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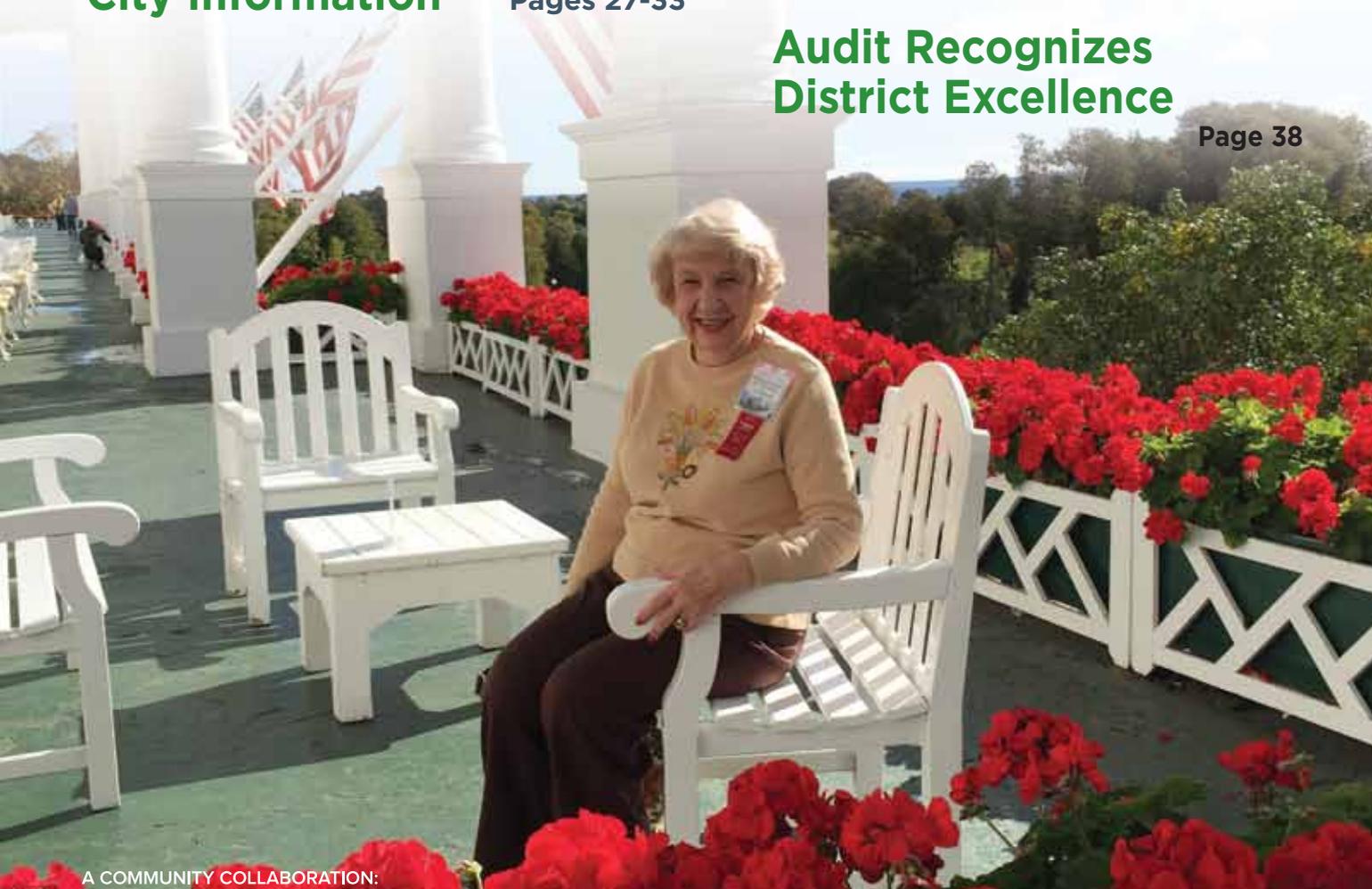
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A COMMUNITY COLLABORATION:



Royal Oak RECREATION



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Royal Oak FITNESS



Low-Impact Workout to Oldies Music

GREAT FOR BEGINNERS!

Need to restart your exercise program? Perform simple low-impact, joint-friendly moves to burn calories, condition your body, and improve balance and functional fitness. Get a motivating workout to the songs you love to hear—without complicated choreography. Bring a mat for floor work (chairs are available for modified floor work) and water. Light hand weights are optional.

Thursday, 7:00-8:00 pm Instructor: Angie M

Jan. 12 - Mar. 30 at Salter Community Center **FF2002**

20/20/20

This class includes 20 minutes each of three essential components of fitness: cardio, strength and flexibility. Cardio portion includes warm-up, aerobic drills and combos. Hand weights are used during strength segment. Core work followed by a series of controlled, static stretches in the final flexibility section will enhance range of motion and release stress. Bring a mat, hand weights and water.

Monday, 5:50-6:50 pm Instructor: Karen B

Jan. 9 - April 3 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2005**

No class Jan. 16

Wednesday, 5:50-6:50 pm Instructor: Karen B

Jan. 11 - March 29 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2006**

High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) **NEW!**

Short circuit the calories in this fun yet challenging cross-training class in which aerobic segments designed to burn fat alternate with muscle reps using weights to tone and strengthen. Ever-changing intervals of cardio, body sculpting and core conditioning will keep you moving without fancy choreography. This effective, heart-smart combination will put you on the road to a powerful, supple body. Bring 3 to 8 lb. weights, mat, towel and water.

Tuesday, 6:20-7:20 pm Instructor: Brannon W

Jan. 10 - March 28 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2015**

Zumba

Are you ready to party yourself into shape? Set to Latin and other international music with exotic rhythms, this fun dance fitness workout class is extremely effective in burning calories and keeping the heart rate up. The steps are easy to learn and follow and will get you moving in an exhilarating new way for a high-energy workout to tone and shape your entire body. Bring a water bottle and towel, and leave your inhibitions behind!

Thursday, 7:30-8:30 pm Instructor: Joli P

Jan. 12 - March 30 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2017**

Beginning Bellydance **NEW!**

Come experience a new way to be fit and have fun! Whether you wish to pursue Classical Egyptian or Tribal Bellydance (or didn't even know there were different types), this class will provide the foundation for both. Basic vocabulary, posture, isolations, footwork, and serpentine moves that trademark the art form will be covered. Bellydance is fun for all shapes, sizes, and ages. Wear clothing comfortable to move in; bare midriff is not required, but form-fitting attire helps assess the movement.

Monday, 7:00-8:00 pm Instructor: Jennifer M

Jan. 9 - April 3 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2016**

No class Jan. 16

Fit Yoga

This class will consist of warm-ups and sun salutations followed by a flowing sequence of poses designed to build strength and improve balance and flexibility. By focusing on connected breath and movement, energy blockages are released in both the body and mind, resulting in an overall sense of peace and relaxation. Some experience is recommended but not required, as modifications will be offered. Bring a mat and any other optional props needed to help facilitate your practice (e.g., blanket, yoga blocks, strap).

Wednesday, 7:15-8:15 pm Instructor: Jennifer M

Jan. 11 - March 29 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2003**

Class fees on page 3.



Mat Pilates

Pilates, a non-impact deep muscle conditioning method, strengthens the body's "powerhouse" – the abdominal, gluteal and back muscles – by redressing unbalances and altering movement patterns. This mat-intensive workout enhances posture, flexibility, endurance and balance while toning and firming your core and can be modified from gentle to challenging, depending on fitness level and goals. Bring a mat and light weights.

Monday, 6:20-7:20 pm Instructor: Ginger V

Jan. 9 - April 3 at Salter Community Center **FF2013**

No class Jan. 16

Wednesday, 6:20-7:20 pm Instructor: Tammy R

Jan. 11 - March 29 at Salter Community Center **FF2014**

Total Body Conditioning

Build muscle strength and endurance and burn more calories for safe, fast results with this joint-friendly training set to energetic music. Whether you are a beginner with new fitness goals or an experienced exerciser looking for a cross-training body toning workout, this fun class is for you. The cardio warm-up leads into weight training geared to sculpt and strengthen muscles, ending with a series of refreshing stretches. Bring a mat, hand weights, towel and water.

Tuesday, 6:20-7:20 pm Instructor: Angie M

Jan. 10 - March 28 at Salter Community Center **FF2010**

Thursday, 6:20-7:20 pm Instructor: Christine E

Jan. 12 - March 30 at M/M Senior/Community Center **FF2011**

Saturday, 8:45-9:45 am Instructor: Angie M

Jan. 14 - April 1 at Salter Community Center **FF2012**

Fees for "Royal Oak Fitness" classes on pages 2 & 3 only:

	Res.	Non-Res.	
1 class per week	\$ 84	\$ 89	12 weeks
2 classes per week	\$156	\$161	12 weeks
3 classes per week	\$216	\$221	12 weeks
4 classes per week	\$264	\$269	12 weeks

Note: You must indicate which days you will be attending; no make-ups or substitutions will be allowed.

Tai Chi

An ancient Chinese discipline designed to enhance the body, mind and spirit and leave you feeling refreshed. You will gain better muscle tone, improve joint flexibility, and increase circulation. Wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothing. The instructor, Han Hoong Wang, is licensed to instruct through the Chinese government and has been teaching more than 30 years.



Churchill Community Education Center: Please park and enter at the south main entrance off Girard only.

Yang Style Section 1 of 103 Form - Beginner

Monday, 6:30-7:30 pm **AF2001**

Jan. 9 - March 27 at Churchill Community Education Center

Fee: Res. \$80; Non-Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

No class Jan. 16, Feb. 20

Yang Style Section 2-3 of 103 Form - Continuing

Monday, 7:30-8:30 pm **AF2002**

Jan. 9 - March 27 at Churchill Community Education Center

Fee: Res. \$80; Non-Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

No class Jan. 16, Feb. 20

Yang Style Sword & Saber – Continuing

No beginners; must know hand form.

Monday, 8:30-9:30 pm **AF2003**

Jan. 9 - March 27 at Churchill Community Education Center

Fee: Res. \$80; Non-Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

No class Jan. 16, Feb. 20

Yang Style Push Hands – Beginner

Beginner class taught by Brian Buchanan. Must know hand form.

Thursday, 6:00-7:00 pm **AF2006**

Jan. 12 - March 16 at Churchill Community Education Center

Fee: Res. \$80; Non-Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

Long Staff Basic Form & Long Pole Basic Energies

Must know hand form.

Thursday, 7:00-8:00 pm **AF2004**

Jan. 12 - March 16 at Churchill Community Education Center

Fee: Res. \$80; Non-Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

Yang Style Push Hands – Continuing

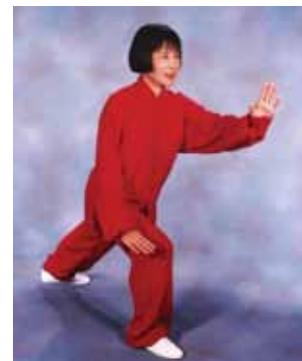
No beginners; must know hand form.

Thursday, 8:00-9:00 pm **AF2005**

Jan. 12 - March 16 at Churchill Community Education Center

Fee: Res. \$80;

Non-Res. \$85 / 10 weeks



Tactical Self-Defense "TSD"



In today's increasingly violent world, the ability to defend yourself is critical. Men, women, and teens need time proven self protection skills now more than ever. Our unique program will teach you those skills quickly, effectively, and safely while learning about important elements such as awareness and strategy – all while having a ton of fun. You will learn how to deal decisively with any form of assault, grabs, punches, kicks, lock, or even armed attackers. The self-defense and martial arts skills you will learn at Tactical Self Defense are based on ancient techniques, designed and taught for a modern world. We know each individual is just that, and individual with different strengths and weaknesses. Martial arts is not a team sport, the only person that you are competing with is yourself. Students come to us from age 15 to 70. Some students are in shape while others are overweight. Some come for self defense, fitness, and others for pure fun. Each person is treated as an equal and is trained to the best of their own ability and potential. At Tactical Self Defense our instructors are there to guide, instruct, and motivate you to be the best you can be. Instructor Jeff Danuloff of Michigan has over 31 years of training in traditional and contemporary martial arts. He has taught students of all ages from Police Officers, to business executives, to youth groups – for the past decade in the Metro Detroit Area.

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Jan. 18 - March 8, 7:30 - 8:45 pm **AF2401**
 Fee: Res. \$72; Non-Res. \$77 / 8 weeks

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

March 15 - April 5, 7:30 - 8:45 pm **AF2402**
 Fee: Res. \$36; Non-Res. \$41 / 4 weeks

Line Dancing

Welcome to the fun world of LINE DANCING! It's as easy as saying 5, 6, 7, 8 and you don't need a partner. Line dancing is terrific exercise for mind, heart and body. Learn to dance to Rock, Country, 50s & 60s, and Fun Dances. Bring your friends and join us. Instructors: Joe and Penny Barker, County Cuzzins Dancin.

Session 1

Basic Beginner - Single Dancer

Monday, 6:30 - 7:20 pm at Addams Small Gym
 Jan. 23 - March 6 No class Feb. 20 **AE 2003**
 Fee: Res. \$30; Non-Res. \$35 / 6 weeks

EZ Intermediate - Single Dancer

Monday, 7:30 - 8:30 pm at Addams Small Gym
 Jan. 23 - March 6 No class Feb. 20 **AE 2004**
 Fee: Res. \$30; Non-Res. \$35 / 6 weeks

Session 2

EZ Intermediate - Single Dancer

Monday, 7:00 - 8:00 pm at Addams Small Gym
 March 13 - April 24 No class April 3 **AE2005**
 Fee: Res. \$30; Non-Res. \$35 / 6 weeks



Hatha Yoga

Rejuvenate your mind and body. Improve your mental concentration, body alignment, and learn to enjoy deep relaxation. Join our basic Hatha Yoga class. Everyone is welcome regardless of age, flexibility, or fitness level. Postures can be modified to make the practice as gentle or challenging as each individual needs. We practice without competition or judgement. Yoga is especially beneficial for people leading stressful lives as it promotes centering, balance, and relaxation which enhances our quality of life. **Classes are for all skill levels. Beginners are welcome.** Wear comfortable, loose clothing and **bring a mat, blanket and strap.** Do not eat 1½ to 2 hours prior to class. Instructor: Christine Walbridge.

Monday at Senior/Community Center

Jan. 9 - April 17, 5:40 - 6:55 pm **AF2007**
 Jan. 9 - April 17, 7:00 - 8:15 pm **AF2008**
 Fee: Res. \$98; Non-Res. \$103 / 14 weeks
 No class Jan. 16

Wednesday at Senior/Community Center

Jan. 11 - April 12, 7:00 - 8:15 pm **AF2009**
 Fee: Res. \$98; Non-Res. \$103 / 14 weeks

Thursday at Senior/Community Center

Jan. 12 - April 13, 7:00 - 8:15 pm **AF2010**
 Fee: Res. \$98; Non-Res. \$103 / 14 weeks



Creative Energy Yoga

NEW!

Yoga for Excellent Posture – Slow Flow Yoga

One of the major benefits of a regular yoga practice is excellent physical posture. This class focuses on proper alignment in a series of yoga poses that develop good standing and sitting posture. Healthy posture prevents back and muscle pain and optimizes oxygen intake which leads to better breathing and circulation. It also lifts the mood, relaxes the mind and increases confidence. Open to all levels. Bring a mat, small blanket, water, and a block if available.

Instructor: Sandy Naimou, Creative Energy Yoga,
www.sandynaimou.com

Monday, at Salter Community Center (Dance Room)

Jan. 23 - March 27, 7:00 - 8:00 pm **AF2605**
 Fee: Res. \$80; Non Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

Earthbound Hatha Yoga

Hatha yoga is one of the traditional forms of yoga practice. This series will focus on the foundational elements of asana (postures), pranayama (breathing), and meditation with a down-to-earth approach. Support the full health of your body and mind through a calm, flowing practice that can increase joint mobility, muscle relaxation, strength, mental clarity and energy. Yoga is not simply stretching – it is breath, building, exploration, awareness, play and medicine! Bring yoga mat and water.

Instructor: Kylie Smith, Earthbound Massage & Yoga,
kylidjinn.wixsite.com/portfolio

Tuesday at Salter Community Center (Lincoln Room)

Jan. 24 - March 28, 7:30 - 8:30 pm **AF2608**
 Fee: Res. \$80; Non Res. \$85 / 10 weeks

NEW!

Buying & Selling on Ebay for Beginners

Learn what you need to know! Find out how to set up free Ebay and PayPal accounts, procedures for selling and buying items nationally and internationally, how to price your items for profit, determining shipping costs, receiving/sending electronic payments, how to resolve problems, where to locate wholesale merchandise, and MUCH MORE! Discover how successful Ebay members successfully sell all kinds of merchandise – without having to buy it first! Bring pen and paper for notes. Minimum age 16. Min. 6/Max. 30 students. Instructor: Andrea Janssen.

Friday, January 27, 6:30-9:30 pm at Senior/Community Center
Fee: \$35 / 1 class **AE2202**

Water Aerobics

You do not need to know how to swim. A challenging aerobics workout that is fun, safe and effective. Increase flexibility, tone and strengthen muscles utilizing the support and massaging effect of the water. Locker room available, bring your lock, towel and suit. Leave your valuables at home.

Wednesday at Royal Oak Middle School (Dondero) Pool

Jan. 11 - March 29, 7:00 - 7:55 pm **AF2011**

Fee: Res. \$84; Non-Res. \$89 / 12 weeks

Aqua Zumba

Come and join the Ultimate Pool Party. Have fun exercising, dancing, wiggling, and getting fit to make-you-want-to-move Latin Music! Zumba Workout in the Water! No dance or Zumba experience necessary. All levels welcome. Bring water shoes, a towel and a smile! No Sweat!

Wednesday at Royal Oak Middle School (Dondero) Pool

Jan. 11 - March 29, 8:00 - 8:55 pm **AF2012**

Fee: Res. \$84; Non-Res. \$89 / 12 weeks

Water Color Painting

Beginning through Experienced Students

Noted Bloomfield Hills artist, Karen Halpern, will guide beginning through experienced students in working effectively with watercolor. While learning about color, design, shading and painting techniques, you will enjoy the brilliance of the paint, the sparkle of its transparency, and the pleasure of color mixing. Supply list is available.

Monday at Senior/Community Center (Room 3)

Jan. 9 - March 13, 1:30 - 3:30 pm **AE 2006**

Fee: Res. \$116; Non-Res. \$121 / 9 weeks

No class Jan. 16

Mini Class for continuing students only

Monday at Senior/Community Center (Room 3)

March 27 - April 3, 1:30 - 3:30 pm **AE 2007**

Fee: Res. \$26; Non-Res. \$31 / 2 weeks

Cooking

Savory Meat / Chicken / Veggie Pasties

Create 6 hearty butter-crust pasties overstuffed with delicious fillings (you can even make "Michigan Pasties"). Learn ways to make endless varieties of fillings and how to flavor/season your crust too! Send an EMAIL to supplylist@gmail.com or call 586-731-4681 for a list of supplies to bring to the class. Minimum age 16. Min. 6/Max. 30 students.

Friday, February 3, 7:00-9:30 pm at Senior/Community Center

Fee: \$30 / 1 class **AE2212**

Perfect Pierogies

In this fun, hands-on class you'll work on your own and make about 2 dozen fresh and delicious pierogies from scratch overstuffed with fillings YOU get to choose! Learn how to flavor and season your dough, and ways to create endless varieties of savory or sweet fillings. Once you've made homemade pierogies you'll never buy store brands again! Send an email to supplylist@gmail.com or call 586-731-4681 for a list of supplies to bring. Min. 6/Max. 25 students. Instructor: Andrea Janssen

Friday, February 10, 7:00-9:30 pm at Senior/Community Center

Fee: \$30 / 1 class **AE2210**

Italian Ricotta-Parmesan Gnocchi with Fresh Tomato-Basil Sauce

In this fun, hands-on class you'll make several dozen flavorful, authentic two-cheese "gourmet gnocchi" along with a savory tomato-basil sauce to accompany it – all from scratch! Learn other endless ways to flavor and season your gnocchi as well! Send an email to supplylist@gmail.com or call 586-731-4681 for a list of supplies to bring. Min. 6/Max. 30 students.

