

BIRMINGHAM AREA CABLE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 7:45 am

***Village of Beverly Hills

Council Chambers***

18500 W. 13 Mile Road

1. Roll Call
2. Approve Meeting Minutes for Cable Board Meeting of November 19, 2025- M
3. Public Comments
4. PEG Grant Request-NEXT-M
5. Approval of Equipment Purchase (Fiber Transmitter & Receiver)-M
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Cable Action Committee
 - b. PEG Committee
7. Executive Director's Report
8. Provider Related Topics
 - a. Comcast
 - b. AT&T
 - c. WOW
9. BAPA/BAMA Report
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Public Comments
13. Board Comments
14. Adjourn

There will be a Cable Action Committee Meeting and a PEG Committee Meeting immediately following the regular BACB Meeting

BIRMINGHAM AREA CABLE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – November 19, 2025

Gugni called the meeting of the Birmingham Area Cable Board to order at 7:45 AM. in the Village of Beverly Hills Municipal Building at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road.

Present: Deanna Brown, David Eick, George Abraham – Birmingham
Ray Kamoo, Gil Gugni, Chris Dobies, Pete McDonnell– Beverly Hills
Rick David – Franklin
D.E. Hagaman – Bingham Farms
Also Present: Rota – BCTV
White – BACB Executive Director
Gojcaj – Attorney for the Cable Board
Rock Abood – Beverly Hills Council Member
Absent: Donovan Shand and Jim Cleary

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FOR CABLE BOARD MEETING OF September 17, 2025

Motion by Hagaman, seconded by Kamoo, to approve the minutes of the Cable Board meeting on September 17, 2025.

Gugni corrected the motion regarding the hiring of the new auditing firm, Gabridge and Company. Motion by Gugni, seconded by David to approve the hiring of Gabridge and Company to do the audit for BACB for a fee not to exceed \$9,205.00.

The second correction was to eliminate the “second” acceptance by McDonnell at the bottom of the Roll Call which was to hire Gabridge and Company. McDonnell’s name was already near the end of the original list.

Motion passed unanimously (9-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Rick David, Treasurer, referenced his report, “2024 Administrative Grants and Adjusted 2023 Administrative Grants”. He also explained the MBS (Multi-bank Securities) Policy and possible changes which would lock-in some higher rates.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Gugni listed the current members who would be elected: Gil Gugni - Chairman, David Eick – Vice Chairman, Ray Kamoo – Secretary, Rick David – Treasurer. He further explained that Committee Chairmen are appointed, not elected.

Gugni stated that all have indicated that those previously elected are willing to remain on the Board for another year. However, nominations will still be accepted for any or all those positions. Gugni opened the nominations for the four (4) elected positions. None were suggested.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Dobies, to re-elect the current slate of

Officers: Gugni - Chair; Eick – Vice Chair; Kamoo – Secretary; and David – Treasurer for one more year.

Roll Call Vote

Dobies	Aye
David	Aye
Brown	Aye
Hagaman	Aye
Eick	Aye
Abraham	Aye
McDonnell	Aye
Kamoo	Aye
Gugni	Aye

Motion Passed unanimously (9-0).

Gugni confirmed that the current Committee Chairmen: Abraham (Cable Action Committee) Kamoo (PEG Committee), and Eick (Personnel Committee) unanimously agreed to continue for one more year.

This being the last meeting of the year Gugni thanked everyone on the Board for their incredible work this past year. He expressed a special thank you to Cathy White for her amazing job this year. He also thanked the Board's friends at BCTV: among them Carrie Lazotte and Steve Rota and the viewing public.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cable Action Committee

Abraham reported there had been a meeting to discuss the strategic plan which is on the website. The last time it was updated was 2009. It was decided that at the meeting following this current one there would be further discussion about this.

PEG Committee

Kamoo stated there had been a PEG meeting following the last Board meeting. Carrie Lazotte presented a proposed budget from BCTV. One of the topics was additional funding for the programming. There was a discussion about this and the idea of the Board underwriting or sponsoring programs. There will be a PEG meeting following this current one.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was only one (1) complaint since the last meeting. It dealt with wiring left on a pole which was believed to be DTE. However, due to the number of wires, White has contacted all the providers and they are working on it.

White included in her report all the financials as of September 30, 2025. Please contact her if

there are any additional questions. She included checks she has written in the last two (2) months, including replacement of equipment that was failing. She reminded the Board that she has the authority to authorize payment amounts under \$1,000.

There will be a Holiday gathering on Dec. 9, 5-7 PM at the Rusty Bucket in Bingham Farms. All are welcome to come.

After checking with an employee at WOW, it was confirmed to Kamoo that WOW was stopping its cable services. However, the internet will continue. White confirmed the same information.

PROVIDER RELATED TOPICS

a. Comcast

There was no representative present.

b. AT&T

There was no representative present.

c. WOW

There was no representative present.

BAPA/BAMA Report

Regarding the BAMA Programs, Rota reported that all the regularly scheduled municipal meetings were completed. A Special Village of Franklin Special Meeting was also included.

For the BAPA Programs from individual producers and organizations, 37 were taped which included programs in the studio and the podcasts, lectures, concerts and the sporting events. All eight (8) Fall sporting events were completed. Seven (7) Winter session sports have been scheduled to start in the new year of 2026 and are in his report. All the sports will be Groves vs. Seaholm except for hockey when the two schools will be combined into one team to play against other schools. The schools' websites will have who Groves/Seaholm will be playing, times and locations. The BCTV crew will be there to cover the events.

Regarding the truck cable repair, purchases and equipment failure, the new Sony Truck camera Monitor cable will be handled by Advance Lighting and Sound and the four (4) VARIZOOM FUJI 8-PIN TO FUJI 12-PIN CONVERTER cables will be handled by B&H Photo. Also, the Village of Beverly Hills QSC audio processor and QSC audio amplifier failed and needs to be repaired or replaced (The amplifier may be out of warranty so he will be working with ALS to get this issue fixed.)

He contacted White regarding a few cable repairs and purchases of the Zoom cables for all four (4) truck cameras and one (1) truck monitor. White was able to order such purchases, the total of which were within the limit.

The audio process and audio EQ amplifier in this particular meeting room had a power outage. Therefore, the speakers and/or microphones went out. A portable speaker and microphone cables were brought into the room to keep the different meetings running. Hopefully Advance Lighting will be able to repair them or new equipment might be needed which could mean the room might be out of commission for a couple of weeks. If that be the case, he will notify the Board. If need be there are other locations which might accommodate the meetings.

BCTV's annual chili cookoff will be in the morning of December 4, between 11 AM and 1 PM and then there will be an open house in the studio from 4-7 pm to celebrate BCTV's 40th Anniversary.

After a discussion regarding the approval for acquiring new equipment, Rota explained his next step is to go the vendors to get bids for buying and installing the equipment. David explained that BCTV does not own the equipment- it's the responsibility of the village or township to maintain the equipment. David inquired if the village or township has an insurance claim. There was further discussion about this issue, including some historical comments by Rock Abood, Beverly Hills Village Council member. Kamoo also complimented the BCTV staff.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

For him personally, Abood was interested in the new cable TV technology so the residents would have the options to get the best available. Regarding the Cable Board there are five (5) things that he would like to understand and what the Cable Board's thoughts were about "Disruptive Technologies" in cable TV. #1 - NextGen TV, the ATSC 3.0 4K HDR resolution. He just wanted the Cable Board to consider and understand so the viewers are getting the premium for their money. #2 - Cloud-Based broadcasting where TV channels can run from any remote location. #3 IP streaming conversions where cable boxes could be replaced so the public won't need them. #4 - Advanced Advertising, addressable and AI, driven, targeted ads and #5 - which helps 5G Broadcasting and Mobile Integration where you can have live TV directly going to your phones without data usage.

BOARD COMMENTS

There were none.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 AM.

Proudly serving the 50+ population of Birmingham, Bingham Farms, Beverly Hills, Franklin, and surrounding areas.

January 9, 2026

Ms. Cathy White
Birmingham Area Cable Board
P.O. Box 165
Birmingham, MI 48012

Dear Ms. White and the Birmingham Area Cable Board,

Next, Your Place to Stay Active & Connected, is a non-profit organization proudly serving 50 plus residents in Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, Franklin and many surrounding communities. Next receives little municipal funding to provide crucial services to our communities, instead we are supported through a diverse revenue stream, which includes strong community partners like the Birmingham Area Cable Board.

Over the past few years, Next has seen a large shift in our community, understanding the 50 plus residents are the fastest growing demographic. We are committed to meet and exceed the needs of our adult population, and an important part of that effort is keeping our community digitally and electronically connected. Next would like to respectfully ask for financial support to help defray these associated expenses.

Next is in need of an upgrade to our website. Our website, created in 2015, is on a much older platform that is no longer easy to navigate and was never made to work with mobile devices, which have become preferred by many website users. In addition, we would like to replace our two 2019 laptops that are used by our speakers for presentations, our group facilitators, and staff; they cannot support Windows 11 making compatibility immensely difficult. And lastly, we would like to ask for support with the continued costs to maintain our internet, cable and registration software for the center. A grant request totaling \$13,264.41 would allow Next to better serve our 2,300 members and support service clients with streamlined efficiency. Please see the attached budget and supporting documents.

Next is grateful for the opportunity to submit a grant request to BACB. Supporting Next, and the communities we serve, aligns directly with the Cable Board's goals. Next is not only a warm and welcoming place to gather, learn and explore, but Next also provides comprehensive resources to keep residents connected to their community.

Thank you for your consideration.



