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FAIRPORT SENIOR CENTER

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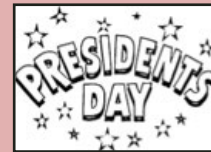


OUR 2025 BOARD MEMBERS

First Row L-R: Becky Potts, Denise Duncan, Dusty Staudt, Terry Wodarski, and Judy Klotzbach

2nd Row L-R: Sid Rose, Lois Orosz, Suzanne Parrigan, and Marty O'Gara

Programs and Services are funded through the *Lake County Senior Services Levy*. Become a "Friend" and "Like" us on Facebook at [Fairport Harbor Senior Center](#).



THE CENTER WILL BE CLOSED FEB. 17

MISSION STATEMENT

"Improving the lives of adults (55+) through caring service with opportunities for social interaction recreation, basic support, programs, education, volunteering and community support."

SENIOR CENTER BOARD MBRs.

President: Sid Rose
Vice-President: Lois Orosz
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Secretary: Dusty Staudt
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FAIRPORT SENIOR CENTER

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 Facebook - "Fairport Harbor Senior Center"
www.fairportseniorcenter.com
www.mycommunityonline.com
 Center has Wi-Fi

Office Hours

Mon thru Thurs 7:00am-4:00pm
 Friday 7:00am-Noon
 Saturday & Sunday CLOSED

Fitness Center Hours

Mon thru Thurs 8:00am-5:00pm
 Friday 8:00am-Noon
 Saturday & Sunday CLOSED

Happy VALENTINE'S DAY



FAIRPORT SENIOR CENTER MEMBERSHIP:
Annual Fee: \$12 for 55 or older and \$15 for under 55



Participants who attend the Fairport Senior Center activities, groups who use our services and those who otherwise use the facility several times a year or more are encouraged to become members. Membership is open to anyone age 55 or older and runs from January through December each year. Spouses of those 55 or older (and spouse is not 55) may become members with a joint membership at an annual cost of \$12 per person.

In addition, memberships are available for anyone under 55 at an annual cost of \$15 per person. These members may take part in all activities, except the weight room. *****Join or Renew Today*****



45 NEW MEMBERS FOR 2025

- Colleen Boyer
- Steve Boyer
- Marie Coyle
- Carola Crnko
- Diana DiCarlo
- Inge Dilgren
- Michael Dowling
- Rita Fleming
- Tom Fleming
- Kim Gallo
- Eileen Garcia
- Marlene Hach
- Carol Hehstadt
- Gayle Horrigan
- Sally Kochever

- Frank Kokelec
- Nancy Lyubi-Williams
- Judy Miller
- Larry Miller
- Michele Nakavish
- Darlene Panichi
- Laurie Penca
- William Pickering
- Marc Tandre
- Arlene Toivonen
- Diane Wagner
- Lenora Yocum
- Shelli Zeleznik



GET WELL WISHES & THINKING OF YOU

- Joe Belvisio III
- Mary Beuck
- Dora Bissett
- Mary Boggs
- Audrey Boyer
- Renee Burry
- Pat Butler
- Betty Caruso
- Nancy Dalton
- Sally Dolman
- Judy Elliott
- Grace Elmore
- Ann Fairchild
- Mary Gable
- Val Gavlick
- Ruth Gilmore
- Virginia Gregory
- Marlene Hach
- Carol Hickey
- Bill Hodson
- Gail Hreha
- Bob Hunter
- Judy Ivary
- Debbie Jordan
- Trudy Juhasz
- Mary Kallay

- Jim Kapostasy
- June Karako
- Barb Kelly
- Alice Kidd
- Laura Kidman
- Debbie King
- Rose Kochis
- Aileen Lampella
- Jane Lauer
- Dale Leathers
- Betty Leiby
- Mary Lette
- Joan Lograsso
- Kathy Logsdon
- Tim Lynch
- Dave Mason
- Donna Mason
- Bob McKnight
- Carol McKnight
- Denise Miller
- Glen Miller
- John Murphy
- Joanne Muzik
- John Muzik
- Rosa Ortiz
- Joe Pappalardo
- Gerry Phillips
- Barb Resetar
- Dick Rodstrom
- Chip Saalfield
- Sam Schuster

