



ADULT LIFELONG LEARNING



Program Highlights

The Forest Lake Area Community Band, which boasts over 50 members, received recognition when its Director, Jake Matheson, was honored by Yamaha Music as one of "40 Outstanding Music Teachers Under the Age of 40". The band performs several times each year at the High School and once at Forest Lake Arts in the Park which is scheduled for June 16 this year.

The Forest Lake Area Community Orchestra, relaunched this year by Director Dave Livermore, performed this winter at Gammelgarden Museum. The orchestra currently boasts fifteen dedicated members. The Orchestra has a joint concert with the Community Band scheduled for May 13 at Forest Lake Area High School.

Trips & Tours

We continue to partner with Centennial Community Education to offer trips and tours. We handle the planning, travel, tours and many meals. Participants sit back and enjoy the experience! Upcoming trips include Mackinac Island, Door County & Bayfield and the Apostle Islands.

New Team Member

We welcome Jenny Courneya to Community Education. Jenny is our new Youth & Adult Programs Planner and will be focusing on programming for older adults. We're excited about building this new area of programming.

Youth & Adult Programs Team

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Participant Quotes

Stained Glass - Beginner

"It's wonderful being able to learn something new with such a helpful instructor."

–Becky | Winter '26

Herbal Winter Wellness

"So much genuine knowledge and examples of practice to take into my own home."

–Elizabeth | Winter '26

Estate Planning - Introduction

"Very impressed with the knowledge, very personable, enjoyed the class!"

–Don | Winter '26

Herbs - Crafting Fire Cider

"It was the right amount of thorough explanation and hands-on. The ability to have conversations about it as we talk through things kept it valuable and casual. Keep these coming!"

–Elizabeth | Winter '26

Draft Your Own Will

"Very knowledgeable and helpful. This class provides a very important service."

–Cindy | Fall '25

AARP Smart Driver

"Class was very good. The best one I did and I've taken four AARP classes."

–Janet | Fall '25