Respectfully, Cris Braun



January 9, 2025

	Next Communication		
	Technology Needs		
	Website updates	\$6,250	
	2 Replacement laptops	\$1,619.98	
	Comcast 1/2025-12/2025	\$3,327.85	
	Deep Freeze Software	\$80.85	
	GoDaddy Web Hosting	\$115.85	
	DreamHost Web Admin	\$60.00	
	Paper/Toner for the		
	Member's Computer Lab	\$309.88	
	My Senior Center Registration		
	& Membership Data	\$1,500.00	
	Total Request	\$13,264.41	



December 1, 2025

Web Design/Development: Birmingham Next website upgrade

Issues:

The site was created in 2015. It uses ExpressionEngine as the content management system. The version the current site uses is 5.4.2 The current version of ExpressionEngine is version 7.5. They've made a lot of changes and improvements over the years. We need to update the software!

We also need to do an audit to evaluate the add-ons we use and do a content audit on what needs to stay and go regarding images, navigation, structure, notifications, reports, etc. to see what can be improved.

We should also take a fresh look at the design and decide if we want to make some changes.

Estimated Costs:

ExpressionEngine itself is not free. The Pro Version, which allows for more than one user and is recommended is \$249 for the first year and then \$49 per year after. HOWEVER, they do offer a non-profit version which is free, but you have to apply for it, which you do at:

<https://expressionengine.com/store/request-pro-license>

BEFORE you do that, you should create an account:

<https://expressionengine.com/login#sign-up>

They will ask for that when they grant your request. Send me your login credentials when you sign up. When you get the email that says you're approved, I'll add the license to your account for you.

The other add-ons we use need to be upgraded and re-licensed as well. These will be purchased separately, outside this design/development estimate.

Espresso Store: \$299

Calendar: \$199.95

Freeform Pro (membership form, donation form, etc) \$149.95

Channel Images \$65

Wygwam (text editor) \$49

Still waiting to hear back from ExpressionEngine to be certain, but I'm pretty sure that the ecommerce gateway you've been using, Authorize.net, is no longer supported. I'm recommending Stripe (<https://stripe.com>)

in my experience, upgrading from our really old version to all the latest versions of all the software is never problem-free. There are going to be things that no longer work as expected, and I'm going to spend a bunch of time tracking down issues and fixing them. It's frustrating. It takes time. And patience.

I estimate I will need about **45-50** hours to make it all work. My standard rate is \$125 per hour. In the end, though, hopefully we will be good for another 10 years!

Design | Development estimate: \$5625 - \$6250

Estimated time to complete: 30-60 days

Payment schedule: 50% when contract is signed, 50% at launch.

Contact:

Debra Weiss

drw Design

434-293-2468

New 2025 laptop spec guidelines:

Windows 11 Pro (not Windows 11 Home).

CPU - intel core i5 or core i7 (vPro for IT remote) . No experience with new AMD CPU for business.

RAM - 16 GB good, 32 GB overkill. LPDDR4 (LPDDR5 is newest but \$\$\$)

Graphics - integrated graphics are best (Intel UHD or ?) !!! Discrete graphics like Nvidia or Radeon use too much power, which results in more heat, which requires additional fan cooling. Now you have a noisy fan running down the battery.

Storage - the days of hard disks are gone. The best SSDs (solid state disk) are nVME M.2 style. The much slower, original SSDs are the SATA M.2 style. The nVME SSDs are 10 times faster than SATA SSDs which are 10 times faster than HDDs.

Storage capacity - 1 TB good, 2TB overkill

Laptop size - personal preference. 14" size commands premium price over 15" (most common size). 16" pushing limit for portability.

Ethernet port - physical LAN port for hard wired connection for best internet speed (Zoom or guest presentation online content)

Touchscreen - NO, adds cost and complexity.

Webcam - required (1080p best, 720p ok)

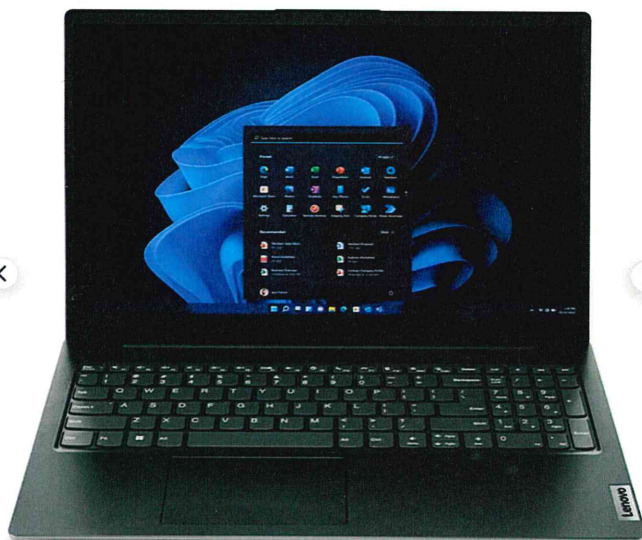
Option for buying a new laptop:

Staples - Lenovo V15 G4 15.6" Laptop, Intel Core i5-13420H, 16GB RAM, 1TB SSD, Windows 11 Pro (83CC002BUS) | Staples

https://www.staples.com/lenovo-v15-g4-15-6-laptop-intel-core-i5-13420h-16gb-ram-1tb-ssd-windows-11-pro-83cc002bus/product_24628028

I can answer any questions about these guidelines when I see you at Next.

John



Lenovo V15 G4 15.6" Laptop, Intel Core i5-13420H, 16GB RAM, 1TB SSD, Windows 11 Pro (83CC002BUS)

Item #: 24628028 | Model #: 83CC002BUS-N

4.6 ★★★★★ 250 Reviews 55 Questions

\$809.99

Screen Size (inches)

15.6

Processor Type

Intel Core i3

Intel Core i5

Intel Core i7

AMD Ryzen 7

SSD Capacity

512GB

1TB

Computer Operating System

Windows 11 Professional

Windows 11



NEXT - Your Place to Stay Active and Connected
Transaction Detail By Account
January through June 2025

	Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Clr	Split	Amount
5009 · Technology								
	Check	01/17/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.44
	Check	02/17/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.44
	Check	03/17/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.44
	Check	04/21/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.06
	Check	05/20/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.06
	Check	06/20/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.06
	Check	07/17/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.09
	Check	08/20/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.09
	Check	09/10/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.09
	Check	10/17/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.09
	Check	11/17/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	276.09
	Check	12/22/2025	ACH	Comcast Cable	8529 10 256 0145178		1015 · Independent Bank	289.90
	Check	01/13/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	02/14/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	03/14/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	04/14/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	05/12/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	06/13/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	07/14/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
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	Check	11/14/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Check	12/22/2025	ach	Dreamhost	Website fee - SSL Certificate renewal		1015 · Independent Bank	5.00
	Bill	05/30/2025	0231253	Faronics Technologies USA Inc.	Deep Freeze ENT NA Maint. for 1 Yr. 5/30/25- 5/29/26		1800 · Accounts Payable*	80.85
	Bill	02/20/2025	2/2425	GoDaddy.com	.org renewal (5yr) birminghamnext.org		1800 · Accounts Payable*	115.85
	Bill	12/30/2025	Ach	Xavus Solutions	My Senior Center Annual upgrades, Maintenance & Support			1,500.00
		01/12/2025	Act	Amzaon	Paper/lnk for Computer room			309.88
								5,394.43

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INVOICE

BILL TO

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INVOICE # 28022

DATE 12/18/2025

DUE DATE 12/18/2025

TERMS Due Upon Receipt

DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
MySeniorCenter - Annual Upgrades, Maintenance & Support for staff system software and first touchscreen software.	1	1,500.00	1,500.00

The fee covers the database license, security for the staff system and application/cloud hosting. It also entitles you to:

- Access to our technical support team via telephone, email and web between 8:30 am and 8:30 pm ET
- Generally available product updates pushed out automatically
- Nightly database back-up services
- Periodic web-based refresher training

Please make check payable to:
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68 Harrison Ave. Ste 605, PMB 30713
Boston, MA 02111-1929

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\$1,500.00

To pay by credit card call 508-834-4113
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JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026

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January 20 – AN EVENING OF COMEDY WITH MATT CONN

Comedian Matt Conn

Tuesday, January 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$5



Join us at
Next for an
evening of
clean comedy
to laugh away
the winter
blues! Matt
Conn has
performed all
over the
country

including the world-famous Hollywood Comedy Store, and is a regular at One Night Stan's and Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle where he was a finalist in the Detroit to L.A. competition. He's been described as having a whimsical balance of witty observations combined with boyish charm. Matt's clean and clever humor strikes a chord with audiences of all ages. Generously sponsored by the Avalon of Bloomfield Township.

SONGS YOU LOVE – A MUSICAL PERFORMANCE BY VANESSA CARR

Thursday, February 12 at 1:00 pm

Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$5

Vanessa Carr is a world-class entertainer, noted for her dynamic musical performances. As a singer and dancer recognized for her emotional interpretations, humorous renditions, captivating story-telling and genuine connection to audiences, Vanessa sparks joy in the hearts of her listeners. Her ever-growing repertoire includes a variety of genres including Broadway show tunes, rock n' roll, music of The Great American Songbook, opera, international favorites, soulful standards... and maybe a few love songs to celebrate Valentine's Day.

Lovingly sponsored by American House Village at Bloomfield.



February 17 – LIGHTHOUSES AND LEGENDS Kitty Donohoe, Emmy-winning songwriter

Tuesday, February 17 at 6:00 p.m.

Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$5

Over 5 decades ago
Michigan Emmy-
winning songwriter
Kitty Donohoe got her
first paid gig and she
hasn't stopped since.
Kitty draws from her
heritage in the music
she writes (both songs
and instrumentals) and
calls her music 'folky,
Irishy & Canadianish'.



She backs herself on guitar, cittern and piano. Kitty was awarded the 2024 Michigan Heritage Award for her work promoting Michigan through her songs. Her performance will feature a collection of songs celebrating Michigan and the Great Lakes. Join us at Next for an unforgettable performance by one of Michigan's treasured musicians. Generously sponsored by Cedarbrook of Bloomfield Hills.

STORYTELLING AND THE MUSIC OF ARMENIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Ara Topouzian, musician, cultural advocate

Thursday, January 22 at 1:00 pm

Members: Complimentary, Guests: \$5

Ara Topouzian is an Armenian-American musician and cultural advocate dedicated to preserving and sharing the traditional music of Armenia and the Middle East. For more than three decades, he has performed across the U.S., using the kanun—an ancient lap harp—to blend music and story-telling that honor his cultural roots. Ara is also the creator of Guardians of Music, a documentary highlighting the artists who keep this musical heritage alive in America. In his presentation, he will explore how telling the story of your mission can inspire audiences, connect generations, and sustain cultural traditions—accompanied by a touch of kanun music. Kindly sponsored by American House Village at Bloomfield.



Happy New Year!

Celebrating Active Aging Week at Next - February 2 through February 6

This week is meant to celebrate the positive process of aging by promoting wellness initiatives, getting our bodies up and moving and our brains stimulated with new experiences! All while socializing with others in a welcoming and healthy atmosphere! Try a new class, play a new game, learn a new skill, and/or enjoy lunch with friends.

As with all Next programs, please register in advance!

This will be a week to remember, so please introduce your friends and family to Next.

If they join, you will both receive \$10 off your Next membership!

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

DIY Salt Scrub Session with Next Staff from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

Join us as we make a salt scrub from natural ingredients! We will also decorate a jar to hold the scrub. Keep it for yourself or...give it to your favorite Valentine! More details on page 4.

Table Tennis, Open Play from 2:30 to 3:30 pm

Participants take turns rotating so everyone can play! Balls and paddles will be supplied. If there is enough interest, we will make this a regular Monday event.

Blood Pressure Clinic from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

It's important to know your numbers! A trained healthcare professional will screen your blood pressure and blood oxygen levels. No appointment needed.

Trivia Time! from 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Enjoy an afternoon of trivia with professional Trivia host, Tricia Olevnick. More details on page 3.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Pickleball Skills and Drills from 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Join licensed pickleball instructor, Tom Wehner for a Skills and Drills clinic where he will cover some basic skills of this very popular game. All levels welcome.

Healthy Juices and Nutritional Salad Tastings from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

The Next staff will provide several healthy juices and salads available for sampling. More details on page 4.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Therapy Dogs at Next from 9:00 to 9:45 am

Meet Ernie and Maple, Seaholm High School's therapy dogs, along with their student handlers, Allyson and Adam. They will all be in Next's lobby accepting lots of your hugs and pets and hopefully, bringing all the feelings that these sweet dogs have a way of bringing out in us. Take a moment to enjoy the simple things in life.

Laughter Yoga from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

Laura Lerman will introduce us to Laughter Yoga – a practice that anyone can do. It combines yogic breathing exercises with intentional laughter, resulting in physical and mental benefits. Join us! Laugh a little and feel better! More details on page 4.

Michigan Science Center Trip from 10:00 am to 1:15 pm

You will have 2 ½ hours to delve into your inner ologist in this self-guided visit of the Michigan Science Center in Midtown Detroit. The Science Center's mission is to inspire curious minds to discover, explore and appreciate science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) in a creative, dynamic and hands-on learning environment. More details on page 12.

Pickleball Skills and Drills from 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Join licensed pickleball instructor, Tom Wehner for a Skills and Drills clinic where he will cover some basic skills of this very popular game. All levels welcome.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Soup's On! from 12:00 to 1:00 pm

Join us for a nutritious meal of soup, rustic bread and a beverage. Socialize with other Next members and...get the latest updates on Next's new home at 400 East Lincoln in Birmingham!

You must register for the lunch by January 30.

THE NEW KIRK GIBSON CENTER FOR PARKINSON'S WELLNESS – A Lecture from 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Come and learn the inspiring stories behind the creation of this unique Center, the cutting-edge research that is being done to support Parkinson's wellness, and hear how the Center and programming are already changing lives. The fitness and movement strategies employed at the Center are also beneficial for everyone's general health. More details on page 7.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament from 11:00 to 12:00 pm

Grab two or three of your jigsaw-loving friends and sign up for Next's Jigsaw Puzzle Tournie! Stimulate your brain and enjoy some friendly competition. More details on page 4.



TRIVIA TIME! with Tricia Olevnick

Mondays, January 5 and February 2 at 3:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Enjoy an afternoon of trivia with Tricia Olevnick, professional trivia host. Teams of four will enjoy friendly competition with a chance to win bragging rights. Try it out! Challenge your brain!

SPANISH CONVERSATION FOR COGNITIVE WELL-BEING with SEÑORA BARTLETT

Advanced Class beginning January 7

Wednesdays at 4:00 pm

Cost: 6-week series: \$120 members / \$125 guests

This course is designed to provide a stimulating and engaging environment for individuals interested in learning Spanish while promoting cognitive health. Through interactive conversation activities, this course aims to enhance mental agility, memory, and linguistic skills, all while fostering social connections and cultural understanding. Participants will explore daily conversational topics. Your instructor, Señora Bartlett, will guide you through various activities and exercises designed to challenge your brain, improve language proficiency, and keep your cognitive abilities sharp. Recommended for individuals who have had some exposure to the Spanish language in the past. Señora Carla Bartlett is a native Spanish speaker and fluent in Italian. She has been teaching for over 30 years at the high school and Adult Education levels. She holds a BA from U of M-Ann Arbor and a MASTERS Art of Teaching.

AGING IN PLACE – CONSTRUCTION ALTERNATIVES

Tom Kellett, President, Kellett Construction Company

Thursday, January 8 at 11:00 am

Are you hoping to age in place? By modifying your current home to accommodate changes that often go hand-in-hand with growing older, you can create an environment that promotes safety and well-being to help you continue living independently at home. Tom Kellett, president of Kellett Construction will give us things to consider including bathroom modifications, wheelchair ramps, handrail and elevator installations, to name a few. A custom residential building company since 1978, Kellett Construction has completed various aging in place projects ranging from bedroom additions and ADA bathrooms to elevators. Join us and learn more!

DEMENTIA CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP - NEW! Hosted by Arden Courts Bingham Farms

Tuesdays, January 13 and February 10 at 11:00 am

Complimentary for Members and Future Members

Caring for a loved one with dementia can be overwhelming - but you don't have to do it alone. This Dementia Caregiver Support Group is open to all who are navigating the challenges

of Dementia. Join us for a welcoming, supportive environment where you can share experiences, gain valuable resources, and connect with others who understand what you are going through. Each session is guided by knowledgeable professionals specializing in memory care, providing insight, encouragement, and practical advice. Let us help you feel empowered, informed, and supported in your care giving journey.

ASK THE ATTORNEY

Wednesdays, January 14 and February 11 from 2:00 to 2:45 pm

Local attorney, Diana Pugh Moak, will be at Next to provide assistance with your legal questions. Please call Next to schedule your complimentary 15-minute appointment. Only available to Next members. This service will be provided the second Wednesday of every month.

MORE TO DISCOVER AT BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY Rebekah Craft, Director, Baldwin Public Library

Wednesday, January 21 at 1:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Learn more about nearly everything offered at the Baldwin Public Library as Library Director, Rebekah Craft, shares resources and materials available to you with your library card. Rebekah will also chat about recently published great books that will keep you wanting to turn the page and answer any questions you may have. Whether you are a seasoned user or new to BPL, you'll learn something exciting!

THE INS AND OUTS OF ESTATE SALES Emily Dein, Owner, Avalon Estate Sales

Tuesday, January 27 at 1:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Are you moving, downsizing or settling an estate of a loved one? Join us as Emily Dein, Certified Appraiser and owner of Avalon Estate Sales, takes us through the do's and don'ts of working successfully with an estate liquidator. Questions, as always, are welcome!

BINGO 2.0 Sealina Moore, Host

Wednesdays, January 28 and February 25 at 3:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Join us for Bingo 2.0 where we offer a different Bingo experience each month. We'll kick off the new year with a winter theme and then, in February, it's Backyard Bird Bingo! There will be snacks, socializing, decorations and prizes. Try something new in the new year! (Please note: this does not replace the Monday Bingo that takes place here at Next on a regular basis.) Generously sponsored by Guiding Light Care Angels.



LIVING YOUR BEST LIFE – WEIGHING YOUR OPTIONS

Denise Bellinger, Owner, Senior Helpers

Thursday, January 29 at 11:00 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

This presentation will explore senior living options and the importance of weighing the pros and cons of living at home vs a senior living facility. We will talk about safety, costs, social advantages and disadvantages and sense of community.

DIY SALT SCRUB SESSION WITH NEXT STAFF

Monday, February 2 at 11:00 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Did you know that a salt scrub can help improve circulation and promote relaxation and muscle relief? Join us, as together we make a personalized scented salt scrub from natural ingredients. And we'll decorate a jar that will help keep the salt scrub fresh. Keep this little gem for yourself or...give it to your favorite Valentine!

