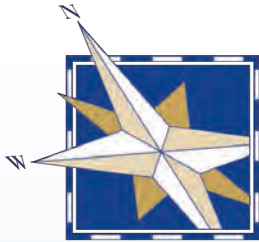


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Friendly Reminder

Your 2019 Membership Dues
Are Due Prior to January 1

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Christmas DINNER

Thursday, December 13 - Noon



We will be serving our annual Christmas Dinner at the Senior Center on **Thursday, December 13 at noon**. Dinner will be catered by *Special Occasions* with the help of volunteer members and friends of the Center. Dinner will feature Yankee Pot Roast and Glazed Ham, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn Casserole, Dinner Roll, Dessert and a Beverage.

After dinner you will be treated to a time-honored performance of traditional Christmas carols by our Center's choir, *Seniors in Song*. This extremely talented choir is under the direction of **Ednita Vaflor** and accompanied by **Terri Malone**. (Many nice door prizes, too!)

Tickets are **\$10**, which includes dinner and entertainment. They can be purchased from *Jackie King* by **Friday, December 7**.

**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, December 19** 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.

K of C

Christmas Dinner

The Marion K of C cordially invites all area seniors to join them for their annual Christmas Dinner. The meal is **FREE** to all area seniors and will be served **Sunday, December 9** at **6 pm** (doors open at 5:30 pm) in the Marion K of C Hall located at 1232 E. Center Street (adjacent to Garfield Park). **Home-delivered meals are also available same day from 11:30 am - noon.** Please sign up at the *Transportation Desk* by Thursday, December 6 at noon.

It's Time to Renew!

Just a friendly reminder that your 2019 Center membership dues are due prior to **January 1, 2019.** We're happy to announce that dues will not increase this year. Annual membership is still **\$30** per person.

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 Marionaires gave a heartfelt performance at our Veterans Day Celebration



Our Center choir "Seniors in Song" recently traveled to Lexington Senior Center to perform a concert for their members and guests. Our choir members received rave reviews and were also treated to a delicious lunch from the Lexington Center.

Upcoming Events

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**

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:

- **Marion Concert Band - Mon., December 10**
- **Christmas Dinner - Thurs., December 13**
- **Vegas Day - Tuesday, January 22**



*We honored 33 veterans in attendance at our **Veterans Day Celebration** on Friday, November 9. We thank our sponsor Kindred.*

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 recently completed a unique project, creating "jean pocket purses" utilizing recycled blue jean pockets (see photo below) to be included in *Samaratin's Purse Shoe Box Gift* project.



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. This month's class will meet on **Wednesday, December 5** and the assignment is "Snow & Christmas photos".

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.

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. **Please note: Senior Center Bingo will be hosted in the Card Room on December 12 this month.**

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**.

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** will teach a Beginner Line Dance class on **Tuesday** afternoons at **2 pm**. This session will begin on **Tuesday, January 8** and continue through the month April.

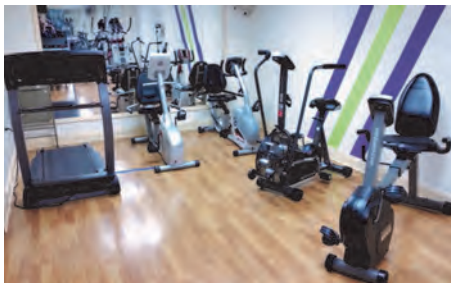
Recipe 'Prepare & Share'

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. December's theme will be "cookie exchange". So bring your favorite cookies 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**.

