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CENTER HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8 AM-4 PM

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Evening DANCE

Holiday Formal Dance Thursday, November 29

Brought to you by Snyder Funeral Homes

Thanksgiving DINNER

Thursday, November 15 - Noon



We will be serving our annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the Senior Center on **Thursday, November 15 at noon**. Dinner will be catered by *Special Occasions* with the help of volunteer members and friends of the Center. The traditional Thanksgiving dinner will feature turkey, dressing, gravy, sweet potato casserole, green beans, cranberry salad, dinner roll, pumpkin pie, and a beverage.

Musical entertainment will be provided by **Johnny Steiner**, a favorite throughout central Ohio. Known for his singing voice and clever wit, Steiner hails from Green Camp and is a graduate of Elgin High School.

Tickets are \$10, which includes dinner and entertainment. They can be purchased from bookkeeper Jackie King by Monday, November 12.

*Please note all other activities will be cancelled on this date.

Senior Center Services

Elder Care Law

Certified elder law attorney, **Steve Roush**, representing the law firm of **Daniel P. Seink Co., Ltd.**, is available for **free** one-on-one consultations to discuss specific legal questions with our members each month. Steve specializes in estate planning, VA benefits planning, and Medicaid benefits planning. Please contact him at **(740) 418-1840** or **1-800-393-2324** to schedule your free appointment.

Tech Time with TJ

T.J. Badertscher from Center Street Community Health Center will be here on Wednesday,
November 28 beginning at 10:30 am to offer free assistance to anyone wanting to learn how to better use their Smartphones, tablets, iPads and other digital devices. Please call (740) 387-6100 to schedule a half hour appointment.

Good Social Graces

We've received a few complaints recently about the lack of consideration being given to others during our monthly social events. We want everyone who purchases a ticket to enjoy their experience at these large gatherings. To that end, we remind members in attendance to please:

- Turn off all cell phones
- Be respectful (quiet) during announcements or performances by entertainers and give them your undivided attention.

Also as we head into colder weather, dress appropriately for temperatures at social events and activities by bringing a shawl, light jacket or sweater, etc. Big spaces are hard to keep warm, especially when the entrance door is constantly opening and closing. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

LUNCH AT THE CENTER

Hot and cold delicious, nutritious meals are available at the Marion Senior Center for anyone age 60-plus **every Tuesday-Friday at 11:30 am**. Call Life Care Alliance at 1-888-656-6831 for details. You do not need to be a Senior Center member to participate in the Dining Center program.

FRESH PRODUCE

The Marion Senior Center distributes free produce on behalf of *Beacon of Hope Food Pantry*, two days each month. Please check with the folks at the Volunteer Greeters Desk by the front entrance for exact dates/times.

NEW MEMBER MIXER

These quarterly gatherings are hosted on the **first Friday of select months at 11:30 am.** All recent new members are invited to join staff & volunteers for a free lunch, compliments of *Primrose Retirement Communities*. Our next *New Member Mixer* is **Friday**, **January 4**, **2019**. If you are planning to attend, please call **Annette** at **(740) 387-6100** to RSVP.



The terrarium full of monarch and black swallowtail butterfly caterpillars, chrysalises, and eventual adult butterflies that Master Gardener Carol Kelly shared with the Senior Center recently turned out to be of great interest to our members and guests.

The caterpillars were collected after adult butterflies laid eggs on the various on host plants in both the raised bed garden area as well as in the new butterfly/pollinator garden that Carol planted here at the Center last May.

As a result of all that interest, and as a way to bring to your attention the new pollinator bed located at the southwest corner of the Center, **Carol** will be presenting an hour-long PowerPoint program here on **Tuesday, November 27** at **1 pm** in the *Multipurpose Room*. We're certain you will find it fascinating!

She will discuss the relationship and importance of butterflies and other pollinators to the Ohio native plants already in the new bed and preview additional possibilities for next spring. She also will be giving away butterfly weed seeds to anyone interested.





'Before' (chrysalis) and 'After' (monarch butterfly) photos from our terrarium.

Upcoming Events

Brought to you by Kindred

Veterans Day Celebration

Friday, November 9 - Noon



Please join us in honoring our local Veterans for their patriotism and sacrifice during our Veterans Day Celebration hosted on Friday, November 9 at noon. All veterans will receive a complimentary lunch along with a special memento of the

occasion. Lunch will feature beef and noodles, mashed potatoes and apple pie. The Marionaires will perform a patriotic musical tribute befitting the occasion. Non-veterans are encouraged and welcome to join us. Tickets are available from bookkeeper **Jackie King**. Cost is \$3 per person (Free for all veterans).

