaster

to be completed in class.

May-Flower Coaster

June-4th of July Coaster July-Beach Coaster August-Mandala Coaster

5/13 | M | 1:30-3:00P | $25/$306/10 | M | 1:30-3:00P | $25/$307/15 | M | 1:30-3:00P | $25/$308/12 | M | 1:30-3:00P | $25/$30

Program will be offered on the

second Monday of the month from

1–2 pm: 5/13, 6/10, 7/8 & 8/12

Senior Resource Group\*: Talk Time

Talk Times are sponsored by the West Bloomfield Chamber’s Senior Resource Group, a network of professionals that look to connect seniors with knowledge and resources on relevant topics.

ConnectW | 10:30A-12:00P

May 15

Get Ready, Healthy or Not?

•Better Health for a Lifetime. Dr.

Keshav Grover, Grover Health &

Wellness

•Are you Sleeping Enough? Speaker –

to be confirmed

•Meditate on this. It’s not what you think. So don’t miss it!” Josh Adkins, Odd Jobs LLC

June 19

Share the Vision

•I can see clearly now…Presenter

from Henry Ford OptimEyes

•Do you Clearly Understand

Medicare? Susan Jackson, Best

Health Options

•Medicare Look Back and Long

Term Care. Kim West, Senior

Benefits Plus

July 17

Land of the Free

•Assisted living and your

independence. Sherry Howe,

Townehall Place

•Let’s take a trip down “Memory

Lane.” Catherine Grace, Affinity

Home Care

•How to make a plan that leads

to freedom. Eric Glick, Eric

Glick Law

August 21

Happiness Happens in Many Ways

•Caring for you Skin after the

Summer Sun. Maureen Frasure,

Mary Kay

•Happy Hydration. Deana Grove,

Drip V

•You gotta Love the WB Parks

System. Kelly Hyer, WB Parks

Exercise Your Mind:

Geriatric Syndrome

Jasdeep Sidhu, MD, specializes in Geriatric Medicine at Henry Ford Health. She will discuss a number of conditions related to Geriatric Syndrome and tips on how to manage symptoms. This program includes a boxed lunch. Pre-

registration required.

Free!

6/7 | F | 12:00-1:00P

Connect Member Programs:

Free but pre-registration required.

Free!

Sponsored by:

Older Michiganian Day

Join us at Connect for popcorn,

photo booth, games and Michigan-

themed prizes as we celebrate

our Connect Members on Older

Michiganians Day.

5/15 | W | 12:30P-2:00P

Ice Cream Floats

Join us for a root beer float, Boston cooler or scoop of ice cream. Stay and mingle with fellow Connect members or take a float to-go.

8/7 | W | 12:00-2:00P

Bingo

Come play bingo and meet other Connect members. You will be given three cards to play at a time in five rounds of bingo. Prizes will be given.

5/17, 6/13, 7/19, 8/15 | 1:00-2:00P

Drop-In Programs:

Free for Connect members and a $2

drop-in fee for non-members.

No drop in on 5/27, 6/19, 7/4

Ping Pong

Come socialize and exercise with a

game of ping pong!

5/7-8/29 | Tu,Th | 1:30-4:00P | $0/$2

Open Game Room

On Monday and Wednesday

afternoons, come play any game

you wish. Please bring your own

game supplies and a friend.

5/6-8/31 | M,W | 1:00-4:00P | $0/$2

Euchre

Want to learn the card game

of euchre in a no pressure

environment? There will be an

instructor to help teach the game

for beginners as well as answer

specific questions for intermediate

players.

5/6-8/31 | W | 1:00-4:00P | $0/$2

Knitting Club

Please join us for Knitting Club a tour Connect Senior Center! The club welcomes all types of knitting,

crochet, embroidery, or needlepoint.

This will be treated as a social club where you have a place to meet,

talk, and enjoy working on your craft.

5/1-8/31 | W | 10:00A-12:00P | $0/$2Skip dates 5/15, 7/17, 8/21

Stretch and Tone

Join this low-impact exercise class for seniors. This program uses a comprehensive exercise routine which encourages the use of light hand weights to maintain strength and fitness. This is not a drop-in class. You must pre-register once per season in advance to participate in this program.

5/7-8/29 | Tu,Th | 9:00-10:00A | $0/$2

Sponsored by:

Parade Company Tour\*

Join us for an hour-long walking

tour of the Parade Company and

experience a behind the scenes look

at America’s Thanksgiving Parade®.

Learn more about the parade’s

history, explore the 200,000 square-

foot storyland of floats and see

how the artisans bring them to life.

Lunch will be included at Sindbad’s.

Lunch options include: ½ lb.

Angus cheeseburger, fresh pickerel

sandwich or chicken Caesar salad.

5/9 | Th | 10:30A-3:00P | $43/$48

Haven Hill Tour

Tour beautiful Haven Hill, Edsel

& Eleanor Ford’s former County

Estate at Highland Recreation Area,

in White Lake. Outdoor tour will

include the properties of the 1920’s

era Gatehouse, Carriage House,

Lodge Site and Edsel Ford Barn.

Boxed lunch from Billy’s Tip’n Inn

Restaurant will be served on-site in

the park pavilion.

5/30 | Th | 9:15A-2:00P | $29/$34

Tuesday at Eastern Market

Enjoy Tuesday at Eastern Market,

perfect for stocking up on fresh

produce, baked goods and meats.