December 2018 • Calendar of Events

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY |
|---|--|---|---|
| <p>8:00-Biltmore Trip Departs 3</p> <p>9:00-Exercise T</p> <p>9:00-Beginner Line Dancing</p> <p>9:30-Mind Games*</p> <p>9:30-Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00-Bridge</p> <p>11:30-Lunch</p> <p>12:00-Pinochle</p> <p>12:00-Euchre</p> <p>12:15-Hand & Foot Cards</p> <p>12:30-Craft Class</p> | <p>9:00-Aerobics 4</p> <p>9:00-Books, Balance & BS</p> <p>10:00-Bridge</p> <p>10:00-Bible Study</p> <p>10:00-Zumba Gold Toning</p> <p>11:00-Strength Training</p> <p>12:15-Dominoes</p> <p>12:30-Texas Hold 'Em</p> <p>1:00-Yarn Club</p> <p>1:30-Stained Glass</p> <p>2:00-Rummikub</p> | <p>9:00-Exercise 5</p> <p>12:30-Pinochle</p> <p>12:30-Sewing Class</p> <p>1:00-Coloring Club</p> <p>2:00-Tai Chi*</p> <p>2:00-Photography Class*</p> | <p>9:00-Aerobics 6</p> <p>9:30-Breakfast for the Brain*</p> <p>9:45-Choir Practice*</p> <p>10:00-Hand & Foot Cards</p> <p>12:00-Bid Euchre</p> <p>12:00-Mahjong</p> <p>12:30-Popcorn & Movie*</p> <p>12:30-Texas Hold 'Em</p> |
| <p>9:00-Exercise 10</p> <p>9:00-Beginner Line Dancing</p> <p>9:30-Mind Games*</p> <p>9:30-Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00-Bridge</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">11:00-Marion Concert Band</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">Free Holiday Concert*</p> <p>11:30-Lunch</p> <p>12:00-Pinochle 12:00-Euchre</p> <p>12:15-Hand & Foot Cards</p> <p>12:30-Craft Class</p> | <p>9:00-Aerobics 11</p> <p>9:00-Books, Balance & BS</p> <p>10:00-Bridge</p> <p>10:00-Bible Study</p> <p>10:00-Zumba Gold Toning</p> <p>11:00-Strength Training</p> <p>12:15-Dominoes</p> <p>12:30-Prime Tours NYC Trip mtg.*</p> <p>12:30-Texas Hold 'Em</p> <p>1:00-Produce* P</p> <p>1:00-Yarn Club</p> <p>1:30-Stained Glass 2:00-Rummikub</p> | <p>9:00-Exercise 12</p> <p>9:30-Heartland Trivia*</p> <p>10:30-Pre-school Reading Program*</p> <p>12:00-Pre-school Reading Program*</p> <p>12:30-Pinochle</p> <p>12:30-Senior Center Bingo*</p> <p>12:30-Sewing Class</p> <p>1:00-Recipe Prepare & Share*</p> <p>1:00-Coloring Club</p> <p>2:00-Tai Chi*</p> | <div style="background-color: yellow; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid black;"> <p>12:00-Christmas Dinner*</p> </div> <p><i>Note: All Other Activities Are Cancelled Today!</i></p> |
| <p>9:00-Exercise 17</p> <p>9:00-Beginner Line Dancing</p> <p>9:30-Mind Games*</p> <p>9:30-Line Dancing</p> <p>10:00-Bridge</p> <p>11:30-Lunch</p> <p>12:00-Pinochle</p> <p>12:00-Euchre</p> <p>12:15-Hand & Foot Cards</p> <p>12:30-Craft Class</p> | <p>9:00-Aerobics 18</p> <p>9:00-Books, Balance & BS</p> <p>10:00-Bridge</p> <p>10:00-Bible Study</p> <p>10:00-Zumba Gold Toning</p> <p>11:00-Strength Training</p> <p>12:15-Dominoes</p> <p>12:30-Texas Hold 'Em</p> <p>1:00-Yarn Club</p> <p>1:30-Stained Glass</p> <p>2:00-Rummikub</p> | <p>9:00-Exercise 19</p> <p>10:30-Tech Time with TJ*</p> <p>11:00-Board Meeting*</p> <p>12:00-Lunch*</p> <p>12:30-Pinochle</p> <p>12:30-Sewing Class</p> <p>1:00-Coloring Club</p> <p>1:00-Jam Session*</p> <p>2:00-Tai Chi*</p> | <p>8:30-LaComedia Trip* 20</p> <p>9:00-Aerobics</p> <p>9:30-Breakfast for the Brain* T</p> <p>9:45-Choir Practice*</p> <p>10:00-Hand & Foot Cards</p> <p>12:00-Bid Euchre</p> <p>12:00-Mahjong</p> <p>2:30-LRC*</p> |
| <p>24</p> <p>The Center will be Closed Today</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Merry Christmas</p> <p>The Center will be Closed Today.</p> | <p>9:00-Exercise 26</p> <p>12:30-Pinochle</p> <p>12:30-Sewing Class</p> <p>1:00-Coloring Club</p> <p>2:00-Tai Chi*</p> | <p>9:00-Aerobics 27</p> <p>9:30-Breakfast for the Brain*</p> <p>9:45-Choir Practice*</p> <p>10:00-Hand & Foot Cards</p> <p>12:00-Bid Euchre</p> <p>12:00-Mahjong</p> <p>12:30-Texas Hold 'Em</p> <p>1:00-Produce* P</p> |
| <p>31</p> <p>The Center will be Closed Today</p> | <p>Christmas Dinner</p> <p>Thurs., Dec. 13 - Noon</p> | | <p><i>Save the Date:</i></p> <p>Next 'New Member Mixer'</p> <p>Friday, Jan. 4 - 11:30 am</p> |

