

MONTCALM COUNTY SENIOR NEWS



613 N. State St
Stanton, MI 48888

989-831-7476

MONTCALM COUNTY



COMMISSION ON AGING

The Commission on Aging is dedicated to promoting active participation among seniors within their communities, addressing feeling of isolation, and fostering a sense of belonging and connection. We would like to inform our senior community that our facility is open from Monday to Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM, with the exception of designated closure days. Our center is truly their center! Seniors are always invited to come by for coffee, cocoa, or tea. It serves as a complimentary space for socializing and enjoying card or board games. There is no need for a special event to visit us.



DONATIONS NEEDED

THE
COMMISSION ON AGING
IS IN NEED OF
*ADULT PULL-UP BRIEFS
IN ALL SIZES
*COMMODES
*TOILET RISERS
*SHOWER BENCHES

DONATIONS MAY BE DROPPED OFF
AT ANY OF OUR COA LOCATIONS IN
STANTON, CARSON CITY, EDMORE,
HOWARD CITY, & GREENVILLE

PLEASE CONTACT US WITH ANY
QUESTIONS 989-831-7476



IMPORTANT MEAL PRICING INFORMATION



Due to the rising costs of groceries, we want to inform everyone that starting March 1, 2026, the suggested donation for those aged 60 and older will be increased to \$3.50, while individuals under 60 will have a cost of \$7.00. We sincerely appreciate your understanding as we make this necessary adjustment.



Income Tax help by AARP Foundation



Free Tax Help for low and moderate income taxpayers, with special attention to those age 60 and older.

Starting Wednesday February 4, through Monday, April 13.

Continue to page 8 for full detailed information.



Will
Punxsutawney Phil
see his shadow??



We would love to have your
“HEART BURN”
February 24th
@ 11am



The Stanton CoA
will be hosting a
CHILI COOK-OFF
*Everyone Welcome!!

Please Check Out
Page 7 of the paper for more
information or contact

Kari McCracken
989-831-7454



Ready for a day trip?



We have one planned for
February!
Check out page 7
for more details.

Type in:

Montcalm County Commission
on Aging

www.montcalmcountyccommissiononaging.org

See What's Happening at Your Local Center

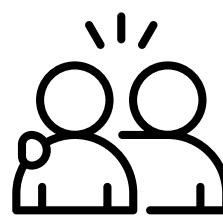
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FOOD WITH FRIENDS MEALS
ARE SERVED MON THROUGH
THURS AT 12 PM
FOR SENIORS 60 AND OVER A
\$3.00 SUGGESTED DONATION,
UNDER 60 IS A \$6.50 CHARGE



MEAL SITE

PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

TO HELP ENSURE ENOUGH OF THE ADVERTISED MEALS ARE ORDERED, PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEETS PROVIDED AT THE MEAL SITE OR BY CALLING THE COA BY NOON A WEEK IN ADVANCE. PLEASE CLARIFY IF YOU PREFER A TO-GO OR DINE IN.

989-831-7476

OPTION 1

SIGN UP

GREENVILLE SERVED ON WED & THURS FRIDAY THE WEEK PRIOR
HOWARD CITY SERVED MON - THURS MONDAY THE WEEK PRIOR
CARSON CITY SERVED TUES & THURS MONDAY THE WEEK PRIOR
EDMORE SERVED MONDAYS FRIDAY THE WEEK PRIOR

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

HOWARD CITY	4TH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
GREENVILLE	2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
CARSON CITY	2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
EDMORE	2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
STANTON	2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH



Meal Site Menus

Dine in begins at 12 pm for all meal sites

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

2/2/2026	2/3/2026	2/4/2026	2/5/2026
HAMBURGER TATER TOTS CARROTS APPLESAUCE	CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP PICKLED BEETS FRUIT COBBLER	BEEF STROGANOFF PRINCE CHARLES BLEND GRAPES ROLL	CHICKEN FIESTA RICE CAULIFLOWER BANANA
2/9/2026	2/10/2026	2/11/2026	2/12/2026
BBQ CHICKEN CHEEESY POTATOES CAPRI VEG BLEND CORN BREAD APPLESAUCE	SPAGHETTI BROCCOLI GARLIC TOAST ORANGE	GRILLED CHEESE TOMATO SOUP SALAD FRUIT CUP	TACOS REFRIED BEANS BANANAS
2/16/2026	2/17/2026	2/18/2026	2/19/2026
CLOSED PRESIDENTS' DAY	PULLED PORK SANDWICH COLESLAW BAKED BEANS FRUIT CRISP	VEGGIE LASANGA SALAD GARLIC TOAST BANANA	SALISBURY STEAK MASHED POTATOES GLAZED CARROTS ROLL ORANGE
2/23/2026	2/24/2026	2/25/2026	2/26/2026
BEEF & BEAN BURRITO SWEET CORN FIESTA RICE ORANGE	HERB ROASTED CHICKEN MALIBU BLEND ROLL GRAPES	GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH POTATO SALAD BANANA	POT ROAST MASHED POTATOES GLAZED CARROTS ROLL APPLESAUCE