Visit some of the specialty shops

and have lunch on your own at one

of the area restaurants. Limited

space on the bus to bring back

plants and purchases.

6/11 | Tu | 9:30A-3:00P | $7/$9

Detroit Tigers Game

Join us for an afternoon at the

ballpark. The Tigers play host

to the Washington Nationals in

June and the Cleveland Guardians

in July. Price includes: round-

trip transportation to and from

Comerica Park, an outfield box seat

and a $10 lunch voucher. Tickets

are limited!

6/13 | Th | 11:00A-6:00P | $59/$69

7/11 | Th | 11:00A-6:00P | $59/$69

Packard Proving

Grounds Tour\*

Enjoy a docent-guided tour of

the Packard Proving Grounds – a

lovely 17 acre site on the National

Registry of Historic Places that

features rustic, vintage buildings

designed by Albert Kahn for the

Packard Motor Car Company. We’ll

tour the buildings and enjoy lunch

afterward in their converted

garage. A boxed lunch is included.

6/18 | Tu | 10:00A-2:30P | $22/$27

Detroit Urban Farm &

Garden Tour\*

Join us we explore urban farms and

gardens in Detroit with Linda Yellin,

of Feet on the Street Tours. Stops

will feature: Earthworks Urban

Farm – a part of the Capuchin

Soup Kitchen, Greening of Detroit

non-profit, and the Keep Growing

Detroit – garden resource program.

Lunch will be included at On the

Rise Bakery and Café – in the

Solanus Casey Center.

7/25 | Th | 10:00A-3:15P | $33/$38

Outdoor Adventure Center:

Life of a Honeybee

Join us at the Outdoor Adventure

Center in Detroit for their Brunch

& Learn program. Enjoy coffee or

tea and pastries as we join Bees in

the D for their presentation about

this interesting pollinator. We will

explore the OAC and then head to

Robert C. Valade Park – along the

East Riverfront. Lunch will be on

our own at the Café at Valade –

featuring takeout from Smokey G’s

Smokehouse.

8/1 | Th | 8:15A-3:00P | $14/$19

Dossin Great Lakes

Museum Tour\*

Hop on the bus and join us for a

summer day on Belle Isle-complete

with a guided maritime history tour

of the Dossin Great Lakes Museum.

A boxed lunch will be included

after the tour. We will eat outside

at a picnic shelter on Belle Isle. If

time allows, we may stop at the

Piet Oudolf Garden to see what is

in bloom.

8/16 | F | 10:00A-2:30P | $23/$28

SENIOR RECREATION

Trips

All trips leave from the

Recreation Activities Center.

To schedule a home pickup

through West Bloomfield

Community Transit,

call (248) 706-2411.

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professionals that look to connect seniors with

knowledge and resources on relevant topics. Sponsors

contribute to each trip to help reduce trip costs.

Detroit Symphony

Orchestra

Disco Fever

Get to Orchestra Hall and get

down with the DSO, featuring an

onstage dance off and non-stop

hits, including That’s the Way (I

Like it), It’s Raining Men, We Are

Family, I Will Survive, Stayin’ Alive,

The Hustle, Hot Stuff and more. It’s

time to boogie with the best.

5/17 | F | 9:15A-1:45P | $84/$94

Disney & Broadway

Favorites

From Disney classics including The

Little Mermaid, Aladdin, Beauty

and the Beast and Hercules, to

Broadway smashes like Little Shop

of Horrors, Sister Act, and Newsies,

the music of eight-time Academy

Award-winner Alan Menken has

become part of our world.

6/21 | F | 9:15A-1:45P | $84/$94

Restaurant Ramblers

We make the reservations and

provide the transportation while

you choose what to eat and pay

for the meal. Register in person,

beginning at 8 am on 5/1. Phone

reservations will be taken at 1 pm.

Online registration begins 5/8.

Each trip is $5/R or $7/NR, except

Hungarian Rhapsody, which is

$7/R or $9/NR. All restaurants are

between $20-$30 per meal.

Draught Horse Brewery: New

Hudson

W 6/5, F 6/7 | 11:15A-2:45P

Sparkies Kitchen: Highland

W 7/10, F 7/12 | 11:15A-2:45P

Mitchell’s Fish Market:

Rochester Hills

W 7/24, F 7/26 | 11:15A-2:45P

Hungarian Rhapsody:

Southgate

W 8/7, F 8/9 | 11:00A-3:00P

Simple Palate: Warren

W 8/21, F 8/23 | 11:15A-2:45P

Karl’s Cabin-Plymouth

W 9/11, F 9/13 | 11:15A-2:45P

Mystery Location

W 9/25, F 9/27 | 11:15A-2:45P

West Bloomfield

Community Transit:

WB Parks offers low cost transportation services for

West Bloomfield residents who are:

• Senior citizens, age 55 and over

• Disabled citizens, age 16 and over

The fare is $2 each way. Medical appointments can be scheduled 28 days in

advance. All other appointments can be scheduled 14 days in advance.

Would you like to schedule a ride? Call 248-706-2411.

Messages are returned daily.

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Registration deadline: Thursday, May 2. Payment due in full.

No refunds will be offered. Trip insurance is available upon request.

For complete details, visit wbparks.org/grandexperience.

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