

The Chatter

*Engage whatever your age...
helping seniors engage, enrich, and empower their lives!*

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**AAC
Grand Opening**



August 2025

*Franklin Active Adult Center
Franklin, IN 46131*

INFORMATION

MANAGER'S MINUTE

Hello Members,

I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful building. We will adjust things as needed over the next several months and figure out what works best.

Starting in August we will be open one evening a month. The first evening will be Tuesday, August 12th from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm for members. We will be having a game night with cards, pool, board games, corn hole. Please, come join us.

We again want to express our thanks to every one that made this building possible and all the hard work that was done to make the move happen.

Please notice on the Chatter that we are changing crafts on Tuesday to 12:30 pm. We are looking at more activities that can be added.

Always a big thank you to all my staff for getting through the last 13 months and assisting at opening the new and improved Franklin Active Adult Center.

*Glenna Escher,
Center Manager*

*Have you shared your ideas
with Glenna yet? Please do!*



CENTER INFORMATION

Active Adult Center 160 Adams St. Franklin,
IN 46131

317-736-3696

Website: www.franklin.in.gov

OPEN Monday through Friday
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Ages 55+

Membership fees:

City of Franklin resident \$25/year

Outside Franklin City limits \$50/year

**The mission of the *Active Adult Center*
is to engage with seniors in promoting
healthy aging, social connection
and lifelong learning.**

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APPRECIATION



BINGO SPONSORS

Franklin Meadows & Hickory Creek
Women of the Moose
The Insurance Guy
Compass Park
Grand Victorian
Cedar Creek
Humana
Crestwood Village South

WELLNESS AWARD SPONSOR

Frechette Eye Center

LUNCH SPONSORS

Morning Pointe of Franklin
Shiloh Community Church
Astral at Franklin
Compass Park
AAC Member Donations

Birthday Sponsor

SPECIAL SPONSORS/PARTNERS

Great Harvest Food Pantry
Johnson County Senior Services
Franklin Parks & Recreation
Zeta Chapter of Tri Kappa, Inc.
Main Street Hospice
A Senior Retreat

Contact Johnson County Senior Services to learn more about senior transportation opportunities, including transport to the Active Adult Center. (317-738-4544)

Special Thanks to

Morning Pointe of Franklin

Astral

Compass Park

Franklin Meadows

Hickory Creek

Humana

Grand Victorian

Willow Creek Band

Franklin Parks & Rec

Johnson County Senior Services

AAC Members and Volunteers

ALL sponsors/partners/friends, past, present, and future!

Thank you, Jenna! We appreciate the meals, bingo prizes and your time presenting!

Thank you, Compass Park for your support!!



SPECIALS

Handcrafter's Club

Friday, August 8, 2025 11-2

Bring your current project to work on!

(Diamond Dot, Quilting, Crocheting, Knitting, etc.)

Evening Activity

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

6-8:30 pm

TRIVIA

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 11:00 am

Compete for prizes!

Book Club

Friday, August 15, 2025 11:00 am



Bingo with Humana

Monday, August 4, 2025

Bingo with Franklin Meadows/Hickory Ck

Monday, August 11, 2025

Bingo with Grand Victorian

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Bingo with Cedar Creek

Monday, August 18, 2025

Bingo with Compass Park

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

FREE LUNCH FROM COMPASS PARK

Wednesday, August 20, 2025 Noon

Provided by your friends at Compass Park

Tea Time

Friday, August 15, 2025 1:00 pm

Enjoy teas, treats and conversation!

PITCH IN

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

11:30 am

Please sign up and list the item(s) you will bring! (by the sign-in book)

Beverages and serving utensils will be provided. (Please do not bring utensils)



August Birthday Party

Cupcakes & Ice
Cream

Friday,
August 29, 2025
11:30 am

*Celebrating all
August Birthdays!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WINNER, WINNER

Vicki Thornburg won a \$10.00 Kroger gift card, courtesy of *Frechette Eye Center*, in this month's *Wellness Drawing*. *Cleo Johnson* won the word search drawing and *Karen McCain* won a coloring book. *Well done!* All winners were chosen by random drawing. If you aren't sure how to enter, please ask! *Winners listed above should see Luan to claim your prize!*



We are offering an evening event once a month on a trial basis. Please join us for these specially planned evenings! Information will be found on the calendar and on the specials page (pg 4)

To get the AAC Chatter online...
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Click on View All
Click on the Chatter