See What's Happening at Your Local Center

Greenville Area Senior Citizens Center

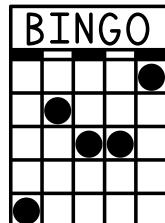
715 S. Baldwin, Greenville



FOOD WITH FRIENDS MEALS
SERVED ON WED & THURS AT
12PM

Meal Site Hostess
Diana Farran
Call 616-894-2255
for meal reservations or
cancellations

MARCIAS PENNY BINGO
SPONSORED BY:
MONTCALM COMMISSION ON AGING
10AM-11:30AM
EVERY WEDNESDAY



MUSIC
EVERY THURSDAY 11A-12P



Greenville Stamp Club

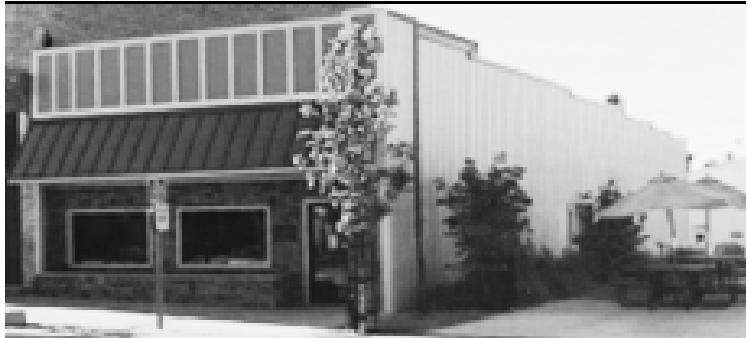
Contact: Mr. Randy Kerr
Phone: (616) 894-2362
Email: musicman_1935@hotmail.com

Meeting Location: Flat River Library
200 W. Judd Street
Greenville, MI 48838
Meeting Time:
1st & 3rd Saturday at 10:00 am

The Center is also available for
private party's or event rentals.
Call the Center at 616-754-1658
for more information on private
rentals.

Howard City Action Center

132 E. Edgerton St., Howard City
Open 5 days a week



Site Hostess
Karen West
Call 616-890-4542
for reservations or
questions

Penny Bingo Every
Tuesday & Thursday
after lunch



Every 2nd Saturday
of every month at 10 am Craft
Day at Tamarack Creek Apts
The community room


POTLUCK BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
HELD THE 4TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
\$2 DONATION FOR A POTLUCK WITH A
DISH TO PASS
\$4 DONATION WITHOUT A DISH TO PASS

MEMBERSHIP OPEN TO AGES 50 +


Fridays
Music from 9 am-3 pm

We have walkers, adult protective
undergarments, and other items
available to anyone in need.

Blood Pressure Checks
Every Friday from 9am to noon

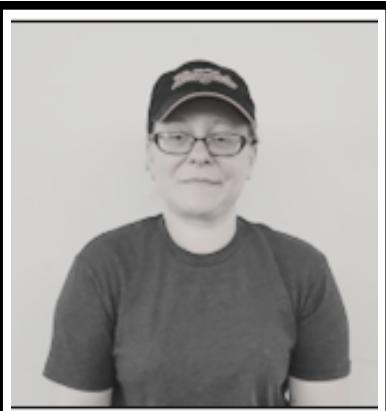


Site Hostess
Jane Hagen
Call
989-831-7476
Option 1
for reservations or
questions

EDMORE
MEAL SITE
Curtis Community Center,
209 W. Sheldon St.,



Do to unforeseen circumstances,
the Edmore meal site (Curtis Community Center)
will be closed through at least January 2026.
Please watch for updates in our paper and
social media.
Thank you!



Site Hostess
Mary Miller
Call
989-831-7476
Option 1
for reservations or
questions



United Methodist Church,
119 E. Elm St., Carson City

Food with Friends meals are served on
Tues & Thurs at 12pm

Skip-Bo every Tuesday
11: 00am & 12:30pm
Skip-Bo every Thursday
11:00am

Bingo every Thursday
12:30pm

Lost & Forgotten Places
in Ionia County
Presentation

2 part series
February 12th & February 19th
10:30a-11:45a

Presented by Dana Johnson
cost is \$3 per person

News & Notes

from around the county

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION®

Alzheimer's Association
Michigan

Montcalm County Commission on Aging
613 N. State St.
Stanton, MI 48888

Pamela Shock
989-831-7479
pshock@montcalm.us

Visit www.alz.org to learn more about caregiver programs and resources. To further extend your network of support visit ALZ connected, our online community, at alzconnected.org.