- Jim Senter
- Grace Shupp
- Matt Sironen
- Carol Skiba
- Pat Spivak
- Dee Tarantino
- Zully Tey
- Jean Thompson
- Kathy Tiedman
- Patrice Toth
- Rachel Valencia
- Jim Visti
- Tom Warmington
- Sam Wright



Please remember to sign in whenever you enter the Center by swiping your new key card. We are a membership-based facility, and our funds come through the *Lake County Senior Services Levy*; therefore, you must be a current member of *Fairport Senior Center* to participate in programs, cards, games, classes, trips, and the use of the exercise equipment. Membership cards are now required to enter the Center. Thank you!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Want to make a difference and feel good about yourself at the same time? Please consider volunteering at our Center. It's a great way to make new friends and keep our Center vibrant. We're always looking for volunteers to help answer phones in the morning, help clean up, and assist with fundraisers and potlucks among other activities. There's something for everyone!

Please contact the Center's office at 440-354-3674 and let Chris know that you're willing to help.

"NOBODY CAN DO EVERYTHING, BUT EVERYONE CAN DO SOMETHING." ~AUTHOR UNKNOWN

GET WELL, THINKING OF YOU, AND SYMPATHY

We will gladly send a card to a member who is recovering, feeling down or just needs a little sunshine in their lives. Let us know and we'll send a card.

SYMPATHY CARDS WERE SENT TO THE FAMILY OF MEMBERS:

- Nanette Keils (*husband*), Greg Nimmo,
- Sarah Reinhard (*husband*), Nick Tomba, and Joe Zyzek

WEEKLY ONGOING ACTIVITIES

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY |
|--|--|---|
| Fitness Room 8:00am-5:00pm Watercolors 9:30am Arthritis Exercise 10:00am Bingo 12:30pm Beginning Drawing Class 1:00 pm Card Bingo 3:30pm Intermediate Drawing Class 4:00pm Line Dancing 6, 7 & 8pm <i>Center closed 2/17</i> | Fitness Room 8:00am-5:00pm Hand & Foot 9:00am Darts / Yoga 10:00am Weights & Bands NOON Mah Jongg 1:00pm Knitting & Crocheting 1:00pm Line Dancing 1:15pm | Fitness Room 8:00am-5:00pm Arthritis Exercise (Feb. 5, 19 & 26) 9:30am Balance Class (Feb. 12) 9:30am Arthritis Exercise (Feb. 5, 12 & 19) 11:00am Balance Class (Feb. 26) 11:00am LCR & 31 12:15pm Bridge & Pinochle 12:30pm Stretching 4:30pm Bingo 5:30pm Yoga [NEW] 6:00pm |
| THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| Fitness Room 8:00am-5:00pm Sewing 9:00am Tai Chi 9:00am Chair Yoga 10:15am Weights & Bands NOON Cribbage / Poker 1:00pm Bunco 1:15pm Euchre 1:15pm Line Dancing 4:30pm WLW 5:00pm Country Music 6:00pm | Office Open 7:00am-Noon Fitness Room 8:00am-Noon Hand & Foot 9:00am-NOON Yoga 9:30-10:45am Chair Volleyball 11:00am Knitting NOON-2:00pm Mah Jongg NOON-4:00pm <i>Office closed at 1:00 pm on Fridays</i> | <i>(These dates only) - 2/8, 3/8 & 4/12</i> Contra Dance Lessons [NEW] 6:30-7:00pm Contra Dancing [NEW] 7:00-9:00pm <i>Please check with your instructor about their holiday scheduling of classes.</i> |

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

ATTORNEY - DEBORAH LOUGHNER.....FEB. 24
 at 8:30am (last Mon. of the month) Attorney Loughner will now meet with you to discuss your legal needs such as a will, a trust, an estate, etc. An appointment is a must! (NO FEE)

FAIRPORT VILLAGE COUNCIL MTING..... FEB. 18
 at 6:30PM (3rd Tues. of the month)
 Council meetings are open to everyone.