August

Barbara Weingart
Glenna Escher
Susan Newman-Bourne
Rod Williamson
Barbara Painter
Pat Graves
Jeff Hamilton
Rosalie Hyde
Lisa Browning
Randy Bowden
Dale Voss
Tracy Stubbeman
Sandy Richards
Debbie Andreas
Diana Tames
Kelly Roe
June Hobson
Connie Onken
Rosie Scott
Ernie Hoskins
Sandra Dickinson
Lyn Jerkins
Barb Cohoon
Gloria Eaton
Janene Nichols
Kathy Dilk
Rebecca McCreery
Rita Horton
Hilda Crosley
Diane Englau
Rick Reel
Marlene Harris
Lyman Snyder
Karen Wright
Robert Murray
Jim Church
Diana Moore
Debbie Ratliff
Bret Hawhee
Regina Bollinger
Kathy Diehl

*Please let us know if anyone is missed.
Our apologies as our report is automated.*

PROGRAMMING AND ACTIVITIES

BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday morning at 9:15 am is a time of fellowship and learning under the guidance of AAC member, Karyl Entner. Music, storytelling, and always a Bible passage explained. Meet with this group to share prayer burdens, encouragement and something challenging to take you through the week. **(Library)**

COLORING sheets and “brain-teaser” sheets are available in the entrance. Return sheets to the blue basket in the entrance for the random monthly prize drawing.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Members can join in on making/preparing items to donate to charities. We will meet monthly on the first Friday of the month at 11:30 AM **(ER)**

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Party with us on the **last Friday** of the month as we celebrate monthly birthdays.

Cupcakes and ice cream at 11:30 am!
(Event Room)

WILLOW CREEK BAND

Please join us for great music by the guys with Willow Creek Band! The last Friday of the month from 12:00—2:00 **(Event Room)**

CRAFTY CLUB WITH STAFF

Tuesday's at 12:30 pm. A variety of craft projects will be offered.

Please sign up to participate in crafts. The page will be at our sign in table daily.

We will also take monetary donations during crafts. **(Event Room)**

JOYFUL NOISE SINGERS

Do you like to sing? *Joyful Noise* meets every Monday morning at 10:45 am. Sing along to oldies, classics, hymns, and more. Everyone is welcome!

(Auditorium)

HANDCRAFTERS CLUB

Bring your own handcraft such as quilting, knitting, crocheting, etc. and visit with your fellow crafters while creating. Meets on the second Friday of the month at 11:00 am. There will be a 3 hour block of time for this activity. **(Event Room)**

QUILTERS CLUB

Meeting monthly on Thursday at 1:00 for a quilt block of the month.

BOOK CLUB

Book lovers will discuss selected material with Karen. Meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at 11:00 am **(Library)**

LUNCH BUNCH & TRIPS

The latest trip information can be found on page 10.

Come to the AAC!

*“Where the young at heart gather to share old memories
...and make new ones!”*

PROGRAMMING AND ACTIVITIES



BINGO: Play bingo at 1:00 pm on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Play for regular, special and cover-all wins for a *donation* of \$1.00 per card, up to 4 cards **(Event Room)**

BOARD GAMES: Choose your favorite from the game shelf & gather friends to play.

CARDS:

Monday 11:30 Pinochle **(Game Room)**
Tuesday 11:30 Bid Euchre **(Game Room)**
Wednesday 9:45 Bridge **(Game Room)**
11:00 Hand & Foot **(Game Room)**
Thursday 11:30 Euchre **(Event Room)**
Friday 11:30 Open Cards **(Game Room)**

See member Lyn Jerkins for more details (willing to teach beginners)

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES: Monday at 11:00 AM. All are welcome to play! **(Event Room)**

PUZZLES: A jigsaw puzzle is always in progress. Why not add a piece or two?
(Library)




CHAIR DANCING: This dvd-based program meets Mondays, Wednesday and Friday at 9:15. Chair dance and sing along to lively tunes! Good for beginners, those who like a slower, more gentle pace for exercise, and music lovers! Fun for everyone! **(Auditorium)**

CHAIR YOGA: Led by certified yoga instructor and therapist Dee Woods on Tuesday at 10:45 am. Pay \$2.00 per class. Experience the benefits of yoga in a chair based setting. **(Auditorium)**
Chair Yoga Video will be on Thursdays at 10:45. Free on Thursdays **(Auditorium)**

CHAIR EXERCISE: Chair based group exercise program on dvd. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00 am. Low impact, strengthen core, improve cardio, increase endurance. **(FREE)**
(Auditorium)

TAI CHI: Slow movement, stretching and mindfulness program to help maintain strength, flexibility and balance. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 am (Free) **(Auditorium)**