Friday, February 17, 7:00-9:30 pm at Senior/Community Center

Fee: \$30 / 1 class **AE2213**

Pressure Cooking: Hearty Homemade Soup

There's nothing like the comforting taste of homemade soup, and using the very popular technique of rapid pressure cooking you'll make your choice of Creamy Tomato-Basil-Parmesan OR Fresh Chunky Garden Vegetable, fully cooked in just minutes! Send an email to supplylist@gmail.com or call 586-731-4681 for a list of supplies to bring. Min. 6/Max. 30 students.

Friday, February 24, 7:00-9:30 pm at Senior/Community Center

Fee: \$30 / 1 class **AE2214**





This introductory program to traditional Tang Soo Do has been commended by many communities, law enforcement personnel, teachers and parents for the positive impact it has on children. It is a 20-year proven program that is positive, fun, exciting and educational. There is no better program for kids!

Little Ninjas – Ages 4-5

The Little Ninjas Karate Program is an introductory karate class specifically designed for children ages 4 and 5. It focuses on teaching children 8 important main life skills: Focus, Memory, Teamwork, Discipline, Self-Control, Fitness, Balance and Coordination. All this is achieved through exciting and fun games and activities! Wear loose fitting clothes. A responsible adult must remain in attendance during class.

Tuesday at Senior/Community Center
 Jan. 10 - Feb. 14, 6:00 - 6:30 pm **YA2011**
 Fee: Res. \$39; Non-Res. \$44 / 6 weeks

Kids Power – Ages 6-12

The Kids Power Karate Program offers traditional martial arts training to children ages 6 through 12 and emphasizes self-defense, physical fitness, conflict resolution, team work and anti-kidnapping techniques. This program is designed specifically for children and teaches prevention first. It does not promote active aggressiveness but teaches children to respect themselves, others and the skills they learn. Wear loose fitting clothes. A responsible adult must remain in attendance during class.

Tuesday at Senior/Community Center
 Jan. 10 - Feb. 14, 6:45 - 7:30 pm **YA2012**
 Fee: Res. \$42; Non-Res. \$47 / 6 weeks

Storytime & Crafts with Cowboy ALEX

Kids ages 3-8 years old will enjoy 45 minutes of stories, puppets, magic, crafts and fun with Cowboy ALEX.

On select Saturdays, 11:00 am at Senior/Community Center
Fee: \$5 per child, per class:

Rockin' Reindeer Storytime and Crafts
 Saturday, December 17 **YA4012**

Wonderful Winter Workers Storytime and Crafts
 Saturday, January 28 **YA4001**

Dog Gone Fun Doggie Storytime and Crafts
 Saturday, February 25 **YA4002**

Rip Roarin' Rabbit Storytime and Crafts
 Saturday, March 25 **YA4003**

Epic Big & Little Storytime and Crafts
 Saturday, April 22 **YA4004**



e² Young Engineers is an educational company that currently caters to thousands of children worldwide. **For more information visit their website at www.youngeng.net.**



Big Builders – Ages 4-6

This program enables children to have FUN learning by integrating K'Nex with general knowledge in nature, space, science, transportation and day-to-day physics. The program illustrates theoretical knowledge in these fields through the use of stories, thinking, social games and model building – and HAVING FUN! Instructors also emphasize personal interaction and building a sense of self-confidence among all children participating. Min. 6, max. 12 students.

Session 1 - Saturday at Salter Community Center
 Jan. 14 - Feb. 11, 10:45 - 11:30 am **YA2030**
 Fee: \$57.50 / 5 weeks

Session 2 - Saturday at Salter Community Center
 Feb. 25 - March 25, 10:45 - 11:30 am **YA2031**
 Fee: \$57.50 / 5 weeks

LEGO® Challenge: Amusement Park Rides

Grades 1-5: For new and returning participants

This program integrates LEGO® with scientific and mathematical principles in a FUN and EXCITING way! Each lesson includes building, enhancing and playing with a custom, moving LEGO® model replicating amusement park rides, such as a Ferris wheel, amusement park carousel and other fun rides you may find at the park. **e2 Young Engineers** programs implement an Edutainment (Education + Entertainment) approach, transforming the learning process into a game while introducing children to theoretical and practical knowledge in the fields of science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM).

Wednesday at Senior/Community Center

Jan. 18 - Feb. 15, 4:15 - 5:30 pm **YA2032**
 Fee: \$80 / 5 weeks

LEGO® Challenge: LEGO® in Motion

Grades 1-5: For new and returning participants

This program integrates LEGO® with scientific and mathematical principles in a FUN and EXCITING way! Each lesson includes building, enhancing and playing with a custom, moving LEGO® model such as a conveyor belt, a laundry machine, a crane and other models that demonstrate various physical forces that you witness every day. **e2 Young Engineers** programs implement an Edutainment (Education + Entertainment) approach, transforming the learning process into a game while introducing children to theoretical and practical knowledge in the fields of science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM).

Wednesday at Senior/Community Center

March 1 - 29, 4:15 - 5:30 pm **YA2035**
 Fee: \$80 / 5 weeks



Sports Starters (ages 3 - 5)

A fun introduction to individual sports skills. Various balls, bean bags and hula hoops will be used to help your toddlers understand and execute the skills of running, catching, throwing, and kicking. Class emphasis is on participation, effort, and FUN! Wear gym shoes and bring a water bottle. Instructor: Leisure Unlimited (www.leisureunlimited.net), minimum 9 students.

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Jan. 11 - Feb. 15, 4:00- 4:45 pm **YA 2001**

Fee: Res. \$66; Non-Res. \$71 / 6 weeks

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Feb. 22 - March 29, 4:00-4:45 pm **YA 2004**

Fee: Res. \$66; Non-Res. \$71 / 6 weeks

Kiddie Sports and Games (ages 4 - 6)

Introduce your youngsters to a variety of sports including soccer, lacrosse, floor hockey, tee-ball, volleyball, pickleball, kickball, football and a few surprises! We teach sports fundamentals with fun, progressive drills and games. Children improve their individual skills and work at their own pace. Our emphasis is on teamwork, cooperation and effort. Bring a water bottle and wear gym shoes. Instructor: Leisure Unlimited (www.leisureunlimited.net), minimum 9 students.

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Jan. 11 - Feb. 15, 5:00-5:55 pm **YA 2002**

Fee: Res. \$66; Non-Res. \$71 / 6 weeks

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Feb. 22 - March 29, 5:00-5:55 pm **YA 2005**

Fee: Res. \$66; Non-Res. \$71 / 6 weeks

Youth Basketball (ages 7-11)

Jump into the fast-paced game of basketball. For the beginning and intermediate player. Using progressive drills and games, players will learn dribbling, passing, positions, shooting techniques, offenses and defenses. Kids will scrimmage during class time. Emphasis is on effort, teamwork and sportsmanship. Wear gym shoes, bring a water bottle and a ball (ball is optional). Instructor: Leisure Unlimited (www.leisureunlimited.net), minimum 9 students.

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Jan. 11 - Feb. 15, 6:00-6:55 pm **YA 2003**

Fee: Res. \$66; Non-Res. \$71 / 6 weeks

Wednesday at Salter Community Center

Feb. 22 - March 29, 6:00-6:55 pm **YA 2006**

Fee: Res. \$66; Non-Res. \$71 / 6 weeks

Gymnasium Rentals

There are a few remaining time slots for gymnasium rentals at the Salter Community Center. The cost of renting the gym is \$60 per hour. For more information and available times, please call 248-246-3180.

TumbleBunnies Gymnastics

www.tumblebunnies.com

Itty Bitty Bunny – ages 18 months - 2 years

This fun, energetic class has **parents working with their child** that is filled with a variety of activities such as gymnastics focused warm-ups, movement to music, many activities on a ton of equipment such as octagons, wedge mats, trampoline, bars and much more. Comfortable clothing is all that's required. Minimum of 8 students.

Saturday at Salter Community Center

Jan. 21 - March 25, 9:30 - 10:00 am **YA3001**

Fee: \$120 / 10 weeks

Tuesday at Salter Community Center

Jan. 17 - March 28, 9:30 - 10:00 am **YA3009**

Fee: \$120 / 10 weeks *No class Feb. 21*



TumbleBunnies Gymnastics – ages 3 and older

Students will be introduced to the wonderful world of gymnastics by using equipment such as balance beams, bars, trampoline, vault, octagons, wedge mats and so much more. Our classes are fun, fast moving and challenging. Our enthusiastic instructors will make each child feel special and encourage them to do their very best. Each session is non-repetitive throughout the session and filled with all new skills and drills. Comfortable clothing is all that is required. Minimum of 8 students per session.

Saturdays, Jan. 21 - March 25 at Salter Community Center

Fee: \$120 / 10 weeks

Bizzy Bunnies, 3 - 4 year olds, 10:00-10:30 am **YA3002**

Happy Hoppers, 5 - 7 year olds, 10:30-11:00 am **YA3003**

Gymnastics Development, 8 - 12 year olds, 11:00-11:30 am **YA3004**

Tuesdays, Jan. 17 - March 28 at Salter Community Center

Fee: \$120 / 10 weeks *No class Feb. 21*

Bizzy Bunnies, 3 - 5 year olds, 10:00-10:30 am **YA3010**

Activity Cancellation

Due to bad weather – 248-246-3187

When Royal Oak Schools are closed, Recreation Department classes held in school facilities are cancelled.

Special Thanks

A special thanks to the Royal Oak School District for the excellent City-School cooperation which allows us to provide numerous activities in school facilities.

Who to Contact

- John Lindell Ice Arena 248-246-3950
- Swimming (*see page 45*) 248-435-8500 ext. 1148 or 1087
- Boys & Girls Club of SOC 248-544-4166
- RO Sandlot League www.royaloaksandlot.com
- ROYSA (Youth Soccer) www.roysa.com
- Royal Oak Youth Football www.royaloakchiefs.com
- www.royaloakchargers.com
- Royal Oak Hockey www.royaloakhockeyclub.com

Adult Softball Leagues

We will offer the following softball leagues this season:

Monday	Coed Division III
Tuesday	Coed Division III Men's Division III
Wednesday	Coed Division III Men's Division III
Thursday	Coed Division II Coed Division III

Registration Dates

February 1 - 28

Returning team and Royal Oak Resident team entry fee is due.

March 1 - 31

Open registration until full.

April 19

Beginning April 19, Manager's Packets will be available for pick up at the Royal Oak Department of Public Services, 1600 N. Campbell Rd. (east side of Campbell, just south of 12 Mile), 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Week of May 1

All Leagues begin

Entry Fee

\$585, includes 12-game season, playoff tournament for top four teams (single elimination), ASA Registration, and awards for Season Champs and Playoff Champs.

Umpire Fee

\$15 per game per team (paid at site)

Fields/Times

Worden #1	6:10 pm, 7:20 pm
Worden #2	6:10 pm, 7:20 pm
Worden #5	6:10 pm, 7:20 pm, 8:30 pm
Kenwood #2	6:10 pm, 7:20 pm

Call 248-246-3180 for registration packet.

Non-resident teams are welcome to participate.

Our Department receives federal funds from the US Department of the Interior. Accordingly, all activities must be operated free from discrimination, on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or handicap. Any person who believes he or she has been discriminated against or who would like further information regarding the prohibition of discrimination should write to:

Director, Equal Opportunity Program
National Parks Service
PO Box 37127
Washington DC 20013-7127

Royal Oak Symphony Orchestra

Celebrating its 22nd season, the orchestra is a cultural offering to Royal Oak and our neighboring communities. Formed specifically for area musicians who desire to continue making music a life-long avocation, the orchestra is comprised of adults of all ages and professions. ROSO meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at Royal Oak Middle School and performs 4 concerts each season. Musicians interested in joining should call 248-988-6991 or e-mail roso@royaloakorchestra.org to schedule an audition. Website: www.royaloakorchestra.org.

Concert Schedule

Friday, December 16, 8:00 pm, Royal Oak Middle School

Friday, March 24, 8:00 pm, Royal Oak Middle School

Royal Oak Concert Band

Organized in the mid-1960s, the Royal Oak Concert Band is the oldest community band in southeastern Michigan. The band meets each Monday 7:30-9:15 pm from September through May at Royal Oak Middle School. The ROCB is always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining, please visit their website at royaloakconcertband.org

Concert Schedule

Sunday, December 11, 3:00 pm, Royal Oak Middle School

Monday, December 12, 7:00 pm, Madison Heights Senior Center

Sunday, March 5, 3:00 pm, Royal Oak Middle School

35th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

**Thursday, December 1
6:15 pm at City Hall Plaza**

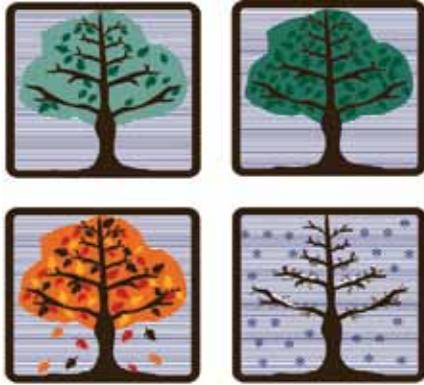
**We invite all residents to join us
for a fun evening filled with Holiday Spirit!**

**Holiday Magic Marketplace at
Royal Oak Farmers Market, 4:00 - 9:00 pm**

Refreshments, 6:15 pm

Royal Oak Children's Choir, 6:30 pm

Tree Lighting Ceremony, 7:00 pm



FOUR SEASONS PRESCHOOL

Four Seasons Preschool offers a wonderful learning environment for children ages three and four years old.

We are currently full for the 2016-2017 school year.

We will begin registration for the Fall 2017 school year on **Tuesday, February 7 at 9:00 am. Walk-in registrations will have first priority from 9:00 to 10:00 am** that morning in person at the recreation office, 1600 N. Campbell Road. We will process registrations by mail, fax or online at www.royalrec.com beginning at **10:00 am**. If you are interested in being placed on our mailing list for a registration flyer, please call 248-246-3180.

The Four Seasons Preschool is located at the Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais (1 block north of 13 Mile, 3 blocks east of Crooks).

Our program offers the following:

- **Story Time**
- **Physical Education**
- **Music**
- **Computers**
- **Hands-on activities that promote pre-reading, pre-math, thinking and reasoning skills, and language development.**
- **Science**
- **Art**
- **Free Play Time**

2016 - 2017 Class Schedule and Pricing

Tues/Thurs Morning, 8:30 - 11:00 am
PRE2016-R3

FULL

Tuition for our morning 2-day a week program is \$988. This includes a non-refundable registration fee of \$100 and three installments of \$296.

Mon/Wed/Fri Morning, 8:30 - 11:00 am
PRE2016-R1

FULL

Tuition for our morning 3-day a week program is \$1,483. This includes a non-refundable registration fee of \$100 and three installments of \$461.

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs Afternoon, 12:15 - 2:45 pm
PRE2016-R2

FULL

Tuition for our afternoon 4-day a week program is \$1,978. This includes a non-refundable registration fee of \$100 and three installments of \$626.

Four Seasons Preschool is licensed by the State of Michigan

www.fourseasonspreschoolonline.com





Royal Oak Sandlot League 2017 Baseball & Softball Registration

ROSL is open to youth that live in or attend any school in Royal Oak or Clawson. This volunteer run non-profit program begins practicing in May, with games starting in early June and the season running until the end of July. Children are placed in leagues according to their age as of May 1, 2017:

Baseball

Ages 5-7	T-ball
Ages 7-9	Control Pitch
Ages 9-11	Freehan
Ages 12-13	Kaline
Ages 14-17	Harwell

Fast Pitch Softball

Ages 8-11	Freshman
14U (12-14)	Junior
18U (14-18)	Senior

Registration:

Online: We will be accepting registrations **online** through our website listed below. Payment must be by credit card. Registration opens December 1, 2016.

Information required to complete registration:

- **ALL** residents must provide legal proof of birth date (birth certificate, baptismal record, passport)
- **ALL** residents must provide proof of residency (driver's license or current utility bill)
- All non-residents attending a Royal Oak or Clawson school must provide proof of school attendance (a current report card or a letter from the school principal showing child's name and school name.)

League openings are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Placement on a team is not guaranteed and is subject to available openings in the League.

**Please check our website for fees
and registration information:
www.royaloaksandlot.com**



Register for Recreational Spring Soccer!



The Royal Oak Youth Soccer Association offers programs for all ages and skill levels from pre-school (Little Renegades) to seniors in high school.

- ROYSA focuses on fun and developing a player's skills
- Spring season runs from early April until early June
- Each team will practice weekly (as determined by the coach) and will play 10 games during the season

As a community based, non-profit organization we are proud to offer an affordable program for children to learn and play soccer.

**Register online by February 1, 2017.
Hurry, teams fill up quickly!**

**For more information and to register, visit
www.roysa.com**



Royal Oak Nature Society

Protecting Our Nature Parks and Educating the Community

The Royal Oak Nature Society is a volunteer group working with the city to protect and promote the usage of Royal Oak's two nature preserves, Cummington Park and Tenhave Woods. They are also developing an arboretum behind the Senior Center on Marais. If you are interested in joining the conservation effort or just need more information, please phone us at 248-246-3380 and leave a message, e-mail us at naturesociety@romi.gov, send by regular mail to 1600 N. Campbell Rd, Royal Oak, 48067 or check out our website at www.romi.gov/407/Nature-Society. You can also find us on Facebook. Park trail maps and maps showing the location of Tenhave Woods, Cummington Park can be found on our website. There is no pre-registration or cost for our speaker programs and public nature walks.

Speaker Program Schedule

Held on Wednesdays at the Royal Oak Middle School (709 N. Washington) unless otherwise noted starting at 7:30 pm.

At our monthly meetings, September to May, we present speaker programs. Usually, they are slide shows focusing on various natural history topics. If you watch nature programs on PBS or the Discovery Channel, this is better, as you can meet afterwards and ask the speakers questions.

DATE	TOPIC & SPEAKER
Dec. 7	"Invasive Species and the Battle For the Future of the Great Lakes" with author Bill Rapai
Jan. 4	"Ghost River of Royal Oak" with Nature Society naturalist Bob Muller
Feb. 1	"Life 50 Miles from Tomorrow" with National Park Ranger Stephanie Schneider

Friends of Fungi Mycology Club

The Friends of Fungi Mycology Club will meet on **Wednesday, January 11 and February 8, 2017** at the Royal Oak Senior Center (3500 Marais) beginning at 7:00 pm.

Nature Walk Schedule

Meet at the park/arboretum

There is at least one naturalist lead walk per month with additional ones added during the spring wildflower and fall color seasons. An emphasis is put on understanding the different forest types found in our parks. Further information is given on individual plant and animal species, geology and human history of the area. Dogs are not allowed inside either Tenhave Woods or Cummington Park. Wearing boots while in the parks is recommended during the winter and spring months. Dressing appropriately for bugs and using insect repellent is advised from late spring through the end of summer. To learn more about the parks, please come to our naturalist led nature walks listed below.

For Cummington, park & meet at Torquay & Leafdale (just east of Meijer). For Tenhave Woods (just east of RO High School), park at the Marais/Lexington lot and walk about 300' east to the entrance. For Tenhave Owl Hoots, Mushroom Walks and Full Moon Walks, park and meet at Marais/Lexington lot. For the Arboretum, park and meet at the Senior/Community Center (3500 Marais) lot-north end.

DATE	TIME & PLACE	TOPIC
Dec. 4 (Sun)	2:00 pm at Tenhave	Mammals of Tenhave
Dec. 10 (Sat)	2:00 pm at Tenhave	Bark at Tenhave
Dec. 16 (Fri)	7:30 pm at Cummington	Owl Hoot
Jan. 13 (Fri)	7:30 pm at Tenhave	Owl Hoot
Jan. 14 (Sat)	2:00 pm at Tenhave	Winter Birds
Feb. 10 (Fri)	7:30 pm at Cummington	Owl Hoot
Feb. 11 (Sat)	2:00 pm at Tenhave	Winter Forest





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8:30 – 10:20 pm
OPEN SKATE WITH A LIVE DJ.