HEALTHY JUICES AND NUTRITIONAL SALAD TASTINGS

Tuesday, February 3 at 11:30 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

The Next staff will provide several healthy juices and salads available for sampling. Certain juices can boost your immune system, provide hydration and vitamins, and support heart and skin health. And we all can certainly use more greens in our diet! Experiment. Try something new that's actually good for you! It might become a habit!

LAUGHTER YOGA

Laura Lerman, Laughter Yoga Teacher

Wednesday, February 4 at 11:00 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

You are invited to an introduction to Laughter Yoga - a scientifically proven approach to improving physical, emotional and mental well-being. By combining laughter exercises with deep yogic breathing techniques, it stimulates the body and mind in ways that conventional fitness or relaxation methods often cannot. Just 10–15 minutes daily reduces stress, energizes the body, and promotes mental calmness and positivity. Laura Lerman will be our instructor. Try it! See how a little laughter can make you feel better!

CALLING ALL JIGSAW PUZZLE LOVERS!

Friday, February 6 at 11:00 am

Teams must register by January 29th

Cost: Complimentary

If you love a good jigsaw puzzle and enjoy some friendly competition, you need to grab two or three of your jigsaw-loving friends and sign up for Next's Jigsaw Puzzle

Tournament. Teams of two, three or four will try to complete a puzzle within one hour. The team with the greatest portion of the puzzle completed by the end of the hour, wins! If you don't have a team, but would still like to participate, sign up; we'll find a team for you!

THE HISTORY OF HAMTRAMCK

Joe Kochut, Board President, Hamtramck Historical Museum

Tuesday, February 10 at 1:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Discover the rich and colorful history of Hamtramck, one of Michigan's most unique and diverse cities. This program will trace Hamtramck's transition from a quiet township and farming village to an industrial city. Joe will explore the city's explosive population growth, waves of immigration and its wild reputation during Prohibition. Learn about the people, cultures and events that have shaped Hamtramck's identity over the decades.

HOSPICE: FACT OR FICTION

Julie Capra, Lead Advisor, Hospice of Michigan

Tuesday, February 17 at 1:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

There are many myths and misconceptions when it comes to comfort care. Join us for a discussion on hospice and palliative care – what they are and what they are not. Test your knowledge and bring your questions.

THE WONDERS OF MICHIGAN NATURE - JUST OUTSIDE YOUR WINDOW

Jeremy Caverly, Owner, Backyard Birds of Bloomfield Hills

Tuesday, February 24 at 1:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Explore the joys of feeding wild birds. Jeremy Caverly, and his wife Diana, are the owners of Backyard Birds of Bloomfield Hills, which has been a part of the SE Michigan bird feeding community since 1989. Having grown up along the shores of Charlotte Harbor and the Gulf of Mexico in southwest Florida, Jeremy brings his lifelong appreciation for wildlife to the Great Lakes Region, promoting the hobby of wild bird feeding. Whether you're an avid birder or just looking to attract feathered friends to your backyard oasis, you will enjoy Jeremy's expert tips and advice as we start dreaming of spring!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who donated to PB & J last month!

In just 2 days, we collected 84 jars of peanut butter and 56 jars of jelly/jam. Everything was packed up and delivered to the Food Pantry at Genesis Church in Royal Oak. They were very grateful.



We are excited to present more art classes at Next to ignite your creativity! Please join us to learn some new techniques and develop your artistic flair.

NEW! DRAWING WORKSHOP PART II – GENTLE SHADING FOR FACES

Tuesdays, January 6 through January 20 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Cost: 3 Week Series: \$60 members / \$70 guests

If you have completed Drawing Workshop Part I- Faces, you now know the basic shapes and landmark locations for eyes, noses, and mouths; and you are ready for Part II-Gentle Shading. In this workshop you will begin the soft shading that is so important for the gentle contours of human faces.

BASKET MAKING CLASSES

Join Deborah VanderLinde, PhD, aka "The Basketmak'r" in this fun class where you will be introduced to or review basic weaving techniques.

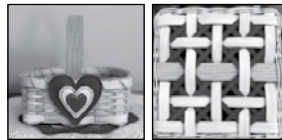
VALENTINE BASKET

Wednesday, January 28 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Cost: \$60 members / \$65 guests

Square basket with a D-handle and lattice base in red accents, trimmed with a felt heart. Perfect for collecting Valentines or as a gift for someone special.

7.5" x 7.5" x 3"



WASTE BASKET

Wednesday, February 25 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Cost: \$65 members / \$70 guests

Weave this attractive waste basket with a unique French Rending accent. Would also be lovely as a planter basket. 8.5" x 8.5" x 9"



WATERCOLOR STUDIO ART CLASS on TUESDAYS

Limited to 12 students

Tuesdays, January 13 through February 17 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: 6 Week series: \$90 members / \$95 guests

This class is designed to broaden the knowledge and growth of each student's skills in working with watercolors. The students and Karen work together to develop student's subjects and carry the project forward to completion. Karen is excited to explore fresh ideas and viewpoints of the student's various art backgrounds to recharge their creative juices. We look forward to sharing concepts to continue enriching our visual statements.

*Students are required to have prior basic watercolor instruction for this class. Bring your materials and what you plan to work on to class. If you work upright, plan to bring your own lightweight portable easel.

POTTERY OPEN STUDIO

Thursdays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Enjoy this independent open studio to develop your beautiful pottery projects.

STUDIO ART PAINTING CLASS – THURSDAYS

Limited to 12 students

Thursdays, January 15 through February 19 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Cost: 6 Week series: \$90 members/ \$95 guests

This class is for experienced students who are looking for fresh points of view that will enrich each student's skills in their chosen medium of acrylics, oils, watercolor or collage/mixed media. The students bring their subjects, chosen supplies and imagination. They will develop their concept with suggestions from Karen, as they move their work forward to completion. Karen is excited to work with the student's pre-gained knowledge from their art background to develop and enrich new visual statements.

Returning students, plan to start a fresh piece of work for the series. If you work upright, plan to bring your own lightweight portable easel.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Thursdays, January 8 and February 12 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

The Next Photography Club seeks to bring people together who have an interest in photography. They maintain their own website and take monthly photo trips. For information, contact the clubs email at- info@birminghamphotoclub.org

KNITTING & CROCHETING OPEN STUDIO

Mondays at 10:00 am

Enjoy lively discussion with this group of lovely ladies. Tips and ideas shared!

NEEDLE ARTS OPEN STUDIO

Wednesdays at 10:00 am

A great group for quilting, needlepoint, sewing and cross-stitch! All levels welcome!

PALETTE & BRUSH CLUB

Thursdays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

The group is currently at capacity; however, if you are interested in joining the club, please contact paletteandbrush.org.

SPEAKER SERIES @ NEXT

Join us on Thursdays Evenings at 6:00 pm
Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Please Note: Speakers can now be found under
the Activities tab in the Speakers category.

January 8 - NAVIGATING SOCIAL MEDIA

Allison Balowski, Project 2 Detroit



It's easy to dismiss social media as a teenage trend, but the data indicates otherwise. In

fact, social media use crosses generations, and has become a critical means of communication for businesses as well as individuals. Allison Balowski is a co-founder of Project 2 Detroit and uses social media as part of her business for community outreach and engagement. This lecture will walk the audience through the basics of social media, what the different platforms can be used for, and how millions of Americans use these applications to communicate, advertise, and connect.

January 15 - MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY (EGLE) LECTURE

Katie Lambeth, EGLE Executive Office

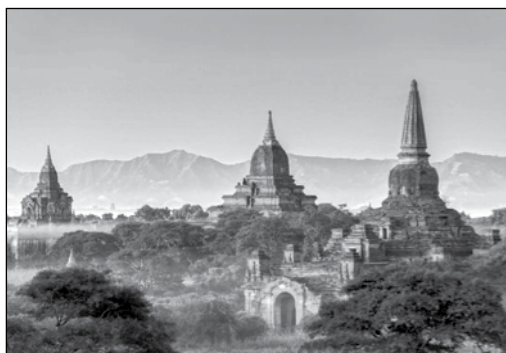


The Michigan agency that is tasked with protecting our environment and waterways also works with multiple Indian tribes, who were

stewards of this land and these waters long before European settlers arrived. Come and learn about the ways that EGLE works to preserve our precious ecosystems, and how they collaborate with various tribes from Katie Lambeth, EGLE Tribal Liaison, Nondiscrimination Compliance Coordinator, and Language Access Coordinator. This lecture will also increase understanding of the vital role that agencies play in state governance, and why it is critical to preserve both our agencies and our environment. This presentation is generously sponsored by American House Stone.

January 22 - MYANMAR EXPLAINED

Fr. Piero Masolo, former missionary to Myanmar



Fr. Piero Masolo traveled from his home country of Italy to serve the people of Myanmar,

formerly known as Burma, who suffer the effects of long-standing political unrest. Currently classified as a "Level 4: Do Not Travel" destination, the inner workings of Myanmar remain a mystery to the outside world. Come and hear an insider's view and experience of this beautiful and perilous country.

January 29 - ROSIE THE RIVETER: HONORING THE HEROES OF WORLD WAR II

Jeannette Gutierrez, Michigan Rosies

Proudly independent and Michigan-based, Michigan Rosies (Rosie the Riveter Association



of Michigan) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to honoring the Rosie the Riveters of WWII, and preserving their legacy in Michigan. Come and hear her fascinating story of the women who stepped into the factories during World War II, and their instrumental role in winning the war. This presentation is generously sponsored by American House Stone.

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the Activities tab in the Speakers category.