Mark Your Calendar!

We are busy planning many big social events for the coming months! Please mark the following dates on your social calendar so you won't miss out on the fun:

- Veterans Day Event Fri., November 9
- Thanksgiving Dinner Thurs., November 15
- Evening Dance Thurs., November 29 (6 8 pm)
- Christmas Dinner Thurs., December 13

Holiday Gift Ideas

Looking for a unique gift for that hard-to-buy-for person? The Center has several nice gifts available:

- 2019 Membership Gift Certificates
- Fleece Jackets embroidered with our logo
- Shirts, Blouses & Hats embroidered with our logo
- Plaid Blankets available in a variety of colors

Senior Center Classes, Clubs & Activities

Craft Class (Monday)

Instructor **Sue Rodman's Monday** class will meet at **12:30 pm** in the *Craft Room*. Monday's class will be finishing projects. A picture of upcoming projects is displayed on the bulletin board near Kristi's office. Cost for upcoming projects is **\$10**.

'Working with Yarn' Club

Interested in learning how to crochet and/or knit? Stay tuned for a new class beginning in August. Instructor **Jennifer Johnson** will be teaching how to crochet an afghan using the Ripple Pattern. Class will meet in the *Craft Room* on **Tuesdays** from **1 pm to 3 pm**. There is no cost for this class.

Sewing Class

Sewing class with Paula Barron meets on Wednesday afternoons at 12:30 pm. The class is currently in need of more pillowcases for their "pillowcase dress" mission project. If you would like to donate some new or gently-used pillowcases, please see Paula or Kristi.

Photography Class

Instructor **Royce Farson** will teach you how to use your camera. Her photography class has a new assignment each month and meets in the *Card Room* from **2-3 pm** on the **first Wednesday of each month** to share their photos. However, this month's class will meet on **Wednesday, November 3** and the assignment is "photos of small business".

Liquid Stained Glass

Join instructor **Dee Harshfield** as you create beautiful liquid stained glass projects. This class meets **on Tuesdays at 1:30** in the *Craft Room*. Cost for the class is \$10, which covers the cost of materials.

Pickleball

Pickleball is played on **Monday** and **Wednesday** mornings at **9 am** on our brand new outdoor pickleball courts. We have extra paddles and balls available for those just getting started (see Kristi). We'll also teach interested beginners how to play this fun game!

Heartland Trivia

Loren Armstrong from *Heartland* will be hosting "*Trivia*" games on the **second Wednesday of each month** at **9:30 am** in the *Craft Room*. Heartland also provides breakfast goodies!

Monday Mind Games

Carla Poston from *ProCore Health Brokers*, will host *Mind Games* on Monday mornings. This class meets in the *Craft Room* at 9:30 am. Carla also provides delicious "*Tim Bits*" for everyone attending her activity!

Breakfast for the Brain

Jump start your day—and your brain—at 9:30 am on Thursday mornings, as Hillary Gray from *Community Care* discusses fun trivia questions over orange juice and *Andrew's* pastries.

Kingston Bingo

Tammy Millisor of *Kingston Residence of Marion* hosts Bingo at **10 am** in the morning on the **second Friday** each month. Lots of fun and prizes!

Senior Center Bingo

Florence Wright will call Bingo at 12:30 pm on the third Wednesday each month. Lots of fun!

Left, Right, Center (LRC)

Theresa Randall of *Kindred at Home/Hospice* hosts this wildly popular dice game that's easy to learn and simple to play (with lots of prizes to win). The group usually meets out front the second Thursday and fourth Tuesday each month at 2:30 pm.

Jam Session

An amazing group of talented local musicians and vocalists meet and perform at the Center on the **last Wednesday** of each month. Lunch is available for \$3.50 and is served at **noon**. Music is performed from 1 to 3 pm. Public welcome!

Mahjong

Mahjong is a traditional Chinese tile game, played by four people around a table. The group has a lot of fun and welcomes beginners. They meet near the *Kitchen* on **Thursdays** at **noon**.

Scrabble

Learn to play *Scrabble**, a word game in which players score points by placing tiles, each bearing a single letter, onto a game board. The tiles must form words which, in crossword fashion, flow left to right in rows or downwards in columns. The group meets out front on **Fridays** at **11**.