BOARD MEETING.....9:30AM.....FEB. 14
 (2nd Fri. of the month) Board meetings are open to all members of the Center. **Everyone is welcome to attend!**

LUNCHES FROM 11:00AM - NOON.....\$7.00/PP

- 02/03 - Charlie's Hotdogs & Pasta Salad
- 02/10 - Walking Tacos & Fruit Cocktail
- 02/17 - Holiday - Closed
- 02/24 - Sloppy Joes & Peaches

All lunches include chips & a drink unless otherwise noted.
Must sign up as only a limited number of meals will be made. **MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

COFFEE WITH THE COPS.....FEB. 5
 FROM 8:30 - 9:30AM (1st Wed. of the month) Stop in for a cup of coffee and meet some of Fairport's police officers.

RISQ TRIVIA..... FEB. 3
 AT 2:00PM (1st Mon. of the month) Let's play trivia! Come have fun while exercising your brain! We'll have lots of interesting categories along with monthly prizes. Call Dusty at 440-357-9115 for more details. **Sign up now for the 2025 Mind Challenge tournament.**


COMPUTERS & TECH....10:00AM-1:00PM.....FEB. 8
 (Saturdays) Lauren will be here for one-on-one sessions to help us with our computers, phones, and tablets. Please call or sign up at the Center for an appointment. (NO FEE)

DINNERS

Catered dinners are the 2nd Tues. of the month & are **NOW \$15/pp** (unless otherwise noted). Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Members 90+ get a Free Birthday dinner during their BD month.

◆ **MEATLOAF.....5-7PM..... FEB. 11**
The menu will be Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll, dessert & beverage. Tickets will be available January 15 and must be purchased by February 6. After dinner if you would like to stay and play bingo, please bring your nickels and quarters. *Maximum 100 people. **No Refunds!***

◆ **CORNERED BEEF.....5-7PM.....MAR. 11**
 This month we'll dine on Corned Beef, cabbage, potato, carrots, dessert and beverage. Tickets will be available February 12 and must be purchased by March 6. Entertainment TBD. *Maximum 100 people. **No Refunds!***

ARTS

DRAWING/ART CLASS.....Fee

▶ **Beginners - Mondays from 1:00-3:00pm**

▶ We are starting another beginners class. Class will be \$5.00 per person per class and we will buy the basic materials for you. Please pay when you sign up.

▶ **Intermediate - Mondays from 4:00-6:00pm**

▶ *Please note that this class is not for beginners. This class will continue.*
Classes are limited to 6 students for both the beginners & intermediate classes, so please sign up & pay when you register. A list of supplies for the intermediate class is available at the Center's office. Instructor: Len Thomas.

WATERCOLORS (Beginners to Advanced)

Mondays from 9:30-11:30am \$40.00 for 4 classes
Bring to class the following items: one flat 1", 1/2" and 1/4" brushes; round brushes #10 and #7; wash brush 2"; watercolor paper 140 Cold Press and watercolor pallet. A list is available at the Center. Instructor: Connie Adams.

CRAFTS & SEW FORTH

CRAFT-A-CARD (2nd Mon. of the month)

Feb. 10 from 12:00 - 2:00pm \$5.00 per class

Make and take three (3) cards. You **MUST PAY** when you sign up, so that there are enough supplies for everyone. Please pay your instructor directly.

* **AFTERNOON CLASS (4th Tues. of the month - Jan.-April)**

Feb. 25 from 2:30 - 5:00pm \$5.00 per class

Make and take three (3) cards. Please sign up. Only 20 spots available. Please pay your instructor directly. Teacher: Jane Conley

**Please note that the time has changed for Jan.-April.*

Basic Supply Kits, (if you want your own): double-sided

tape or glue stick; scissors; tweezers; baby wet wipes from Dollar Tree; pop ups; and colored pencils.