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Choose from a range of Professional coaches that will guide you to your goals in a motivational environment.

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FIGURE SKATING CLUB

The New Edge Figure Skating Club offers a variety of opportunities for skaters to test and compete. As well as many opportunities for skaters to have fun and make new friends.

**BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATIONS**

**BIRTHDAY PARTIES
AVAILABLE**

**Call for more
information**



Fall/Winter League:

SEPTEMBER - MARCH

Spring League:

APRIL - JUNE

Leagues available for teams of all skill levels



DROP IN HOCKEY

18 and up-full equipment come in a play a competitive game of hockey with fellow adult skaters.

STICKS & PUCKS

Open to all ages. Full equipment required.
Open practice session, pucks provided



- Lil Eagles Learn to Play – ages 4-10
- 8 & under youth hockey program
- House hockey for all youth age divisions
- Travel A & AA Hockey

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Instructional experience that improves skills, knowledge of the game, and overall self-confidence as it relates to the game through a "positive" learning experience.

PRE-SEASON, THANKSGIVING & HOLIDAY CLINICS

For more information on any of these programs, please visit

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City of Royal Oak



-  **School Buildings**
- 1 Addams, 2222 W. Webster
- 2 Churchill Community Education Center, 707 Girard Ave.
- 3 Helen Keller, 1505 N. Campbell Rd.
- 4 Northwood, 926 W. 12 Mile Rd.
- 5 Oakland, 2415 Brockton Ave.
- 6 Oak Ridge, 506 E. 13 Mile Rd.
- 7 Royal Oak High, 1500 Lexington Blvd.
-  Royal Oak Schools Administrative Offices, 800 Devillen
- 8 Royal Oak Middle, 709 N. Washington Ave.
- 9 Upton, 4400 Mandalay Ave.
-  Maintenance & Transportation Center, 1601 N. Campbell
-  **Government Buildings**
- 10 Mahany/Meininger Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais
- 11 Department of Public Service, 1600 Campbell
- Location of the Recreation Department**
-  Royal Oak Animal Shelter, 1515 N. Edgeworth
- 12 John Lindell Ice Arena, 1403 Lexington
- 13 Royal Oak Golf Course, 3417 Don Soper Dr.
- 14 Jack & Patti Salter Community Center, 1545 E. Lincoln
- 15 Orson Starr House, 3123 N. Main
-  **City Hall Complex**
- 16 City Hall, 211 Williams St.
Public Library, 222 E. 11 Mile
Police Department, 221 E. Third
44th District Court, 400 E. 11 Mile
Farmers Market, 316 E. 11 Mile
- 17 Royal Oak Historical Society Museum, 1411 W. Webster
-  **Parks**
- 18 Kenwood Park, Kenwood & Forest
- 19 Memorial Park, Woodward & 13 Mile
- 20 Red Run Park, Girard & Vermont
- 21 Starr/Jaycee Park, 13 Mile & Marais
- 22 VFW Park, Campbell & E. Lincoln
- 23 Worden Park, Lexington & Crooks
- 24 Upton Park, Nakota at Mandalay
- 25 Whittier Park, E. Farnum & N. Alexander

Picnic Shelter Rental

Groups may reserve the picnic shelters at Starr/Jaycee Park, Memorial and VFW Park. Royal Oak residents and businesses have priority to reserve a shelter January 3 through March 31 for summer 2017; starting April 3, non-residents may apply. Please call 246-3180 for rental fees and a copy of the Park Shelter Reservation/Rental policy. All rentals must be processed in person at the Recreation Department offices in the Department of Public Services building at 1600 N. Campbell, Royal Oak; 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday.

Registration Information

How to Register for Programs and Classes

Registration begins on November 22 for in-person, mail, fax and online submissions.

Mail-In Registration

You may send a completed registration form (or reasonable facsimile) with payment to:

Royal Oak Recreation
PO Box 64
Royal Oak, MI 48068-0064

Do not send cash. Make checks payable to **Royal Oak Recreation**. Use separate checks for different classes in case one of your desired classes is filled. **Returned check fee is \$35**. To receive a receipt, please include your e-mail address.

Fax Registration

Fax registrations are accepted 24/7 at **248-246-3007**. Fax payment by credit card only – please include credit card number, security code, expiration date, and your signature on registration form. To receive a receipt, please include your e-mail address.

In Person Registration

Walk-in registrations are accepted at the Recreation Office Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. The Recreation Office is located at the Dept. of Public Service, 1600 N Campbell Road, Royal Oak MI 48067. We accept payment in person by cash, check, Visa, M/C or Discover.

Refunds

Refunds will be granted up to one week prior to the start of a class or camp, less a \$5 service fee. Refunds will be granted after the first week of class less a \$10 service fee. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE GRANTED AFTER THE SECOND WEEK OF CLASS. NO REFUNDS ONCE A CAMP HAS STARTED.** No refunds on one-day classes. Allow 3 weeks for refund check. Fees charged on credit cards must be credited back to your credit card, **LESS SERVICE FEES INDICATED.**

NOTE: Children should not accompany their parents to classes designated for adult participants only.

Senior Center classes are open to adults of all ages who are available for daytime activities.

How to Register for Programs Online

www.royaloakrec.com

For additional information, click on “answers to frequently asked questions” on the home page.

Open Online Registration November 22

General Guidelines

If anyone in your family has taken a Recreation or Senior Center class since 2012, your household account may already be set up. Be sure to check for an existing account before attempting to create a new one. If you are not sure, you can call the office to check. You will need to obtain a temporary password (which you should change) from the office to log into an existing account. Your account login is your e-mail address.

If you have never registered for class with Royal Oak Recreation or the Senior Center, you will need to “create a new account” through the website. You cannot register for classes as a “guest”.

Online registration will only be available for some programs. You can only register your own family. For transfers, corrections or questions, please call the Recreation Office at 248-246-3180, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Low Enrollment

Royal Oak Recreation and the Senior Center reserves the right to cancel classes due to low enrollment. Full refunds will be given if a class/camp is cancelled by Royal Oak Recreation. Please register early so we don't cancel your class!

Insufficient Funds

There will be a \$35 Returned Check Charge to all accounts for checks that are returned by the bank.

Royal Oak Recreation **248-246-3180**
8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday

Royal Oak Senior Center **248-246-3900**
9:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday

No Telephone Registrations

Registration for all Day Trips and Extended Trips should be done at the Mahany/Meininger Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais.

Registration Information

Registration Form

Student Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Male/Female _____

Address _____ City, Zip _____

Telephone - Home _____ Work _____

E-mail _____

Class _____ Day _____ Time _____ Start Date _____

Class _____ Day _____ Time _____ Start Date _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Payment Method: Check Cash



Visa/Discover # _____ 3-digit Security Code _____

Mastercard # _____ 3-digit Security Code _____

Cardholder Name _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature of Cardholder _____

I hereby voluntarily release and hold harmless the City of Royal Oak, City of Royal Oak Contractors/Independent Contractors and the Royal Oak School District from all liability for all types of damages or injuries, whether foreseeable or not, sustained by myself, my child and other family members while participating, watching and traveling to or from this activity.

Signed _____ Date _____

(If youth, parent or guardian must sign)

Registration Form

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Address _____ City, Zip _____

Telephone - Home _____ Work _____

E-mail _____

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Signed _____ Date _____

Leo Mahany / Harold Meininger Senior Community Center

3500 Marais • (248) 246-3900

Jack & Patti Salter Community Center

1545 E. Lincoln

We are a team that values integrity, approaching all situations with a positive attitude, and creating an environment of respect, fairness, and empathy.

Code of Conduct

- **Live the Golden Rule**
 - **Embody Honesty**
 - **Act with Patience**
 - **Take Responsibility**
 - **Listen Attentively**
- **Communicate Effectively**
 - **Lead by Example**
 - **Be Proactive**

Live Royal Oak

Drop in either community center Monday through Friday. Pick up our monthly newsletter, *Times*. Start enjoying opportunities for lifelong education, fitness, and leisure activities. Try a great meal at **Tim's Kitchen** (M/M Center) for \$3. The staff is committed to working with and for seniors to develop activities and services that support their efforts to remain healthy, active and independent.

Mission Statement:

The City of Royal Oak offers mature adults opportunities for lifelong education, fitness, nutrition and leisure activities. Supportive services that promote independence and quality of life are available for residents who are 62 and over or permanently disabled adults.

The City of Royal Oak's Recreation Department does not discriminate against any program participant or applicant for participation because of actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, height, weight, condition of pregnancy, marital status, physical or mental limitation, legal source of income, family responsibilities, sexual orientation, gender identity, or HIV status of person, that person's relatives, or that person's associates or for any other reason (s) prohibited by law. The City of Royal Oak will take affirmative action to insure that all practices are free from such discrimination.

Royal Oak Seniors Resource Center

Stop by the Senior Resource Center for brochures from businesses with products and services for older adults. If you are a business owner and would like to display your brochures at the Resource Center, please call (248) 246-3900 for an application form. The fees to display brochures are \$10 monthly or \$100 yearly.

Rental Information

The use of the Leo Mahany/Harold Meininger Senior Community Center shall be available to nonprofit organizations and groups engaged in educational, cultural, civic or charitable activities or private functions (birthday parties, wedding receptions, baby and wedding showers, graduation parties, etc.). Room set-up and take-down is the responsibility of the requesting organization. Please call (248) 246-3900 for rental fees and room availability.

Special Events and Workshops

December

9	Handbell Concert	1:15 pm
16	Kerry Price, Free	12:30 pm
19	Salter Center Book Club	10:00 am
28	Dinner Dance, \$16	7:00 pm

January

6	BINGO	12:30 pm
9	Welcome, Newcomers	10:30 am
10	Lunch and Learn	11:30 am
12	Pool Tournament	9:00 am
12	Travel Show	10:30 am
13	Movie	12:30 pm
20	Kerry Price, \$2.00	12:30 pm
23	Salter Center Book Club	10:00 am
24	Lunch and Learn	11:30 am
27	Movie	12:30 pm

February

3	BINGO	12:30 pm
6	Welcome, Newcomers	10:00 am
6	Creative Coloring \$2.00	10:30 am
9	Pool Tournament	9:00 am
10	Movie	12:30 pm
10	Dinner Dance, \$13	6:00 pm
14	Lunch and Learn	11:30 am
17	Kerry Price, \$2.00	12:30 pm
20	Salter Center Book Club	10:00 am
20	Creative Coloring, \$2.00	10:00 am
24	Movie	12:30 pm

March

3	BINGO	12:30 pm
6	Creative Coloring, \$2.00	10:30 am
6	Welcome, Newcomers	10:30 am
7	Lunch and Learn	11:30 am
9	Pool Tournament	9:00 am
10	Movie	12:30 pm
18	Kerry Price, \$2.00	12:30 pm
20	Salter Center Book Club	10:00 am
20	Creative Coloring, \$2.00	10:30 am
24	Movie	12:30 pm
31	Dinner Dance, \$13	6:00 pm

Medical Equipment Loan Closet

Senior Center has walkers, wheelchairs, bath stools and such available for loan. There is no charge to borrow an item, keep them as long as necessary and return clean. Clean, working durable medical equipment donations are also accepted. Please call (248) 246-3900 prior to bringing in equipment.

Day Trips

Detroit Symphony Orchestra
CLASSICAL Coffee Concerts 2017
Fridays, 9:15 am - 1:30 pm
\$31 per concert – Mid-Balcony

Jan. 27, 2017 T1026W
Slatkin conducts: *Clarinet Concerto*. Part of the Mozart Festival featuring: *Overture to La Clemenza del Tito, Concertone and Horn Concerto No. 2*.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra
POPS Coffee Concerts 2017
9:15 am - 1:30 pm
\$49 per concert – Dress Circle

A Night at the Academy Awards
Feb. 24, 2017 T1027W
Hear some of Hollywood's most enduring scores from Oscar-winning films.

A Christmas Carol at
Meadow Brook Theatre \$47
Wednesday, December 7 T1025F
1:00 - 5:00 pm

Everyone's favorite holiday classic captivates audiences for the 35th year with the tale of a mean-spirited miser and the ghosts that haunt him. Cost includes transportation via Senior Bus and performance.

Detroit Institute of Art Days
Lecture: Fabulous Ladies,
Fashionable Drinks \$5
Thursday, January 12 T1015W
12:15 - 3:45 pm

In support of the special exhibition "Bitter|Sweet: Coffee, Tea and Chocolate," this lecture will explore the relationship between these then fashionable drinks and some of the most notorious women of their time, including Madame de Pompadour, Maria Theresa of Spain, and Catherine of Braganza, among other fabulous ladies. Cost includes transportation via motor coach and activity.

Our future plans for this Thursday series at the DIA include art making, lectures, tours and films. Series information only covers the months up until January 2017. Please call or visit the Senior Center after Jan. 1 for updated trip information.

The Purple Door with a Little Rust \$26
Friday, January 20, 2017 T1034F
12:45 - 3:15 pm

The Purple Door Tea Room in Ferndale is a charming, cozy hidden gem. Enjoy their "Orchid Tea": three tea sandwiches, one dessert and Tea of your choice. After tea we will visit The Rust Belt for a little shopping. It's a storefront for 50 independently-owned businesses, a showcase of local talent, and launchpad for small start-ups located right at Woodward and 9 Mile Rd. Cost includes transportation via Senior Bus and Tea.

Zehnder's Snowfest \$94
Thursday, January 26 T1035W
9:30 am - 5:15 pm Rybicki Tours

Enjoy larger-than-life snow sculptures and beautifully detailed ice carvings in Frankenmuth today! Enjoy Zehnder's famous 2-piece Chicken Luncheon with all the trimmings followed by their "Dueling Pianos Show" - a modern day vaudeville act! There will be time for shopping also! Cost includes transportation via motor coach, show and luncheon.

Chicago at Wyandotte's
Theatre on the River \$72
Sunday, January 29 T1037F
11:30 am - 6:00 pm Bianco Tours

Chicago has wowed audiences around the world and won six Tony Awards. It's a universal tale of fame, fortune and all that jazz; one show-stopping song after another and the most astonishing dancing you've ever seen. Enjoy this performance at the Theatre on The Avenue, Wyandotte. Cost includes transportation via motor coach, lunch at Smokie's and performance.

The Lion King at the
Fisher Theatre \$110
Thursday, February 2 T1039F
10:30 am - 3:30 pm

This blockbuster play has won six Tony Awards and been seen by more than 85 million people around the world. It's not just for kids! *The Lion King* brings to life a story filled with hope and adventure set against an amazing backdrop of stunning visuals. It's Broadway in Detroit and the world's #1 musical! We are stopping for brunch before the performance at The Hudson Café on Woodward across from the former JL Hudson site. Choose your meal upon registration. Cost includes transportation via Senior Bus, performance and brunch. Sign-up deadline: Dec. 15.

Pippin - the Musical \$144
Saturday, March 18 T1037W
9:45 am - 6:30 pm Rybicki Tours

We have main floor seats at the Stranahan Theatre in Toledo! *Pippin* is a high-flying hit musical full of extraordinary acrobatics, wondrous magical feats and soaring songs. It traces the journey of one young man to be extraordinary. Cost includes a sit down choice of entree meal downtown, transportation via motor coach and performance.

Dirty Dancing at the Fox Theatre \$68
Friday, March 24, 2017 T1033F
6:15 - 10:45 pm

Based on the 1987 film starring Patrick Swayze and Jennifer Grey, *Dirty Dancing* brings the iconic movie to life on stage. This worldwide smash hit tells the classic story of Baby and Johnny, two fiercely independent young spirits from different worlds who come together in what will be the most challenging and triumphant summer of their lives. Featuring the hit songs, *Hungry Eyes, Hey Baby, Do You Love Me?* and the heart stopping (*I've Had*) *The Time of My Life*. Cost includes Main Floor tickets and transportation via Senior Bus. Sign-up deadline: January 20, 2017.

Cornwell's Turkeyville:
How Great Thou Art \$78
Tuesday, March 28 T1038W
9:15 am - 6:45 pm

The most famous turkey dinner in Michigan followed by the musical, *How Great Thou Art!* Join the journey with Art as he finds the true meaning of giving. Lots of laughs, inspiration and songs. Old time gospel music will fill your heart and make you tap your toes. Cost includes transportation via motor coach, luncheon and performance.

Restaurant of the Month

Join us once a month as we travel near and far, seeking out both familiar and new cuisines. Look for announcements in our monthly Newsletter, or call the Center at (248) 246-3900 for more information.

Extended Trips

Florida Vacation \$2299 pp/dbl
January 11 - 21, 2017 T1001 F
Shoreline Tours

Stroll along the sugary white sand beach, take a dip in the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico, watch a colorful sunset, enjoy a "cheeseburger in paradise" at The Café... it's all yours for seven nights at the Outrigger Beach Resort in Fort Myers. Relax as you will or take some of the optional tours such as the Edison and Ford Winter Estate or the Big M Casino Cruise w/ lunch. Cost includes transportation via motor coach, accommodations, tours and 14 meals. \$100 deposit; balance due Nov. 11, 2016.

Clearwater Beach, Florida \$2499 pp/dbl
Feb. 18 - March 3, 2017 Rybicki Tours
Shoreline Tours

Spend nine nights at the Sheraton Sand Key Beach Resort on the gentle, emerald waters of the Gulf of Mexico! Located on 10 acres of pure white sand, the resort boasts a relaxing poolside, tennis, a fitness center and one of the top Tampa Bay area restaurants. The Jolly Trolley stops at the front door and gives you access to anywhere you want to go in the Clearwater Beach area. Cost includes transportation via motor coach, accommodations, 8 meals (one is a luncheon cruise on the Gulf), a dinner theatre and a week of bliss-on-the-beach! \$200 deposit; balance due Jan. 6.

Riviera Maya, Mexico \$2480 pp/dbl
February 20 - 26, 2017 Bianco Tours

South of Riviera Cancun, Riviera Maya is home to many of Mexico's best all-inclusive resorts. The area offers endless white sand beaches, lush jungles and ancient Mayan cities! Your home for six nights is Now Sapphire Resort, where your room will have a private balcony or terrace and a complimentary mini-bar! All-inclusive means UNLIMITED and INCLUDED: all snacks and meals, all beverages, even top shelf spirits, 24-hour room service and much more. There are many activities and optional excursions available during your stay. Cost includes round-trip air, accommodations, meals and all beverages. \$200 deposit; balance due December 12, 2016.

Southwest Explorer \$1899 pp/dbl
February 22 - 28, 2017 T1000F
Shoreline Tours

Enjoy average temperatures around 70 degrees in this different winter getaway! Walk among the clouds at the Grand Canyon Skywalk - this glass, horseshoe-shaped bridge enables visitors to walk beyond the canyon walls, 4000 feet above the riverbed! Visit Death Valley, Red Rock Canyon, a ghost town and Hoover Dam. Cost includes round-trip air, motor coach transportation, accommodations, 9 meals and much more! \$250 deposit; balance due Dec. 15, 2016.

Philadelphia International Flower Show \$623 pp/dbl
March 15 - 18, 2017 Bianco Tours

This is the nation's oldest flower show and the largest in the world! More than 250,000 horticulturists, gardeners and garden lovers flock to the Pennsylvania Convention Center for this annual flower show. You'll also enjoy a guided tour of the historical city and have time in the National Constitution Center. Cost includes transportation via motor coach, accommodations, and 5 meals. \$20 deposit; balance due Feb. 15, 2017.

Colonial Williamsburg \$1259 pp/dbl
May 13 - 18, 2017 Shoreline Tours

Stay three nights at the site of one of the country's best-preserved colonial sites. The city's Historic Area encompasses 173 acres and is centered on mile-long Duke of Gloucester street. Stately homes, public buildings, busy craft shops, and peaceful gardens and greens rekindle a sense of American heritage. The Woodlands Inn is located right at the starting point of Colonial Williamsburg and your 18th-century adventure! Also visit historic Jamestown Settlement and Yorktown Victory Center. Cost includes transportation via motor coach, accommodations and tours. \$100 deposit; balance due April 1, 2017.

