

DEXTER SENIOR VOICE

April 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Dexter Senior Center Members,

April is here. As Michiganders, we know that might still mean a little snow, but we are keeping our fingers crossed for sunshine.

It is going to be a busy month. Our goal is to move into the new building by June 1st. The finishing touches are happening now, and I am working closely with the board and our wonderful staff to make sure everything goes smoothly.

You may have already met Dana, our new Program Manager. Dana jumped right in and has planned many new activities and programs, including some exciting trips. Our first outing is to the Detroit Institute of Arts. Make sure to sign up if you want to join.

Soon we will begin using a new system called MySeniorCenter, to help us track of who checks in each day and which programs are being used. You will be able to check in by scanning a small keytag or typing your name on the screen. Then, you just tap the activities you are attending and press Finish. Staff and volunteers will always be there to help if you need it.

I am so thankful for each of you. You make coming to work a joy. Here's to a great spring together!

Sincerely, Anna Pekrul



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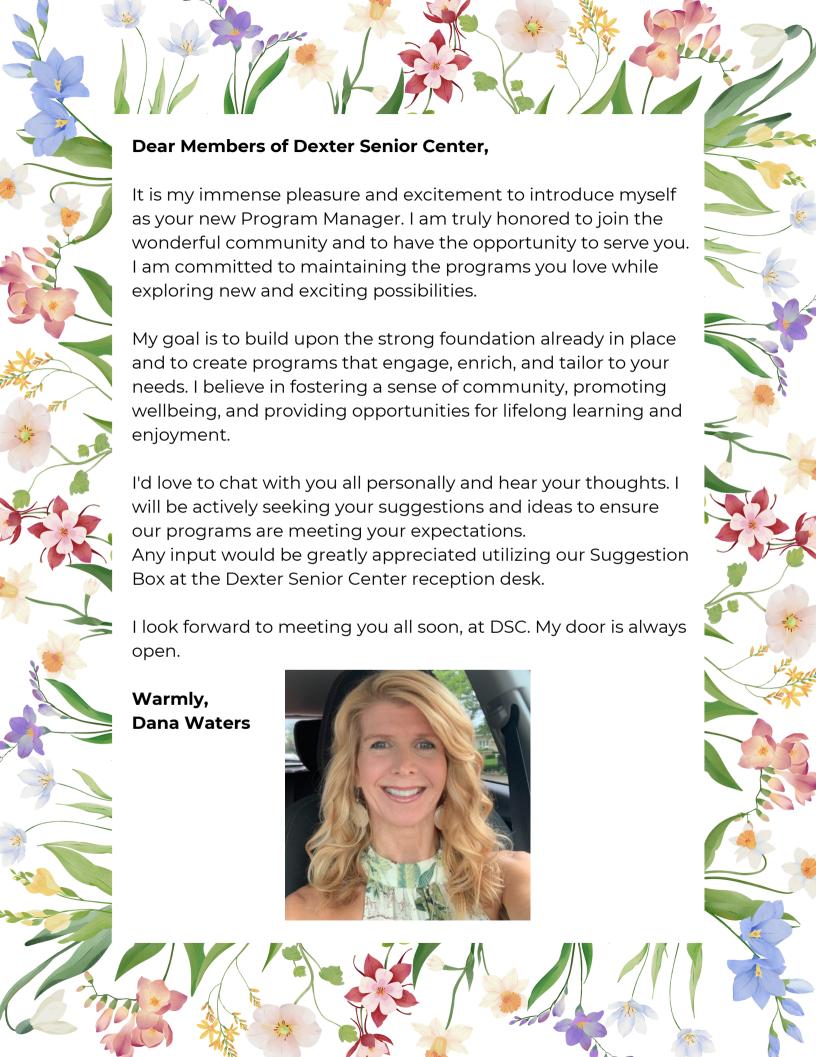
www.dexterseniors.org

Hours

Monday - Fridays 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Next Board Meeting

Dexter Wellness Center April 16th at 3:00 pm



New Events

Dexter Senior Center



<u>APRIL</u> Every Tuesday

1:00PM

Dominos

<u>APRIL</u> Every Tuesday

2:00PM

Tai Chi

APRIL

Every First Monday

1:00 PM

Behavioral Health Social Hour



<u>APRIL</u> 14&21

Every Other Monday

12:30 PM

<u>Seasonal</u> <u>Ornament Making</u>

APRIL 14

Monday

1:00 PM

<u>Travel Group,</u>
<u>Planning Meeting</u>

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APRIL 17 Thursday

10 AM - 3 PM

DIA Day Trip!