Sign and date a ticket and deposit into the "Wellness Can" after any group exercise for a chance to win the Wellness Prize \$10.00 Gift Card in the monthly drawing sponsored by Frechette Eye Center. Chair Dancing, Simply Seated, Tai Chi and Chair Yoga all count! Sign and date a wellness ticket each time you exercise for your chance to win!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
		
4 9:00 Coffee/Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 10:45 Joyful Noise (AUD) 11:00 Mexican Train (LI) 11:30 Pinochle (GR) 1:00 Bingo- (ER) Humana	5 9:00 Coffee/Chat (ER) 9:15 Bible Study (LI) 10:00 Tai Chi (AUD) 10:45 Chair Yoga (AUD) 11:30 Bid Euchre (GR) 12:30 Crafts with Staff (ER)	6 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 9:45 Bridge (GR) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:00 Hand & Foot (LI) 11:00 Speaker-Brad GC 12:00 Lunch (ER) 1:00 Bingo (ER) Guardian Care
11 9:00 Coffee/Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 10:45 Joyful Noise (AUD) 11:00 Mexican Train (LI) 11:30 Pinochle (GR) 1:00 Bingo- (ER) FM/HC	12 9:00 Coffee/Chat (ER) 9:15 Bible Study (LI) 10:00 Tai Chi (AUD) 10:45 Chair Yoga (AUD) 11:30 Bid Euchre (GR) 12:30 Crafts with Staff (ER) 6-8:30 Games Night (page 4)	13 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 9:45 Bridge (GR) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:00 Hand & Foot (LI) 11:00 Trivia Contest(ER) 12:00 Lunch (ER) 1:00 Bingo (ER) Grand Vic
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THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:30 Service Projects 11:30 Open Cards (GR) 1:00 Texas Hold'em (ER)
7 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 10:00 Tai Chi (AUD) 10:45 Chair Yoga Video (AUD) 11:30 Euchre (ER) 1:00 Quilter's Club (AUD)	8 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:00 Handcrafters Club (ER) 11:30 Open Cards (GR) 1:00 Corn Hole (AUD/PAT) 1:30 Book Mobile (LO)
14 TRIP 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 10:00 Tai Chi (AUD) 10:45 Chair Yoga Video (AUD) 11:30 Euchre (ER) 1:00 Pool (GR)	15 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:00 Book Club (LIB) 11:30 Open Cards (GR) 1:00 Tea Time (ER)
21 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 10:00 Tai Chi (AUD) 10:45 Chair Yoga Video (AUD) 11:30 Euchre (ER) 1:00 Line Dancing (AUD)	22 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:30 Open Cards (GR) 12:30 Popcorn & Movie (AUD) <u>Grease</u>
28 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 10:00 Tai Chi (AUD) 10:45 Chair Yoga Video (AUD) 11:30 Euchre (ER) 1:00 Pool (GR)	29 9:00 Coffee & Chat (ER) 9:15 Chair Dancing (AUD) 10:00 Chair Exercise (AUD) 11:30 Open Cards (GR) 11:30 Birthday Party (ER) 12:00 Willow Creek Band (ER)

*This calendar is subject to change.
We apologize for any inconvenience or errors.
Feel free to call/ask to confirm activities.*

AAC Room Legend

Auditorium AUD
 Event Room ER
 Game Room GR
 Library LI
 Lobby LO
 Patio PAT



"Happiness is not having what you want, but wanting what you have"
 -Hyman Schachtel

AAC ON THE GO 2025

Please read trip information carefully. The *AAC Code of Conduct* applies in its entirety to trips as well as at the AAC. Trips open and sign up begins on the date listed in the newsletter. All sign ups must be made **in person**. Payment terms are noted for each trip. If the trip requires payment at sign up you **must** pay at that time to secure your seat. No seats can be held in anticipation of later payment.

No refunds can be issued unless the **trip** is cancelled. Please ask if you have any questions.

Please arrive 15 minutes before the stated departure time. This information is listed in the trip details.

All passengers on the van are required to wear a seat belt. Courtesy is expected at all times.

TRIPS ARE BACK! Refer to the Chatter each month to verify which trips are open. When the trip seat limit is reached we will be happy to add your name to a "Wait List" to indicate your interest in the trip and you will be notified in order if a seat opens up.

PLEASE NOTE: We will be meeting at the AAC for LB/trips beginning JULY 2025!