Caregivers Support Group

1st Thursday of the month
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Build a support system with people who understand.

Alzheimer's Association support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for people living with dementia and their care partners to:

- Develop a support system.
- Exchange practical information on challenges and possible solutions.
- Talk through issues and ways of coping.
- Share feelings, needs, and concerns.
- Learn about community resources.

THE MONTCALM AREA PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

(Member, Michigan Parkinson's Foundation)

Offers an opportunity for those dealing with Parkinson's Disease either as the person with Parkinson's symptoms and/or as their caregiver, living in the Montcalm, Mecosta, Ionia and North Kent County areas to meet with others experiencing Parkinson's multitude of daily challenges.

Join us the Third Thursday of the month

At 11:00 AM

Meeting at the 1st United Methodist Church

204 W. Cass St., Greenville, MI

For further information, call 616-334-4084

Or email: montcalmparkinsons@gmail.com

Sheridan VFW Post

209 Washington St, Sheridan
MI 48884
989-291-9680

1st Saturday of the month-
Swiss Steak Supper 4-6pm
\$13 Adults
\$6 Children 5-12

Euchre- Every Monday at 6pm
BINGO Tuesday & Friday
Early birds begins at 6pm

Stanton American Legion

Taco Tuesday
Burgers Wednesday
1st Friday of the month Fish
2nd Friday of the month Steak
3rd Friday of the month Rib
Nite
4th Friday of the month Swiss
Steak

Please refer to American
Legion 452 Stanton Facebook
or call (989) 831-4114 for more
details and prices.

Edmore VFW

Baked and Fried
Chicken Supper every
3rd Wednesday, 4-6 pm
Adults \$12
Children 5-12 \$5
4 and under Free

BINGO
Monday 6:15 pm. Early
Birds
Regular BINGO 7 pm

EDMORE MASONIC PANCAKE BREAKFAST

ALL YOU CAN EAT!
2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
8AM-1PM
\$10/ADULTS, \$5/ 6-12Y/O,
FREE 5Y/O & UNDER
524 E FORREST ST, EDMORE



Stanton Commission on Aging Lunches

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OPTION 1



Site Hostess
Angela
Vandenburg
Call 989-831-7476
opt 1
for reservations or
questions



The Morning Mug

The Stanton Commission on Aging invites everyone to come in and enjoy coffee, tea, hot cocoa, & a relaxing start to your day.

We will provide your morning beverage and snack free of charge!

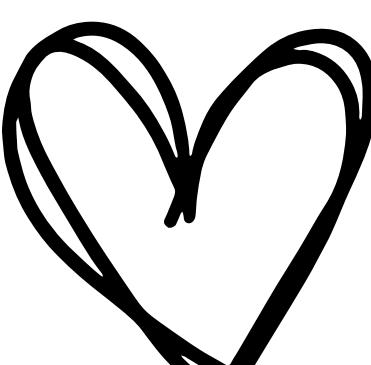
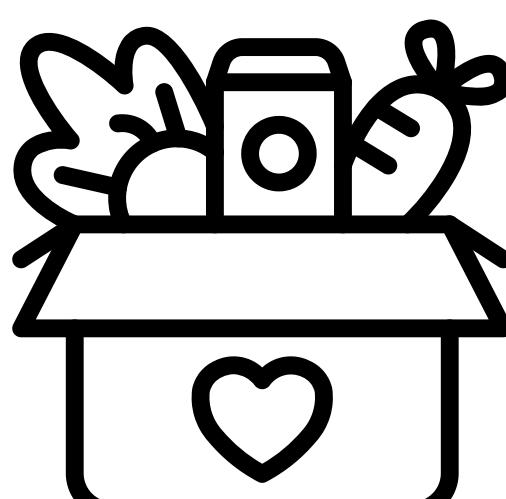
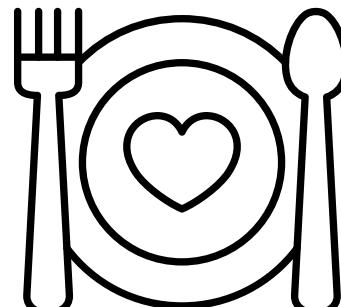
We will have newspapers, the morning news on the t.v., and a friendly atmosphere. So, grab a friend, family member, or just yourself and rise and shine with us!