APRIL 21

Every Third Monday

1:30 PM

Mindful Memories
Creative Writing

APRIL

Wednesday

12:00 PM Lunch & Learn "Aging with

Confidence"

APRIL

<u>28</u> Every Last Monday

Appointment Times 10:00, 11:30, 1:00 PM

Medicare Counseling

Dexter Senior Center 2810 Baker Rd. 734-426-7737





APRIL HIGHLIGHTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Join us for lunch, cake, and ice cream on Wednesday, April 16 at 12:00 pm. April birthday members eat free; others are \$5. Sign up at least 48 hours in advance at the Center or call (734) 426-7737. Thanks to 5 Healthy Towns Foundation for their support!

BOOK CLUB: **Friday, April 25th at 10:00 am.** April's book is *The Kitchen Front* by Jennifer Ryan. This book tells the engaging story of four women competing on a wartime cooking show. Set during World War II in England, they face personal struggles and food rationing. Their challenge? To create delicious meals using limited ingredients while navigating complex relationships.



2U Vision: April 21st at 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm, in the Dexter Senior Center. Free cleaning, repair, and adjustment. Or, bring your vision prescription and buy new eyeglasses. info@2Uvision.com, 248-232-6584.

Lunch and Learn: April 23rd, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm. Enjoy a free lunch and hear from Care Manager Natalie as she shares tips on aging with confidence. She will cover health management, financial planning, and ways to stay independent.

Dominos: Starting In April, every Tuesday at 1:00 pm. All levels are welcome to play Mexican Train and the easier version called Chicken Foot.

TAI CHI: Starting April 1st, every Tuesday at 2:00 pm. In the Wellness Center Conference Room. Mediation and Movement with Wu Style Tai Chi Chuan. Pain control, muscle development, and balance.

Chess and Word Games Interest Form: Interested in starting a group for chess, checkers, dice games, or word games like Scrabble or Boggle? Call the Center with days and times that work for you. We're hoping to get groups started in May!

Travel Club Information and Planning Meeting: April 14th, at 1:00 pm, in the Wellness Center Conference Room. Come join the informational and planning meeting for day and overnight trips with Village Travelers. https://www.villagetravelers.net

Medicare Counseling, from State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) Certified Counselors: Appointments on the last Monday of the month, starting April 28th, at 10:00, 11:30, and 1:00 pm. Topics include getting started with Medicare, choosing a Part D drug plan, Medicare Advantage options, and more. Call the Center to a make an appointment.

Social Wellness Hour, with Chelsea Hospital Behavioral Health Navigators (every first Monday of the month): April 7th, at 1:00pm In the Wellness Center Conference Room. We will be discussing the eight dimensions of wellness and how you can utilize self-reflection to deepen your sense of overall well-being. Special activity or craft every month to follow.

Mindful Memories Creative Writing: Every third Monday, starting April 21st at 1:30pm. Bring your writing supplies to write stories, recipes, poems, & letters.

Celebration of Life For John La Rock, April 6, 2025 | 12:00 - 4:00 pm. Dexter American Legion, Post 557, 8225 Dexter-Chelsea Rd, Dexter, MI 48130

MUSIC & LANGUAGE

CHOIR "Friends in Harmony": Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Please contact Janet Potter at (734) 253-2474 for information or questions.

DULCIMER GROUP: **Thursdays at 10:00 am**. New members are welcome to join. Loaner instruments are available. Contact Sally at (734) 426-0841 for more information.

BEGINNERS DULCIMER GROUP: **Tuesdays at 10:30 am**. Beginners and new members are welcome to join. Loaner instruments are available. Contact Sally at (734) 426-0841 for more information.

UKELELE GROUP: Wednesdays at 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm in the Lower Level of Dexter Library. Must know basic chords and play in rhythm. Yellow book used for jamming. Contact Mary Lou at (734) 255-1925 for information. Leave a message. Masks are suggested.

• **ALL INSTRUMENT JAM**: 2nd Wednesdays of the month 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, at Crossroads Community Center. 5501 Webster Church Rd, off of Farrel Rd.

FRENCH STUDY GROUP: Fridays at 11:00 am at the Dexter Library.

FITNESS

CHAIR YOGA: Mondays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Wellness Center Conference Room. A slow-paced, accessible stretch session for all abilities, including those with arthritis or mobility challenges. Led by certified instructor and life coach Dianna Kause.

TAI CHI: Tuesdays 2:00 pm-3:00 pm in the Wellness Center Conference Room. Mediation and Movement with Wu Style Tai Chi Chuan. Pain control, muscle development, and balance.