Cape Cod & Martha's Vineyard \$1799 pp/dbl
June 24 - July 1, 2017 Shoreline Tours

Visit Hyannis, Provincetown, Nantucket and Plimoth Plantation - tour Martha's Vineyard as well as the whole Cape - see Plymouth Rock, Mayflower II and the National Monument of our Forefathers! The Whale Watch expedition is a highlight of the trip as are your accommodations: the Red Jacket Beach Resort is located on a sweep of private beach right on the Nantucket Sound! Cost includes transportation via motor coach, accommodations, tours and 11 meals. \$100 deposit; balance due May 15, 2017.



Welcome Newcomers

1st Monday, 10:30 am
Jan. 9, Feb. 6, March 6

Here's your chance to acquaint yourself with the programs and services available at the Mahany/Meininger Senior Community Center. Learn how to register for classes, trips, programs, and meet the staff. Receive a complimentary lunch. Call 246-3900 to reserve. Need a ride from your R.O. home? Call 246-3914.

Billiards

Three pool tables are located in the game room at the Mahany/Meininger Senior Community Center. Pool may be played Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. There is a 50¢ daily charge or \$3.00 monthly fee for use of the tables. Drop-in Pool Tournaments are held monthly.

Monthly Pool Tournament

Thursdays, 9:30 am
Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 9

Enjoy a luck-of-the-draw singles tournament for fun and cash prizes. Men and women ages 55+ are welcome. Refreshments served. \$3.00 fee payable at the door.

Drop-In Cards

Rubber Bridge
Mondays, 12:15 pm

Drop in with a partner to play Rubber Bridge, \$1.00. Come early if you have no partner, will try to pair.

Pinochle
Tuesdays, 12:30 pm

Drop in for pinochle, meet new friends, \$1.00.

Duplicate Bridge
Wednesdays, 12:30 pm

Drop in with a partner to play Duplicate Bridge, \$2.00.

Euchre
Thursdays, 12:30 pm

Drop in to join experienced players who like to play Euchre. Play 8 rounds of cards, \$1.00.

Mahjongg Drop-In

Wednesdays, 9:30 am - 12 noon
Fridays, 12:30 - 3:00 pm

Experienced players may drop in and play on Wednesday mornings. Players must follow National Mahjongg League rules only. No charge.

Crochet Creations

Thursdays, 12:15 pm

Join this group for an afternoon of stitching your personal work in progress; pattern discussion; and/or help reading a pattern or learning a new stitch. Beginners are welcome, we will teach you how to crochet. Several times a year, the group jointly creates projects to give back to the community. No charge.

Senior Quilting

Tuesdays at 10:00 am

Come join us for a day of hand quilting, machine piecing quilt tops and socialization. If you're new and just getting started, we are happy to help. Bring sewing machine and your project. Drop-ins welcome. No fee.

Sit 'n Knit

Tuesdays, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Come join in as we knit and visit! Share work in progress, tips and "show and tell" finished projects. A relaxing visit with others who share your love of knitting or a little knitting help. All knitters welcome, beginners and experienced.

Helping Hands

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:30 am

Do you like to knit or crochet? Drop by and become a part of this worthwhile group that makes blankets and other items for charity. They are currently working with CareNet, Veterans and Beaumont Hospitals, Project Linus and other local organizations. *Donations of yarn are welcome. Drop off yarn on the days the group meets.*

BINGO! Try Your Luck!

Friday, Jan. 6 at 12:30 pm

Friday, Feb. 3 at 12:30 pm

Friday, March 3 at 12:30 pm

Royal Oak Senior Center First Friday Recreational BINGO. BINGO cards 25 cents per card with a max of three (3). Format is ONE overall prize at \$5.00 and six (6) regular games with prizes! All revenue from BINGO is used towards future BINGO prizes. BINGO is conducted solely for the amusement and recreation of the ROSC guests.

Kerry Price on Piano Holiday Special!

Friday, Dec. 16, 12:30 pm

Enjoy a holiday special performed by **Kerry Price**. The December program will be Kerry's gift to you. Sing lots of holiday songs and play some holiday trivia. Refreshments served. Free!

Kerry Price on Piano

3rd Friday, 12:30 pm

Jan. 20, Feb. 17, March 17

Don't miss these musical programs written and performed by **Kerry Price**, sure to be both entertaining and educational. Ms. Price, a popular vocalist and pianist, has delighted audiences with her one-woman programs since 1976! \$2.00 per program, payable at the door.

Dinner Dances

Tickets available six weeks before dances (table reserved for singles).

Wednesday, Dec. 28 **D1008F**
7:00 - 10:00 pm

Begin your New Year celebration with dinner and dancing to *The Mike Wolverton Trio*. \$16.00

Friday, Feb. 10 **D1006W**
6:00 - 9:00 pm

Enjoy a delicious dinner and dancing to *The Mike Wolverton Trio* \$13.00

Friday, March 31 **D1007W**
6:00 - 9:00 pm

Enjoy a delicious dinner and dancing to *The Mike Wolverton Trio*. \$13.00

Monthly Matinee

2nd & 4th Friday, 12:30 pm

Enjoy movies but don't like watching them alone? Join us as we show the latest and greatest releases on DVD each month projected on a larger screen. Titles are announced in the *Times*. Suggestions and donations are welcome.

"Star-Grabbers"

Amateur Astronomy Club

2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10:00 am

Bill hosts an amateur astronomy club. His enthusiasm for astronomy compels him to share this interesting hobby and instruct individuals on the use of telescopes. Star Grabbers meet to discuss current astronomical events, view interesting lectures, and share personal viewing experiences. Donations accepted.

Financial/Investment Aide

3rd Thursdays, 10:00 am

Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16

Hantz Financial will provide financial and tax advice and offer a complimentary review of your current investment portfolio. Call (248) 246-3900 to reserve your free 30-minute appointment.

Focus on the News

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 10:30 am

Tired of talking back to your TV set? Join a fun and lively discussion of local, national, international and informal news issues. Visitors encouraged. We're always looking for new people.

Foot Doctors

2nd Wednesday, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8

Dr. Robert Adas and Dr. Larry Wexler will see patients at the Center for your convenience with an office in Huntington Woods. Most services will be covered by insurance. Please pre-register.

Genealogy 101

Thursdays, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Jan. 12 - Feb. 16

C1001W

March 9 - April 13

C1002W

\$88 / 6 weeks

Discover your family history and your next great passion in life! Learn how to do genealogy and you'll make fascinating new discoveries about your ancestors and their lives! This excellent course series is designed with all the fundamentals for beginners and amateurs who want instruction, reference guides and advice to help you have success with your own research. Basic topics: types of records; how to find them; evaluating your evidence; standards of proof; and organizing your materials. Uncover and share your family legacy today! Bring a \$5 syllabus fee and note taking materials to class. Pre-registration required.

Manicures

By Licensed Nail Technician

Every 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14

By appointment only

Between 9:30 am and 4 pm \$10.00

Andrea Weiss will be here the second Tuesday of each month to offer manicures. Treat yourself or someone else to this wonderful service. Services provided to women and men.

Grief Support Group

1st and 3rd Fridays

10:30 - 11:30 am

Jan. 6 & 20, Feb. 3 & 17, March 3 & 17

This service is offered at no charge to anyone mourning the loss of a loved one. Offering a safe and supportive environment for participants to express their feelings and better understand the grief process. Group will be facilitated by Grief Support Manager at Hospice of Michigan, Oakland County. State of Michigan Licensed Counseling & Social Worker. For more information contact: (248) 246-3900.

Holiday Handbell Concert

Friday, December 9, 1:15 pm

Enjoy a spectacular Concert featuring the music of the Royal Oak Senior Handbell Choir. No charge.

Massage Therapy

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

by appointment

Jan. 19, 20 & 24; Feb. 16, 17 & 21;

March 16, 17 & 21

Licensed Massage Therapist Heidi provides therapeutic massage using the holistic approach. All of these massages provide benefits; help in reducing muscular and nerve pain and aids relaxation. She provides 35-minute massage sessions for \$30, or 75-minute sessions for \$60. Call the Center for an appointment, 246-3900.

Rejuvenate Your Retirement

65+ Class

Tuesday, March 28 and April 4

1:30 to 3:30 pm

C1015

55+ Class

Thursday, Jan. 26 and Feb. 2

6:30 to 8:30 pm

C1016

OR

Saturday, Jan. 28 and Feb. 4

9:30 to 11:30 am

C1017

\$39/person, bring a spouse or guest at no additional charge

This class provides you with easy-to-understand information on important lifestyle and financial issues often faced during retirement. Learn how to plan fun and fulfilling activities to stay mentally, physically and socially active; calculate IRS-required minimum distributions from retirement plans; examine how investment returns are taxed; and plan for health care, long-term, incapacity and end of life decisions. Call (248) 246-3900 to register.

Jewelry Sale

Thursday, March 23

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Back by popular demand. We will be collecting jewelry that you would like to donate for our sale starting **January 16 through February 22 ONLY**. Old costume jewelry that you no longer wear may become someone's treasure and benefit the Center. Support your center, donate old jewelry and purchase slightly used treasures for yourself.

R.O./AARP

Tax-Aide Program

Mondays & Wednesdays

Feb. 1 - April 12, 2017

Doors open at 9:00 am

Appointments suggested, walk-ins served on an as available basis

AARP-trained and IRS certified volunteers will assist individuals with free tax help and free e-filing for senior taxpayers and other middle and low-income taxpayers. Preparers will assist with tax forms including homestead rebate, home heating credit, Federal and State forms. You must bring photo identification, copy of last year's tax return, Social Security card or statement with full SSN on it for you, spouse and all dependents and all W-2's, 1099-R's and other income related forms. For more specifics, please pick up a flyer at the Mahany/Meininger Senior Center.

Volunteer Opportunities: Hundreds of low-to moderate-income people, especially those 60 and older, need help preparing their taxes. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax-filing help to those who need it most. We're looking for compassionate and friendly individuals to join our team of local and continued support in a welcoming environment. We are seeking volunteers to help in Royal Oak and surrounding communities. If you are good with numbers, love working with people, or want to help others, please consider the AARP TaxAide Program in Royal Oak. AARP prepares hundreds of returns each tax season at the Royal Oak Senior Center. Please get more information online at www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide you can apply online or contact Bruce Swancutt (248) 629-7005 or Jim Sauter (248) 828-8186 for more information.

Art of Basket Making: A Lifelong Skill

Fridays, 9:30 - 11:00 am

Jan. 6 - Feb. 10

C1022W

\$68.00 / 6 weeks

Interested in crafting but want to learn different crafting techniques from the beginning up? Knowledgeable and patient instructor, will teach the time honored technique of basket weaving. You will complete two baskets in the six-week class. This class is fun and an exceptional value. Cost includes materials to make two baskets; one napkin basket with handle, one roll basket. Tool list will be provided at registration, student responsibility.



Creative Coloring for Grown-Ups

1st and 3rd Mondays, 10:30 am

\$2.00 drop-in material fee/per class

Creative Coloring for Grown-ups is coming to Royal Oak Senior Center. Explore the latest coloring craze and make coloring your NEW hobby. Choose from large patterns and designs on professional card stock, that will challenge your brain in fine motor movement and detail. Socialize and connect with other color artists, in a relaxed atmosphere, and create a Masterpiece suitable for framing.

Studies have shown hobbies like coloring:

- Reduce stress and insomnia.
- Improves concentration and eye to hand coordination.
- Boosts self-esteem, when your friends and family see your finished results.
- Discover what this fad is all about, while you relax, play, and indulge in an activity which will take you back to carefree days.

Charming Charcoal Drawing

Tuesdays, 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Dec. 6 & 13

C1100F

\$30 / 2 weeks

Come explore the charm of charcoal in this instructional two-week class instructed by Petra E. Boham from PetrArt LLC. Meets in Room 3. Preregistration required. Materials are not provided for this class. Material cost approximately \$20. Supply list available at registration.

Delightful Drawing Primer Class

Tuesdays, 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Dec. 6 & 13

C1099F

\$30 / 2 weeks

Have you ever wanted to learn how to draw? In this informative and educational class, instructor Petra E. Boham from PetrArt LLC takes you on a journey of creativity learning the basics of drawing using drawing pencils and your creativity. This class is great for a beginner. All materials provided. Class meets in Room 3. Preregistration required.

Find Your Way to Writing: Memoir, Fiction, Creative Non-Fiction

Wednesdays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Jan. 11 - March 1

C1012

\$55/8 weeks

Do you have a vague feeling you'd like to write something? Or, perhaps, a nagging feeling you should be writing? What would you write if you were to write? Do you know? And if you do, do you have enough support to make your dream a reality? Few writers get much writing done without support. This prose writing workshop will provide the support to help you identify what you want to write, to help you get started writing it, and to keep you writing until you've accomplished your writing goal. Preregister.

Maureen Dunphy teaches "Getting There from Here" and "Going Farther" writing workshops for Springfed Arts and, through Dunphy Consulting Services, coaches individual writers and provides editing services for individuals and institutions.

Painting – All Media

Thursday, 9:15 - 11:45 am

Jan. 5 - Feb. 23

C1020W

March 2 - April 20

C1021W

\$55 / 8 weeks

Mike Byrne is past vice president of the South Oakland Art Association and past president of the Royal Oak Arts Council. Mike is a working artist in many mediums and accepts students from beginner to expert. Supply list is given at sign-up for those without their own supplies. Preregister.

Portraits in Pencil

Tuesdays, 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Dec. 20 & 27

C1101F

\$30 / 2 weeks

Come explore how to make portraits using drawing pencils. Instructor Petra E. Boham from PetrArt LLC will guide you on this exciting two-week journey. All materials provided. Meets in Room 3. Preregistration required.

Watercolor Painting

Friday, 9:15 - 11:30 am

Jan. 6 - Feb. 24

C1023W

March 3 - April 21

C1024W

\$55 / 8 weeks

Explore the exciting world of watercolor painting! Beginners through advanced artists will work in wet-on-wet through to finishing with techniques that include dry brush. Supply list is given at sign-up for those without their own supplies. Preregister.

Ballroom Dance Class

Mondays, 1:00 pm

Join instructor Bill Scheff on Monday afternoons to learn all the fancy footwork involved in Ballroom dancing. No partner is needed for participation. Feel free to drop in and watch anytime. \$5.00

Line Dancing

Fridays, Intermediate, 1:00 pm

Line dancing is not only fun but good exercise as well. And you don't need a partner. Learn the hot country line dances. \$2 payable at each lesson. NO BOOTS.

Aqua Zumba

Thursdays, 8:30 am

Jan. 5 - Feb. 23

C1066W

March 2 - April 27

C1036SP

\$36 / 8 weeks

Have fun exercising, dancing and getting fit. Zumba workout in the water! All levels welcome, no experience necessary. Instructor Cheryl Baugh. Preregister. No class April 6.

Chair Exercise with Cindy

Fridays, 10:30 am

Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

C1030W

\$25 / 6 weeks

March 10 - 31

C1031W

\$18 / 4 weeks

Improve your aerobic capacity, strength, balance and flexibility, doing a variety of fun exercises to music you will love! This class is designed to work gently but effectively on every area of the body, as well as emphasizing posture, coordination, and fall prevention, in a 45-minute workout. It is appropriate for those who have joint limitations, as well as for anyone who prefers a mostly-seated workout. Wear comfortable clothing and shoes, and bring a water bottle and hand-held weights if you wish. Pre-registration is requested.



Chair Yoga Exercise (DVD)

Mondays, 10:30 am

This session is of a "gentle" nature for those of you who are just starting on a fitness program, or those who must not do strenuous exercise.

Healthy Back Class

Wednesdays, 1:30 pm

Jan. 11 - Feb. 15

C1018W

\$25 / 6 weeks

March 8 - 29

C1019W

\$18 / 4 weeks

If you have ever experienced acute or chronic back pain, you are in the majority. This class, based on the YMCA's Way to a Healthy Back, is designed to strengthen and stretch back and core muscles in order to prevent back injuries that can often result from everyday activities; to improve posture; and to increase awareness of body mechanics to promote safety in everyday movements. Class is 45 minutes; please bring a mat and water. Wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Instructor - Cindy Erlandson. Pre-register. Call (248) 246-3900 for more information. Active adults get great results.

Kuratomi Stretching

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 am

Jan. 11 - March 1

C1010W

\$64 / 8 weeks

March 8 - 29

C1011W

\$32 / 4 weeks

New to the U.S.A.! Heal yourself. Balance your muscular and nervous system! Use the power of your own Ki/Chi to correct and naturalize internal organ functions! The Kuratomi Method is inspired by ancient Japanese forms of Shindo, Sonkyo, and Jumon to open the body, mind, and spirit gently and naturally. The student can grow into the stretches, yet they are immediately effective, and all poses are adaptable to all personal needs. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat. Pre-register.

Pilates/Core Body Conditioning

Mondays, 10:30 am

Jan. 9 - March 6

C1067W

No class Jan. 16

March 13 - May 1

C1037SP

\$36 / 8 weeks

Pilates is a neuro-muscular resistance control method of exercise designed to help develop strong, flexible muscles and better posture. This is a basic class with emphasis on gradual progression and strict body alignment and exercise form. Wear loose comfortable clothes and bring a mat. Instructor Cheryl Baugh, ACSM Certified Fitness Instructor.

Silver Foxes

Monday, Tuesday,

Wednesday & Friday, 9:30 am

Low impact aerobic classes for the intermediate exerciser. Increases flexibility and works the heart - all to a Richard Simmons video tape. No fee.

Sit Down & Tone Up

Tuesday, 10:30 am

A lively workout without leaving your chair. You'll build strength, stimulate bone growth and improve posture and balance. Work lower body and abs by using your leg's own weight (or bring ankle weights). Work upper body with 1 - 3 lb. weights. Video workout, free!

Tai Chi Basic & Chen Style

Thursdays, 9:15 am

Jan. 12 - March 30

C1003W

\$72 / 12 weeks

Tai Chi Basic exercises are for beginner and continuing. The class will include: Tai Chi warm-up, gentle stretching. Tai Chi walking and silk reeling and Tai Chi Ball Qigong (the Ball in the Mind), and section one of Chen Style Tai Chi old form.

Water Aerobics

Wednesdays, 8:30 am

Jan. 4 - Feb. 22

C1065W

March 1 - April 26

C1035SP

No class April 5

\$36 / 8 weeks

Great workout with water exercises. Included is a cardiovascular, toning and stretching. Locker room available, bring your own towel and suit. Leave your valuables at home. Instructor Cheryl Baugh. Preregister.

Chair Yoga

Wednesdays, 12:30 - 1:15 pm

Jan. 11 - Feb. 15

C1021W

\$25 / 6 weeks

March 8 - 29

C1022W

\$18 / 4 weeks

Fridays, 11:30 am - 12:15 pm

Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

C1024W

\$25 / 6 weeks

March 10 - 31

C1025W

\$18 / 4 weeks

It's amazing how much yoga can be done in a chair! This 45-minute class consists of three 15-minute sections, the first and last of which are done seated in the chair. The middle section is done standing using the chair for balance. We focus on breathing and relaxation, stretching for flexibility, and balance practice which also increases muscular strength. The class is accompanied by soothing, stress-relieving music. You will leave feeling rested and rejuvenated.

Gentle Yoga

Mondays, Jan. 9 - March 6, 9:15 am

\$40 / 8 weeks

C1029W

No class Jan. 16

Mondays, Jan. 9 - March 6, 1:00 pm

\$40 / 8 weeks

C1032W

No class Jan. 16

Thursdays, Jan. 12 - March 2, 1:00 pm

\$40 / 8 weeks

C1033W

Mondays, March 13 - May 8, 9:15 am

\$40 / 8 weeks

No class April 3

C1035W

Mondays, March 13 - May 8, 1:00 pm

\$40 / 8 weeks

No class April 3

C1037W

Thursdays, March 9 - May 4, 1:00 pm

\$40 / 8 weeks

No class April 6

C1038W

Yoga creates many benefits in your overall health and wellness. Improve your strength, flexibility and sense of well-being with breath awareness and movement. Relax and rejuvenate to look and feel better. Please preregister. Instructor Noreen Daly.

