



the SENIOR CALLER

WOODLANDS SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER



710 N. Opportunity Dr. - Columbia City, IN 46725
Office Hours: Mon-Thu 8 am - 4 pm / Fri 8 am - 1 pm
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TTY Relay 800-743-3333

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Woodlands Senior Activity Center

the.woodlands.wcoa

OUR MISSION

To enable the senior citizens of Whitley County to live confident, dignified, independent and productive lives through education, programs and services.

OUR SERVICES

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| * Transportation | * Senior Caller Newsletter | * Health Programs/Exercise |
| * Weekday Lunches | * Tax Assistance (Feb-Apr) | * Educational/Informational Programs |
| * Home Delivered Meals | * Social Gatherings & Entertainment | * Non-Perishable Food Pantry & Bread Pantry |
| * Lending Library | * Medical Equipment Loan Program | * Pet Food Pantry |
| * Information & Referral | * Incontinence Items | * Woodland Trips |
| * Food Share Programs | | |
| * Annual Senior Fair | | |

TITLE VI NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: All programs and services are provided without regard to race, color, or national origin in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. Any person who believes she or he has been aggrieved by any unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI may file a complaint with WCCOA.

OUR PEOPLE

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Aimee Ray	Activities Manager	ext 9

CONTACT US

Call 248-8944 for a ride! Toll Free: 1-800-290-1697

Hours: 7am - 5pm Monday - Friday. **A 48 hour notice (prior to 1 pm) is necessary.**

Senior Transportation Services are funded in part through Title III of the Older Americans Act and Social Service Block Grants distributed through Aging and In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana. We are a Medicaid transit provider.

INFORMATION WE NEED

Who: Name, address, phone number, birthday, any disabilities, and if the client has Medicaid.

When: Appointment date and time.

Where: Destination, including address.

Contact/Billing Information: Name and address of the responsible parties.

PRICING

Distance	Fees - One Way	Fees - Round Trip
1-4 miles	\$6	\$12
5-10 miles	\$8	\$16
11-15 miles	\$12	\$24
16-25 miles	\$15	\$30
Over 25 miles	\$17	\$34
Out of County	\$29	\$58



Stated mileage are for trips made within Whitley County.

- * Children under 12 ride free with an adult. Adults must provide car seats when necessary.
- * Veterans - \$20 Round Trip for trips outside of Whitley County.
- * Working Seniors 60+ - public rates apply.
- * Seniors 60+ - donation only; service is not denied to anyone who is not able to donate.

Exact payment is required. For your convenience, you may buy Transit Punch Cards for \$40 per card (a \$45 value).

CLIENTS MUST BE READY 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO SCHEDULED PICK-UP TIME

All vans are sanitized throughout the day for your safety.

CASH BONANZA

Help support the Woodlands; buy your book before they're sold out!



Cash Bonanza Books
now available at
The Woodlands!

\$64.95 each

Coupons are valid through 10/30/26

LUNCH N LEARN

**December
2nd we will
have John
Johnston
from 1st
Source
Bank.**

**November
3rd we will
have Derrick
Hughes from
George's
Medical**

**LEARNING
NEVER
ENDS**

A graphic featuring a magnifying glass with an orange handle and a pair of black-rimmed glasses. The magnifying glass is positioned over the word "NEVER", and the glasses are positioned over the word "ENDS". The words "LEARNING", "NEVER", and "ENDS" are in a bold, distressed, sans-serif font. "LEARNING" is in dark blue, "NEVER" is in orange, and "ENDS" is in dark blue. The entire graphic has a speech bubble-like shape with a red tail pointing downwards.

NOTABLE DATES


November's Special Meals

11/10/25 Veteran's Day Lunch


11/20/25 Tenderloin Lunch

11/25/25 Thanksgiving Lunch

Movie days are back...