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Health & Fitness

Beginner & Advanced Line Dance

Have you ever thought about learning to line dance? A new **Beginner Line Dance** class meets on **Monday** mornings at **9 am**. Once you get the hang of it, you will be able to join our more advanced class that meets on **Friday** mornings at **9 am**. This class is for people that have been dancing for a while and are interested in learning new dances. Instructor **Royce Farson** always welcomes new class members in both classes.

Zumba[®] Gold Toning & Strength Training

Certified Zumba Instructor Michelle Del Valle will lead the Zumba Gold - Toning classes every Tuesday morning at 10 am followed by Strength Classes at 11 am. Cost is \$3 for each class. Both classes are FREE for Silver Sneakers members.

Afternoon Line Dance

Instructor **April Morrison** teaches a line dance class on **Tuesday** afternoons at **2 pm**. April's class will be taking a break until January.

Golf League at Windy Acres

Marion Senior Center Golf League plays at *Windy Acres* on **Wednesday** mornings. Arrive at **8:30 am** for pairings, with tee times beginning at 9 am. Cost is **\$5 for 9 holes** and carts are available for \$5. There is also a \$10 cost towards the prize fund for the season.

Recipe 'Prepare & Share'

Cooking enthusiasts will be meeting on the **2nd Wednesday** at **1 pm** each month to prepare and share our favorite dishes along with the recipes. Each month we will feature a different food theme. November's theme will be "candy". So bring your favorite candy to share, along with copies of your recipe. If interested, please sign up on board outside Kristi's office. This group will meet out front by the kitchen.

Fitness Room

Our well-equipped **Fitness Room** is open to members at no additional cost, and boasts a variety of **Schwinn*** fitness equipment, including treadmills, traditional and recumbent exercise bikes, Airdyne, and elliptical machines. **The Fitness Room is typically open to members anytime the Center is open.** Please consult your physician before beginning any exercise activities.

Choir Practice

Do you enjoy singing? Here's your opportunity! Director Ednita Vaflor and our choir "Seniors in Song" practice from September through May on Thursdays at 9:45 am in the Multipurpose Room.

Bridge

If you like to play Bridge, there are two opportunities to play. Bridge is hosted every **Monday** and **Tuesday** at **10am.** Everyone is welcome to play!

Pinochle

There are also two opportunities to play Pinochle at the Center: **Mondays** at **12:00 pm** and also **Wednesdays** at **12:30pm**. Everyone is welcome to play!

Euchre

Progressive Euchre is played on **Mondays at 12:00 pm** and **Bid Euchre** plays on **Thursdays at 12:00 pm.** Both groups meet out front. Everyone is welcome to play!

Hand & Foot Card Game

This group will meet in the *Game Room* on **Mondays** at **12:15 pm** and **Thursday mornings** at **10 am**. Anyone interested is welcome to join in the fun!

Texas Hold 'Em

This group will meet in the *Game Room* on **Tuesdays** and *Multipurpose Room* on **Thursdays** (except for Movie day) at **12:30pm.** Everyone is welcome to play!

Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a low-impact, slow-motion exercise, which reduces stress while increasing flexibility and balance. Instructors **Steve and Marlene Renick** host classes twice a week on **Wednesdays at 2:00 pm** and **Fridays at 1:30 pm** in the *Multipurpose Room*.

Dominoes

Dominoes is a game played with rectangular "domino" tiles. It is an easy game to learn and lots of fun! The group meets out front on **Tuesday afternoons** at **12:15 pm**.

Rummikub

Learn to play the popular tile game *Rummikub*, hosted in the *Game Room* on **Tuesdays** at **2pm**.

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November 2018 • Calendar of Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
F = Food Box Day P= Produce Day T = Trip Departure D = Thursday Evening Dance *See Article Inside for Details	REMEMBER TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6	Thursday, November 29 Thursday Evening Dance! Details on Pg. 9	8:30-Scioto Downs Trip* 9:00-Aerobics 9:30-Breakfast for the Brain* 9:45-Choir Practice* 10:45-Choir Departs for Lexington Senior Center 10:00-Hand & Foot Cards 12:00-Bid Euchre 12:00-Mahjong 12:30-Texas Hold 'Em
9:00-Exercise 9:00-Pickleball 9:00-Beginner Line Dancing 9:30-Mind Games* 9:30-Line Dancing 10:00-Bridge 11:30-Lunch 12:00-Pinochle 12:00-Euchre 12:15-Hand & Foot Cards 12:30-Craft Class	9:00-Aerobics 9:00-Books, Balance & BS 10:00-Bridge 10:00-Bible Study 10:00-Zumba Gold Toning 11:00-Strength Training 12:15-Dominoes 12:30-Texas Hold 'Em 1:00-Yarn Club 1:30-Stained Glass 2:00-Rummikub	9:00-Exercise 9:00-Pickleball 12:30-Pinochle 12:30-Sewing Class 1:00-Coloring Club 2:00-Tai Chi*	9:00-Aerobics 9:30-Breakfast for the Brain* 9:45-Choir Practice* 10:00-Hand & Foot Cards 12:00-Bid Euchre 12:00-Mahjong 12:30-Popcorn & Movie* 2:30-LRC*
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