Yoga

Tuesdays, 1:00 pm

Jan. 3 - Feb. 21

C1034W

Feb. 28 - April 18

C1064SP

\$36 / 8 weeks

Yoga is a great way to deal with hypertension, back pain, headaches, stress, depression and even arteriosclerosis. Through a series of movements, postures and breathing techniques, one will increase, strength, flexibility, alignment and balance. Instructor - Cheryl Baugh. Preregister.

SilverSneakers FLEX Comes to Royal Oak:

Challenge Your Core

Wednesdays, 2:30 pm

January 11 - March 1

C1025W

SilverSneakers members: FREE

Non-SilverSneaker participants:

\$32 / 8 weeks

Did you know that your core - muscles in the abdomen, pelvis, lower back and hips - are stabilizers for your entire body? If any of these core muscles are weakened, it could result in lower back pain or a protruding waistline. This fun class in core training does two really important things - it helps you look thinner and supports your spine, and helps balance and stability. Must be able to get up from the floor. Bring water bottle and mat. Drop-in \$5.00.

To determine eligibility, please visit www.silversneakers.com/tools/eligibility or call Sharon Claye at 586-770-0038.



Zumba Gold

Fridays, 10:20 am

January 13 - March 3

C1013W

\$40 / 8 weeks

March 17 - April 7

C1014W

\$20 / 4 weeks

Here's a chance to "Dance with the Stars!" Be ready for a low-impact aerobic workout, some chair work, great music and fun! Take salsa, cha-cha, samba, tango, meringue, add hits of flamenco, calypso, hip-hop and belly dancing, put it all in a workout routine, and you have Zumba Gold! Dress comfortably, wear dance sneakers or tennis shoes. Bring water. Preregister. Drop-in available, \$8.00 per class.

Computer Club

Wednesdays, 12:30 pm

Calling all beginners to experienced computer enthusiasts. All levels join our growing club for computer networking and guest speakers discussing "cyber" topics of interest. Guest speakers are listed in the monthly newsletter, *Times*. Donations accepted.

Ask the Computer Lady!

Tuesdays through March 28

9:15- 9:45 am

C1083W

12:45 - 1:15 pm

C1084W

\$20 / 30 min. sessions

OR

\$35 for one hour (12:45 - 1:45 pm)

Have your questions ready for Marta and be ready for an informative one-on-one session. Bring your laptop or Kindle, Mac, Tablet, Android or iPhone, learn how to check your email, or make sure your security is up to date. Call ahead to register and pay: (248) 246-3900.

"Get" your Gadget

Tuesdays, 11:15 am - 12:00 pm

Jan. 10 - 24

C1085W

Feb. 7 - 21

C1086W

March 7 - 21

C1087W

April 4 - 18

C1088SP

\$60 / Three 45-minute One-on-One Sessions on consecutive Tuesdays

This one-on-one class will clean up the mysteries of your tablet, e-reader, cell phone, laptop or camera! You may also use the time for learning basic computer skills on our desktop computers. Remember to bring all cables and power cords along. Call to register for your choice of dates: 248-246-3900.

Laptop Computer Class

Tuesdays, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Jan. 10 - 31

C1080W

Feb. 7 - 28

C1081W

March 7 - 28

C1082W

April 4 - 25

C1083SP

\$40 / 4 weeks

Set up for beginners and advanced students to bring your own laptop to class and learn to safely use Windows. Preregistration required. A \$5 materials fee due is to instructor at first class. Class size limited to 4. If only one student registers, the class will be shortened to two sessions, effectively becoming a one-on-one.

Lunch and Learn Series at the Mahany/Meininger Center

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Free lunch from Tim's Kitchen for all who preregister and attend a presentation. You must sign-up for all or one of the topics listed below by calling (248) 246-3900. Please note registration deadline below (space limited).

If you sign-up for a Lunch and Learn and fail to show up or call to cancel TWOTIMES in a calendar year, you will NOT be permitted to sign-up for the remainder of that year. Sorry, no carry-outs.

Tuesday, January 10 A1001 New Year New Debt!

Presenter: Budget Credit Consulting, Berkley, Michigan
www.budgetcreditconsulting.com

Saving for the next big expense? Do you know where your money needs to GO? Confused about how your credit works? Join Brandon Croud, owner of Budget Credit Consulting for lunch and a workshop about debt, budgeting, and credit. Deadline to register is January 5, 2017.

Tuesday, January 24 A1003 Navigating Your Way through the Golden Retirement Maze

Presented by: Capital Mortgage Funding

Our featured panel of professionals will help educate you on important senior citizen matters, so that you can make the BEST choices available to you, for your retirement and golden years.

Our professional panelists will focus on these key topics:

- Incorporating Home Equity Into Your Retirement Plan – Brian Cohen, Capital Mortgage Funding
- Financial Planning – Matthew Trujillo, CFP
- Asset Protection and Estate Planning – Marc H. Wander, PLLC
- Senior Housing – Sandy Spiro, Senior Housing Services

Deadline to register January 19, 2017.

Tuesday, February 14 A1000 How to Care for Your Valentine

Presented by: Libby Carpenter of Right at Home Home Care

Join Libby Carpenter of Right at Home Home Care for lunch at the ROSC and an in-depth discussion on home care options for seniors. Find the answer to Medicare skilled home care, the Medicaid Waiver program, Veterans Administration Aid and Attendance benefit and private duty. Deadline to register is February 9, 2017.

Tuesday, March 7 A1002 Effects of Hearing Loss

Presented by: BG Hearing with speakers Kathy Gordon and Rhiannon Workman

- Did you know hearing loss has a direct effect on overall health?
- Do you become frustrated or confused about your hearing?
- Have you ever thought, "I can hear my husband fine, but struggle to hear my grandchildren."

Come for a free lunch and get the facts! Deadline to register is March 2, 2017.

Salter Center Activities

Delightful Drawing Primer Class at the Salter Center

Mondays, 9:00 - 10:30 am

Jan. 23 & 30

SA2020

\$30 / 2 weeks

Have you ever wanted to learn how to draw? In this informative and educational class, instructor Petra E. Boham from PetrArt LLC takes you on a journey of creativity learning the basics of drawing using drawing pencils and your creativity. This class is great for a beginner. All materials provided. Class meets in Senior Card Room. Preregistration required.

Portraits in Pencil at the Salter Center

Mondays, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Feb. 6 & 13

SA2021

\$30 / 2 weeks

Come explore how to make portraits using drawing pencils. Instructor Petra E. Boham from PetrArt LLC will guide you on this exciting two-week journey. All materials provided. Meets in Senior Card Room. Preregistration required.

Salter Center Book Club

3rd Monday, 10:00 - 12:00 noon

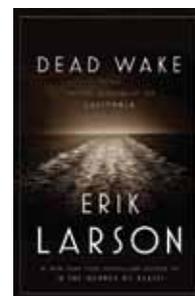
Are you an avid reader? Would you like to meet with people who share your passion for the written word? Join **Mary Ann DeKane**, Outreach Librarian from the Royal Oak Public Library, and members in the reading and discussion of the following popular selections:

December 19
Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania
by Eric Larson

January 16
title to be announced.

February 20
title to be announced.

March 20 title to be announced.



Drop-In Sports at the Salter Center

Pickleball

- The cost is \$2.00 per session. Any individual caught not paying will be asked to leave the gym immediately
- Sign-in sheets will be made available 30 minutes before scheduled start times

Mondays

11:00 am - 1:00 pm or 1:00 - 3:00 pm
All levels - East Gym

Tuesdays

1:00 - 3:00 pm, All levels - East Gym
12:30 - 2:15 pm, 4.0 & higher - West Gym

Wednesdays

11:00 am - 1:00 pm or 1:00 - 3:00 pm
All levels - East Gym

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

3.5 & higher - West Gym (\$3.00)

Fridays

11:00 am - 1:00 pm or 1:00 - 3:00 pm
All levels - East Gym

5:00 - 7:15 pm

Open to ages 19 & up - East Gym

12:30 - 2:00 pm

3.5 & higher mixer - West Gym

Bounce Volleyball

Tuesdays and Thursdays

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Bounce Volleyball, a slightly slower paced game than power volleyball, allows a wider range of skill levels to participate and enjoy this great game. \$1 per session.

Drop-In Pinochle

Wednesdays & Fridays, 12:30 pm

Drop in for an enjoyable game of pinochle, meet new friends. \$1



Balance Training

Fridays, 12:30 - 1:00 pm

Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

SA2006

Feb. 24 - March 31

SA2007

Cost: \$25 / 6 weeks

Feeling unsteady? Loss of balance often results in falling and bone fractures. This 30-minute workout is designed to build bone, strengthen core, pelvic and leg muscles while improving posture and balance. Fun and innovative exercises keep you smiling and moving! Jo Schirtzinger, from Leisure Unlimited LLC, has been teaching fitness classes since 1994.

Helping Hands

Fridays, 9:30 am

Interested in knitting, crocheting or sewing? Create blankets for chemotherapy patients at the Salter Center on Fridays, or work at home. Kits are available, or you can use your own materials to create squares that can be assembled into blankets for the patients. Stop by and get the details about the size and type of materials desired, or call (248) 246-3180. Donations of 4-ply yarn gratefully accepted.

Let's Walk!

Monday - Friday, 8:30 - 11:00 am

Strengthen your heart, lungs and vascular system. Improve your circulation. Relieve tension and modify the aging process. How? Join **Let's Walk!** and enjoy the four seasons, briskly walking at your own pace. Walk indoors around the gym or outdoors in the park and neighborhoods, weather permitting. Track your progress by completing a mileage log sheet at the Salter Center.

Tai Chi Chuan

Standing/Chen Style Laojia Yuile Continuing

Tuesdays, 10:00 - 10:45 am **SA2013**

Jan. 10 - March 14 at Salter Center

Fee: \$60 / 10 weeks

CHEN STYLE TAI CHI is the oldest style of Tai Chi Chuan. Created by Chen Wangting in the 16th century, the movements are slow and fast, twining and twisting, connected with internal spiral energy. This continuing class is taught by Han Hoong Wang.



Stretch & Strength (40+) Cardio, weights and stretching

11:00 am - 12 Noon

Winter 1

Mondays: Jan. 9 - Feb. 27

Wednesdays: Jan. 11 - Feb. 15

Fridays: Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

Fee: \$26 / 6 weeks for 1 day **SA2008**

\$46 / 6 weeks for 2 days **SA2009**

\$64 / 6 weeks for 3 days **SA2010**

\$5 drop-in fee

No class Jan. 16, Feb. 20

Winter 2

Mondays: March 6 - April 10

Wednesdays: Feb. 22 - March 29

Fridays: Feb. 24 - March 31

Fee: \$26 / 6 weeks for 1 day **SA2016**

\$46 / 6 weeks for 2 days **SA2017**

\$64 / 6 weeks for 3 days **SA2018**

\$5 drop-in fee

Fun exercise for the active adult and senior. Improve your stamina, strength and flexibility. All exercises are adaptable to allow you to work at your own pace and fitness level. Each class includes low-impact aerobics, strength training and stretching. Workout to great music, make new friends, socialize, laugh and have fun! Bring a water bottle and hand-held weights if you have them. Wear tennis shoes and loose, comfortable clothing. Instructor Jo Schirtzinger, from Leisure Unlimited LLC, has been teaching this popular class in Royal Oak since 1994.

Sit Down & Tone Up

Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 9:30 am

A lively workout without leaving your chair. You'll build strength, stimulate bone growth and improve posture and balance. Work lower body and abs by using your leg's own weight (or bring ankle weights). Work upper body with 1 - 3 lb. weights. Video workout, free!

Yoga

Thursdays at Salter Center, 10:15 am

Jan. 5 - Feb. 23 **SA2014**

March 2 - April 20 **SA2015**

\$36 / 8 weeks

Yoga is a great way to deal with hypertension, back pain, headaches, stress, depression and even arteriosclerosis. Through a series of movements, postures and breathing techniques, one will increase, strength, flexibility, alignment and balance. Instructor - Cheryl Baugh. Preregister.

Royal Oak Senior Essential Services

R.O.S.E.S. is a program providing a variety of supportive services to Royal Oak residents age 62 and over. Payment is made directly to the contracted worker. A \$5 registration fee per year is required (assistance with payment is available to qualifying low-income seniors). The City of Royal Oak sponsors this service. Call 246-3900 Monday - Friday.



Home Chores – If you reside in Royal Oak, you are eligible to have household tasks such as yardwork, housework and gutters (first level) cleaned for you. No windows, weeding, wall washing or roofing.

Home Repairs – Repairs that do not require a licensed contractor are available to homeowners. Repairs include minor plumbing, carpentry and minor electrical.

Personal Care – Includes assistance with activities of daily living: bathing, feeding, shampoos, dressing and help with ambulating.

Adjacent Generational Exchange (A.G.E.)

Sponsored by a grant from Beaumont Hospital, the A.G.E. program provides assistance to the frail elderly of Royal Oak, utilizing the talents of volunteers.

Looking for a Few Good Volunteers!

The Senior Center is always looking to introduce new programs. Do you have a few hours of time to spare each month?

Have you recently retired and would like to share your on-the-job experience to help others? Or do you have a skill, a hobby or craft to share? If so, please consider volunteering and enlightening others in our community. Call Carolyn Marsh, Volunteer Coordinator at (248) 246-3917.

Alzheimer Support Group

1st & 4th Mondays, 10:00 am
Jan. 23, Feb. 6 & 27, March 6 & 27

This group is an opportunity for caregivers to share information and learn from others in a supportive, caring environment. Contact the Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900.

Aphasia Support Group

Thursdays, 10:00 am - 12 noon

This group is for adults with communication disorders. Gain support from others on your road to recovery. For more information, call Carolyn Marsh, Volunteer Coordinator at (248) 246-3917.

Deaf Assistance Group

Wednesdays, 9:00 am

We welcome deaf adults for socialization each Wednesday.

Hearing Tests/ Clean Hearing Aids

Tuesdays, 1:00 pm

Jan. 10, March 14

Zounds will provide free Hearing Tests and Hearing Aid Cleanings every other month. Call (248) 246-3900 for a 15-minute appointment.

Legal Aid

3rd Thursday (Senior/Community Center)

Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16

Do you have a legal issue to resolve, but are not sure you need to engage the services of an attorney? Kent Schultz, Attorney at Law, will provide free 15-minute consultations to senior citizens each month. A fee will be charged for additional services. Call (248) 246-3900 for an appointment. Can't make it to the Center? Call Mr. Schultz at (248) 541-2567 to schedule a complimentary home visit.

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program

MMAP counselors are available for assistance in choosing the right health plan for you. For questions regarding Medicare, Medicare Part D prescription plans and Medicaid, call Carolyn Marsh at (248) 246-3900. In-person assistance by appointment only.

Outreach

Our Outreach Administrator is available to help residents aged 62 and over through the sometimes overwhelming process of obtaining needed services. Please call (248) 246-3900 with your concerns about personal care, housing or other independent living requests. An in-home visit to assess needs is available through this service at no cost.

P.A.L.

(Positive Attitude Living)

Fridays, 10:30 am

Your attitude determines your life! Join this group to enrich your life and meet new friends. Bring your ideas for positive change to share with the group. Newcomers welcome.

Tim's Kitchen

Enjoy meals, \$3, prepared from scratch in the Mahany/Meininger Center kitchen Monday-Friday. Chef Tim Campbell's old favorites and new creations are nutritious, filling, and delicious! Call for monthly menus.

- Call (248) 246-3900, at least 1 day in advance to reserve a meal.
- Call to cancel reservations if unable to attend.
- Purchase meal vouchers (5 or 10 meals) at any time. Great gift idea!
- Bus fee is waived if you ride the bus to the Center for lunch!
- Menu subject to change based on availability of food supplies.

Carry-outs now available \$3.50

Meals on Wheels are available to homebound residents unable to travel to the Center. Call Emerald Food Services at (248) 689-0001 for hot meals delivered daily. The menu for homebound meals differs from the meals served at the Senior Center.

Transportation

This service provided by the City of Royal Oak promotes independence for residents aged 60 or older, and adults who are permanently handicapped. Door-to-door service is available to those with mobility problems who need to be personally escorted to the buses. The driver will assist with bags of groceries. **Call (248) 246-3914 between the hours of 9:30 am - 12:30 pm** to arrange your transportation needs. Call up to two weeks before your appointment so that we may assure you of a ride. All buses are equipped with lifts for the handicapped. Prepaid tickets are available: \$19 / 5 round-trip tickets and \$14 / 5 one-way tickets.

The Royal Oak Transportation service is sponsored by the City of Royal Oak; funded by Beaumont Health, SMART Municipal and Community Credit Funds, and rider donations.

What Royal Oak Drivers Should Know About Bicycle Lanes



Bike Lanes and Shared Lanes: Do you know the difference?

Unless explicitly prohibited, the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code permits bicycling on all roadways.

Bike Lane

A bike lane is the portion of a roadway that has been designated for the exclusive use of bicyclists. **Motorists should never drive in a bike lane.**

A variant of a conventional bicycle lane is a buffered bicycle lane. This type of bicycle lane is accompanied by a designated buffer space, separating the bicycle lane from the adjacent motor vehicle travel lane.



Shared Lane

Sharrows are found in locations where there is insufficient width to provide a designated bike lane. The markings alert drivers to share the road with bicyclists.

Sharrows indicate a shared lane. Motorists and bicyclists may both ride in this joint lane.



How do motorists make right turns when a bicycle lane is present?

When turning right, a motorist should always yield to bicyclists going straight. Never move into the bike lane to make your turn. Never pass a bicyclist and then “hook” them by making a turn immediately in front of them.

Once the bicyclist passes through the intersection, the motorist should then begin their right turn. Only after the bicyclist clears the intersection or driveway should the motorist complete their turn.

Crash Facts

Bicyclists are involved in less than 1 percent of all traffic crashes. Proportionally, they represent a greater number of fatalities than any other group of roadway users. This is why it is especially important for drivers to pass bicyclists at a safe distance and to always yield to them before making turns.

Visit romi.gov/bicycling-in-royal-oak or call 248-246-3201 for more information.



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City Snow Operations

Residents can greatly impact the snow removal process by moving their cars into driveways when a snow emergency is declared. This allows City snowplows to move unimpeded through residential streets and restore driveable conditions much sooner. Residents may call the Snow Emergency Hotline (248) 246-3442, to find out if a snow emergency is in effect.

Those who don't cooperate could be ticketed and fined under a 1991 ordinance requiring them to move their cars off the street when a snow emergency is declared. On-street parking is prohibited, except with special permits, when an official snow emergency is declared. Emergency conditions are generally defined as a snowfall of four inches or more, or a projected snowfall of four inches or more.

Residents need to remove their cars prior to an official emergency declaration. When the emergency is declared, it's absolutely critical that cars be off the roads as trucks will already be plowing by that time.

Depending on the amount of snow – the City is plowed as follows:

Priority One

This covers snow up to four inches. Only major arterial streets such as 12 Mile Road are plowed and/or salted 24 hours a day as required.

Priority Two

When Priority One routes are done, crews shift to Priority Two which is connector streets and routes leading to schools. Intersections and drop-off areas at the schools are salted only during regular work hours, Monday-Friday, and are done only when they are in session.

Priority Three

This covers major storms of four inches or more. The City plows Priority One routes first, then Priority Two (if school is in session), then local streets and, finally, dead ends. Salting of intersections begins when dictated by conditions (salting every street is cost prohibitive). Plowing of local streets is started in a different area of the City after each snowfall as a matter of fairness.

In the downtown area, snow is plowed to the center of the street, then picked up upon completion of residential areas.

The goal is to complete plowing and pickup operations within 24 hours after the snow stops, and it's much easier to do if vehicles are parked off the street.

The DPS is often bombarded by complaints when snow is plowed into resident's driveways. Unfortunately, it is an unavoidable circumstance because plows are fixed to push snow to the curb and there's no place for it to go other than the driveway. It means the end of the driveway must be cleaned again after the plow goes through.

The City apologizes for the inconvenience but a plowed street is important for emergency vehicles and permits residents to go to work, school or shopping.

Snow Emergency Ordinance: How it Affects You

Winter is approaching and the citizen's of Royal Oak should be aware of the city's Snow Emergency Policy. The Royal Oak Snow Emergency Ordinance (NO. 92-3) was enacted to provide for the safety of the public and to facilitate snow removal by city and county snow removal personnel.