February 5 - AN IN DEPTH LOOK AT THE NEW KIRK GIBSON CENTER FOR PARKINSON'S WELLNESS

Brenda Lanker, Director of Community Outreach



On August 9, 2025 the Kirk Gibson Center opened its doors to usher in a new wave of Parkinson's wellness. With state-of-the-art facilities, and thoughtful programs based on the latest research in Parkinson's Disease, the Kirk Gibson Center offers custom tailored strategies to each of its members. Come and learn about the cutting-edge research that is being done to support Parkinson's wellness, and hear how the Center and programming are already changing lives! This presentation is generously sponsored by American House Stone.

FEBRUARY 12 - THE COLLAPSE Gus Mondalek

What do so many ancient societies, from Rome to the Aztecs and Mayans, to the Qing dynasty



have in common? Today, they are reduced to ruins that travelers visit as tourism destinations. What happened to these highly successful and advanced societies? What was behind the iconic Bronze Age collapse? And what are the implications for the modern world that we are living in? Come and explore the answers to these questions with renowned international affairs lecturer Gus Mondalek. This presentation is generously sponsored by American House Stone.

February 19 – JOURNEY TO THE AMAZON

Jill Pavlat



Join experienced adventure traveler Jill Pavlat on a photo journey through the Amazon waterways

and jungles of Peru. Jill's once-in-a-lifetime travels will amaze and inspire as she tells her story of reaching corners of the globe that are truly off of the beaten path. As climate change threatens to change life on Earth, these green "lungs of the planet" play an ever-increasing role of importance. Come and see them as never before.

February 26 – RUSSIA'S WAR WITH UKRAINE

Aaron Retish, Professor of Russian and Soviet History at Wayne State University

A political and social enigma, Russia remains a mystery in so many ways. Come to Next to gain a rare under-



standing of this world superpower with Professor Aaron Retish, who is an author and editor of four books on 20th century Russia, and has published several articles on the Russian Revolution. This complex and mysterious country launched a war on Ukraine in February of 2022, and the conflict continues to this day. This lecture will offer an informed breakdown of Russian society, politics, economics, and conflict strategy.



FITNESS OFFERINGS

Try something new. First class is always free

TAP DANCE with Valerie Mould

8-week session beginning January 7 and ending February 25

Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:00 pm

Cost: \$80 members / \$90 guests

Tap is a wonderful entry or reintroduction to dance for older adults who have little dance experience or who have not laced up their tap shoes in some time. Dancers will learn the rudiments of tap, leading up to a simple dance routine. From enhancing coordination and balance to boosting cognitive function and creativity, the benefits of tap dancing are immense. Valerie has taught tap for decades and enjoys sharing her knowledge and love of dance with her students. Tap shoes are preferable to other hard soled shoes, but not necessary.

STRETCH & RELAX with Caryn Ciagne

Mondays from 9:30 to 10:30 am

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

Caryn will guide you through gentle stretch class exploring longer holds and slow range of motion along with a focus on breathing to promote relaxation. We will explore postures on your back, hands and knees, stomach and seated. There will be minimal standing. A chair can be close by for extra support. Focus on increased flexibility, core strength, balance and mindfulness for greater comfort and calm in one's body and presence.

LIMBER UP

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:00 am

Cost: Complimentary

This chair-based stretching and fitness video class is all about keeping limber and enjoying the company of good friends.

LINE DANCING with Christine Stewart

Mondays from 10:15 am to 12:00 noon

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$120 members / \$130 guests

Dance Instructor, Christine Stewart invites you to join her in exercising body and mind by learning new steps and line dances as you move to different types of music.

CARDIO DANCE WITH KAREN LUTZ

Mondays from 1:00 to 1:45 pm

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

Stay active, improve balance, boost cognitive brain function and mood, all while having fun! Follow the easy dance patterns or move with your own groove to music from all genres. Optional weights help with strength and offer heart health benefits. Wear comfortable shoes. No partner or dance experience needed.

LOW IMPACT AEROBICS with Laura Karmanos

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 to 10:00 am

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

Start your day in a low-impact way! We'll get things warmed up with some small movements and stretching, then transition into some basic moves to get our heart rates up. We'll add in some strength, balance, seated and standing core work — then end the session with a cool down and more stretching. This class is for anyone who is looking for a great workout without impacting their joints. In these classes you will have the opportunity to get stronger, move longer and be ready for life by implementing strength, cardio, mental as well as physical balance training. Laura has been teaching group fitness and personal training for decades and specializes in strength and mobility training for all levels, including older adults. She is certified through The National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM).

STRENGTH TRAINING with Laura Karmanos

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:00 am

Cost: 10 drop-in classes \$100 members / \$110 guests

You may have heard it in the news or from one of our program presenters here at Next: Strength Training is important for everyone, but especially for older adults like us! This full body strength class will help increase strength, improve balance and mobility and help you maintain muscle and bone mass. This class is beginner friendly. We will use light weights and Pilates balls and we'll work on form throughout the classes. Laura has been teaching group fitness and personal training for decades and specializes in strength and mobility training for all levels, including older adults. She is certified through The National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM).

CHAIR YOGA & MEDITATION with Caryn Ciagne

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30 to 2:30 pm

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

Utilizing a chair to sit and to stand beside for support, we will gently stretch and breathe our way into our body. Through this gentle practice, we will release tension and tightness, increase flexibility, strength, body awareness, range of motion and balance, while promoting a feeling of relaxation and calm.

YOGA FOR WELL BEING with Karen Lutz

Tuesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

All levels are welcome to learn gentle, adaptable yoga moves that help improve your breathing practices, core strength, balance and flexibility.



FITNESS OFFERINGS

Try something new. First class is always free

WEDNESDAY FLOW YOGA with Caryn Ciagne

Wednesdays from 9:15 to 10:15 am

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

A slow yet strong flow practice suitable for all who may be interested in expanding their yoga practice. This class will explore traditional standing, seated and supine postures to strengthen and improve balance. Please bring a yoga mat, water and a towel (optional).

BALANCED YOGA FOR WELLNESS with Karen Lutz

Wednesdays at 1:00 pm

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

Learn to focus on breathing with gentle stretching and adaptive yoga movements both seated with the option to stand with the support of a chair.

TAI CHI FOR HEALTH with Cheryl Goodwin

Tai Chi is an internal (soft) style martial art that has been shown by scientific studies to improve one's physical health. It increases circulation, improves balance, and promotes a calm state of mind. Tai Chi for Health concentrates on improving your physical being through exercise while increasing your concentration and relaxation at the same time. Tai Chi is especially good for those with mobility issues as it can be done effectively seated. This class, taught by Cheryl Goodwin, Tai Chi for Health Institute certified instructor, is appropriate for all ages, body types and abilities. Cheryl is certified in the areas of Tai Chi for Arthritis, Tai Chi for Fall Prevention, and Seated Tai Chi.

Beginner Class

Wednesdays from 1:30 to 2:30 pm and Fridays from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$80 members / \$90 guests

Cost: 1 drop-in class: \$10

Intermediate Class

Fridays from 10:00 to 11:00 am

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$80 members / \$90 guests

Cost: 1 drop-in class: \$10

For those wanting to go deeper into the form described above, Cheryl is offering this Intermediate Tai Chi class.

FRIDAY FITNESS with Caryn Ciagne

Fridays from 9:15 to 10:15 am

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$80 members / \$90 guests

Get moving! Meet in the lobby. Walk and talk. Try out some fancy footwork: lunges, side steps, walking backwards and more! Wall sits and stretches. All to promote strength, flexibility,

balance and community. Bring water and wear comfortable shoes. Let's have some Friday fun!

BARRE BALANCE with Karen Lutz

Fridays from 1:00 to 1:50 pm

Cost: 10 drop-in classes: \$100 members / \$110 guests

A low impact practice at the barre improving muscle tone, balance, flexibility and strength. Work with optional weights and stretch bands. All levels are welcome as we move at our own pace. Enjoy ballet and yoga inspired movements both dynamic as well as holding.

PICKLEBALL

Cost: Complimentary members only

Open Play: Monday, Thursday, Friday from 12:30 to 3:00 pm

Open Play: Monday through Thursday from 4:30 to 7:30 pm

Interested in learning how to play one of the fastest growing and most popular sports? Contact Pickleball Professional Tom Wehner at (248) 885-1203 or tgwehner@cs.com for lessons!

TENNIS - MIXED DOUBLES

Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Next members enjoy indoor play at the Birmingham Racquet Club as a regular league player or sub. Always looking for new players. If you are interested, please contact David Young at davidmppyong@gmail.com or 248-229-5015.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Thursdays at 1:00 pm

Cost: \$11 for 3 games. Members only.

All levels welcome for bowling and camaraderie at Country Lanes at 30250 West Nine Mile Road, Farmington Hills. No need to register, just drop in. For more information call or text Janice Borsenik at 248-644-0986.



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PROTEIN AND MUSCLE HEALTH

Dr. Lynn Dado, MD

Thursday, January 15 at 12:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Join Lynn Dado, MD an internal medicine doctor from Henry Ford Health, to learn how protein supports muscle strength and mobility as we age. Discover practical nutrition tips and simple lifestyle strategies to help maintain independence and overall well-being. Gain expert insights on how these habits can improve long-term health and quality of life. A light lunch will be served.

SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER (SAD) –

Rescheduled from November 2025

**Christopher Nixon, Director, LMSW, CAADC,
Director of Maple Grove Center & Addiction Medicine**

Thursday, February 19 at 12:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Join Christopher Nixon for a discussion on Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). SAD is a form of depression linked to seasonal changes typically in the winter months. Chris will discuss effective strategies for support that can improve your mood in any season. A light lunch will be served.



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STREAMING @ NEXT!