AUGUST:



Stream Cliff Farms, Commisky—Thursday, August 14, 2025

Sign Up Monday, August 4, 2025 9:00 am

Cost \$6.00 plus the cost of purchases, meal and gratuity

Time: Meet at 9:45 am Depart at 10:00 am

Minimum 8 , Maximum 19 (14 bus/5 van)

Lunch Bunch: Grillerz, Nineveh– Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Sign up Monday, August 4, 2025 9:00 am

Cost \$ 3.00 plus the cost of meal and gratuity

Time: Meet at 10:30 am Depart at 10:45 am

Minimum 7, Maximum 14 (14 bus)

SEPTEMBER:

Mitchell Persimmon Festival, Thursday, September 25, 2025

Sign up Tuesday, September 2, 2025, 9 AM

Cost \$8.00 plus the cost of purchases, meal and gratuity

Time: Meet at 9:15 am Depart at 9:30 am

Minimum 8, Maximum 19 (14 bus/5 van)



Lunch Bunch: Crow Bar, Trafalgar, Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Sign up Tuesday, September 2, 2025, 9 am

Cost \$3.00 plus the cost of the meal and gratuity

Time: Meet at 10:30 am Leave at 10:45 am

Minimum 7, Maximum 14 (14 bus)

RESOURCES

Johnson County Senior Services offers **transportation** for Johnson County residents 60 and older at no charge. Service is door to door and wheelchair accessible. They also offer durable medical equipment and a food pantry. 317-738-4544

The Hub, Impact Christian Church

2800 N. Graham Rd., Franklin

Open every Tuesday, 5-6:30 pm

Food, clothing and more! 317-346-0452

Great Harvest Food Pantry

6766 Us Hwy 31 N, New Whiteland. 317-657-4998

Senior Community Day 12-1:45 pm 4th Friday.

Age 60+; ID required.

Franklin, United, Needham Township Trustee's Office

20 Circle Drive

317-736-7511

Veterans Affairs

The *Johnson County Veterans Affairs* office is here to **assist veterans and their families** with VA disability and educational benefits.

Seneca Harbin, Director

18 W. Jefferson St.

Franklin, IN 46131

Phone: 317-346-4563

Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County

211 Commerce Dr., Franklin, IN 46131

Phone: 317-736-5090

Drive-Thru M-F noon to 3 pm

2nd and 4th Saturdays 9 am—11 am



New Home and Old Friends!



Welcome New Members!!

Linda Adams
Julie Allen
Donna Dismore
Dee Work
Kimberly Smith
Janet Marchant
Roger Farmer
Diane Dukate-
Farmer
Judith Bealke
Dennis McCreery
Rebecca McCreery
Gail Carvin
Jeff Alford
Marsha Alford
Carol Dale
Michael Dale
Rena Cox

Marty Johnson
James Richardson
Kelly Roe
Shirley Roe
Barry Ong
Julie Adams
Doug Adams
Annette Wesemann
Arija Wesemann
Paula Dorris
Matt Caddell
Becky Caddell
Alta Hurst
Lyman Snyder
Corbalou Snyder
Nancy Hawhee
Jerry Ann Garrett
Toni Susemichel

Marsha Kosowan
Teresa Rigsbee
Doug Lechner
Cathy Robinette
Rob Robinette
Andy Richards
Sandy Richards
Jeanne Brown
Karen Wright
Bret Hawhee
Barbara Helton
Charlene Hawkins
Marlene Rathbun
James Richardson
Madelyn Ford
Mary Coryell
Mary E Fletcher
Karen Snead

Mary Jo
Kazmucha
Karen Denton
Sandy Harrison
Lucilla Abbott
Joe Pfenning
Tom Stubbeman
Michael Andry
Sally Liali
Roger Morrow
Randy Andry
Michael Seyfried
Linda Seyfried
Connie Onken
Tina Rogers
Rhonda Grider
Barbara Zack
Robert Zack

Debbie Andreas
Russ Andreas
Ann Lietz-Workman
Lynn Thompson
JR Shelton
Mary Polletta
Jim Polletta
Becky Voss
Dale Voss
Bonnie Weddle
Dan Weddle
William Betts
Jesse O'Brien
Harriett O'Brien
Judy Kay MacGreagor
Barbara Mexin
Jeff Mexin
Emmalea Butler
Vickie Delph

Lea Brummett
Marilyn England
Carol McDonald
Cathy Wells
Leslee Smith
Mary Henderson
Marilyn Records
Connie Coryle
John DeHart
Michele Burgess
Karen Strohmeier
Carol Long
Anna Banta
Rebecca Taylor
Caryl Dill
Maureen Gartland
Judith Bruning
Judy McGinnis
Beverly Henderson

Teressa Kleiner
Ben Steagall
Mary Williams
Bridget Griffin
Mark Griffin

Keith Cohoon
Barb Cohoon
Maria Poeck



Please welcome our newest members!! Over 100 in the first few weeks at our new center!!