It is unlawful for any vehicle to be parked on a street in the City of Royal Oak when a Snow Emergency has been declared, unless the vehicle has been issued an exemption permit by the Police Department. Permits will be granted for owners of vehicles who occupy a premises that does not have a driveway. Applications for Snow Emergency Parking Exemption permits may be obtained from the Records Section of the Royal Oak Police Department.

The Snow Emergency, once declared, will be broadcast publicly on radio, cable or the Snow Emergency hotline, 248-246-3442.

Any vehicle parked on any street is in violation of Ordinance 92-3 which constitutes a public hazard and an obstruction of traffic and may be ticketed, towed and impounded immediately.

When large snowfalls are expected, citizens should make every effort to remove their vehicles from the street. This will eliminate any chance of fines or impoundment if a snow emergency is declared, reduce the chance of vehicle accidents and allow city workers to clear the streets quickly and efficiently. Citizen cooperation will enable the streets to be cleared quickly and allow the Snow Emergency to be lifted in a timely manner.

Let's work together to make this winter season safe and enjoyable for all citizens of the community.



Christmas Tree Collection

Trees will be collected curbside for recycling 1/2/17 - 1/20/17 by a private contractor on your regularly scheduled refuse day. Please put to the curb by 7:00 am and remove all decorations, lights, stands and plastic bags or the tree will be left until corrected for the next pickup day. Between 1/23/17 and 3/31/17 residents may take the tree to SOCRRA, 995 Coolidge for disposal. Call 248-288-5150 for details.

Yard Waste Reminder

Yard waste must be separated through December 16. Between December 19 and March 31, residents need to either hold onto yard waste materials until the program starts on April 1 or residents can take a limited amount (10 bags per day) to SOCRRA at 995 Coolidge, free of charge, until the program begins April 1. Please call (248) 288-5150 for details.

What to do About Sewer Problems

Residents who experience sewer problems should call the Department of Public Service immediately at (248) 246-3300 during regular working hours (7:30 am - 4:00 pm) Monday - Friday or the Police Department at (248) 246-3500 any other time. A Sewer Department representative will respond to your emergency. If the problem exists in the main sewer line, a City crew will clear the line. If the problem is in the property owner's sewer line, it is the homeowner's responsibility to call either a plumber or a sewer cleaning company. For full details on water and sewer emergency procedures, consult the City's website at www.romi.gov.

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General Information	248-246-3000
Animal Complaint	248-246-3500
Animal Shelter 1515 N. Edgeworth	248-246-3364
Assessor	248-246-3110
Building Inspection	248-246-3210
Building Inspection Requests	248-246-3234
Building Inspection Fax	248-246-3006
Cable TV (WROK) 222 E. 11 Mile Rd.....	248-246-3040
Questions regarding Comcast.....	800-934-6489
Questions regarding WOW	866-496-9669
City Attorney	248-246-3240
City Clerk	248-246-3050
City Manager	248-246-3200
Code Enforcement	248-246-3210
Code Enforcement 24-hour Hotline	248-246-3238
44th District Court	248-246-3600
Probation, 400 E. 11 Mile	248-246-3670
Engineering	248-246-3260
Farmers Market 316 E. 11 Mile.....	248-246-3276
Finance	248-246-3030
Fire Department 215 E. Sixth St.	
Emergency.....	911
Non-Emergency.....	248-246-3800
Fire Prevention Bureau	248-246-3810
Housing Assistance - Rehabilitation Loans	248-246-3130
Human Resources	248-246-3070
Ice Arena 1403 Lexington Blvd.....	248-246-3950
Information Systems	248-246-3080
Landlord Licensing Program	248-246-3210
Library 222 E. 11 Mile Rd.....	248-246-3700
Mahany-Meining Sr./Community Center 3500 Marais.....	248-246-3900
Mayor	248-246-3200
Orson Starr House 3123 N. Main St.....	248-588-0170
Parks & Forestry	248-246-3300
Planning & Zoning	248-246-3280
Police Department 221 E. Third St.	
Emergency.....	911
Non-Emergency.....	248-246-3500
Community Policing.....	248-246-3524
Detective Division	248-246-3515
Record Division	248-246-3530
Snow Emergency Announcement.....	248-246-3442
Traffic Safety Division.....	248-246-3505
Public Service Department 1600 N. Campbell	
Highway Maintenance	248-246-3300
Parks & Forestry.....	248-246-3300
Recycling & Refuse Collection	248-246-3300
Sewer Maintenance.....	248-246-3300
Water Maintenance	248-246-3300
Emergencies between 4:00 pm - 7:30 am & weekends.....	248-246-3500
Purchasing	248-246-3030
Recreation 1600 N. Campbell.....	248-246-3180
Royal Oak Golf Course 3417 Don Soper Dr.	248-554-0019
Salter Community Center 1545 E. Lincoln.....	248-246-3180
Senior Citizen Programs 3500 Marais	248-246-3900
Street Lighting Outage - DTE Energy	800-477-4747
TDD (Hearing Impaired)	248-246-3010
Treasurer	248-246-3140
Voter Registration	248-246-3050
Water Bills	248-246-3160
Youth Assistance 1601 N. Campbell.....	248-546-8282
Website	www.romi.gov



Is Your Water Bill Too High?

The City of Royal Oak Water Billing Department receives many calls from property owners questioning their water bill. Please remember, the outside reading device is not a water meter. Although this equipment belongs to the City of Royal Oak, due to the harsh Michigan winters all water meters are inside to prevent freezing and bursting of pipes. The outside reading devices occasionally, with age, may slow down and not record the proper water usage. If this is not corrected as soon as possible, property owners can experience a very high water bill once the device is fixed.

Due to this possible malfunction, and other occurrences, such as occasional mis-reads and improperly maintained interior equipment, a property owner is encouraged to verify the water reading on their quarterly bill, with the reading on the inside meter, when each bill is received. At that time, a normal read should be slightly higher than what is stated on the bill. To insure that the meter is reading correctly, a property owner should also verify the read on both the outside reading device and the inside meter. The first four digits on these devices should always be identical.

All water which passes through the interior water meter is the responsibility of the property owner. Property owners should occasionally perform a simple water test, to insure that their devices (toilet, sinks, humidifiers, ice makers, sprinkler systems, etc.) are working properly. To do this, simply write down all six digits that are shown on the inside meter. Do not use any water for at least 2-3 hours. After that time, re-read the meter. If you have a higher read, there is a leak on the premises. Water leaks, usually a running toilet, can add up quickly to hundreds, if not thousands, of dollars. Most problems can be easily, and inexpensively, repaired by the property owner or plumber. The City of Royal Oak's Water Maintenance Department can not make these repairs. For additional information, the Water Billing Department can be reached at 248-246-3160.

Refuse and Recycling Directory

- Department of Public Services (DPS)**..... 248-246-3300
(Calls regarding garbage and recycling pickups should call DPS at 246-3300)
- SOCRRA MRF/Drop-off Center** 995 Coolidge..... 248-288-5150
Drop-off accepts: All acceptable curbside recyclables; unflattened, unbundled cardboard; automotive batteries; paperback and hardcover books; all paper (except carbon); CDs/DVDs/VHS; floppy disks; cassette tapes (all cases recycled separately); used clothing; screw-off lids/caps; plastic bags (no twine or hard plastic handles; no frozen food bags). **NEW: styrofoam** (no peanuts).

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal & Electronic Recycling

Drop-off at 995 Coolidge: Mon.-Fri., 8:00 am-3:30 pm; Wed., 8:00 am-5:30 pm; Sat., 8:00 am-2:00 pm
NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY Visit socrra.org for more information.

Hazardous Waste – To dispose of: Motor oil, solvents, yard chemicals, fluorescent light bulbs, insulin syringes, oil-based paint, propane tanks, etc. NOTE: Containers will NOT be returned.

Used Electronics – To recycle computer monitors, CPUs, printers, TVs (no wooden cabinets), radios, phones, cell phones, copy & fax machines, stereos, VCR/CD/DVD players, video game systems, etc.

Recyclables – All plastic as long as it is a container; all glass bottles, jars; metal cans/pie tins/empty aerosol cans; small scrap metal; newspaper; magazines, catalogs, paper, mail, paperback books, all paper (put in paper/plastic bags); food/beverage/drink/juice boxes, paper cups; phone books; corrugated cardboard; paperboard; household batteries (in clear baggies). Prepare according to instruction sheet, place loose in recycling bin, except paper, and set at curb on refuse day before 7:00 am.

Regular Refuse – Put household materials in containers 20 to 32 gallon (maximum size) or in 20 to 30 gallon plastic bags and put at curb by 7:00 am. Cans and bags cannot be over 40 lbs. Containers under 20 gallon will be considered expendable and will be thrown out with the trash. **Yard waste cannot be mixed with trash at any time.**

Yard Waste – Picked up curbside from April 1 to mid-December: Separate non-woody material as well as woody yard waste (up to 2" in diameter) from regular refuse and put at curb by 7:00 am in a 32-gallon container with a yard waste decal (decal must face street) or in a paper landscape bag. Containers/bags cannot weigh more than 40 lbs. **Yard waste cannot be mixed with trash at any time.** Plastic bags are not acceptable. Not picked up as either yard waste or trash mid-Dec. to March 31. Either hold on to until program begins April 1 or call SOCRRA for disposal (248-288-5150).

Leaf Vacuum Program begins at end-October. Rake leaves into street according to city schedule or put into acceptable containers and set at curb on refuse day. For pick-up schedule, check *Insight*, WRON Cable (Channel 17 or 10) or the city's website at www.romi.gov.

Brush, Tree Trimmings & Shrubs – Tie woody material between 2"-5" in diameter in bundles up to 4' long and 15" in diameter, weighing no more than 40 lbs. each (under 2" SEE YARD WASTE). Set at curb with trash by 7:00 am of refuse day OR contact the city's recommended chipping contractor, JH Hart 586-795-5581. Limbs over 5", the trunk and root system must be disposed of privately.

Broken Glass – Wrap in heavy paper or place in cardboard box or metal can with lid. Put with regular refuse NOT in recycling bin.

Cardboard – Flatten and tape or tie into bundles OR stuff smaller flattened boxes into larger box, **no larger than your recycle bin** (23" L x 16" W x 13" H).

Appliances (refrigerator, stove, hot water tank, etc.) – Set at curb on refuse day by 7:00 am. In apartment, cul de sac or dead end street, call DPS the day before your pickup at 248-246-3300. Remove doors on refrigerators and freezers and place to side.

Carpeting & Padding – Roll and securely tie no longer than 4' and weighing no more than 40 lbs. per bundle. Set at curb with trash by 7:00 am on refuse day.

Latex Paint – Remove lid and allow to harden or add kitty litter or sand to absorb liquid; set at curb on refuse day with lid removed for pickup with trash. Or chip out dried paint, rinse can and put in recycling with lid removed. Oil-based paint is hazardous, please take to SOCRRA for disposal. Refer to Hazardous Waste for hours.

Excluded Curbside Items – The following items are **NOT** acceptable for curbside collection: Liquids, radioactive items, flammable products, explosives, infectious materials, asbestos insulation, tires, hazardous waste, stumps, engines, transmissions, rear axles, construction items, loose items such as bricks, concrete (even if it's attached to something), root balls, dirt or sod. These materials must be disposed of privately. See www.socrra.org or call 248-288-5150 for locations, hours, rates and procedures. Limited amounts of construction items from home occupant's personal repair or remodeling are acceptable. However, items cannot be longer than 4' in length, must be bundled and weigh less than 40 lbs. per bundle.

Holiday Refuse Collection – When one of the following holidays (official not observed) falls on a weekday, collection for the remaining days of the week will be delayed one day: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day. Refuse collection is not affected for any other holidays or when the above holidays fall on a weekend.



FARMERS MARKET

Locally grown produce and plants are in abundance at the Royal Oak Farmers Market. Every Saturday more than 30 Michigan farmers set up their booths offering everything from apples to zucchini. Most are picked within 24 hours of purchase. In addition to produce, there are several vendors selling antibiotic- and hormone-free meats, free range eggs and chicken, cheeses, freshly made salsa, baked goods, and much more. **For more information, please call (248) 246-3276.**

Open All Year!

Farmers & Specialty Food Vendors are at the market

- Fridays, 7:00 am - 1:00 pm, May - December
- Saturdays, 7:00 am - 1:00 pm, All year

Antique & Collectible Vendors are at the market

- Sundays, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Food Truck Rallies at the market

- Second Wednesday of each month, 5:00 - 9:00 pm

Calendar of Events at the Market:

December

1	Thurs	Holiday Magic Market Place (4:00 - 9:00 pm)
8	Thurs	World of Flavors (6:00 - 10:00 pm)
14	Wed	Food Truck Rally with Santa (5:00 - 9:00 pm)
16	Fri	Holiday Spirits (6:30 - 11:00 pm)
17	Sat	Mitten Market (6:00 - 11:00 pm)

January

7	Sat	Healthy People Planet (8:00 am - 1:00 pm)
11	Wed	Food Truck Rally (5:00-9:00 pm)
12	Thurs	Flavors of India (6:00 - 10:00 pm)
14	Sat	RO Toy Show (8:00 am - 1:00 pm)
14	Sat	Polar Beer Fest (6:30 - 11:00 pm)
28	Sat	Indulgence (6:30 - 11:00 pm)

February

8	Wed	Food Truck Rally (5:00 - 9:00 pm)
9	Thurs	Veggie Bash (6:00 - 10:00 pm)
11	Sat	Hearts & Flowers Craft Show (7:00 am - 1:00 pm)
11	Sat	Michigan Love Celebration (6:30 - 11:00 pm)
18	Sat	Whiskey Business (6:30 - 11:00 pm)
25	Sat	Mac & Brews (6:30 - 11:00 pm)

March

8	Wed	Food Truck Rally (5:00 - 9:00 pm)
9	Thurs	Rock the Veil (6:00 - 10:00 pm)
11	Sat	Candy Band Concert (5:00 - 9:00 pm)
18	Sat	Think Spring Craft Show (7:00 am - 1:00 pm)
25	Sat	Nostalgia & Paper Show (8:00 am - 1:00 pm)
25	Sat	Sip Savor Stomp (6:30 - 11:00 pm)



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Starr House Receives Royal Treatment Thanks to ROOTS



The Royal Oak Opportunity to Serve Foundation, better known as ROOTS, awarded a \$750 grant to the Royal Oak Historical Commission to assist the group with the finishing touches of renovation work at the Orson Starr House.

Thanks to ROOTS, the Sherwin-Williams Company and Michael Dailey of Royal Painting, the historical Orson Starr House received the royal treatment this summer. Dailey scraped chipping clapboard at the

1845 dwelling and applied fresh coats of inside and out.

"The house looks so good," said Candace Isaacson of the historical commission. "It's a very old building. New paint makes a big difference. It was sorely needed."

The interior walls hadn't been painted since the 1970s, Isaacson said.

ROOTS helped with the cost of the interior painting, while Sherwin Williams donated exterior paint.

The mini grant from the ROOTS foundation will round-off the makeover by providing necessary funds to the historical commission to have a Starr family portrait matted and framed and to purchase gardening tools to keep the grounds in shape.

More about ROOTS

The gift to the historical commission was one of three such mini grants approved by ROOTS in September. The organization gave the Royal Oak Public Library \$750 to expand infant and toddler literacy programs. The Royal Oak Nature Society received the same dollar amount to assist the group with its growing collection of native trees at the Royal Oak Arboretum.

The ROOTS Foundation was created by city ordinance to promote charitable contributions to the general public good and welfare of the citizens of Royal Oak, and to provide a mechanism for review, reporting and control of those contributions.

"ROOTS is a great organization," Isaacson said. "Donating to the foundation is a great way for citizens to giveback and show their love."

"The impact of ROOTS is tangible," she said.



FIRE DEPT

Firefighter/Paramedic Ryan Edwards 2016 Firefighter of the Year



Firefighter Edwards has only been with the Royal Oak Fire Department for four years. In that short time he has proven a significant asset to the citizens and visitors of Royal Oak on the fire ground, on medical emergencies, and especially as a member of the greater community.

Ryan fully engaged the community of Royal Oak immediately upon hire. He sought out the responsibility of organizing

community events such as the Annual Open House, Spooktacular and Toys for Tots. He even expanded the department's sense of community by organizing a bottled water drive for Flint residents.

When around Ryan, Fire Fighters want to do better and be better, without always knowing why. His ability to inspire his fellow brothers is a sign of a true leader. The entire department appreciates his enthusiasm and is a better place for him being a member.

Keep Fire Hydrants Clear This Winter

Farmers Almanac is predicting a "numbing cold and snowy" winter. Please do your part to keep Royal Oak Safe.

Fire Fighters will be in EVERY neighborhood checking EVERY fire hydrant this fall and winter. They check every hydrant multiple times to make sure there is no leaking water that can freeze taking the hydrant out of service. Please keep an eye out and drive carefully.



Emergency Training Exercises

The demolition of the Northwood Shopping Center provided the Royal Oak Fire Dept. and surrounding communities with an opportunity to conduct multiple training exercises. Southfield, Madison Heights and Birmingham joined ROFD to do search and rescue, ventilation, master stream practice and much more. The vacant strip mall provided a unique opportunity for firefighters to train in a commercial setting.



Royal Oak Animal Shelter

The Royal Oak Animal Shelter is operated as a City service under management of the Royal Oak Police Department. Our goals are to provide a safe haven for lost animals or animals given up by their owners; to reunite lost animals with their human companions, and to provide the best possible adoptions of available animals into the home best suited to their personalities.

Contact

1515 N. Edgeworth, Royal Oak, MI 480
(248) 246-3364
www.romi.gov/portal/community-link/animal-shelter

Open Hours

Monday - Friday: 4:00 - 7:00pm
Saturday: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sunday: Closed



Pet Supplies Plus Hosts Litter Drive for Animal Shelter

The Royal Oak Animal Shelter and Pet Supplies Plus, 29402 Woodward, have an ongoing and successful kitty litter partnership. Here's how it works. Anyone can purchase a bag of kitty at the store and it will be held until someone from the animal shelter picks it up. You don't have to lift it; just donate it. It's an easy way to help the shelter cat population.

Vets for Pets is Success

The Royal Oak Animal Shelter would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for helping to make the Vets for Pets III event a success:

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| Farina's Banquet Center | Ray's Ice Cream |
| Atomic Coffee | Dean Sellars Ford |
| BlackFinn Ameripub | CrisPELLi's |
| Catherine's Pet Parlor | Hollywood Market |
| Matthews-Hargreaves Chevrolet | Hagopian Rugs |
| Pet Supplies Plus | Pal Williams Studio |
| Bra-vo Intimates | Trek Bicycle |
| Kopy Katz Salon | The Tennis & Golf Company |
| Woodpile BBQ Shack | Off the Wall Treasures |
| Earl's Cleaners | Dr. Steven Stein, M.D. |
| Mr. B's Pub | Mannino's Bakery |
| North Main Animal Hospital | Art Frame |
| Leon & Lulu | Jill, LLC |
| Chinn Jewelers | Jack Hall |
| The Detroit Zoo | Rock on Third |
| Five15 Media | Cloverleaf Fine Wines |
| Tootie & Tallulah's | Young's Garden Mart |
| Ronin Sushi | Cloverleaf Wines |

**November 20 - December 18: Kids Eat Free!**

Kids 10 and under eat free at participating restaurants in downtown Royal Oak on Sundays during the holidays with the purchase of an adult meal!

Think Downtown Royal Oak for the holidays and shop and dine local! With over 85 boutique retail shops and salons and top restaurant and entertainment venues, downtown Royal Oak is your stop for holiday gifts, parties and

meet-ups! **Plus, there's 2 hours free parking in the decks before 5:00 pm and parking on Sundays is always free!**

Watch for us on TV! Royal Oak is embarking on a new holiday TV campaign that will feature stores by category and will include print advertising and billboards. The goal is to increase foot traffic and increase sales. This is an exciting "first time effort" and look forward to seeing the buzz that our city will be creating.



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You Should Know...

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday, 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday & Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Holiday Closings

For Thanksgiving, the library will be closed Thursday, November 24 through Saturday, November 26.