FLEECE CRAFT.....1:00PM.....Feb. 26

(4th Wed. of the month) You will need 2 yards of solid color fleece, 2 yards of printed fleece and a good pair of scissors. Your instructor will assist you with putting your blanket together. Baby blankets are 1-1/2 yards each. These make great gifts! *(No Fee)*

JEWELRY MAKING CLASS.....2:15PM..... FEB. 18

(3rd Tues. of the month) Join this fun class and make a piece of jewelry. **Cost is \$10.00** which will include all supplies. You **MUST PAY** when you sign up, so that there are enough supplies for everyone.

KNITTING & CROCHETING

No Fee

Tuesdays from 1:00 - 4:00pm

This group works cooperatively each week. Do you have a project that you would like to start or finish? Need help? Then this group is for you.

Fridays from Noon to 2:00pm

Always wanted to learn to knit? Come in and join this fun group. Bring to class 1 skein of 4 ply yarn and a pair of #8 knitting needles and start knitting. Instructor: Nancy Brosokas

SCRAPBOOKING.....11:00AM-2:00PM.....FEB. 5

(1st Wed. of the month) Are your pictures in a box? Would you like to organize them and make a beautiful scrapbook? This is the class for you! Gather your pictures, scrapbook, and colorful paper. Lots of ideas are offered. *(No Fee)*

SEWING

No Fee

Thursdays from 9:00am - NOON

If you have a sewing project that you have started or a pattern you are stuck on and have not finished, or have any ideas or tips on sewing to share with the sewing group, join our sewing class on Thursdays. **Please bring your own sewing machine.** You may bring your lunch with you.

[No class Feb. 27 due to the book club meeting.]

STAINED GLASS CLASSES...12:30-2:30PM...SATURDAYS

BASIC cost is \$120/pp. Must prepay so instructor can purchase your materials & glass. Class will begin one week after payment. You'll learn how to cut glass, grinding, foiling, soldering, and framing. Fee includes instruction, use of special tools, practice glass, project glass, patterns & materials kit. Student must bring: scissors, black & silver sharpies, small wire cutters, small needle-nose pliers, safety goggles, terry cloth dish towel, painters tape, & 14" pizza box. **INTERMEDIATE** (10am-Noon) cost is \$60/pp. Must buy your own supplies & glass. A custom pattern is included. Must have completed the basic class. **ADVANCED** (10am-Noon) cost is \$5 per session. Must have completed Basic & Intermediate classes, have your own tools, your own glass & supplies. **Please pay when signing up. Make your check out to your instructor, Dusty Staudt.**

YOUR HEALTH

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS.....10AM.....FEB. 19
(3rd Wed. of the month) - The **Fairport Fire Department** will be here to offer free blood pressure screenings each month. Please sign up today.



BRAIN HEALTH & WELLNESS.....4:00-5:00PM..... FEB. 4
(1st Tues. of the month) - Join us in a monthly discussion on how the brain works, the aging process and how to maintain mental health and wellness. This will not be a substitute for counseling. We will discuss topics to increase your understanding of memory, stress, anxiety, depression, and other topics related to promote mental well-being. Anna Tyrrell, a mental health counselor, will lead these discussions. Please sign up. *(No Fee)*

HEARING - TBD **NO FEE**



Date to be determined

A rep will be here to screen your hearing & to clean your hearing aids. Please sign up if you are interested in a hearing test and/or cleaning.

MASSAGES (Table) \$1.00 per minute
Feb. 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 10am-2pm *(now every Friday)*
 Our Massage Therapist is back for table massages! Please pay when you sign up for your 15- or 30-minute session.

PODIATRISTS
Dr. Ben Feb. 12; March 12 \$30.00
 Appointments start at 9:00am
Dr. Kelly Feb. 26; March 26 \$30.00
 Appointments start at 10:00am.

You may make your appointment when you visit the Center or you can also call 440-354-3674 to leave a message. Someone will call you back to schedule your time.
Both physicians do not bill Medicare. Private pay only.