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The Center will be **Closed Today**

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November Birthdays

Russell Miley	Nov 01	Betty Forry	Nov 11	Frances Landon	Nov 24
Odessa Myers	Nov 01	Robert DeVore	Nov 11	Sharon Mckenzie	Nov 25
Kate Snider	Nov 02	Diane Ruth	Nov 11	Kyoung Starkey	Nov 25
Ednita Vaflor	Nov 02	Ronald Sanders	Nov 12	Bob Simmons	Nov 26
Becky Willauer	Nov 02	Betty Kittinger	Nov 13	Jean Seiter	Nov 26
Kathy Powell	Nov 03	Cheryl Lemley	Nov 14	John Neimeyer	Nov 27
Steve Renick	Nov 03	Jean Seaburn	Nov 14	Mila Jones	Nov 27
Shirley Tolley	Nov 03	Maryanne Seckel	Nov 14	Joan Norris	Nov 27
Ronald Wolf	Nov 03	Carl Hindman	Nov 15	Mildred Sanders	Nov 27
Doris Decker	Nov 03	Valerie Mettler	Nov 16	Mary Lou Cook	Nov 28
Linda Adkins	Nov 04	DelRita Beeney	Nov 18	Ruth Lutz	Nov 28
Linda Gallina	Nov 04	Betty Lou Krist	Nov 18	Terry Biehl	Nov 28
Joyce McCain	Nov 04	Kenneth Ellwood	Nov 19	Donald Distel	Nov 29
Esther Shaffer	Nov 05	Linda Oehler	Nov 19	Jenny Hedges	Nov 29
Judy Stoner	Nov 06	Patti Cusick	Nov 19	Jerry Persinger	Nov 29
Mary Polter	Nov 06	Karen Strayor	Nov 19	Juanita Stevens	Nov 29
Lucille Deeter	Nov 07	Norma Lewis	Nov 20	Phillip Blanton	Nov 30
Bradley Gruber	Nov 07	Robert Merriman	Nov 20	Clara Bolander	Nov 30
MarilynCarver	Nov 08	John Moodie	Nov 20	Tiny Braddy	Nov 30
Jack Rankin	Nov 08	Marsha Mack	Nov 20	Fred Saull	Nov 30
Judith Reed	Nov 09	Jim Shade	Nov 22	Jane Scroggins	Nov 30
Doris Sneed Rapp	Nov 10	Sue Miley	Nov 24		

November Anniversaries

Marty & Norma Lewis	November 30	1946	72 years
Bob & Janet Lucas	November 23	1952	66 years
Bill & Shirley Groll	November 20	1957	61 years
Ken & Shirley Anderson	November 02	1958	60 years
Dick & Sharon Farst	November 22	1962	56 years
Jerry & Marietta Wood	November 23	1962	56 years
Ron & Karen Baxter	November 05	1967	51 years
Martin & Bonnie Cunningham	November 30	1968	50 years
Kenneth & Carolyn Ellwood	November 08	1969	49 years
Gerald & Cheryl Waugh	November 27	1970	48 years
Doug & Janis Hoffman	November 25	1971	47 years

New Members

Judith Baker Sharon Callahan Nancy Dunnigan Susan Johnston

Tim & Pat Mantey Phyllis McKinley Allen Merritt Jane Scroggins

Jean Seiter Karen Strayor Steve Whipps

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Volunteer of the Month

MEET DONNA FERGUSON

By Anne Marie Bailey

If you are lucky, the days when this vivacious woman greets you at the sign-in desk will uplift your day and give you a positive start to your visit. She signed up for the "Greeter" job about 3 years ago, and has it down pat. In the first 2 years at the Center, she and another lady started the "Hand and Foot" Monday card games, which are still alive and well today, and more than just once a week.