STRENGTH & STRETCH CLASS: Tuesdays with Marta 9:00 - 10:00 am, and Thursdays with Roo Morgan 10:00 - 11:00 am at Dexter Senior Center. Exercises are designed to help increase range of motion, flexibility, strength, and endurance for activities of daily living.

RISE & SHINE GENTLE YOGA: Tuesdays and Fridays 8:00 - 9:00 am at Dexter Senior Center. Led by Joslyn from Verapose Yoga Studio, this class is designed for active seniors comfortable with floor movements. Modifications are available. Please bring a yoga mat, cushion or blanket, and an open mind and heart.

CHAIR ZUMBA: Tuesdays 10:00 - 10:30 am in the Wellness Conference Room. Join the party, with instructor Marta, for active older adults that combines Latin and International dance moves and music.

SENIORS OBTAINING STRENGTH (SOS): Wednesdays 9:00 - 10:00 am at Dexter Senior Center. Join instructor Karen Fazioli for a fun, engaging class focused on improving strength, balance, and mobility through resistance training and functional movements. Build confidence and independence in a supportive, social setting. **(No Class on April, 30th)**

SENIOR SWIM: **8:30 - 9:30 am Monday, Wednesday, Friday** at Wylie Elementary School. Cost is \$1

GAMES

BRIDGE: Mondays at 12:30 pm. All skill levels are welcome. Please contact Tony Doepken at (317) 437-1644 if you have questions.

EUCHRE: Wednesdays at 12:30 pm. Drop-ins welcome!

CRIBBAGE: Thursdays at 12:30 pm. Drop-ins welcome!

PINOCHLE: Tuesday 12:00 pm, Wednesday 9:30am, and Friday at 12:00 pm. Beginners welcome on Wednesdays!

BINGO: Thursdays at 1:00 pm.

CHINESE MAHJONG: Fridays at 1:00 pm. Questions, please text Katy at (810) 623-7465, or stop by while they're playing.

Dominos: Starting In April, every Tuesday at 1:00 pm. All levels are welcome to play Mexican Train Dominos and easier version Chicken Foot Dominos.

ARTS & CRAFTS

WEAVING LESSONS: Fridays at 9:00 am. Contact Mary Robinson at (734) 223-5646 for more information.

NEEDLE ARTS, COLORING & CRAFTS: **Mondays at 10:00 am**. Bring your knitting, crocheting, cross-stitch, or other projects and enjoy creative time with fellow members in a fun and inspiring environment.

CARD MAKING CLASS: April 21st at 10:00 am. Cost is \$10, call Judy Welsh at (630) 240-2603 to register by April 18th.

Seasonal Ornament Making: Every 1st and 3rd Monday at 12:30 pm, April 7th & 21st. Help make Christmas ornaments with Sally and Jane for the DSC Seasonal Christmas Tree Decorations. (This Month, April 7th only, will meet at 1:00 pm instead of 12:30 pm.)

TRAVEL GROUP AND UPCOMING TRIPS

Travel Group Meeting: April 14th, 1:00 pm. This is a great chance to explore upcoming travel options and share your ideas for planning day and overnight trips.

Day Trip to DIA, for Art and Entertainment: Thursday, April 17th at 10:00 am - 3:00pm. Sign up for a fun day of Art and Music, for only \$15. Bus leaves and returns from DSC.

RESOURCES

Medicare Counseling: Appointments available with Lois Beerbaum (734) 726-5292.

Meals on Wheels: Delivered Monday-Friday at lunchtime, offering a low-cost meal and a friendly visit. Monthly menus are in the newsletter. Call Emily at (734) 253-2370 for details to reserve your meal 48 hours in advance. Suggested donation: \$3 per meal.

Senior Cafe: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at noon. Enjoy a low-cost meal and socialize. Monthly menus are in this newsletter. Reserve your meal 48 hours in advance by calling (734) 253-2370. Suggested donation is \$3 (cash or check). If you haven't arrived by 12:15 pm or called ahead, your meal may go to those on the waitlist.

Footcare: **Tuesday, March 18th, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm**. Call Heather Schanz at (414) 436-6876 to schedule an appointment.

Reflexology: Thursday, March 13th and March 27th. Call Barb Fisher at (734) 664-7465 to schedule an appointment.

Notary Service: Available by appointment with Jeanne Bradish at (734) 223-1423.

TRANSPORTATION

Feonix Transportation: No cost transportation for older adults. Monday through Friday 6:00 am - 11:00 pm, and Saturdays 8:30 am - 6:00 pm. Call (734) 259-4125 to schedule.

Open to all Washtenaw County residents ages 60+ seeking transportation for: Medical Care, Health Care, Grocery Shopping, Food Pantry Appointments.