Birthdays & Anniversaries

FRIDAY

9:00-Line Dancing **7**
 9:00-Exercise
 9:30-Line Dancing
 11:00-Scrabble*
 1:00-Card Game 31
 1:30-Tai Chi

9:00-Line Dancing **14**
 9:00-Exercise
 9:30-Line Dancing
10:00-Kingston Bingo*
 11:00-Scrabble*
 1:00-Card Game 31
 1:30-Tai Chi

6:00-Staff Christmas Party

9:00-Line Dancing **21**
 9:00-Exercise
 9:30-Line Dancing
 11:00-Scrabble*
 11:30-Line Dancers Potluck
 1:00-Card Game 31
 1:30-Tai Chi

9:00-Line Dancing **28**
 9:00-Exercise
 9:30-Line Dancing
 11:00-Scrabble*
 1:00-Card Game 31
 1:30-Tai Chi

F = Food Box Day

P = Produce Day

T = Trip Departure

D = Thursday Evening Dance

*See Article Inside for Details

December Birthdays

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|--------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|-------------------------|--------|
| Louella Ash | Dec 01 | Shelby Needham | Dec 10 | Nelson Miller | Dec 17 |
| Peggy Jenkins | Dec 01 | Judith Augenstein | Dec 11 | Donna Ruth Wade | Dec 18 |
| Sandi Watson | Dec 01 | Connie Shelton | Dec 11 | Connie Thomas | Dec 19 |
| Margaret James | Dec 02 | Pamela McConnell-Wise | Dec 11 | Bill White | Dec 20 |
| Lynn Foust | Dec 03 | | Dec 11 | Gordon Wall | Dec 21 |
| Madelyn Litzenberg | Dec 03 | Vicky Carey | Dec 12 | Kristi Wink | Dec 21 |
| Cathy Bard | Dec 03 | Jack Somerlot | Dec 13 | John Emens | Dec 21 |
| Elaine Renn | Dec 05 | Krystyna Clarke | Dec 14 | Bonnie Bowen | Dec 22 |
| Barb Rush | Dec 05 | Chester Harrah | Dec 14 | Doug Connar | Dec 22 |
| Shirley Biederman | Dec 06 | Regina Hillenbrand | Dec 14 | Chris Lingo | Dec 22 |
| Bessie Brammer | Dec 06 | Jerry Laucher | Dec 14 | Randall Reinwald | Dec 22 |
| James Deeter | Dec 06 | Steve Longberry | Dec 14 | Bill Kelly | Dec 23 |
| Phyllis Simmons | Dec 06 | Alana Wamack | Dec 14 | Arnold Stevens | Dec 23 |
| Jennifer Johnson | Dec 06 | Robert Brown | Dec 14 | Stephan Markley | Dec 23 |
| Armida Callahan | Dec 07 | Alana Wamack | Dec 15 | Judy Boger | Dec 24 |
| Bonnie Hamblin | Dec 07 | Raymond | | Kenneth Morgan | Dec 24 |
| Mary Howell | Dec 07 | Bloomfield | Dec 15 | Karen Baxter | Dec 25 |
| Anna Mae Huntley | Dec 07 | Barbara Reece | Dec 15 | Anna Lamb | Dec 25 |
| Calvin Miller | Dec 07 | Sandy Seiter | Dec 15 | Fran Voll | Dec 25 |
| Jody Strobel | Dec 07 | Dennis Witsberger | Dec 15 | Judy Delauder | Dec 25 |
| Ray Guider | Dec 08 | Vicki McCombs | Dec 15 | Barbara Ramsey-Erlewine | Dec 26 |
| Annette Hartman | Dec 08 | Carl Robinson | Dec 15 | | Dec 26 |
| Sherri Wilson | Dec 08 | Allen Merritt | Dec 15 | Clara Cooperider | Dec 27 |