Donna was born on July 27, 1943 to Bertha and Craig Stansbery. She has a brother, Bob who completes the family. She and her brother attended River Valley starting in grade school and carried through to graduation from the high school. After graduating she married her high school sweetheart, Jim Neagles. During their 46 years they had three children. Barry, Connie, and Jason, who also completed their educational journey at their parents' River Valley schools.

Her work career started after her husband got a job at the Quaker Oats company, which she joined two years later. His main employment duties were handling Workers Compensation cases for the company, and Donna joined him the last five years there. When Quaker's plant in Marion decided to close in 1999, Jim had worked 23 years, and Donna for 21 years. It was a stressful, contentious time for the family, but Donna went out at the urging of a friend, and wound up with a job at Meijer's, while Jim took over the kitchen. Shortly after that, she found an opportunity, at Jim's urging, to apply to the new Walmart for a better job, which she got, even before the building was done! In her next 23 years working that job, she worked her way up through manager, department manager, American Greeting cards manager, floral manager... and Jim became the official chef of the family. She laughs and states that she did cook now and then, but he was great at it and enjoyed it.

Due to an accident that caused an injury to his head, he became sick, and was diagnosed with severe health issues which prompted Marion General to refer him to Riverside Methodist Hospital for chemo. When that didn't get results, he transferred to a neurosurgeon at Duke University in North Carolina and worked with an amazing doctor that finally diagnosed his condition of a tumor, which eventually took his life in 2010. Donna carried on all through this time and became stronger in carrying the load. She was, and is, to this day a model of strength.

Donna's mom duties were as challenging as her working



duties. Aside from the basketball, football activities of her children, she was involved in 4H over a 14-year period, engaged in her children's activities of raising rabbits, doing photography, following her children's activities in Future Farmers of America, and volunteering at Muirfield in later years. Prior to Jim's passing, they traveled to every state in the union, except Alaska.

Donna is a member of the Artisan's Guild, which creates lap robes for sale to help the Homeless Shelter in Marion; helping the Palace Theatre Christmas Tree Decoration in December, and as a member of Marion Senior Center, engaging in many other offerings beyond her volunteer work at the front desk. She met and started dating Roy Ferguson and fell in love with this retired Army veteran. After accepting Roy's proposal, she said she wanted a "Fairy Tale" wedding, which she had always dreamed of. Roy said OK but asked her if he *had* to wear a tuxedo, to which she answered YES. He finally gave in to the tux, and they were married in 2013.

Now Donna and Roy take off on their road trips at will. They have their favorites: Texas to visit their grandson, Alex who is in the Army, and favorite places in TN, like Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg, and Branson, MO (3 times!). Or they stay home and keep in touch with grandson, Ronnie, who lives in Marion and who is in the National Guard. Marion Senior Center is also a source of their wanderlust, with the trips scheduled in Ohio, as well as the Prime-Time trips group of the First Church of the Nazarene of which they are members. She says, in addition to 3 Grand and Great Grandchildren, they have 2 dogs, Gabby and Rudy... and they are spoiled, but she says it with a smile!

Their busy, happy life is a foundation for the compassionate personality of the lovely woman who greets you at the signin desk! She shines with warmth and is there for you helpful and knowledgeable.

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Evening DANCE



Yes Popcorn & Movie >> Thursday, November 8 - 12:30 pm

Experience the fun of an afternoon matinee, complete with a complimentary box of popcorn during this monthly event! We set up theaterstyle seating in the *Multipurpose Room*, then lower the shades and dim the lights to create a movie theater atmosphere for you to sit back, relax, and enjoy watching a newly released movie on our big screen TV! Feel free to come alone, or join some friends! *Please see the poster located on the activity board near Kristi's office for movie details.*

Holiday Formal Dance

Thursday, November 29 6 - 8 pm

Dress up in style for our Holiday Formal Dance! Ring in the holidays with a fun, festive evening. It's the perfect holiday gathering that welcomes both singles and couples.

DJ Alex Sheridan of *Ichor Entertainment* will provide music from 6 - 8 pm, ranging from swing band hits to classic oldies. Free refreshments will be served during intermission. Admission is \$5. All dances are open to the public. Must be age 50+ (or accompanied by a member).

Trips on the Horizon

Scioto Downs - Columbus

Thursday, November 1

Final Scioto Downs Trip of 2018! We will depart the Center via Lakefront charter coach at 8:30 am to visit Scioto Downs. Cost of the trip is \$30, which includes \$20 slot play and \$5 food voucher.