April 22

Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE):

Rates:

\$2.50 withing city limits, \$3.00 local outside city limits, \$5.00-\$6.00 for those under 60. Caregivers ride at no extra cost. WAVE does not provide personal care attendants.

WAVE vouchers are paid for by Chelsea Senior Center's ROAM program with funds from the AACF Vital Seniors Initiative. Vouchers are available while funding lasts. Must be 60 or older and live in Chelsea or Dexter school district.

Call WAVE Dispatch to schedule (734) 475-9494







This land is your land, this land is my land. Let's work together, to make it better. From tall green forests,

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to clear blue waters.
This land depends on you and me!



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Membership Form Dues \$25

Dues are for one year from the time of payment. Please make checks payable to Dexter Senior Center

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For Office Use Only: Renewal New Membership	Notes		

Date: _____ Total Paid \$_____ Cash/Check#____ Card Issued ____

Dexter Senior Center Member Discounts

Present your DSC Membership card to receive:

Classic Pizza - \$8 large 1 item

Dexter Pub - 20% off M-TH

My Cleaners - 10% off Joe & Rosie - 15% off

Aubree's - 10% off (Dexter only)

Dexter Creamery - 10% off

Dexter Bakery - 15% off

Hearts & Flowers - 15% off

Dairy Queen - 15% off

Jensen's Community Pharmacy - 10% off over the counter

Cottage Inn Dexter - 10% off

Busch's Donation Program



For no extra cost, you can donate to the Dexter Senior Center just by shopping at Busch's. All you need is an email address and a Busch's MyWay account.

Log on to your MyWay account through Buschs.com, click on your name in the top right-hand corner, click on "Cash for Education", scroll down to 2024 Cash for Education. Then, choose Dexter Senior Center for each quarter of 2024 and click on "Add".

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How does an Easter Bunny stay in shape?





Dexter Senior Center Supporters

























Activity Calendar Dexter Senior Center

April 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 9:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Chair Zumba 10:30 - Dulcimer (Beginners) 12:00 - Pinochle 1:00-Dominos 2:00-Tai Chi	2 9:30 - Pinochle 12:00 - Seniors Ukes Group (Dexter Library) 12:00 - Senior Cafe 12:30 - Euchre/313 1:00 - Choir	3 10:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Dulcimer 12:00 - Senior Cafe 12:30 - Cribbage 1:00 - Bingo	4 8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 9:00 - Weaving 11:00 - French Study Group (Dexter Library) 12:00 - Pinochle/313 1:00 - Chinese Mahjong
7 10:00 - Coloring, Crafts, Needlework 11:00 - Chair Yoga 12:00 - Senior Cafe 12:30 - Bridge 1:00 - Seasonal Ornament Making 1:00-BHN Social Hour	8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 8:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Chair Zumba 10:30 - Dulcimer (Beginners) 12:00 - Pinochle 1:00-Dominos 2:00-Tai Chi	9 9:00 - Seniors Obtaining Strength 9:30 - Pinochle 12:00 - Seniors Ukes Group (Dexter Library) 12:00 - Senior Cafe 12:30 - Euchre/313 1:00 - Choir 6:30 - All Instrument Jam	10 10:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Dulcimer 12:00 - Senior Cafe 12:30 - Cribbage 1:00 - Bingo	11 8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 9:00 - Weaving 11:00 - French Study Group (Dexter Library) 12:00 - Pinochle/313 1:00 - Chinese Mahjong
14 10:00-Coloring, Crafts, Needlework 11:00 - Chair Yoga 12:30 - Bridge 1:00 - Travel Group, Planning and Informational Meeting	8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 9:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Chair Zumba 10:30 - Dulcimer (Beginners) 12:00 - Pinochle 1:00-Dominos 2:00-Tai Chi *Footcare Appointments	16 9:30 - Pinochle 12:00 - Seniors Ukes Group (Dexter Library) 12:00 - Birthday Lunch 12:30 - Euchre/513 1:00 - Choir	17 10:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Dulcimer 12:00 - Senior Cafe 12:30 - Cribbage 1:00 - Bingo	18 8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 9:00 - Weaving 11:00 - French Study Group (Dexter Library) 12:00 - Pinochle/313 1:00 - Chinese Mahjong
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28 10:00 - Coloring, Crafts, Needlework 11:00 - Chair Yoga 12:30 - Bridge *Medicare Counseling Appointments	8:00 - Rise & Shine Gentle Yoga 8:00 - Strength & Stretch 10:00 - Chair Zumba 10:30 - Dulcimer (Beginners) 12:00 - Pinochle 1:00-Dominos 2:00- Tai Chi	30 9:30 - Pinochle 12:00 - Seniors Ukes Group (Dexter Library) 12:00-Senior Cafe 12:30 - Euchre/313 1:00 - Choir		