| Joyce Rider | Dec 09 | Ruth Gamble | Dec 16 | Sandy Brown | Dec 27 |
| Becky Williamson | Dec 09 | Soog Park | Dec 16 | Beverly Miller | Dec 27 |
| Carole Smart | Dec 09 | Joel Bolander | Dec 16 | Robert Stone | Dec 28 |
| Carol Bridges | Dec 09 | Mary Shoewalter | Dec 17 | Lowell Schlecht | Dec 29 |
| Vearl Gamble | Dec 09 | Jerry Webber | Dec 17 | William Jones | Dec 30 |
| Lynda Ault | Dec 10 | Terri Murphy | Dec 17 | Howard Bard | Dec 30 |

December Anniversaries

| | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|------|----------|
| Bob & Joan Ault | December 31 | 1954 | 64 years |
| Howard & Marilyn Huston | December 15 | 1956 | 62 years |
| Dale & Cathy Linstedt | December 16 | 1966 | 52 years |
| Larry & Susan Rodman | December 03 | 1967 | 51 years |
| Denny & Mary Polter | December 16 | 1967 | 51 years |
| Carroll & Sharon Sears | December 16 | 1967 | 51 years |
| Richard & Karen Gorenflo | December 31 | 1971 | 47 years |
| Bill & Becky Williamson | December 18 | 1971 | 47 years |
| Barry & Rebecca Gustin | December 16 | 1972 | 46 years |
| Lewis & Alana Kilzer | December 23 | 1972 | 46 years |
| Skip & Pat Miller | December 05 | 1975 | 43 years |
| Mike & Sharalee Lore | December 31 | 1994 | 24 years |
| Michael & Judy Bowe | December 05 | 2003 | 15 years |

New Members

| | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Dave Elliott | Karen Kirts | Karen Strayer |
| Bud & Phyllis Franklin | Jon Oakey | Rick VanGilder |
| Loretta Hughes | Wayne Selph | Janine Williams |

Volunteer of the Month

MEET BEULAH OWENS

By Tim Frericks

Our volunteer of the month, Beulah Owens has touched many people in a positive way during her life's journey. Currently volunteering as a "Greeter" at the Center every Wednesday from 12 noon to 3:00 pm. She has also served as a Girl Scout leader and was co-founder of a support group.

Beulah was born in Chillicothe, Ohio. Her family eventually moved just west of Green Camp, Ohio and Beulah entered the fifth grade at Green Camp school and has remained in the Marion area. She married Jack Owens in 1952 and they enjoyed 62 years together until his death in 2014. They had two children; Jim, associated with Nationwide Insurance in Marion and Mary Ann, who lives in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

A lover of math Beulah's employment consisted mostly of accounting and bookkeeping responsibilities at companies Wyandot Blacktopping and Mid-Ohio Paper. Her most recent and final employment was at Elder-Beerman as a sales clerk from which she retired in 1994.