**There will be a new
movie played every
Monday at 12:15. Come
join us for popcorn and a
good time**



VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

NOVEMBER 11



NOVEMBER 2025

THE WOODLANDS 260-248-8944
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED 2 BUSINESS DAYS
IN ADVANCE. \$7 PER MEAL.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Chair Exercise with Brittney & "Cooking and Grocery Shopping for One" 11:30 Lunch N Learn: by Derrick Hughes from George's Medical; Creamed Beef on Toast for Pickup and Delivery 12:15 Movie 1:00 Mahjong	4 9:00 Euchre 9:00 Bible Study with Cheryl 11:30 BBQ Chicken Sandwich 12:00 Dominoes 12:30 Bible Study w/Bob	5 9:00 Pixie Bingo: Partner, <i>The Waters</i> <i>*Players must bring prizes!</i> 9:00 Line Dancing 10:15 Drumming Class 11:30 Beef Stew 12:30 Hand & Foot Game	6 10:00 Alzheimer's: "Sleep Well, Be Well" 11:30 Stuffed Cabbage Roll 12:30 Euchre	7 9:00 Euchre 9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:30 Chili Dog
10 No Activities today due to a Private Event. Lunch will be as follows: Chicken Salad Sandwich <i>*Pickup & Delivery ONLY</i> <i>*NO Dine-In available</i>	11 9:00 Euchre 9:00 Bible Study with Cheryl 11:30 Veggie Lasagna 12:00 Dominoes 12:30 Bible Study w/Bob	12 9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 1 on 1 w/Darcy 10:15 Drumming Class 10:45 Blood Pressure Ck 11:30 Breakfast Casserole 12:00 Health Class with Darcy: "Five Myths about Aging" 12:30 Hand & Foot Game	13 BIRTHDAY WISHES 11:30 Cube Steak w/Beef Gravy 12:15 Music by: Scotty Rocker 12:30 Euchre 6:30 Grieving Friends Support Group	14 9:00 Euchre 9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:30 Tuna Noodle Casserole
17 9:00 Board Meeting 9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:30 Beef Liver with Onions 12:15 Movie 1:00 Mahjong	18 9:00 Euchre 9:00 Bible Study with Cheryl 11:30 Creamy Chicken Mushroom Pasta 12:00 Dominoes 12:30 Bible Study w/Bob 1:30 The League	19 9:00 Pixie Bingo: Partner <i>Oberlin Mrktg/Heidi Darley</i> <i>*Players must bring prizes!</i> 9:00 Line Dancing 10:15 Drumming Class 11:30 Smoked Sausage, Green Beans and Potatoes 12:30 Hand & Foot Game	20 11:30 Tenderloin 12:15 Entertainment: Joe Gottschalk 12:30 Euchre Tourney	21 9:00 Euchre 9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:30 Potato Beef Casserole

24	25	26	27	28
9:00 Line Dancing 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:30 French Toast Casserole w/Sausage Patty 12:00 Presentation: Gary Bird will discuss Whitley County Cemetery Cleaning and Restoration/Wreaths Across America 12:15 Movie	9:00 Euchre 9:00 Bible Study with Cheryl 11:30 Thanksgiving Lunch: Turkey w/Fixings 12:00 Dominoes 12:30 Bible Study w/Bob			

DECEMBER

1	2	3	4	5
11:30 Scalloped Potatoes and Ham	11:30 Chicken Broccoli Rice Casserole	11:30 Grilled Cheese with Taco Soup	11:30 Grilled Salmon	11:30 Philly Cheesesteak

- * Take-Out & Delivery: Orders must be placed 2 business days in advance. The meal is \$7. There is a \$2 charge for meal delivery. Please note that shifting of food may occur during delivery; therefore, be cautious when opening the container(s). Evening dinners are not available for delivery.
- * A Garden Salad can be ordered in place of any meal.
- * This menu is subject to change at the discretion of our kitchen staff.

EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM

SHORT-TERM LOANER EQUIPMENT

Walkers, canes, crutches, and shower chairs require a \$10 deposit.

Wheelchairs and knee scooters require a \$25 deposit.

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Incontinence items are also available. Each recipient is allowed one package per month.

FOOD PROGRAMS

WEEKEND MEALS

Order as many weekend meals as you like by Wednesday at noon, then pick them up on Friday or have them delivered. Call the Woodlands for more details.

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD PANTRY

The senior food pantry is available to seniors **50+** who find themselves short on non-perishable grocery items. It can be used as a supplemental food source **one time per month**. Pantry days/hours: Monday and Thursday from 9 am - 11 am & 12 pm - 3 pm.

WOODLANDS FOOD SHARE PROGRAM

Seniors living on a limited income and in need of additional food items on an ongoing basis can apply for a supplemental food program. The program provides a 10 to 15 lb bag of shelf stable food items **one time per month**. Call the Woodlands for more details.

PET FOOD

PET PANTRY

Dog and cat food is available for pick up **once per month**. The Pet Food Pantry days/hours are Monday and Thursday from 9 am - 11 am & 12 pm - 3 pm. ***Pet food is available dependent on supply.***



HAIR CARE

Haircuts & Eyebrow Waxing by Lyndah

Call 248-8944 x5 for more information.

Haircut \$10
Cut w/style \$11
Men's Haircuts \$5
Eyebrow Waxing \$5

NAIL CARE

Manicures by Lyndah

Call 248-8944 x5 for more information.

Filing \$3
Polish \$5
Filing & Polish \$8
Please bring your own nail polish.

FOOT CARE

Foot Care & Reflexology by Toni Mowery, LPN

Call 248-8944 x5 for more information.