For Christmas, the library will be closed Friday, December 23 through Monday, December 26.

For New Year, the Library is closed Saturday, December 31 through Monday, January 2, 2017.

The library will be closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 16.

You can:

- Renew books online at ropl.org
- Renew books by phone 24/7 at 888-672-8983
- Get extended checkout periods when you are going to be out of town
- Download FREE eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eMagazines

Call 248-246-3700 for details.



222 E 11 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
248.246.3700
www.ropl.org

The Royal Oak Public Library is more than just books!
Check out ropl.org or call 248-246-3700 for up-to-date information.
Highlights of upcoming programs and services include:

Preschool/Child Care Information Night

Meet representatives from over 25 area preschools and child care providers at the **18th Annual Preschool/Child Care Information Night on Monday, January 23 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at the Royal Oak Farmers Market** (316 E 11 Mile Rd.). The *2017 Royal Oak Area Preschool and Child Care Directory* will debut at this event. Come and gather information about area child care and preschool options at this annual event. No registration is necessary and parking is free in the Royal Oak Farmers Market lot for this event.

Friends Annual Book Sale: March 9-11, 2017

Visit the library for the **Friends Annual Book Sale, March 9 - 11**. Thousands of gently used and new books and DVDs for all age groups will be on sale. The Friends of ROPL raise money to support library programs including youth and teen activities. The **Friends Member Preview Night** kicks off the sale on **Thursday, March 9**. Memberships, which start as low as \$10, can be purchased at the door. **Friday and Saturday, March 10 and 11** are open to the public.

For information about the book sale or to volunteer, call the library at **248-246-3700**.

Live Music Series at 3:00 PM on select Saturdays

December 3: Fable, Grable & Bearly Able

December 10: RJ Spangler Quartet's Swingin' Holiday featuring trumpeter James O'Donnell

January 7: RJ Spangler Quartet

January 21: Pianist Marty Mandelbaum and Friends with Broadway selections

February 25: Carl Cafagna and The Creole Kitchen

March 4: Fable, Grable & Bearly Able

Weekly programs for young people

- **Morning story times for infant to preschoolers:** check ropl.org for ages and times
- **Tuesday evening family programs at 7:00 PM**
- **Thursday evening teen programs at 6:30 PM** for middle and high school students.

Other programs for young people include two book clubs, monthly video game sessions, monthly Read-to-the-Dog opportunities and more. **Check ropl.org for program details!**

Looking for a unique holiday gift?

In addition to a wide selection of gently used (and occasionally new) books, DVDs, CDs, and VHS tapes at great prices, the **ROPL Friends Shop is the exclusive seller of Royal Oak logo wear!** Show your Royal Oak pride with hats, t-shirts (adult and youth sizes), lapel pins and book bags with the city logo. Shop hours are **Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM, and Saturday 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**. Visit the Friends on Facebook to learn about their latest sales and features ([facebook.com/FriendsROPLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsROPLibrary)).



Happy Thanksgiving!

I am grateful to be a Royal Oak resident and to have the privilege of serving as the superintendent of Royal Oak Schools. The Royal Oak community supports its schools -- through the approval of millage and bond proposals for school buildings, through giving to school support organizations, and through countless community volunteer hours. Thank you!



Student achievement in our schools is strong and improving. Last spring, high school juniors across Michigan took the SAT college entrance exam. We recently received the results of these exams which confirm that our schools are doing a tremendous job preparing students to attend college and pursue careers that demand high level skills.

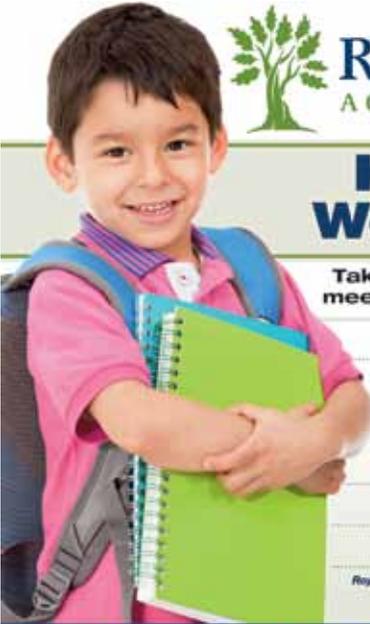
As a district, we regularly review how we are serving our students and our community. At the start of this school year, we welcomed a new program to our district, Transitioning Responsible Adults in Life (TRAILS). Based on an Individual Educational Plan (IEP), this program provides educational services to young adult students through the age of 26. Housed in the Churchill Community Education building, this program provides services to Royal Oak students who previously would have had to go outside of our community to have their educational needs met. This program is just one example of our continuing commitment to meet the needs of ALL learners.

While districts around us continue to grapple with declining enrollment, in Royal Oak Schools enrollment is up slightly this fall compared to last year at this time. Even though we continue to operate on per-student funding levels that are dramatically lower (\$500 per student less) than the state funding we received ten years ago, thanks to difficult decisions and ongoing fiscal discipline, we ended our fiscal year on June 30, 2016, with a balanced budget. And, once again this year, our district financial audit resulted in an unqualified opinion, the highest level of assurance that auditors can provide.

Our Royal Oak Schools are strong and getting stronger. It is with profound appreciation for what has been, and great hope for what will be that I wish you a Thanksgiving rich in gratitude.

Sincerely,

Shawn Lewis-Lakin, Superintendent of Schools



ROYAL OAK SCHOOLS
A COMMUNITY OF EXCELLENCE

Kindergarten Welcome Nights

Take this opportunity to see the building, meet staff and learn about the curriculum.

January 10, 6:30 p.m. Oak Ridge Elementary, 506 E. Thirteen Mile Road
January 10, 6:30 p.m. Oakland Elementary, 2415 Brockton Avenue
January 10, 6:30 p.m. Upton Elementary, 4400 Mandalay Avenue
January 11, 6:30 p.m. Addams Elementary, 2222 W. Webster
January 11, 6:30 p.m. Keller Elementary, 1505 N. Campbell Road
January 11, 6:30 p.m. Northwood Elementary, 926 W. Twelve Mile Road

Royal Oak welcomes Schools of Choice students from Oakland County in grades K, 1, 2, and 3. Students enrolled as Schools of Choice students in these grades may continue in Royal Oak Schools through grade 12, as long as their enrollment is continuous.

For more information, visit us at www.royaloakschools.org or call 248-435-8400

2017-2018 Enrollment Dates

January 16, 2017: First Day for Accepting 2017-2018 Enrollments

January 16 - March 3, 2017: Window for Submitting Elementary Transfer Requests

March 6 - August 11, 2017: Window for Schools of Choice for Grades K, 1, 2 and 3

January 10 & 11, 2017: Kindergarten Welcome Nights (see page 34)

Registering for Kindergarten

Royal Oak Schools is pleased to welcome children and their families to kindergarten. Kindergarten enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year begins on Monday, January 16, 2017. Enrollment for all kindergarten programs district-wide is processed at our Central Enrollment office.

We encourage families to visit the enrollment section of our district website, www.royalchools.org, for information regarding the documents necessary for enrollment. Our enrollment web page also provides families the opportunity to complete much of the enrollment paperwork online. We look forward to partnering with you on your child's education.

Michigan State Law stipulates that a child be five (5) years of age on or before September 1 in order to enroll in kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year. If a child is not five (5) years of age by the September 1 enrollment eligibility date, but will be five (5) years of age no later than December 1, an option for parents or guardians to enroll the child in kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year is available. Families interested in exploring this option should contact the district Central Enrollment office for additional information.

District Central Enrollment Office

800 DeVillien, Royal Oak

District Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Enrollment Office Hours:

Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Enrollments need to be started by 4:00 p.m. to allow time for the completion of enrollment process by 4:30 p.m. when the office closes.

Coleen Hella, Enrollment Coordinator

(248) 435-8400, Ext. 1260

Fax: (248) 280-2591

To register a child for school, parents should bring the following with them to the Enrollment Office:

Enrollment/Registration Required Documents

- **2 Proofs of Residency**
 - Lease Agreement (plus page with landlord and tenant signatures)
 - Mortgage Statement (within last month)
 - City Assessor's Tax Statement (current year)
 - Current Utility Bill or Cable Bill (within last month)
 - Notarized Shared Housing Affidavit if living in someone else's home/apartment
 - This person's driver's license and two proofs of their residency
- **Driver's License** (of parent or guardian)
- **Birth Certificate** (original or certified copy with raised seal)
- **Immunization Records**
- **Vision Screening Required for Kindergarteners**
- **Court documents, if applicable** (guardianship, foster care, etc.)
- **Enrollment packet paperwork must be completely filled out.** It can be downloaded at www.royalchools.org, click "Enrollment", or it is available at the district enrollment office or any school building.
- **Please bring:** Emergency contact names/phone numbers, physician's name/phone number, and previous school name/address/phone and fax numbers

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)

The Royal Oak Schools Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) currently offered at Addams Early Childhood Center is designed to get your four-year-old ready for Kindergarten. The program runs from mid-September to mid-May each year, following the district holiday and break schedules. The classroom is staffed with a certified K-8 teacher with ZA endorsement (early childhood emphasis) and an associate teacher. The student-to-teacher ratio is 8:1. Full day classes are held Monday through Thursday from 8:55 a.m. to 3:55 p.m. This program is fully licensed through the State of Michigan.

GSRP is a state program that is funded through a grant from the State of Michigan Department of Education. For qualifying families, there is no cost to participate. GSRP is not solely based on financial need. In order to qualify, your child must meet two of eight factors that place them into the "at risk" category (as defined by the grant provided through the State of Michigan). Please contact the GSRP teacher at (248) 288-3220, Ext. 3569 for further information.

Kindergarten Vision Screening

Michigan law (Public Health Code, Act 368, and Michigan School Code, Act 291) requires a vision screening for kindergarten entrance. A vision screening done by a health department technician, physician, or eye doctor fulfills this requirement.

The Oakland County Health Division offers free vision screenings for Oakland County residents. Call (248) 424-7070 to schedule an appointment.

Changing Residence and School Enrollment

Parents/guardians of all Royal Oak School district students who change their residence during the school year are required to update their address information with the Enrollment Office at the Board of Education/Administration Building. Please check the "Enrollment" section on the district website (www.royalchools.org) for required/acceptable proofs of residency.



Save the Date: Preschool & Child Care Information Night

The 18th Annual Preschool & Child Care Information Night sponsored by the Royal Oak Public Library will be held Monday, January 23, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., at the Royal Oak Farmers Market, 316 East Eleven Mile Road. Parking will be free.

Addams Early Childhood Center representatives will be on hand to talk to parents and answer questions about the various programs offered, including:

- Early Childhood Special Education Program for eligible preschool children ages three to six
- Early Childhood Special Education Services for eligible children under the age of three, who are Royal Oak residents
- Preschool Program for three-, four and five-year-olds. Three-year-olds meet on Tuesday and Thursday. Four and five-year-olds meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The AM session meets from 9:00-11:30 a.m. and the PM session meets from 1:00-3:30 p.m.
- Young Oaks Before and After School Child Care Program
- Great Start Readiness Program
- Child Care Program Full or Part-time for two and one-half to five-year-olds

Royal Oak Students Show High Achievement on State Assessments

Royal Oak students demonstrated a high level of achievement on the spring 2016 state assessments. The students' scores are consistent with the high level of achievement of the past several years. "We have seen a steady increase in our student achievement scores which indicates that the research based best practice instruction in our schools is working," said Lisa Shannon, Supervisor of Elementary Education. Among the strongest indicators of success is the average SAT composite score for Royal Oak High School that places Royal Oak High School in the top 10 high schools in Oakland County.

Two years ago the state replaced the 44-year-old MEAP test with an online test called the M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress). The M-STEP is aligned to the Common Core State Standards and designed to gauge how well students are mastering these standards. Students are tested in English Language Arts in all grades; math in all grades; science in grades 4, 7, and 11; and social studies in grades 5, 8, and 11. Ninth and tenth graders take the PSAT as part of the M-STEP and eleventh graders take the SAT in addition to M-STEP subject area tests.

Royal Oak students scored above the state average and exceeded the county average in almost all grade levels and subjects on the M-STEP. Historically Royal Oak exceeds the state averages in all content areas and measures itself against the top performers in Oakland County.

As a Community of Excellence, Royal Oak is always striving to improve. M-STEP is just one measure of growth that is used to track academic progress and achievement. In addition to the M-STEP results, teachers use NWEA, local district assessments, classroom work and other tools that provide a more comprehensive analysis of students' progress and achievement.

Royal Oak teachers set high expectations for their students and work diligently every day to meet and exceed those standards. Assessment data is used by teachers to monitor their students' academic achievement, but more importantly such data is analyzed and used in designing learning opportunities for each individual student.

Royal Oak High School Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Sunday, December 4, 2016

Ceremony - 1:30 p.m.

Afterglow - 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Royal Oak High School Auditorium

Keynote Speaker Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha

Public Welcome

Inductees: Julie Boledovich, Anne Hartrick Cook, James Curnow, Cynthia DeAlmeida, Marie Donigan, Mona Hanna-Attisha, Melinda Jayne Loftin, Alexander Maximovich, Daniel Polsgrove, Amy Ronayne Krause, Jack Stephan, Tracey Yokich

Royal Oak Schools Financial Audit Receives Highest Level of Confidence

David Youngstrom, Principal, Yeo and Yeo CPAs and Business Consultants, presented the district's annual audit addressing the Royal Oak Schools Board of Education meeting and the community. Auditors from Yeo and Yeo gave the district's audit an unmodified opinion, the highest level of confidence received for such reports.

In his comments, Youngstrom commended Kathy Abela, Executive Director of Business and Finance, and the district's business services team for a "clean audit - a lot of hard work goes into making that happen," said Youngstrom. He also offered

praise for getting the audit completed early. "Royal Oak is our first school district audit presentation this fall," said Youngstrom.

He also commended the district for being fiscally sound and providing good services to the students and the community. "Because tough decisions were made by the Board, you are in a good spot to move forward."

In looking ahead, Youngstrom reminded the Board that the district's revenue primarily depends on state per pupil budget allocations and enrollment. Youngstrom noted that the decline in enrollments

experienced by the district appear to be leveling off, with enrollment this current year projected to be steady with last year. He concluded by cautioning the Board that "these are challenging times for all districts throughout the state, with increases in the state retirement system rates (which are charged back to local districts), increasing fringe benefit costs and special education costs continuing to rise."

Youngstrom's presentation is available on the district's webpage, www.royaloak-schools.org, under the "District" tab.

ROHS Welcomes German Students Participating in Exchange Program

On Tuesday, October 18, Royal Oak High School welcomed 20 German students who are participating in the German American Partnership Program (GAPP). The students lived for two and one-half weeks with ROHS German student host families. In June 2017, ROHS students will travel to Waldkirch, Germany and be hosted in return.

The German students, most of whom are juniors and seniors, attended class with their ROHS student hosts. Students enjoyed a welcome scavenger hunt, as well as a number of activities including trips to Greenfield Village, Cedar Point, a hockey game and Bowers Farm corn maze.

The four-week home-stay exchange between ROHS and the Geschwister-Scholl-Gymnasium in Waldkirch, is the eighth such exchange. The first exchange occurred during the 2002-2003 school year and the last took place in 2014-2015. Frau Rene K. Brodowsky, ROHS German teacher, specifically sought out the school in Waldkirch because that is where she lived and went to school. Waldkirch is a beautiful small town in the foothills of the Black Forest mountains on the French and Swiss borders.

"An exchange of this type opens so many doors for our students, academically, interpersonally and emotionally," explained Frau Brodowsky. "We want so much for our children to possess confidence and maturity, and most importantly, an understanding of the diverse world we live in. The real value of the program happens most often after the exchange has taken place. The families and students continue to visit one another and open the door to life-long friendships and memories."



ROHS students welcome 20 German exchange students as they arrive at the airport for their stay in Royal Oak.

Welcome New Teachers

Royal Oak Schools welcomed 30 new teachers for the 2016-2017 school year:

Addams Early Childhood Center

Jennifer McElroy, Early Intervention Teacher

Addams Elementary

Colleen Davis, Social Worker

Sarah Labadie, Autism Spectrum Disorder Teacher

Thomas Pavlovich, Choir Teacher

Keller Elementary

Claire Forhan, Fifth Grade Teacher

Armen Gulian, Speech/Language Teacher

Jacqueline Proper, Fifth Grade Teacher

Christina Zeoli, Foreign Language Teacher

Northwood Elementary

Lindsey Friedlein, Fifth Grade Teacher

Danielle Johnston, Third Grade Teacher

Oak Ridge Elementary

Rachel Forsyth, Fifth Grade Teacher

Madalyn Losey, Fourth Grade Teacher

Olivia Najor, Kindergarten Teacher

Brittany Ward, Music Teacher

Oakland Elementary

Selena Cressman, Second Grade Teacher

Amanda Giannettino, Third Grade Teacher

Upton Elementary

Kathleen Daibess, Occupational Therapist

Royal Oak Middle School

Lindsey Belzyt, Middle Years Program

Megan Canty, Math Teacher

Jason Chmiel, Physical Education Teacher

Sara Dean, English Language Arts Teacher

Ron Kochan, Physical Education/
Health Teacher

Lauren Leitheim, Resource Room Teacher

Thomas Pavlovich, Choir Teacher

Samantha Wiens-Wice, Physical Education
Teacher

Royal Oak High School

Ayana Ball, Business Teacher

Lindsey Belzyt, Middle Years Program

Jason Palazzolo, Physical Education Teacher

Jessica Smith, Math/Science Teacher

Fiona Sookhai-King, French/Spanish
Teacher

Churchill Community Education Center

John McAskin, Transitioning

Responsible Adults In Life Skills
(TRAILS) Teacher

Emily Taylor, Adult Education



Elementary Schools Staff First Row (left to right): Megan Krozek, Danielle Johnston, Olivia Najor, Kathleen Daibess, Armen Gulian. Middle Row (left to right): Jacqueline Proper, Claire Forhan, Amanda Giannettino, Rachel Forsyth, Selena Cressman, Sarah Labadie. Back Row (left to right): Madalyn Losey, Lindsey Friedlein, Monica Bell, Jennifer McElroy. Not pictured: Colleen Davis, Brittany Ward, Christina Zeoli.



ROMS Staff Front Row (left to right): Sara Dean, Megan Canty, Lindsey Belzyt, Kathleen Daibess. Back Row (left to right): Jason Chmiel, Samantha Wiens-Wice, Ron Kochan. Not pictured: Lauren Leitheim and Thomas Pavlovich.



ROHS Staff Front Row (left to right): Ayana Ball, Fiona King. Back Row (left to right): Jessica Smith, Lindsey Belzyt, Kathleen Daibess, David Weeks. Not pictured: Jason Palazzolo.

TRAILS Program Highlights

The Transitioning Responsible Adults In Life Skills (TRAILS) program is off and running for students ages 18-26 under the direction of Teacher John McAskin. Program students have begun working on community based instruction, functional academics, and worksite based learning skills. Students visit the local grocery store and prepare food weekly, as well as explore other community locations. The program visits the Royal Oak YMCA to take part in a community based exercise program. In addition, students have begun working at area business locations to practice vocational skills. We work daily on functional academics to help prepare students to live the most independent life possible. There is a lot of fun and growth happening in TRAILS!



John McAskin, TRAILS Teacher

Royal Oak High School Selected for PBS NewsHour STEM Student Reporting National Park Program

The PBS NewsHour's STEM Student Reporting Labs program announced Royal Oak High School (ROHS) is one of 21 schools from across the country selected for its 2016-2017 class.

This year, in honor of the National Park Service's 100th Anniversary, the STEM Labs will head into their local National Parks to produce unique stories from America's canyons, craters and mountain peaks. ROHS students and Video/TV/Media Instructor Mike Conrad will be traveling to Sleeping Bear Dunes for production of a story about avian botulism. The students who will be working on this project are entering their third year of the curriculum and are looking forward to pursuing this as a career.