LaComedia: White Christmas Thursday, December 20

We'll depart the Center at 8:30 am via Brewster motor coach for a day trip to Springboro to see LaComedia's most popular show of all time, the classic musical White *Christmas*. The holiday film classic starring Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye and Rosemary Clooney is the inspiration for this blockbuster musical. Two veterans have a successful song-and-dance act after World War II. With romance in mind, they follow a duo of beautiful singing "sisters" en route to their Christmas show at a Vermont lodge. Cue the snow! Upon our arrival, we'll enjoy LaComedia's famous lunch buffet. Cost is \$93 Members; \$98 Non-members, which includes transportation, lunch and admission to the show. Sign up NOW with \$20 non-refundable deposit.

Congrats to our Cook-off Champs!

Congratulations to Mike Hampel who won the *Chili* **Cook-off** and **Kathy Sherman** who won the **Baking Contest** at our annual **Fall Festival**. We want to thank

COSTCO for providing the contest prizes and Micki Ziegler, DeWolfe Place for sponsoring the Fall Festival event. Also thanks to all of the contestants who entered their favorite recipes. (Pssst...It's never to early to begin planning for next year!)



Senior Transportation Policy Changes

Due to the increased number of rides we have provided this year, our grant funding is almost depleted. We did request and receive additional funding from Marion County Council on Aging, however it is designated for medical appointments only. To ensure we can provide this vital service through the remaining months of this year, the following **temporary** restrictions are currently in place:

- All medical rides will take priority (doctor's office, dialysis, lab tests, physical therapy, prescriptions, etc.)
- Other rides will be limited to one round trip per week (shopping, hair salon, YMCA, bank, post office, etc.)
- Maximum stops per round trip continues to be 3

Protect Against "Senior Scams"

The holidays seem to bring the bad guys out in force. Scams targeting the elderly increase this time of year because con artists know that seniors are both more vulnerable and more charitable with Christmas around the corner.



The Center will host a Consumer Protection presentation to educate area seniors about "Senior Scams" on Tuesday, November 13 at 1 pm in the Multipurpose Room. Presenter Katie Harper will discuss different types of scams, red flags to look for, and steps seniors can take to protect against fraud.

The presentation is **FREE** and open to the public. The Center will also provide light refreshments.

This event is not sponsored by, nor affiliated with, the Ohio Attorney General's Office. The Ohio Attorney General's office does not endorse or recommend Marion Senior Center or any products or services affiliated with Marion Senior Center.

AVON Calling... and Donating!

The Senior Center is teaming up with AVON for a holiday fundraiser with 40 to 50% of the sales being donated to the Picnic Shelter fund. Plus there will be no sales tax or shipping costs **charged** on these sales, which can be placed till the end of the year!!



AVON is a well known product with a good reputation. Sell to friends, family, and neighbors, or purchase for yourself. SHOP now for the Holidays. AVON representative **Diane Pearson** will be available near the front entrance every Monday from 10 am to noon to show samples, answer questions and place orders.

Thanksgiving Raffle Winners!

Winners of the benefit raffle to raise funds for our Picnic Shelter project which took place during the Fall Festival were: Susan Davis (Thanksgiving Dinner for 4 from Bob Evans) and Patty Crane (\$30 gift card). Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets to the raffle, which

raised \$277, bringing our total amount raised to date to \$8,985. Blueprints are currently being drafted so Tri-Rivers students can begin construction this spring.



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Marion Senior Center

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8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday Office: 740-387-6100

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Directory

Director: Steve Badertscher

Activity Coordinator: Kristi Wink

Social Services Coordinator: Annette Hartman

Transportation Coordinator: Barb Arms

Bookkeeper: Jackie King

Maintenance Supervisor: Jay Yarger

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Need a Ride? Transportation Available for Seniors

If you, or someone you know age 60 and older, are seeking transportation for needs-based appointments, the Marion Senior Center is here to help. We provide transportation (on a donation basis) to and from appointments in Marion County. Transportation is available every Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am & 3:30 pm, excluding holidays. To learn more, contact the Center's Transportation Desk at (740) 387-5444 or Ohio District 5-Area Agency on Aging at 1-800-522-5680. *Handicap-accessible transportation is now available!

Need a Personal Shopper?

We have a personal shopper available to help homebound Seniors age 60+. If you, or someone you know, could use ongoing assistance with shopping needs, please contact Social Services Coordinator Annette Hartman at (740) 387-6100.

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