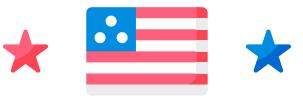
Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 8:30a-10:30a

Stanton February Meal Site Menu Dine In Starts at 12pm

- 3rd Bean Soup, Salad Bar, & Fruit
- 5th Chicken Strips, Waffle Fries, & Fruit
- 10th Chicken Noodle Soup, Salad Bar, & Fruit
- 12th Hot Dog, French Fries, & Fruit
- 17th Vegetable Beef Soup, Salad Bar, & Fruit
- 19th Meat Loaf, Potatoes, Corn, & Fruit
- 23rd Potato Soup, Salad Bar, & Fruit
- 26th Hamburger, Tator Tots, Green Beans, & Fruit



Stanton CoA February Activities Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2   OPEN WALK AT MCC 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG 11A EXERCISE WITH SCH	3 10A PENNY BINGO - CALLED BY CHRISTENSEN FUNERAL SERVICES 12P MEAL 1P HAND DIP	4 8A-4P TAX APPTS 8:30-10:30AM MORNING MUG 10:30AM SENIOR YOGA 1P-3P YARN GROUP	5 12P HOT MEAL	6 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG 1P GAME DAY
9 8A-4P TAX APPTS OPEN WALK AT MCC 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG	10 10A PENNY BINGO 10A FOOT CLINIC 12P MEAL 1P HAND DIP	11 8A-4P TAX APPTS 8:30-10:30AM MORNING MUG 10:30AM SENIOR YOGA 1P-3P YARN GROUP	12 12P HOT MEAL	13 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG 10:30A CRAFTY CORNER 1P GAME DAY
16 CLOSED  PRESIDENT'S DAY	17 10A PENNY BINGO 12P MEAL 1P HAND DIP	18 8A-4P TAX APPTS 8:30-10:30AM MORNING MUG 10:30AM SENIOR YOGA 1P-3P YARN GROUP	19 10A PRIZE POT BINGO 12P HOT MEAL	20 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG 1P GAME DAY 10:00A OUTING TO HORROCKS MARKET
23 8A-4P TAX APPTS OPEN WALK AT MCC 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG	24 10A PENNY BINGO - CALLED BY SENIOR LIFE SOLUTIONS	25 8A-4P TAX APPTS 8:30-10:30AM MORNING MUG 10:30AM SENIOR YOGA 1P-3P YARN GROUP	26 12P HOT MEAL	27 8:30A-10:30A MORNING MUG 11A CHILI COOK-OFF  1P GAME DAY

PRIZE POT



FEB. 19TH AT 10AM

PLEASE SIGN UP BY
FEBRUARY 17TH

\$4

Call Kari

989-831-7454

Starting in March
The price for
Prize Pot Bingo
will increase to
\$5/per person



Stanton CoA Yarn Stitch Group

Please join us at the CoA in Stanton on
Wednesdays at 1 pm-3:00 pm.

**Yarn and Monetary Donations are
always welcome and needed.

\$5
per person
per session



Senior Yoga

Wednesdays at 10:30am

As an alternative when Miss Donna is off you can always join in Chair Yoga at

The Barefoot Dragon
barefootdragonyoga.com
210 S Main St, Sheridan, MI 48884
(616) 238-5060

Game Day

 Friday's at 1 pm 

Bring a friend or family and
enjoy some time together
playing games.

We have:

Chess, Dominos, Skip-Bo,
Uno, Yahtzee, & Cards.

Wii games: bowling, golf, tennis, &
baseball



*The first and third Monday
of the month.

11 am-12 pm

Stretch and Balance
with Sheridan Hospital

*Free of Charge

Every Monday from 11 am-12 pm
Free walking at MCC



Montcalm Community College

ADDITIONAL NEWS AND INFORMATION



Chili Cook-Off

Friday February 27th at 11am



辣椒 You're Invited to the Stanton CoA Chili Cook-Off! 辣椒

Think your chili has what it takes? Join us for a fun and flavorful red chili cook-off at the Stanton CoA!

Details:

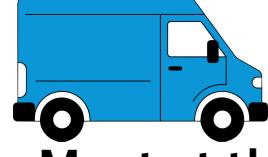
- 10 open spots for chili entries
- Sign up by February 23rd
- Awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- All are welcome to sample and vote!

Bring your best recipe, taste some great chili, and help us crown the champion.

We can't wait to see you there!