In 1994 she and Jack took a memorable trip to Normandy, France with a group celebrating the 50th anniversary of D-Day. Beulah enjoyed the European trip to Normandy where they walked Omaha and Utah beaches. They were also able to visit the Normandy America Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer where more than 9,000 soldiers are buried. Beulah and Jack also traveled on two Amtrak trips—one to the Northwest U.S. and one to the Southwest U.S.



Beulah's husband, Jack was a championship golfer and Beulah took up the sport as she saw how much Jack enjoyed it. Although a competent golfer she was not quite of championship caliber and golf eventually took a back seat to her favorite hobby—sewing. Her pride in a bedspread she made in 1996 is obvious.

After experiencing fatigue and arthritic like symptoms in 2007 she was diagnosed with Celiac Disease which is an autoimmune disease affecting the lining of the small intestine preventing it from absorbing essential nutrients. Its symptoms mimic many conditions, including fatigue, joint pain and headache.

Undaunted, the strength of Beulah's character was shown as she cofounded a support group for Celiac Disease which grew to 30 members. Although there is no cure for Celiac she can keep her symptoms to a minimum by watching her diet—avoiding bread and gluten products.

Beulah is thankful for her membership in the Senior Center and appreciates it as an outlet for her interest and concern for other people.

Evening DANCE



◀◀ Popcorn & Movie ▶▶ Thursday, December 6 - 12:30 pm

Experience the fun of an afternoon matinee, complete with a complimentary box of popcorn during this monthly event! We set up theater-style 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.



MARION CONCERT BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT

Monday, December 10 at 11 am

The Marion Concert Band will be performing a **free Holiday Concert** here at the Center on **Monday, December 10** from **11 am – noon**. Lunch will be served a la carte that day, beginning at 11:30 am.



Trips on the Horizon

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.

NYC Trip Info Meeting *Tuesday, December 11*

Prime Tours will be hosting an informational meeting for a couple of next year's trips: "New York City" trip featuring the *Radio City Rockettes Christmas Spectacular* plus an option for **OSU vs. Rutgers** football game, and "Wine, Water & Wonders" tour of Upstate New York. The meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 11** at **12:30 pm** in the *Multipurpose Room*.

Brighten a Child's Holiday!

We are excited to welcome pre-school students from the *Marie English Early Childhood Center* on **Wednesday, December 12** with sessions beginning at **10:30 am** and **Noon**. We are asking some of our members to volunteer 15 minutes of their time to read Christmas stories to a small group. This is part of the "Let's Read 20" program. **If you are interested please sign up with Kristi for either time slot (or both)**. Books will be provided and available prior to December 12. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the life of a child!



It's Time to Renew!

Just a friendly reminder that your 2019 Senior Center Membership dues are due prior to **January 1, 2019**. We are happy to announce that dues will not increase this year. Annual membership is still **\$30** per person.

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** this month to show samples, answer questions and place orders.

Trip Advisory Council

The *Trip Advisory Council* met with **Kristi** and **Steve** on **Tuesday, November 13** to provide feedback on trips under consideration for 2019, and will be meeting again in **December** to finalize the list of trips we will offer. There are a wide-variety of trips under consideration, and the 2019 trip schedule will once again be printed in a flyer with tentative details that are available at the time it is printed (dates, pricing, etc.). The mailer will be mailed to all Center members in **January**.

We also reviewed the trips we offered to our members this past year and wanted to share a few interesting statistics with you:

We offered a total of **35** trips this year. **29** of those were Day Trips and **6** were Multiple Day Trips. So in essence, we averaged about a trip every other week in 2018. The 29 Day Trips were also **very affordable** when considering the following:

- **25** of the 29 trips cost **\$79 or less**
- **20** of the 29 trips cost **\$50 or less**
- **18** of the 29 trips cost **\$30 or less**
- **10** of the 29 trips cost **\$25 or less**

While on the subject of great value, it was also evidenced by the **all-inclusive 4-day Biltmore Estate Trip** for \$445 and the **all-inclusive 5-day Sight & Sound "Jesus" Trip** for \$539.

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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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