WEIGHT LOSS WINNERS (FORMERLY TOPS)..... FEE
Thursdays starting at 5:00-6:15pm - Want to lose weight? Check out **WLW (Weight Loss Winners)** our new weight loss program here at the Center. The first meeting is free. Weekly dues are \$2.00. If you lose or stay the same, you get \$1.00 back. If interested, please call Donna Bly at 440-567-0063 for more information.

COUNCIL ON AGING'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH SOCIAL WORKER.....11:00AM.....AS NEEDED
 A representative will be here on an as needed basis should you have a concern or problem that you are facing. Assistance is available to help you problem solve and come up with a solution. Please sign up at the Center for an appointment.

SUPPORT GROUP

GRIEF & LOSS.....10:00AM.....FEB. 13
 Megan from *Bella Care Hospice* will be here to discuss Grief & Loss. She will be here to answer your questions. Please sign up. *(No Fee)*

LOSS/GRIEF SUPPORT.....11:00-NOON.....TBD
 Lisa from *Hospice of the Western Reserve* will be back soon to offer support, comfort, and information to those struggling with loss. This program is also for caregivers, friends, and family members. Please sign up. *(No Fee)*

MUSIC

CLASSIC COUNTRY MUSIC.....THURSDAYS
 All members of the Center are invited to come in and listen to classic country music once again. Not a member? No problem...an application is included in this newsletter or you can come to the Center and sign up. Membership is only \$12.00 per year and includes all membership benefits. Please DO NOT arrive any earlier than 5:45pm as we have a class in the banquet hall that ends at 5:30pm. Thank you for your understanding and for supporting our Senior Center.
(No Fee, but Must Be a Member)

In honor of Presidents Day, here are some fun facts about our presidents:



- John Tyler had 15 children.
- The "S" in Harry S. Truman does not stand for anything.
- John F. Kennedy was the first president who was a Boy Scout.

•Teddy Roosevelt was blind in his left eye due to an injury in a boxing match.



CARD & GAMES

BINGO

Mondays from 12:30 - 3:00pm

(5¢ per Bingo Square & 10¢ Jackpot fill up)

Pease wipe down your table when you are done. *MUST have own CHANGE*****

Wednesdays from 5:30 - 8:15pm

Please **DO NOT** arrive too early due to class before!**BUNCO**

Thursdays from 1:15 - 3:15pm

We are starting a bunco group. Looking for players. Everyone is welcome! Bring your quarters!

CARD BINGO

Mondays from 3:30 - 4:30pm

To play card bingo you will need 3 nickels, 3 dimes, 5 quarters and 1 dollar. **Also, please wipe down your table when you are done.****CARD GAMES**Hand & Foot

Tuesdays from 9:00am - 12:30pm

Fridays from 9am - NOON

LCR (3 games) & then 31

Wednesdays from 12:15 - 4:00pm

Both games are played with quarters. We will help you learn to play, if you are interested in joining us.

**CRIBBAGE**

Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00pm

If you are interested in playing, please come in or call the Center to sign up. Come on out and try your hand at it.

DARTS

Tuesdays from 10:00 - 11:00am

If you are interested in playing, please call or come into Center to sign up. Come on out and try your hand at it.

**EUCHRE**

Thursdays from 1:15 - 4:00pm

Come and join this fun group. Looking for additional players! Willing to teach you how to play. Please make sure we have your phone number when you sign up.

GOLDEN GOLFERS GROUP

We are looking forward to our Spring season. There will be a meeting on **March 17 at 1:00pm** to discuss the Spring schedule. Everyone is welcome! Once the schedule/teams are set, the group will be closed.

See you there!

MAH JONGG

Tuesdays from 1:00 - 3:00pm

Fridays from NOON - 4:00pm

Mah Jongg originated in China and is played with tiles representing Chinese symbols & characters. Always wanted to learn...or want to learn something new? Come and meet with this fun group.

PENNY-ANTE POKER PARTY

Thursdays from 1:00 - 4:45pm

Do you know when to hold'em and when to fold'em? Put your poker face on and come out and join the fun. Please sign up at the Center.