Students will have access to a journalism and digital media literacy curriculum augmented with a STEM literacy focus, a mentor from a local PBS affiliate, access to a STEM practitioner in a field related to their story, professional development for educators and support from the PBS NewsHour Student Reporting Labs team. The initiative is funded by the National Science Foundation and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

"The partnership between ROHS and the PBS NewsHour Student Reporting Labs has been amazing," exclaimed Conrad. "To have students in our community learn from and work alongside producers from the PBS NewsHour is such a great opportunity. And this new initiative takes it to a whole new level."

"We are incredibly proud of our students and of our program," said Principal Michael Giromini. "Through Mr. Conrad's inspiring classroom leadership, ROHS is connecting students with the worldwide community, and our student reporters will undoubtedly deliver excellence."

"National parks are some of the most amazing classrooms in the world," said National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis. "They bring to life the stories of the people, places, and events that have shaped our country. Programs such as this encourage exploration and inspire lifelong connections to the natural and cultural treasures found in national parks."

The video stories will be published on the PBS NewsHour's website and transformed into educational resources for PBS LearningMedia. The program offers schools and young people the opportunity to have their stories air on the NewsHour broadcast, seen by over a million people each night.

Dan Colligan Named ROMS Assistant Principal

Dan Colligan has been named Assistant Principal of Royal Oak Middle School (ROMS).

Colligan comes to Royal Oak from Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. He began his career as a social studies teacher at Canton High School, subsequently he served as Coordinator for Assessment Services for the district and Assistant Principal at Plymouth High School.

He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree with majors in Education and History from Western Michigan University and a Master of Arts Degree in Economics from Eastern Michigan University.

Todd Noonan, Royal Oak Middle School principal, says, "From the outset, Dan has spent his time getting to know the ROMS community, speaking with students, greeting families, listening to all of us share points of pride and upcoming growth opportunities. His natural rapport with others is already evident. Along with Kirk Duncan and me, Dan will focus primarily on keeping ROMS a warm and welcoming place for ROMS students and families."

In filling the position, the district reviewed 290 applications. Eight candidates were interviewed in first round interviews, with three candidates coming back for a second round interview in a selection process that involved teacher, administrator and parent representatives.



Community of Excellence Award Winners

Three Royal Oak Schools staff members and two community members have received the district's Community of Excellence (COE) Awards:

**Alesha Beistline, Northwood and Oakland Elementary School
Art Teacher**

Michael Betman, Royal Oak Middle School Counselor

Kerry Derminer, Royal Oak Middle School Math Teacher

**Scott Brown and April Ozdych, Royal Oak Schools
Performing Arts Committee (ROSPAC) Co-Chairs**

Ms. Beistline was nominated by Deb Anderson, Celebration of the Arts Committee Chair and Vice President of the Board of Education. "Alesha worked tirelessly to make sure this year's event was a fantastic celebration of the arts, from the community as well as the schools", said Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. Betman was nominated by Royal Oak Middle School parent Holly Beth Jenkins. In her nomination, Ms. Jenkins said "Mr. Betman has done a wonderful job leading my daughter Mia through middle school. He communicates effectively, clearly and professionally. He takes care of issues that come up with the kids the second he is aware there is a problem. He is an excellent asset to the community."

Ms. Derminer was nominated by Royal Oak Middle School parent Lynn Szymkowski-Fish who said, "Kerry always took the time to help my child understand her homework and she has made sure that the children in her classroom always feel accepted into a new school. She is super kind to everybody. My child is getting a first rate education and a life mentor. I couldn't be more impressed."

Mr. Brown and Ms. Ozdych were nominated by Northwood Elementary Teacher Mary Ann Welch-Campbell. "Scott and April have been tireless cheerleaders and fundraiser champions to meet the ROSPAC goal of \$100,000 to replace the very old seats in the Kimball Auditorium," said Ms. Welch-Campbell.

Describing the awards, Superintendent Shawn Lewis-Lakin said "Community is the context for all that we do; excellence is the standard we set for ourselves. This vision describes who we are and who we strive to be. Each one of us, each day, is committed to this vision. Each of us knows of instances where individuals go above and beyond the expected in their efforts to make this vision real for our students and community. The purpose of the COE award is to recognize exceptional individual effort towards making our district vision real."

Any community member, district family, student, or person employed by Royal Oak Schools may nominate an individual who works (either as a district employee or as an employee of a contract service provider) in the district for this award. Nomination forms are available on the district website www.royalokschools.org.

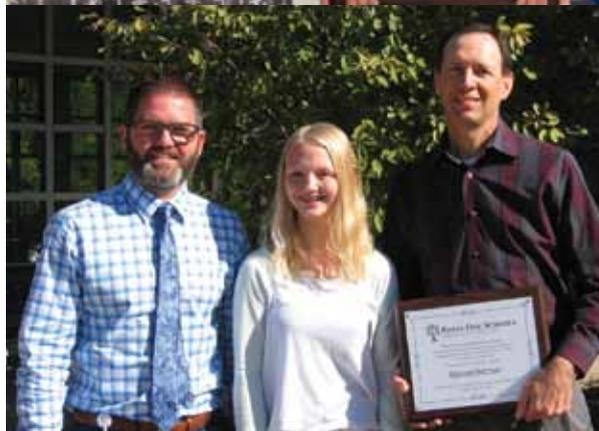
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Northwood Elementary Art Teacher Alesha Beistline (r) with Principal Angela Ashburn (l).

ROMS Counselor Michael Betman (r) with ROMS Principal Todd Noonan (l) and nominator Holly Jenkins' daughter Mia Shelton.

ROMS Teacher Kerry Derminer (c) with nominator Lynn Szymkowski-Fish and her daughter Grace.

ROSPAC Co-Chairs Scott Brown (l) and April Ozdych (r) with nominator Mary Ann Welch-Campbell.



Royal Oak High School Performing Arts Students Celebrate New Kimball Auditorium

High School Band Director Composes Special Piece to Celebrate Auditorium Updates

Royal Oak High School's fall concerts by the band, orchestra and choir and Drama Club's production of *Anything Goes* were dedicated to the celebration of Royal Oak High School's (ROHS) newly refurbished Kimball Auditorium.

ROHS Band Director Dave Jensen composed a fanfare which was premiered at the band concert to commemorate the new facility. "I wanted to have something special and something specifically dedicated to our first performance in the new auditorium," said Jensen. In explaining the piece he said "I used the numbers 2016 both rhythmically and harmonically to create the melodic structure of the piece." Jensen invited ROHS alumni band members who are currently involved in the music industry to perform solo passages.

The school district recently completed a \$400,000 renovation of Kimball Auditorium including a new stage façade, flooring, painting, acoustical treatments,

and all new electrical work, including both theatrical and house lighting.

The Royal Oak Schools Performing Arts Committee (ROSPAC) raised over \$100,000 to replace the nearly 60-year-old seats in the auditorium. "We all had or have kids in drama, band and orchestra, and choir programs," said Scott Brown, chairman of ROSPAC. "The school was addressing needs in the auditorium and we decided to join as partners in the effort in the most tangible way, by raising the money for the seats." Money was raised by volunteers at beverage tents and at the gate during the Arts, Beats & Eats festivals, as well as 50/50 raffles, the Royal Oak Schools Foundation Golf Outing and seat naming sales.

ROSPAC is made up of school administrators, teachers, PTA members, performing arts coaches, booster club officers, and Royal Oak citizens who want to assist

Royal Oak Schools in providing our student performing artists with a top tier facility, equipment and opportunities. "We have some of the most talented performers in the state and our goal is to help provide facilities and equipment that match their excellence," said Brown.

Major donors to the project included the Royal Oak Schools Foundation, Holiday Market, Royal Oak Ford, Royal Oak Optimist Club, Royal Oak High School Drama Boosters, Royal Oak High School Band and Orchestra Boosters, Royal Oak High School Choir Boosters and the Royal Oak High School PTSA.

"This effort is a great example of the kind of community-school partnerships that make Royal Oak not only a great school district, but a great community in which to live," said Superintendent Shawn Lewis-Lakin. "This is what being a Community of Excellence is all about."





Royal Oak Schools Adult Education

Churchill Community High School

Daytime Alternative High School program for students under the age of 20 as of September 1st of the current school year.

Days: Monday through Friday

School Calendar: A student can take a varying course load to earn 2.5-3.5 credits per trimester. Trimesters begin September 6th, December 5th and March 13th. Classes begin December 5, 2016.

Potential new students, please call (248) 588-5050, Ext. 1502 to schedule an interview for admission.

Adult Education/Afternoon and Evening High School

Program for adults and high school age students age 16 and older who wish to complete the requirements for a high school diploma.

Class Times:

Monday - Thursday, 3:15-9:15 p.m.

School Calendar: Two 15-week semesters are offered between September and May. Classes begin January 23, 2017.

Registration begins January 4, 2017

Registration Fee: \$25.00

Mondays & Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Wednesdays & Thursdays 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

For more details, please see www.royaloakschools.org/churchill-center/adult-education/

Tuition: Non-high school graduates who do not attend school during the day can take classes free of charge. Students who attend school during the day must pay a tuition fee for evening classes and bring a signed permission slip from their high school counselor that includes approved courses for the student to take.

English as a Second Language

For foreign born adults who are learning the English language. This class provides basic English vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation, speaking, listening and culture through various media, including the online program Burlington English. Daytime classes are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Evening classes are Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Classes will begin January 23, 2017. For further information, call (248) 588-5050, Ext. 1506, or come in person to:

Churchill Community Education Center
707 Girard, Royal Oak (between 12 & 13 Mile Roads, between Rochester and Campbell Roads)

Registration begins January 4, 2017

Registration Fee: \$25.00

Mondays & Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Wednesdays & Thursdays 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

For more details, please see www.royaloakschools.org/churchill-center/esl/

G.E.D. Preparation English & Math

These courses are designed to prepare students for the G.E.D. test. The focus of the classes will be on English skills, writing and math. There will also be a personalized online skill-builder used, and test taking skills will be taught. You can earn one unit of credit while you prepare for the G.E.D. test. Classes are free and begin January 23, 2017. For further information, call (248) 588-5050, Ext. 1502.

Registration begins January 4, 2017

Registration Fee: \$25.00

Mondays & Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Wednesdays & Thursdays 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

For more details, please see www.royaloakschools.org/churchill-center/ged-prep/

Food Services in Our Schools

Students in our Royal Oak Schools have breakfast and lunch service available on a daily basis. Students who qualify can obtain these meals for free or reduced rates. Families who believe they may qualify for free or reduced priced meals should complete an application form available on the Food Services page of the district website (www.royaloakschools.org).

Digital lunch and breakfast menus for all meals are available on the district website. The menus include nutrition information for every item on the menu. To view menus, go to: www.royaloakschools.nutrislice.com. No username or password is needed. Just visit the website and choose your school and menu type (breakfast or lunch). When you hover over menu items, nutrition information will appear (calories, fat, saturated fat, trans fat, cholesterol, sodium, total carbs, fiber, sugar and protein). This site also has enhanced navigation features for food allergies and dietary concerns. An app for hand held devices and multiple languages is also available.

Chartwells Dining Service which provides Royal Oak Schools Food Services also offers catering services. Catering acts as a fund raiser for the school lunch program. Catering menus may be found on the district website under district, click departments, then food services. To design an event menu, call (248) 435-8400, Mike Jacobs, Ext. 1122 or Michelle Ziegler, Ext. 1124.



2016-2017 Calendar

November 2016 - March 2017

November 2016

23-25 Thanksgiving Holiday - No School

- 28 School Resumes
- 29 ROHS PTSA Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 29 Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences
4:00-7:00 p.m.

30 Professional Learning Morning

Early Start for Teachers & Late Start for Students

December 2016

7, 14 Professional Learning Mornings

- Early Start for Teachers & Late Start for Students
- 8 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 12 Elementary PTA Meetings 7:00 p.m.
- 19 ROMS PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.

23 - Jan. 3 Winter Holiday Break - No School

January 2017

- 4 School Resumes
- 9 Elementary PTA Meetings 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Oak Ridge, Oakland & Upton Kindergarten
Welcome Night 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 11 Addams, Keller & Northwood Kindergarten
Welcome Night 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 12 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 16 **Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School**
- 17 ROMS PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 18-20 ROHS Exams (1/2 Day for Students)
- 20 End of Second Quarter; End of First Semester
- 23 **Records Day - No School for Students**
- 30 ROHS PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 2017

1, 8, 15 Professional Learning Mornings

- Early Start for Teachers & Late Start for Students
- 8 Count Day
- 9 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Elementary PTA Meetings 7:00 p.m.

20-21 Mid-Winter Break - No School

March 2017

1, 8, 15, 22 Professional Learning Mornings

- Early Start for Teachers & Late Start for Students
- 1 ROHS Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- 9 ROMS Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- 9 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Elementary PTA Meetings 7:00 p.m.
- 16 ROMS Open House 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 20 ROMS PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 23 Elementary Open Houses (Addams, Keller, Northwood,
Oak Ridge, Oakland & Upton) 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 24 **Good Friday - No School**
- 27 ROHS PTSA Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 29 ROHS Open House 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 30 End of Third Quarter
- 31 **Records Day - No School for Students**





Martin Luther King Jr. National Holiday Celebration

Monday, January 16, 2017
MLK Service Day 2017

Royal Oak Schools – Berkley Schools
Royal Oak & Berkley Pastor's Association

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is,
“What are you doing for others?””

Together the Royal Oak and Berkley
communities will celebrate the Martin Luther
King Jr. National Holiday with a community
breakfast and day of service.

For additional information,
visit www.royaloakschools.org

Activity Gold Card Available for Seniors

The Royal Oak School District presents its Senior Activity Gold Card, a complimentary pass for Royal Oak residents ages 60 and over. This complimentary pass will be renewable every three years.

Benefits

The Gold Card includes free admission to:

- Athletic Events (except state sponsored tournaments)
- Drama Programs & Dance Shows
- Vocal & Instrumental Music Concerts
- Evening Recreational Swim at Royal Oak Middle School

Applications are available at the Churchill Community Education Center, 707 Girard, Royal Oak. For additional information, please call (248) 588-5050.

Instructional Swim Program

Registration:

Wednesday, December 14, 5:15-6:30 p.m. at Royal Oak High School Pool Lobby

If classes are not filled on this date, registration will continue at the pool prior to the start of the first lesson.

First Date of Winter Lessons:

Saturday, January 7, 2017 at Royal Oak High School Pool, 1500 Lexington

Classes

Training Program for Competitive Swimmers, Ages 7-17

Class Time: 7:30-8:25 a.m., January 7 - March 11

Must be able to swim 50 yards of the fly, back, breast and free.
Fee: \$90

Boys & Girls, Ages 6-14 (9 lessons)

Class Times: 8:30-9:10 a.m. or 9:15-9:55 a.m., January 7 - March 11

Fee: \$80 per child, \$75 for each additional child in same family

Tiny Tots, Ages 3-5 without parent (9 lessons)

Class Time: 10:00-10:30 a.m., January 7 - March 11

Fee: \$80 per child, \$75 for each additional child in same family

Tiny Tots, Ages 1-5 with parent (6 lessons)

Class Time: 10:35-11:05 a.m., January 7 - February 11

Fee: \$40 per child, \$35 for each additional child in same family

Adaptive Swim, All Ages (6 lessons)

Class Time: 11:10-11:40 a.m., January 7 - February 11

Fee: \$20 per half hour

Individual Lessons, Available to Children & Adults

(minimum 5 lessons)

Class Time: 11:10-11:40 a.m. on Saturday mornings

Fee: \$20 per half hour

For additional information, call (248) 435-8500, Ext. 1148 or 1087. There will be an additional charge of \$5.00 per registrant for non-residents.

Winter Evening Recreational Swim Program

Schedule:

Mondays & Thursdays now through March 9, 2017

Royal Oak Middle School, 709 N. Washington

Monday Evenings:

7:30-8:30 p.m. Children & Adults

8:30-9:45 p.m. Adults Only

Thursday Evenings:

8:45-10:00 p.m. Adults Only (Lap Lane)

Fee:

\$5.00 for everyone over 3 years of age. Seniors are free with school district Senior Citizen Gold Card (available at Churchill Community Education Center). Discount Cards are available at Open Swim for \$40 (10 visits).

Pools are closed during school breaks and whenever school is not in session due to inclement weather or other emergency.

Vacation Periods When Pools are Closed:

Thanksgiving: November 24, 2016

Winter Holiday: December 23, 2016 - January 3, 2017

Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday: January 16, 2017

Winter Break: February 20-21, 2017

Royal Oak Schools Directory

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

School	Address	Administrator	Secretary	Phone	Fax
Addams	2222 W. Webster 48073	Mr. Youanes	Ms. Nall	288-3100	288-3144
Helen Keller	1505 N. Campbell 48067	Ms. Dryden	Ms. Kaiser	542-6500	541-1260
Northwood	926 W. 12 Mile Rd. 48073	Ms. Ashburn	Ms. Till	541-0229	541-4709
Oakland	2415 Brockton 48067	Mr. Lynch	Ms. Kucyk	542-4406	542-9289
Oak Ridge	506 E. 13 Mile Rd. 48073	Dr. Parrott	Ms. Kaczkowski	588-8353	588-0750
Upton	4400 Mandalay Ave. 48073	Mr. Grzywack	Ms. Catchpole	549-4968	549-0013

ROYAL OAK MIDDLE SCHOOL

709 N. Washington 48067	541-7100	541-0408 Fax
Administrator	Secretary	Phone
Mr. Noonan, Principal	Ms. Beardsley	Ext. 2039
Mr. Colligan, Asst. Principal	Ms. Barber	Ext. 2013
Mr. Duncan, Asst. Principal	Ms. LeBlanc-Sharer	Ext. 2025
	Ms. Menary	Ext. 2073

ROYAL OAK HIGH SCHOOL

1500 Lexington Blvd. 48073	435-8500	288-8733 Fax
Administrator	Secretary	Phone
Mr. Giromini, Principal	Ms. Staszak	Ext. 1078
Ms. Krynak, Asst. Principal	Ms. Ruffles	Ext. 1016
Ms. Powell, Asst. Principal	Ms. Stremmel	Ext. 1133
Mr. Watchowski, Athletic Director/Asst. Principal	Ms. Moore	Ext. 1148

OTHER FACILITIES

Facility	Address/Administrator	Phone	Fax
District Offices	800 DeVillen 48073	435-8400	435-6170
	Mr. Lewis-Lakin, Superintendent		
	Ms. Sutterfield, Administrative Assistant	Ext. 1228	
	Ms. Olson, Exec. Dir., Teaching & Learning		
	Ms. Martin, Administrative Assistant	Ext. 1232	
	Ms. Flarity-Gram, Director of Special Ed.		
	Ms. Stein, SE Secretary	Ext. 1269	
	Mr. Wolynski, Exec. Dir., Staff & Student Services		
	Ms. Laird, Administrative Assistant	Ext. 1211	
	Ms. Abela, Exec. Dir. Business & Finance	288-8700	
	Ms. Carlisle, AP Assistant	Ext. 1223	
Board of Education	Gary Briggs, President	435-8400	
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	Jeff Brinker, Secretary		
	Marty Cardamone, Treasurer		
	Carrie Beerer, Trustee		
	Lisa Bradford, Trustee		
	Allison Sykes, Trustee		
	Ms. Sutterfield, Administrative Assistant	Ext. 1228	
Churchill Community Education Center Continuing Education	707 Girard 48073	588-5050	588-2881
	Ms. Hutchinson, Supervisor		
	Ms. Wherry, Secretary	Ext. 1502	
Adult Education Community High School			
Addams Early Childhood Center	2222 W. Webster 48073	288-3220	288-3047
	Ms. Andersen, Supervisor		
	Ms. Maurer, Secretary	Ext. 3561	
Maintenance / Transportation Center	1601 N. Campbell Road 48067	545-0064	545-0885
	Mr. Murphy, Operations Manager		
	Ms. Newsome, Secretary	Ext. 3245	

HOLIDAY MARKET

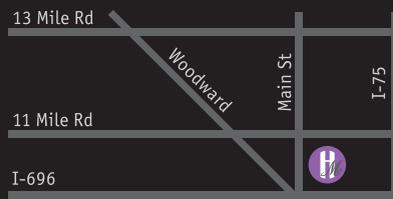
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for Ice Arena activities!

35th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Thursday, December 1, 6:15 pm at City Hall Plaza

See page 8 for more details.