THE TINDER SWINDLER

Tuesday, January 6 at 10:30 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

The core message of this documentary is that anyone can become the victim of a scam in modern day society. Based on a true story, this film covers the real-life actions of con artist Shimon Hayut (an Israeli man who used the alias Simon Levey). Hayut used the dating app Tinder to meet women, manipulate them emotionally, and con them out of millions of dollars by posing as a wealthy diamond heir. Length 1 hour, 54 minutes.

STREET FOOD USA: PORTLAND, OREGON

Tuesday, January 20 at 10:30 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Get a taste of the most beloved bites on American streets and, along the way, discover the heart, soul and wildly diverse real people behind the food. Portland's freethinking food scene features barbecue brisket tacos, loaded mac and cheese, and Thuy Pham's heartfelt Vietnamese vegan pork belly. Length: 30 minutes.

PANDEMIC: HOW TO PREVENT AN OUTBREAK – EPISODE ONE: IT HUNTS US

Tuesday, February 3 at 10:30 am

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests




In this documentary series, meet the heroes battling against influenza and learn about their efforts to stop the next global outbreak. In October of 2025 we welcomed biologist and geneticist Fabia Battistuzzi to Next for a lecture on infectious disease. Her fascinating work trying to stay ahead of dangerous pathogens is mirrored in this documentary series. In this introduction to life on the front lines, doctors in the U.S. and Asia battle the flu, and researchers race to develop a universal vaccine. Length 52 minutes.

LIFE IN COLOR WITH DAVID ATTENBOROUGH – EPISODE ONE: SEEING IN COLOR

Tuesday, February 17 at 10:30 am


Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Using innovative technology, this documentary series explores nature from a fresh perspective as animals use color to survive and thrive in the wild. A mandrill flaunts his hues as birds and butterflies offer dazzling displays. A rainbow mantis shrimp packs a punch while red frogs battle it out. This episode features some of nature's most intriguing adaptations in color. Length: 49 minutes.




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DAY TRIPS



DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FRIDAY MORNING COFFEE CONCERTS

Bus departs Next at 9:15 am,
returns about 1:30 pm
Please pre-register, space is limited.
Cost: \$65 members / \$70 guests

Friday, January 16

BEETHOVEN'S TRIPLE CONCERTO

Celebrated American conductor Jonathon Heyward returns in a program featuring the all-star Kanneh-Mason siblings in Beethoven's rarely performed Triple Concerto, effectively a concerto for piano trio and orchestra. Mendelssohn's "Italian" Symphony takes inspiration from the composer's travels in Italy, reflecting the sunny countryside, imposing architecture, and spirited local dances.

Friday, January 30

EPIC FILM SCORES

Join the DSO and conductor Steve Reinke as they bring the silver screen to life in an unforgettable night of Epic Film Scores. From Hollywood's golden age to today's biggest blockbusters, this cinematic celebration highlights legendary composers who forever defined the sound of film. Experience heart-racing thrillers, classic epics, and beloved fanfares in a journey through iconic moments in film history you won't want to miss.

AMAZON FULFILLMENT CENTER TOUR

Wednesday, January 7 or Wednesday, January 14

Bus departs Next at 11:40 am, returns about 2:15 – (Arrive 15 minutes early - tour at 12:30 pm)

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 guests

How does an Amazon warehouse really work? Join us, take this one hour guided tour and find out for yourself!



Did you know that Amazon fulfillment centers are far more than a traditional warehouse? Some of their buildings are as large as 28 football fields, and can hold millions of products at one time. They are bright, huge buildings with orange robots transporting towers of goods, miles of conveyor belts carrying inventory in every direction, and shipping labels practically flying onto boxes, blown by puffs of air. On this tour, you will see how products in your online shopping cart get from Amazon to you. It's a symphony of people and technology that allows them to deliver orders quickly and efficiently to

customers around the world. Please keep in mind, this tour is a massive amount of walking, climbing stairs, fast moving, with no stopping or sitting.

DIA- CONTEMPORARY ANISHINAABE ART: A CONTINUATION – EXHIBITION-SELF-GUIDED TOUR & LUNCH IN THE DIA CAFE

Wednesday, January 21

Bus departs Next at 10:00 am, returns about 2:45 pm

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 guests

This trip to the DIA has a primary focus on the Contemporary Anishinaabe Art: A Continuation exhibition, celebrating the enduring cultures and creative achievements of over 60 Anishinaabe artists from across the Great Lakes region. One of the largest presentations of contemporary Native American art in the Midwest and the first major Native American exhibition at the DIA in 30 years! This is a self-guided tour featuring a diverse scope of more than 90 works – basketry, beadwork, birchbark artistry, clothing, film, graphic design, jewelry, painting, pottery, sculpture, and woodwork. You will have 3 hours to spend (Anishinaabe Exhibition, the museum in general, the DIA Café, gift shop) as you wish, on this cold day, at our amazing institution.

GREAT LAKES CROSSING – SHOP, WALK, DINE

Thursday, January 29

Bus departs Next at 10:30 am, returns about 2:15 pm

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 guests

It's a NEW YEAR, AND it's frigid outside! Why not head to Great Lakes Crossing? Great Lakes Crossing Outlets is Michigan's largest fully-enclosed outlet center with a mile of shopping and over 170 retail, entertainment, and dining options. Weather you would like to take advantage of the post-holiday sales, kick off your cardio goals, have lunch, or all three, Great Lakes Crossing is the place to be! You will have a total of 2 ½ hours at the Outlets to shop, walk, dine till you drop.

MICHIGAN SCIENCE CENTER

MUST BE REGISTERED BY WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21

Wednesday, February 4

Bus departs Next at 10:00 am, returns about 1:15 pm

Cost: \$50 members / \$55 guests

Located on the corner of Warren and John R in Midtown, the Michigan Science Center is one of several nonprofit organizations in Detroit's cultural district. With live stage shows, an IMAX® Dome, a 4D theater, a Planetarium, an 8,700 square foot special exhibit hall, and 220+ interactive exhibits, the "Mi Sci" has a lot to offer visitors of all ages. Their mission is to inspire curious minds to discover, explore and appreciate science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) in a



DAY TRIPS

creative, dynamic, hands - on learning environment. You will have 2 ½ hours to delve into your inner ologist in this self-guided visit.

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM & THE PLYMOUTH COFFEE BEAN COMPANY

Wednesday, February 11

Bus departs Next at 11:45 am, returns about 2:45 pm

Cost: \$35 members / \$40 guests

We will start at the Plymouth Coffee Bean Company, the longest running independent coffee house in Michigan. Treat yourself to a scratch made sweet or savory crepe (their specialty), delicious baked goods, and of course a locally roasted "brew". Plymouth Historical Museum features 26,000 square feet of exhibits, a gift shop, a display of historic streets, special changing exhibits, and an archives and research library. Other permanent exhibits include a display relating the history of the Daisy BB Guns and Company founded in Plymouth in 1886. The museum also holds an extensive Retz Abraham Lincoln collection including over 10,000 artifacts relating to Lincoln. Travel back in time through the Plymouth community's example of the American Experience.

HENRY FORD WEST BLOOMFIELD HOSPITAL – SHOP AND DINE ON MAIN STREET

Thursday, February 19

Bus departs Next at 11:00 am, returns about 1:45 pm

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 guests (Transportation only)

In accordance with our health and wellness week, here's something a little out of the ordinary... Open to the community, Main Street at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital is home to shops and dining spots that feature a variety of unique items and healthful offerings. Here's your opportunity to check out this medical center, grab a healthy bite to eat, and pick up a gift for someone special. After all, "the greatest wealth is health" and a healthy lifestyle is built on daily habits like good nutrition, exercise, and mental well-being. Put this doctrine into motion and join us to explore Main Street, offering: The LiveWell Shoppe, LiveWell Market, Bloomfield Coffee Lodge, and Henry's. Henry's offers a unique and healthy dining experience that includes a variety of food stations prepared fresh daily.

KIRK GIBSON CENTER FOR PARKINSON'S – MIND, BODY, SOUL

Thursday, February 26

Bus departs Next at 1:30 pm, returns about 4 pm

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 guests

As a follow up to the presentation that was given here on Friday, February 5, at 6:00 pm. Take a 90 minute guided tour of this world-class, bright, cheerful, state of the art,

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January 7- TOOTSIE

New York actor Michael Dorsey (Dustin Hoffman) is a talented perfectionist who is so hard on himself and others that his agent (Sydney Pollack) can no longer find work for him. After an audition goes poorly, Michael reinvents himself as actress Dorothy Michaels and wins the part. What was supposed to be a short-lived role turns into a long-term contract, but when Michael falls for his castmate Julie (Jessica Lange) complications develop that could wreck everything. Rated PG 1 hour 51 minutes

January 14- BRIDGET JONES DIARY

At the start of the New Year, 32-year-old Bridget (Renée Zellweger) decides it's time to take control of her life -- and start keeping a diary. Now, the most provocative, erotic and hysterical book on her bedside table is the one she's writing. With a taste for adventure, and an opinion on every subject - from exercise to men to food to sex and everything in between - she's turning the page on a whole new life. Rated R 1 hour 37 minutes

January 21- JOHN CANDY: I LIKE ME

Filmmaker Colin Hanks examines the life, work and legacy of beloved actor and comedian John Candy; featuring interviews with Bill Murray, Tom Hanks, Steve Martin, Dan Aykroyd, Mel Brooks, Martin Short, Eugene Levy, Conan O'Brien and more. Rated PG13 1 hour 53 minutes

January 28- GROUNDHOG DAY

A cynical TV weatherman, Phil (Bill Murray) finds himself reliving the same day over and over again when he goes on location to the small town of Punxsutawney to film a report about their annual Groundhog Day. His predicament drives him to distraction, until he sees a way of turning the situation to his advantage. Rated PG 1 hour 41 minutes

February 4- THE KARATE KID

Daniel (Ralph Macchio) moves to Southern California with his mother, Lucille (Rande Helle), but quickly finds himself the target of a group of bullies who study karate at the Cobra Kai dojo. Fortunately, Daniel befriends Mr. Miyagi (Noriyuki "Pat" Morita), an unassuming repairman who just happens to be a martial arts master himself. Miyagi takes Daniel under his wing, training him in a more compassionate form of karate and preparing him to compete against the brutal Cobra Kai. Rated PG 2 hour 6 minutes

February 11- VALENTINE'S DAY

In a series of interconnected stories, various Los Angeles residents (Jessica Alba, Jessica Biel, Bradley Cooper) wend their way through the highs and lows of love during a single day. As the holiday unfolds, they experience first dates, longtime commitments, youthful crushes and connections to old flames. Rated PG13 2 hours 4 minutes

February 18- GARBO: WHERE DID YOU GO?