**PICKLEBALL**

There will be a Pickleball "Open House" on March 27. Please see Page 10 for details. Start getting your team together now!

More information to come when the league starts in March. See you in the Spring!!**PINOCHLE & BRIDGE**

Wednesdays from 12:30 - 4:00pm

POOL ROOM

Mondays thru Thursdays

from 8:00am - 3:00pm

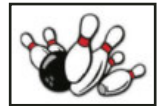
Fridays - Closed for cleaning

**WII BOWLING**

Mondays thru Thursdays

from 8:00am - 3:00pm

Cost is \$10.00 per bowler



The 10-week Winter League started the week of January 26, 2025. **You must bowl every week!** The Winter League will be a continuation of the Fall League which just ended. Averages will be carried over from the Fall to the Winter; however, the Standings will start over for the Winter. Thus, we will have a Fall Champion & a Winter Champion. An overall winner will be determined by a roll-off of the Champions in late March. You can sign up now to be put on a team or make your own 2-person team for the Winter League! If you are interested in a vacant spot or just subbing, please let us know. If you have never tried it, come in, and someone here is always willing to teach you how to play.

*Fridays - Closed for cleaning***WII GOLF**

Mondays thru Thursdays from 8:00am - 3:00pm

Fridays - Closed for cleaning



Feb. 2, 2025

EXERCISE PROGRAMS

ARTHRITIS EXERCISE **NO FEE**
Mondays @ 10:00 - 11:00am
Wednesdays @ 9:30 - 10:30am; & 11:00am - NOON
 This program works muscles & joints to encourage strength & balance. Aaron Cook, owner of *Fysical Therapy & Balance Center*, will be here on Feb. 12 from 9:30-10:30am to teach different exercises for balance. He will also be here on Feb. 26 from 11am-NOON and he will teach balance exercises. These classes will be in place of our regular arthritis exercise class on both days. You are welcome to join either or both classes. Instructors: Dick Rodstrom, Monday & Wednesday's early class; Bob Wayner, Wednesday's 11:00am class.

CHAIR VOLLEYBALL **NO FEE**
Fridays from 11:00am - NOON
 Chair volleyball allows those with physical limitations to participate in this fun game played weekly. Come on out and try this fun class! No experience necessary. Please sign up as teams are being formed now! Must have a minimum of 10 to play.

LINE DANCING **\$3 per class paid to instructor**
MONDAYS
 ⇒ *Basic Beginner from 6 - 7pm*
 Learn the basics of line dancing along with the steps, terminology, and different dance rhythms. Wear shoes with a slick bottom that can't be kicked off. Please "no slip-on-sandals/flip flops" or "high-heels" for your safety.
 Instructor: Tina Foster
 ⇒ *Beginner/Improver from 7 - 8pm*
 After 6-months of a basic beginner class, you're ready to take line dancing to the next level. Instructor: Tina Foster
 ⇒ *Intermediate from 8 - 9pm*
 This class is for those who wish to challenge their dance skills with more dancing and less learning time.
 Instructor: Tina Foster

TUESDAYS
 ⇒ *Intermediate from 1:15 - 2:15pm*
 Lynn will teach you the intermediate steps to line dancing! Join the fun!

THURSDAYS
 ⇒ *Experienced from 4:30 - 5:30pm*
 Tina will teach you the advanced steps to line dancing! Join the fun!



STRETCHING CLASS **NO FEE**
Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:30pm
 Please bring your own mat to class & wear comfortable clothes. We will also be including floor exercises & weights.

TAI CHI **\$4 PER CLASS**
Thursdays from 9 - 10am *[Minimum 5 students]*
 This class is gentle and not strenuous and can be done seated. It has been shown to have a positive effect on muscle strength, flexibility, and balance. It is an activity that is widely endorsed by the medical profession as being of great value to people as they age. Instructor: Denise Molesch

WEIGHTS & BANDS ADVANCED **NO FEE**
Tuesdays & Thursdays from NOON - 1:00pm
 This is an advanced class that uses weights and bands to achieve strength and tone muscles. Please wear comfortable clothes. Instructors: Dale Kerver on Thursdays & Nick Vaccariello on Tuesdays.