Contact Kari M. 989-831-7454 for sign up and/or questions

Day Outing



- *9:45am Meet at the CoA
- *10:00am Leave CoA & head to Horrocks in Lansing.
- *2pm Head back to the CoA



HORROCKS FARM MARKET

February 20th

Cost \$5.00 per person
plus your spending money

**Space is limited.
Please sign up by Feb. 17th.
Seats are first come first serve
Contact Kari M 989-831-7454



Foot Clinic
at the Stanton CoA

Feb. 10th

10 am-12 pm

\$25 For Seniors

\$20 For Veterans

CRAFTY CORNER AT STANTON COA

**\$7
PER PERSON**

Feb. 13th

at 10:30a

ALL SUPPLIES ARE

INCLUDED

CALL KARI BY

TO SIGN UP FEB. 11TH

989-831-7454



Cookies in a jar





Homeowner Rehabilitation Grant

Receive up to \$10,000

Eligible Projects

Exterior

- Roofs
- Siding
- Doors
- Stairs
- Accessibility improvements

Interior

- Furnace
- Hot water heater
- Improvements to mitigate health/safety concerns
- Accessibility improvements

Deadline to Apply

Applications will be accepted in the order they are received until funds are exhausted.

Income Limit

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
80 % AMI Income Limit	46,000	52,600	59,150	65,700	71,000	76,250	81,500	86,750

Apply TODAY!

Applications are available at City Hall 225 S Camburn St. Stanton, MI
 Contact City Manager Rachael Coffey with any questions
 rcoffey@stantononline.com or (989) 831-4440



**Income Tax help
by AARP Foundation**



AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will be offering Free Tax Help for low and moderate income taxpayers, with special attention to those age 60 and older.

Starting Wednesday February 4, through Monday, April 13. IRS approved trained volunteers will be assisting taxpayers at the Montcalm Co Commission on Aging, 613 N State Street, most Mondays and Wednesdays, 9AM to 2:30.

A limited days of appointments will be available at the Flat River Library, in Greenville and also a limited amount of appointments at Reynolds Township Library in Howard City.

Montcalm County area taxpayers may call for an appointment after January 23rd, COA 9809.831.7476, option 2, and ask for the alternate locations if needed.

To prevent delays, please come prepared with any of the following that may apply to your return.

*Drivers license or other legal picture ID and Social Security cards for everyone on your return.

*New: All requests for paper refunds will face long delays, so please bring a canceled check or other banking information for direct deposit.

*Copy of 2024 tax US and Michigan tax or credit returns

*For Michigan Home Heating Credit, please bring your bill or receipts dated Nov 1, 2024 through Oct 31, 2025. *Michigan Homestead Property Tax Credit for homeowners and renters require both the summer and winter tax bills dated 2025.

*For either credit, bring Health Insurance bills showing what you paid, including medical portion of your vehicle PIP unless you don't carry that coverage.

*W2 forms from all employers, and also forms NEC and MISC Income.

*SSA 1099 form showing Social Security benefits.

*1099 R form for distributions from pensions, annuity's and IRA withdrawals

*All 1099 forms (1099INT, 1099DIV, 1099B, etc.), showing interest or dividends or any documentation showing original price of assets sold.

*All forms indicating tax withheld or income reporting such as W-2G or IRA form 5498.

*Dependent care deduction requires provider name, employer ID, etc.

*Form 1095 A if you or your family received Marketplace Health Insurance.

*IF you think you may be able to itemize deductions, bring receipts or canceled checks. *For Prior Years or Amended Returns, or Homestead Credit Filing, or more complicated returns may require longer or additional appointments. Please mention when calling and bring the last year a return was filed. *All taxpayers will be asked to fill out an Interview booklet to help us better serve you. Please ask if you would like this mailed to you when making your appointment.

Drums Alive Classes Begin March 2026

Experience the transformative power of cognition, drumming, movement, music, and rhythm!

Classes Start March 6th, 2026

- Class Schedule: Every Friday
- Time: 10:00–11:00 AM
- Instructors: Certified Drums Alive instructors Kari and Erika
- Availability: Limited to 10 participants
- Cost: \$5.00 per person, per class
- Equipment: Equipment is available, but participants may bring their own equipment if desired
- RSVP: one week prior to each class to make sure enough equipment is available.
Spots are limited!



Drums Alive®

Reserve Your Spot:

Call 989-831-7454

Email kmccracken@montcalm.us or elance@montcalm.us

Here are some iconic love songs from the 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s.

Can you match the song with the singer?