** Please bring a wash basin & large bath towel. **



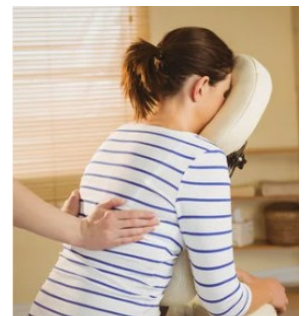
MASSAGE

Massage by Annette Bear, LMT

15-minute chair massage for \$15

Call 248-8944 x5 for more information.

All equipment will be sanitized prior to each appointment time.



MEMBER OF THE MONTH

We are extremely honored to receive this recognition by the Whitley County Chamber of Commerce!

**October Member of the Month**

Whitley County
Council on Aging

Congratulations to this month's Member of the Month - The Woodlands Senior Activity Center!

The Woodlands Senior Activity Center, overseen by the Whitley County Council on Aging, plays a vital role in supporting Whitley County seniors as they pursue independent, active, and fulfilling lives. Conveniently located in Columbia City, The Woodlands offers a wide range of weekly activities, programs, games, entertainment, and meals—along with valuable resources for adults ages 50 and older. In partnership with Whitley County Transit, the county's rural public transportation system, they continue to make a meaningful impact throughout the community.

The Chamber is proud to recognize The Woodlands for their ongoing involvement and continued support of local initiatives.

CONGRATULATIONS!

DAYLIGHT SAVING



**It's time!!
Sunday
November 2**

ADVERTISEMENTS

***Volunteer with SHIP and help others
with THEIR Medicare questions!***



**We need YOU to help your neighbors
in Whitley County!**

SHIP is driven by highly trained, certified volunteers who are committed to helping people with Medicare determine the best health insurance choices for their individual situations and to understand their Medicare benefits and options: Medicare Advantage, Medicare Supplement Plans, Part D drug coverage, long term care options, and financial assistance programs.

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CCHS SPORTS SCHEDULE

BOYS
WRESTLINGEAGLES
FOOTBALL

Date	Time	Event
Wed 11/12/2025	7:00 pm	CANCELED - John Glenn High School
Wed 11/19/2025	6:00 pm	Prairie Heights
Thu 11/20/2025	6:00 pm	Jay Co. (JV Boys and Girls Only) (Jay Co.)
Sat 11/22/2025	9:00 am	West Noble Invitational (JV) (East Noble, West Noble)
Sat 11/29/2025	9:00 am	Homestead Super Duals (Yorktown, Homestead, Central)
Wed 12/3/2025	6:30 pm	Churubusco
Sat 12/6/2025	9:00 am	DeKalb Invitational (JV Only) (Prairie Heights, Carroll High School)
Fri 12/12/2025	6:00 pm	NEB Duals (Varsity Only)
Sat 12/13/2025	9:00 am	NEB Duals (Varsity Only)
Thu 12/18/2025	6:30 pm	
Sat 12/20/2025		
Mon 12/29/2025		



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GIRLS
VOLLEYBALL

Date	Time	Event
Mon 9/22/2025	6:00 pm	Blackhawk Christian
Tue 9/23/2025	6:00 pm	Norwell
Thu 9/25/2025	6:00 pm	New Haven
Sat 9/27/2025	9:00 am	Leo Invitational (JV Only)
Mon 9/29/2025	6:00 pm	Heritage Jr-Sr High School (Heritage)
Tue 9/30/2025	6:00 pm	DeKalb
Thu 10/2/2025	6:00 pm	East Noble
Tue 10/7/2025	6:00 pm	Leo (Leo High School)
Thu 10/9/2025	6:00 pm	Bellmont
Thu 10/16/2025	6:00 pm	IHSAA Sectional
Sat 10/18/2025	11:00 am	IHSAA Sectional vs. TBD
Sat 10/18/2025	6:00 pm	IHSAA Sectional vs. TBD

Date	Time	Event
Fri 8/22/2025	7:00 pm	NorthWood
Fri 8/29/2025	7:00 pm	Plymouth
Fri 9/5/2025	7:00 pm	Bellmont
Fri 9/12/2025	7:00 pm	Huntington North
Fri 9/19/2025	7:00 pm	DeKalb
Fri 9/26/2025	7:00 pm	New Haven
Fri 10/3/2025	7:00 pm	East Noble
Fri 10/10/2025	7:00 pm	Leo (Leo High School)
Fri 10/17/2025	7:00 pm	Norwell
Fri 10/24/2025	7:00 pm	IHSAA Sectional
Fri 10/31/2025	7:00 pm	IHSAA Sectional (Mississinewa)
Fri 11/7/2025	7:00 pm	IHSAA Sectional (Leo High School)
Fri 11/14/2025	7:30 pm	IHSAA Regional (Kokomo High School)
Fri 11/21/2025	7:00 pm	IHSAA Semi State
Fri 11/28/2025	TBD	IHSAA State



Look for Eagles Baseball & Softball
schedules in the upcoming edition.

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