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Meal Calendar Dexter Senior Center

April 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
31 Sweet & sour chicken w/ vegetables served over confetti fried rice, oriental vegetable blend, diced peaches, bread w/ Margarine,1% milk	T Diced ham, Turkey & shredded Swiss cheese, garden salad w/ romaine, carrots, cucumbers & tomatoes, minestrone soup w/ Is crackers, red or yellow apples, pita, 1% Milk	2 Roast Turkey w/ turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, diced carrots mandarin oranges & pineapple tidbits, ww dinner roll w/margarine, 1% Milk	3 Breaded chicken tenders w/ BBQ sauce, cauliflower w/cheese sauce, green beans, fresh pear, biscuit w/ margarine, 1% Milk	4 Potato crunch pollock w/ tater sauce served over wild & wg rice, stewed tomatoes, diced pickled beets & onion salad, strawberries w/ whip topping, ww bread w/ margarine, 1% Milk
7 Cheddar cheese omelet, O'Brien potatoes, 100 % apple juice, apricots, fruit muffin w/ margarine, 1% milk	8 Turkey Burger w/ lettuce & tomato garnish w/ mayo & mustard, baked beans, creamy confetti, coleslaw, fruited gelatin, ww hamburger bun, milk 1%	Stuffed Cabbage, garden green salad w/ romaine w/ Italian dressing, mashed potatoes, mixed berries w/ whip topping, ww dinner roll w/ margarine, 1% milk	TO Chicken broccoli casserole w/ cheddar cheese garnish, zucchini & tomatoes, brown bean salad, fresh orange, ww bread w/ margarine, 1% milk	11 Baked Meatloaf w/ Is beef gravy, diced carrots, marinated three bean salad, fresh banana, dinner roll w/margarine, 1% milk
P4 Pasta Toscano w/ sausage, vegetables & parmesan cheese, green beans, yellow & green zucchini, diced peaches, ww bread w/ margarine, 1% milk	Tb Chicken Salad Sandwich, pasta salad w/ vegetables, chicken noodle soup w/ vegetables w/ ls crackers, fresh yellow or red apple, croissant, 1% milk.	Brunswick stew w/ chicken, pork & hearty vegetables, spinach salad w/ egg and fresh mushroom garnish w/ French dressing, warm diced spiced peaches, fresh banana, biscuit, 1% milk	Baked ham w/ pineapple sauce, whipped sweet potatoes, California blend w/ cheese sauce, strawberries served over angel food cake, corn bread w/ margarine, 1% milk	18 No Meals
21 Breaded chicken patty sandwich w/ Patty Sandwich w/ whayo and ketchup, baked beans, diced carrots, tropical fruit salad, ww hamburger bun, 1% milk	Sxedish Meatballs, served over egg noodles, whole kernel corn, zucchini, tomatoes, mandarin oranges & pineapple tidbits, ww bread w/ margarine, egg noodles, 1% milk	Tuna salad Sandwich, macaroni salad w/ vegetables, broccoli cheese soup w/ Is crackers, fresh red or yellow apple, croissant, 1% milk	Beef sauce w/ parmesan cheese served over rotini noodles, Italian garden salad w/ romaine w/Italian dressing, green beans, mixed berries w/ whip topping, Italian bread w/ margarine, 1% milk	Basalmic marinated chicken breast, steamed spinach, scalloped potatoes, fresh pear, ww dinner roll w/ margarine, 1% milk
28 Roast Pork w/ Is pork gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, green beans, red or yellow apple, ww dinner roll w/ margarine, oatmeal raisin cookie, 1% milk	29 Teriyaki chicken breast w/teriyaki sauce, cauliflower w/cheese sauce, creamy confetti coleslaw, apricots, dinner roll w/margarine, 1%milk	30 Diced Ham, turkey & shredded American cheese, garden salad w/ romaine, carrots, cucumbers & tomatoes, beef barley soup w/ Is crackers, banana, pita, ranch dressing, 1%milk	Totato crunch pollock w/ tater sauce over wild & wg rice, whipped winter squash, diced pickled beets and onion, cinnamon applesauce, ww bread w/ margarine, 1% milk	2 Chicken breast caccitore, garden salad w/ romaine w/ italian dressing, dill carrot coins, strawberries w/ whip topping, italian bread w/ margarine, 1%mils

Dexter Senior Center Board Members

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