1)"At Last"	Elton John
2)"My Girl"	The Beach Boys
3)"Your Song"	The Beatles
4)"Crazy" –	Dolly Parton
5)"Close To You"	Roberta Flack
6)"God Only Knows"	Eric Clapton
7)"Unchained Melody"	Etta James
8)"When a Man Loves a Woman"	Patsy Cline
9)"Something"	The Righteous Brothers
10)"Hold Me, Thrill Me, Kiss Me"	Mel Carter
11)"Tupelo Honey"	Joe Cocker
12)"I Will Always Love You"	Elvis Presley
13)"You Are So Beautiful"	Aretha Franklin
14)"Ain't No Mountain High Enough"	Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell
15)"The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face"	The Carpenters
16)"Can't Help Falling in Love"	Percy Sledge
17)"Let's Stay Together"	The Temptations
18)"Wonderful Tonight"	Al Green
19)"(You Make Me Feel Like a) Natural Woman"	Ben E. King
20)"Stand by Me"	Van Morrison

**ANSWER
KEY**



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Local News



REYNOLDS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

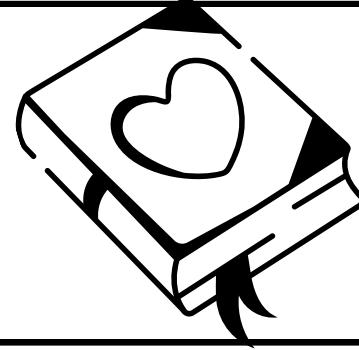
117 W. WILLIAMS ST.
HOWARD CITY, MI 49329
PHONE: 231-937-5575

Mon, Wed, & Fri @ 8:30am Walk the stacks

Tuesdays @ 6pm Line Dancing

Tuesdays @ 9:15am Chair Yoga

Thursdays @ 1pm Knitting & Crocheting Club



Crystal Community Library

101 N Main St, Crystal, MI 48818
(989) 235-6111

1.) Movie and Popcorn -- Wednesday Feb. 11, 2026 at 3 p.m.

2.) Winter Book Club --Tuesday, Feb 17, 2026 at 1 p.m.

3.) Estate Planning --Wed. Feb. 18, 2026 at 1 p.m.

4.) Crystal Annual Winterfest ---
Saturday Feb. 21, 2026 all day and for everyone.
(at the library:

"Drop-in-story", edible craft, prizes, hot cocoa and more)

5.) Learn to Paint -- Wednesday Feb. 25, 2026 at 4 p.m.

6.) Gentle Basic Chair Yoga with music ---
Friday, Feb. 27, 2026 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

FLAT RIVER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

200 W Judd St, Greenville 616-754-6359

- Digital Services Assistance, Friday, February 6, from 10-11:30am
- Gentle Basic Yoga, Saturdays, February 7 & 21 at 11:15am
- Chair Yoga, Thursday, February 12, 11am
- Beginner Beekeeping, Thursday, February 19, at 6pm
- Craft-In Book Club, Thursday, February 26, at 6pm
- Chakra Connection, Saturday, February 28, at 11am

WHITE PINE DISTRICT LIBRARY

**Please pre-register for events 514 N New St, Stanton 989-831-4327

February 4th, Wednesday – Cookbook Club (Tortilla Creations); 6pm

February 5th, Thursday – Advice on Your Device; 3-5pm

February 12th & 26th, Thursday – Fiber Friends; 1pm

February 14th, Saturday – Craft Day (String Art); 10am-12pm

February 18th, Wednesday – Book Club ("Love Lies Bleeding" by Susan Wittig Albert); 1pm

February 18th, Wednesday – Movie Night ("Bad Guys 2"); 6pm

February 19th, Thursday – Movie Morning; 11am

February 19th, Thursday – Chocolate, Coffee & Conversations; 1pm

February 20th, Friday – Movie Morning; 11:30am

February 25th, Wednesday – Homestead Event (Easy Dough, Round 2); 6pm

ANSWER KEY

- 1)"At Last" – Etta James
- 2)"My Girl" – The Temptations
- 3)"Your Song" – Elton John
- 4)"Crazy" – Patsy Cline
- 5)"Close To You" – The Carpenters
- 6)"God Only Knows" – The Beach Boys
- 7)"Unchained Melody" – The Righteous Brothers
- 8)"When a Man Loves a Woman" – Percy Sledge
- 9)"Something" – The Beatles
- 10)"Hold Me, Thrill Me, Kiss Me" – Mel Carter

- 11)"Tupelo Honey" – Van Morrison
- 12)"I Will Always Love You" – Dolly Parton
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- 20)"Stand by Me" – Ben E. King

Local Food Pantries

*ALPHA FAMILY CENTER

705 N. Hillcrest St. Greenville, MI – 616-255-2265 for appointment

*BARRIE'S HOUSE FOOD & CLOTHES PANTRY

8900 W. Colby Rd. Greenville, Mi – (former Turk Lake Methodist Church) – 616-255-9827 – Open from 11 AM to 3 PM Thursdays.

Individuals/families can attend once per month for food, but clothing is available every week.

*BELDING FOOD

PANTRY St Joseph's Catholic Church 409 S. Bridge St. in Belding – 616-794-2145 – Open from 2 to 3 PM Thursdays except holidays. Available to anyone in need.