An urgent, timely and compelling portrait of Hollywood icon Greta Garbo, whose fame, isolation and loneliness still captures audiences. Documentary 1 hour 30 minutes

February 25- THE FIRST WIVES CLUB

Despondent over the marriage of her ex-husband to a younger woman, a middle-aged divorcee plunges to her death from her penthouse. At the woman's funeral, her former college friends (Bette Midler, Goldie Hawn, Diane Keaton) reunite for the first time in nearly 30 years. When the three discover the reason for their friend's suicide, they realize that all of their ex-husbands have taken them for granted -- and deciding it's time for revenge, they make a pact to get back at their exes. Rated PG 1 hour 45 minutes



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Tuesdays at 1:00 pm

Shanghai rum is a Rummy card game, based on gin rummy and a variation of Contract rummy played by 3 to 8 players. It is also known as California rummy. All skill levels welcome. For additional information contact Beverly Sankey at beverlyonline@comcast.net.

MAH JONGG

Mondays from 1:00 to 4:00 pm

Fridays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Come with your own Mah Jongg table partner or stop by the office to sign up if you would like to play. You must be able to play independently. If you are interested in joining a group, contact the Next office.

EUCHRE

Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

All skill levels welcome. For additional information, contact Ed Schouten at Edward.schouten@gmail.com

DOUBLE DECK PINOCHLE

Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

All skill levels welcome. For additional information, contact Ed Schouten at Edward.schouten@gmail.com

CANASTA

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Join fellow Next members to play Canasta. Play this unique and fun card game with a few competitive Next friends!

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SOCKI

Tuesdays from 12:30 to 3:00 pm

Socki is a card game for 2-8 players that plays like an open-faced gin rummy with a few unique twists. Join this group for a fun and exciting game that is easy to learn.

BINGO

Monday, January 5, 19 and February 2, 16 at 1:00 pm

Admission cost: \$2 per card for members and guests

Cost to play: \$2 per card for members and guests

Join the fun for eight games of regular Bingo with your fellow Next members and their guests. Kindly sponsored by Baldwin House.

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Duplicate Bridge - Mondays from 11:15 am to 2:30 pm

Facilitator Helen Cook can be reached at hccook1951@gmail.com.

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Come with your partner. Experienced players, please. For additional information, facilitators John and Elaine Hretz can be reached at 248-569-2336.

Duplicate Bridge - Fridays from 11:00 to 2:00 pm

For additional information, contact Facilitator Irv Feldman at 248-828-5346.

CHESS...JOIN THE FUN!

Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Beginners to advanced players are invited to play!

CHESS LESSONS

Thursdays from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

Interested in learning the game of chess? Join members of the Chess Club to learn this game! For additional information, please contact Chris Dow at 248-647-0728.

CHESS CLUB

Thursdays from 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Cost: Complimentary members / \$5 guests

This club seeks to bring together people who have an interest in chess. Fellow Next members Chris Dow and Bruce Dobras will be teaching tactics and positioning. For additional information, please contact Chris Dow at 248-647-0728.

BIRMINGHAM STAMP CLUB

Tuesdays, January 6, 20 and February 3, 17 at 5:30 pm

For information contact Ken Rusch at 248-968-3505.

COIN CLUB

Wednesdays, January 21 and February 18 at 6:00 pm

For information contact Robert Beuter at 248-646-9657

COMPUTER LAB & LESSONS

Cost for all computer instruction: \$5 for one hour and \$20 for 5 one-hour sessions. Members only.

We offer one-on-one computer instruction on one of our many computers by one of our talented instructors. Please contact the Next office to schedule an appointment and purchase your computer card. The Computer Lab will be available during Next business hours.



HEALTH & NUTRITION

BLOOD PRESSURE & BLOOD OXYGEN CLINIC

Mondays, January 5th, and February 2nd, from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon

Cost: Complimentary - No appointment is required.

A trained healthcare professional will screen your blood pressure and blood oxygen levels.

MEDICARE/MEDICAID GUIDANCE

Are you new to Medicare or considering retirement? The Area Agency on Aging 1-B Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) provides unbiased help with Medicare and Medicaid — at no charge. Please call 800-803-7174 for more information. Counselors can help over the phone or you can make an appointment to meet with a MMAP counselor in person.

NUTRITION SUPPORT

Ensure Plus (vanilla or chocolate flavor) is offered at a reduced price with a physician's prescription and application. Please call the Next office for more information or to place your order.

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP

Mondays, January 12th, and February 9th, at 5:30

The South Oakland County Parkinson's Support Group, sponsored by the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation, is a group of people who meet to learn more about Parkinson's disease and the services available. This group brings together people with a common bond. So many people say, "And I thought I was the only one with this problem." Come for camaraderie, support, and learn from each other. Groups include people with PD, care partners, friends, families and health professionals. Facilitated by the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation staff. For more information call 248-419-7170.

LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP

Henry Ford Health Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology

Wednesdays, January 21st, and February 18th, from 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Free to Members and Future Members

This support group provides a comfortable environment to discuss the challenges of living fully with visual impairment. The group meets monthly to discuss their successes and challenges in daily life. Speakers on appropriate topics present occasionally as well. Many friendships have developed within the group. On occasion, the group takes day trips and attends parties. All of this is made possible by the fund-raising of the Friends of Vision and grants. Please feel free to call Ashley Livshiz (Support Group Coordinator) with any questions. Office: 313-936-1969/ Mobile: 313-909-8724.

MEALS ON WHEELS

To get information on this program, call Western Oakland Meals on Wheels at 248-223-9160. We are looking for additional volunteers to help package and deliver meals. So, if you're available, please call Judy Murrell at 248-203-5281. Your help is needed and would be appreciated!

YOUNGER ONSET DEMENTIA & ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

At this time, there are no scheduled dates. Please contact Cindy Beller at 586-453-1909 for additional information. Presented by the Michigan Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANS

Our loan closet contains wheelchairs, walkers, canes, bath benches, shower stools and commodes available for up to 3 months — and transport wheelchairs for 3 weeks — at no charge to members of Next. Guests pay a \$20 fee per item. Simply call to reserve the equipment you need.

NURSE ON CALL

This program offers information about health-related resources. Oakland County Health Department Public health nurses answer questions regarding communicable diseases, immunizations, prescription assistance, nutrition and more. Call 800-848-5533 or email noc@oakgov.com.

EARLY STAGE MEMORY LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Association offers support groups for people in early stages of Alzheimer's or related dementias. Care partners and family members are welcome to attend the virtual meetings. Please call 800-272-3900 for pre-assessment.

COMMUNITY HOUSING TOURS



Join us to tour local senior living communities. There are many wonderful options in the area and this is a great opportunity to gather information. You will be picked up and returned to Next and we will enjoy a complimentary lunch as part of the tour! Please call Next at 248-203-5270 to make a reservation if you would like to join us. Our housing tours will resume in the Spring!!!



SUPPORT SERVICES

INFORMATION ABOUT COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Support Services are available to Next members, seniors in the community, in-town and out-of-town family members, and caregivers. Come in or call with any questions; we are here to help with resources, information, and referrals in a wide range of areas. Sandi Cassar and Pat Brooks in Support Services welcome you Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and Friday, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

TRANSPORTATION

Curb-to-curb transportation service is available for seniors and disabled adults residing in Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, and Franklin. Our friendly Next drivers will take you to medical, dental, personal appointments, shopping or activities at Next. Transportation hours are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday — and 8:30 am to 2:00 pm on Fridays. For reservations, please call 248-203-5270 at least three working days in advance to request a ride.

LAWN MOWING & SNOW REMOVAL for Birmingham & Beverly Hills Residents

Lawn mowing and snow removal services are available for income-eligible seniors — and income-eligible disabled residents — in Birmingham and Beverly Hills funded under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). Enrollment is limited and only available as long as funding is available. Please call Sandi Cassar or Pat Brooks at Next for more information.

LET'S HEAR FROM YOU!

Support Services often refers Next members to reputable companies that provide services for home repairs, such as plumbing, electrical, handyman work, cleaning, etc. If you have a licensed and insured company to recommend, please call to share your contact. It's a great service to other Next and community members.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Michigan Seniors Benefits Enrollment Center can help find services and programs to ease the strain of a tough financial situation. All recommendations are based on individual situations. Call 800-347-5297 to discover what may be available.

MINOR HOME REPAIR for Beverly Hills & Birmingham Residents

Community Development Block Grant funds are available to assist income-eligible seniors — and income-eligible disabled residents in Birmingham and Beverly Hills with minor home repairs. Please call Next Support Services for more information.