*BELDING FOOD

PANTRY Ashley Baptist Church – 10463 Belding Rd in Belding – 616-794-3410 – Open by appointment only.

*BREAD OF LIFE FOOD

PANTRY Greenville Community Church – 6596 Vining Rd in Greenville – 616-225-8055 or visit www.bolpantry.org. hours are 10 AM to 1 PM Tuesdays & Thursdays. Individuals/families can attend once per month.

*GREENVILLE FOOD

KITCHEN 305 S. Clay St. in Greenville – 616-754-3163 – Serves take-out meals from 3:30 to 5 PM Tuesdays to anyone who comes through the door.

*HANDS OF JESUS

FOOD PANTRY 1220 N. Lafayette St in Greenville – 616-225-9999 – Open 11 AM to 4 PM Fridays. Must bring own boxes and baskets. Name, address, phone number and driver's license required for service.

*HELPING HANDS

FOOD PANTRY 1105 Ensley St just south of Howard City – 231-937-5177 – Open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 AM to 2 PM for residents within the Tri County Area Schools district.

***HOPE'S PANTRY** Hope Lutheran Church, 4741 W. Stanton Rd in Stanton – 989-831-5594 or 989-831-4462, Call to set up an appointment.

***LIFE CENTER** Endeavor Center, 302 W. Main St in Edmore – 989-341-4695 to make an appointment – located in the northwest lower entrance of the Endeavor Center. Food pantry, clothing closet, and foster care pantry.

*CARSON CITY FOOD

PANTRY St Mary's Parish, 404 N. Division St in Carson City – 989-584-6044 or email smsjchurch@cmsinter.net Hours are from 10 AM to Noon Tuesdays. Must be resident of the Carson City-Crystal Area Schools district and may come once a month for food. Valid picture ID with address required.

*CEDAR SPRINGS COMMUNITY FOOD

PANTRY 140 S. Main St. in Cedar Springs – 616-439-4665 – Monday to Thursday from 9 to 11 AM. Clients welcome one time per month with referral from North Kent Connect. Call 616-866-3478 to become a client.

*CHILDREN'S PANTRY

Encounter Community Church 1213 W. State St in Belding – 616-794-5080 – Open second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 11 AM and 5:30 to 7:30 PM

*CRYSTAL LAKE COMMUNITY CHURCH

122 S. Main St. in Crystal – 989-235-2522 – Hours are 9 AM to 11 AM Monday through Thursday.

*LAKEVIEW MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION FOOD

PANTRY Lakeview Community Church 8980 Howard City-Edmore Rd (M-46) in Lakeview – 989-352-7788 or newlifeumc@cmsinter.net Open from noon to 3 PM Thursdays. Serving the Lakeview Community School district with identification.

*M-46 TABERNACLE

FOOD PANTRY 11098 E. Howard City-Edmore Rd (M-46) in Riverdale – 989-388-8926 – Open from 10 to 11 AM Tuesdays. Driver's license required. Individuals/families can attend once per month.

*SHERIDAN ASSEMBLY

OF GOD 4010 S. Sheridan Rd in Sheridan – 616-799-2558 By appointment only.

*SHERIDAN COMMUNITY CARES

113 S. Main St in Sheridan – 616-835-1286 – Open from 9 AM to 12 PM on second Fridays for residents of Montcalm County. Operated by Sheridan First Congregational Church and Sheridan Community Hospital.

*CROSSROADS

COMPASSIONATE MINISTRY Church of the Nazarene – 10087 S. W. Greenville Rd in Greenville – 616-754-7605 – Hours are 4 to 6 PM. First and third Wednesdays

*FEEDING AMERICA AT

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD 101 S. Franklin St in Greenville – 616-754-3187 – Last Monday of the month starting at 4:30 PM for residents of Montcalm and Ionia Counties.

*FEEDING AMERICA

BELDING 850 Hall St, lower parking lot at Belding High School – 616-794-4900 – Open third Friday of the month from 3:30 to 5:30 PM



Call or text 616-824-3632 or email jackymcgill@charter.net – Open first Thursday of the month at 4:30 PM

*GREENVILLE AREA

ECUMENICAL FOOD

MISSION St. Paul Lutheran Church, 9844 SW Greenville Rd in Greenville – 616-754-6676 – Hours are 10 AM to Noon Tuesdays and 5:30 to 7:30 PM Wednesday. Serving the Greenville Public Schools district must bring two forms of identification.

*SHILOH COMMUNITY

CHURCH 8197 Heth St in Orleans – 616-761-3584 – Pre-register by calling, then pick up on Mondays, 11 AM to Noon. Individuals/families can attend once per month.