FOUNDATION FOR BIRMINGHAM SENIORS

The Foundation provides two forms of financial assistance to Birmingham senior residents who income-qualify. Please call us for more information.

- Funding for minor home repairs such as handrail installations, plumbing, roof, electrical work, etc. These funds do not need to be repaid.
- Interest-free loans for major home repairs such as replacing a roof, furnace, windows, etc. These no-interest loans are repaid after the sale of the home.

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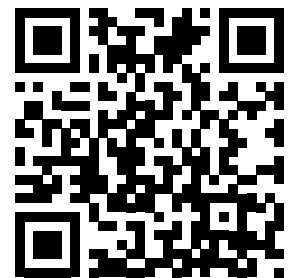
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POPULAR READS BOOK CLUB - AT NEXT AND ON ZOOM

Mondays, January 5 and February 2 at 1:00 pm

Rebekah Craft, Director of the Baldwin Public Library, leads book discussions of popular books. The January book selection is *El Dorado Drive* by Megan Abbott. The author will join our January discussion by Zoom. We will be discussing *The Wilderness* by Angela Flournoy in February. Register at Next — and Baldwin Public Library will provide the book.

NON-FICTION BOOK GROUP – ZOOM ONLY

Tuesday, January 13, and February 10 at 10:00 am

Facilitated by Jaclyn Miller, Associate Director of the Baldwin Public Library, join us to discuss *Super Agers: An Evidence-Based Approach to Longevity* by Eric Topol in January, and *Fearless and Free: A Memoir of Josephine Baker* by Josephine Baker, Anam Zafar & Ijeoma Oluo in February. Register at Next and Baldwin Public Library will provide the book

WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE

Tuesdays at 11:00 am

Join us to get to know other women here at Next. This group will give women the opportunity to gather in the spirit of friendship and camaraderie.

MEN'S ROUNDTABLE

Wednesdays at 9:00 am

Men of Next gather together for an opportunity to enjoy each other's company.

WRITER'S CORNER

Thursdays, January 15 and February 5, 19 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Join a diverse group of Next members who share a common interest in writing. For additional information, contact facilitator Bob Erlandson's email at rferlandson@gmail.com.

CURRENT EVENTS DISCUSSION GROUP

Fridays at 12:00 noon

With so much going on in the world today, it can be difficult to keep up with it all. Come join other members in this casual discussion group about current events.

TUESDAY JAZZ CLUB

Tuesdays from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

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Janet Aronoff, Jim and Barbara Axelson,
Suzanne Blanchard, Carol Colein,
James Davis, John and Stephanie Gilkey,
Barbara Goldstein, Fred and Judy Green,
Yvonne Haddix, Steve and Cindi Hopkins,
Carl and Claire Kona, Linda Lerner, Alan McMann,
Albert and Patricia Meehan,
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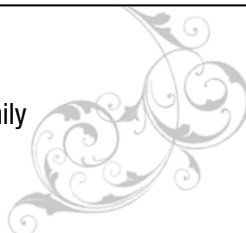
WELCOME BACK

We are excited to catch up with those members who are reconnecting with Next:

Cathy Hahn, and Henry and Nancy Nabors.

We are thinking of you...

Irv Feldman, Gordon Rinschler,
David Rugenstein, The Wilkinson Family
and Gayle Zimmerer.

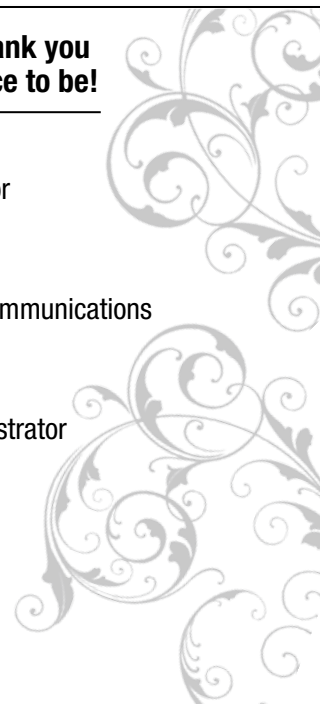


Our condolences to the family and friends of...

Christine Burnard, Tom Hardy and Bob Smith

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- ▶ Please pre-register for all Next programs. It helps us plan for seating, class materials and refreshments. No refunds given after a program or speaker presentation. We are not able to offer classes or programs on a prorated basis.
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 15, 2026

TO: Board Members

FROM: Cathy White

Re: Monthly Report

CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS

We have not received any complaints since our last meeting.

FINANCIAL

The account balance for the MBS, Michigan United Credit Union and Beverly Hills accounts as of December 31, 2025 will be e-mailed to all Board members, as well as BACB financial reports as of December 31, 2025. Hard copies will also be provided at the meeting.

CHECK DISBURSEMENT

Four (4) checks have been written since the date of our last meeting as follows:

1. Michigan United Credit Union (Visa- office supplies & Chamber event): \$205.99
2. Charter Twp of Bloomfield (quarterly contract payment for Oct-Dec 2025): \$77,075.00
3. Charter Twp of Bloomfield (Comcast internet July-Sept 2025): \$1,006.98
4. Charter Twp of Bloomfield (Comcast internet Oct-Dec 2025): \$1,042.09

ADDITIONAL NOTES

1. We have a new Board Member from Birmingham: William Frykman. He will not be able to attend our BACB meeting in January but we can look forward to meeting him in March.
2. The annual audit is nearly complete and will be presented to the Board by Gabridge & Company auditors at our regular meeting on March 18, 2026.
3. Comcast has eliminated Eric Woody's position as Government and Regulatory Affairs Manager for Comcast-Heartland Region due to a nationwide reorganization of his department. His last day was December 31, 2025. He served as our Escalation Team Representative at Comcast and assisted us with respect to resolving resident complaints. The new Escalation Team Representative will be Brian Sapita.
4. Federal lawmakers are actively pushing for "Click to Cancel" legislation, like the bill introduced by Reps. Sherman, Magaziner and Deluzio in 2025, to mandate easy subscription cancellation. This bill mirrored the Federal Trade Commission's blocked "Click to Cancel" rule which aimed to make ending subscriptions as simple as signing up, requiring clear consent and simple cancellation in the same medium used for signup. Following a court ruling vacating the FTC rule, bipartisan efforts, including the proposed Unsubscribe Act by Sen. Schatz and Kennedy, continue to push for federal law to stop deceptive auto-renewal practices. This would impact subscription-based services ranging from video streaming and news to food delivery and fashion, all of which have become a key part of today's economy.

Bloomfield Community Television

Memorandum

Bloomfield Township

To: BACB

From: Steve Rota

Subject: Report November 2025 through December 2025

Date: January 12, 2026

Cc: Greg Black; Cathy White; Gil Gugni, Ray Kamoo, Carrie LeZotte, David Eick

BAMA Programs

During this time period we've completed all regularly scheduled municipal meetings, which include: the BACB meeting, Baldwin Public Library Board and Trust meetings, The Village of Bingham Farms Council meetings, The Village of Beverly Hills Council, Planning and Zoning meetings, The Village of Franklin Historic, Zoning, Council, and Planning Meetings. The City of Birmingham's, Commission, Planning Board, Parks and Rec Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Historic Board and Design Review Board, Advisory Parking Committee, the Multi Modal Meetings and a Special Village of Beverly Hills Meeting & Birmingham Joint Commission and Multi-Modal Meeting.

BAPA Programs

From BACB area individual producers and organizations, we've taped 24 programs.

- ❖ Michigan Entrepreneur hosted by Tara Kachaturoff.
- ❖ Lunch and Learn Lecture.
- ❖ BACB Sports Wrestling at Seaholm on 12/17/26.
- ❖ Birmingham Concert Band.
- ❖ Spectrum Orchestra.
- ❖ League of Women Voters Lectures.
- ❖ Birmingham Youth Assistance Lecture.
- ❖ Daughters of American Revolution Veterans Day Wreath Laying Ceremony.
- ❖ Two Aspects of Design hosted by Karen Sellenraad.
- ❖ Two Birmingham Musicales.
- ❖ Three Eye on Oakland hosted by Chuck Moss.
- ❖ Four Stir the Coco hosted by Carla Barlett.
- ❖ Five Franklin Shows hosted by Michael Seltzer.

SIX UPCOMING WINTER SPORTS COVERAGE

Girls Basketball at Seaholm, 1/20/26

Boys Hockey at Detroit Skate Club, 1/30/26

Boys Basketball at Groves, 2/3/26

Boys Swim and Dive at Seaholm, 2/10/26

Girls Basketball at Groves, 2/12/26

Girls Hockey at Detroit Skate Club, 2/19/26

EQUIPMENT FAILURE & REPAIRS

As mentioned at our November meeting, the Village of Beverly Hills QSC audio processor and QSC audio amplifier was in need of repair. These items have been repaired and reinstalled before the new year.

40th Anniversary & Open House – December 4, 2025

The 40th Anniversary and Open House held on December 4, 2025, was a strong success and well attended.

Approximately 50 people participated, including former and current employees and producers, residents, BACB board members, volunteers, and family and friends. The event provided a meaningful opportunity to celebrate the organization's history, reconnect with long-time supporters, and strengthen relationships within the community. We were grateful to everyone who took the time to attend and help mark this milestone. As part of the event, we also presented Heart of the Community awards. Recognition was given to: **Henry Gornbein**, Community Producer of the year. **Dan Sigler**, Employee Excellence, for his contributions and 22 years of commitment. **League of Women Voters**, recognized as Community Partner. A plaque hangs in the BCTV greenroom with the awardee names. Overall, the event successfully honored our past, highlighted current contributions, and reinforced our role and the value of community media.