*ST CHARLES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

GOD'S COMMUNITY

KITCHEN MEALS 505 S. Lafayette St (use the Activities Building entrance off Benton Street) – 616-754-4194 – Serves take-out meals from 11 AM to Noon Saturdays.

*ST JOSEPH THURSDAY

SUPPER St. Joseph church (gym/kitchen) 409 S. Bridge St in Belding – 616-754-2145 – Serves take-out meals from 4 to 5 PM on first and third Thursdays to anyone in need.

*TRINITY CHURCH

415 N. Mill St. in Stanton – 989-831-5728 – Hours are 10:30 AM to Noon, first and third Wednesdays. Serving Stanton, Sidney, McBride and Entrican. Individuals/families can attend once per month.

FEEDING AMERICA

STANTON

First Baptist Church
134 N Lincoln St
Stanton

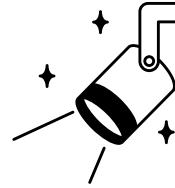
2026 schedule Stanton

Jan 8th	July 2nd
Feb 5th	Aug 6th
March 5th	Sept 3rd
April 2nd	Oct 1st
May 7th	Nov 5th
June 4th	Dec 3rd





Employee Spotlight: Pamela Shock



This month, the Montcalm County Commission on Aging is proud to shine the spotlight on Pamela Shock, who celebrates 14 years of dedicated service with the CoA!

Pam began her journey with the Commission on Aging as a Direct Service Aide, providing in-home care and support to clients. At the same time, she also helped in the Adult Day Program, where she assisted clients with engaging in daily activities with a special focus on those living with dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

In 2016, Pamela was promoted to Meal Program Manager, where she oversaw Meals on Wheels routes, assisted in the kitchen, planned activities, and provided support throughout the senior center. Her leadership and organization skills shone again in 2019, when she became a Case Manager, conducting in-home assessments and reassessments for clients in the HDM, HMK, PC, and Respite programs across the county.

In 2022, Pamela took on the role of Direct Service Coordinator, managing schedules and care plans to ensure clients received the best in-home services possible. And in 2024, her hard work and deep understanding of the organization led her to her current position as Director of the Commission on Aging.

Pam's journey through nearly every level of the Commission has given her a unique perspective and a well-rounded understanding of the care and coordination that goes into serving Montcalm County's aging community. Her compassion, drive, and steady leadership inspire everyone around her.

We thank Pam for her passion, dedication, and genuine heart for helping others. Her commitment to our mission ensures that community members and their loved ones receive the care and support they deserve.

Thank you, Pam, for your years of service and for all that you do!

Commission on Aging – Transportation Program

The Commission on Aging offers a transportation program with volunteer drivers to assist eligible seniors getting to their medical appointments. Drivers will pick you up at your home, take you to your appointment, and return you home afterward. Wheelchair-accessible transportation is also available.



Eligibility

- Montcalm County residents
- Age 60 and older
- Must meet other program requirements
 - Hours of Service
 - Monday–Friday
 - 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Important Information

- Transportation is based on volunteer availability.
- At least a 5-7 business day notice is needed for scheduling purposes.
- This service does not provide emergency transportation or trips to the emergency room or urgent care.
- Please have alternative transportation options available in case a volunteer is not available.



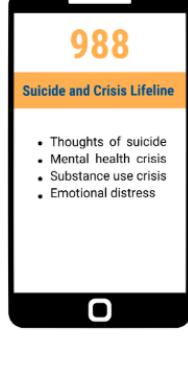
To Schedule a Ride: Call 989-831-7408

We have many volunteer opportunities:

Friendly Visitor
Crafts Volunteer
Yarn Stitching Volunteer



Help is 3 Numbers Away



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Pensylvania
United Way

AVAILABLE SERVICES

Montcalm County Commission on Aging

989-831-7476

Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals/Meals on Wheels, Transportation/Wheelchair Transportation is available, Senior Center Activities, Special Events and Senior Trips, SHIP, Homemaker Services, Personal Care Services, Caregiver Respite Services, Friendly Visitor, Volunteer Opportunities, Caregiver Support Group

CoA Phone Tree Menu

When you call 989-831-7476 you are presented with options to choose from. Here's the list.

- Option 1- Meal Program-Carrie or Arletta
- Option 2-Office Assistant- Joanna
- Option 3 – Direct Services Coordinator- Jen
- Option 4 – Transportation and Volunteers- Erika
- Option 5 – Confidential Admin Assistant- Debbie

- Option 6 – Activities/Trips/Events- Kari
- Option 7 – Director- Pam
- Option 8-Case Management-Robert
- Option 0-Operator