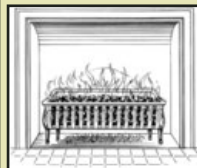
YOGA **\$10 PER CLASS**
Tuesdays from 10:00 - 11:30am
Wednesday from 6:00 - 7:15pm *(east side of big room)* **[NEW]**
Fridays from 9:30 - 10:45am
 Stretch and relax. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat. Please sign up today. Instructor: Lyndsey Stropkey.



CHAIR YOGA **\$10 PER CLASS**
Thursdays from 10:15 - 11:15am
 This class is for all levels of chair yoga. Nurture your joints, take care of your spine, learn to breathe deeply and practice deep relaxation. No experience necessary. There will be options to stand & get down on the ground if you choose. Please sign up today. Instructor: Lyndsey Stropkey.



Don't forget......we're a warming center!
 So come in from the cold, read a book or just enjoy the company of friends...
 we're here to keep you warm!



Fitness Center Hours

| | |
|-----------|------------------|
| Mon-Thurs | 8:00am to 5:00pm |
| Friday | 8:00am to NOON |
| Saturday | Closed |

We ask that you bring clean, dry shoes so that the dirt doesn't damage the equipment. Please wipe down equipment after usage. Thank you!

BUS TRIP GUIDELINES: When signing up for a trip, you must be able to climb the three bus steps on your own without assistance to ride the bus. Please know your limits. If you rely on a wheelchair, or feel you need any assistance physically or cognitively, you must have your own able bodied caregiver for all trips.

- ◆ **Please pay for all trips when signing up & write a separate check for each trip.**
- ◆ **Refund:** If you must cancel a trip, we will attempt to sell your seat when possible so that you can be refunded.
- ◆ **Trip Insurance:** Please inquire about insurance when booking a trip.
- ◆ **A complete list of trip policies & procedures is available at the Center's office. Please pick up your copy today.**

➔ NEW POLICY: Please arrive 30 minutes before the bus is to depart!

Don't forget! Please park in the back overflow lot (northeast of building) for ALL trips!! Remember...space is at a minimum. Thank you!



CLEVELAND PLAYHOUSE

- ◆ **& Juliet** (Connor).....\$81.00/pp..... March 6
The bus will leave the Center at 4:00pm, so that you can have dinner on your own before the show. Limited tickets are available. You may sign up now.
- ◆ **The Simon & Garfunkel Story** (Connor)...\$75.00/pp...March 20
Using state of the art projection photos and original film footage, the immersive concert-style theater show chronicles the amazing journey shared by the folk-rock duo **Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel** and features a full live band performing all their hits. The bus will leave the Center at 4:00pm, so that you can have dinner on your own before the show. Limited tickets are available. You may sign up now.
- ◆ **Temptations & Four Tops** (Keybank).....\$98.00/pp.....April 10
The bus will leave the Center at 4:30pm, so that you can have dinner on your own before the show. Only 40 tickets are available. You may sign up for the waiting list now.

Please pay when signing up to ensure your seat.
Make your check out to "Fairport Senior Center".



When signing up, please let us know if you plan to sit with a friend(s) so that your tickets can be grouped together.

I-X HOME & GARDEN SHOW.....FEB. 7

Cost is \$20.00/pp or until sold out. The bus will leave the Center at 9:00am; arrive at the show at 10:00am; and return approximately 3:30pm. Lunch will be on your own. Please pay when signing up to reserve your seat. **Make your check out to Fairport Harbor Senior Center.** (Lot of walking)

JOHN ROBERTS' TRIP

- Miami & Key West.....Feb. 22-Mar. 2**
- Rivers Casino..... March 12**
- Cape Cod/Martha's Vineyard/Plymouth.....Aug. 24-30**
- Hawaii Cruise..... November TBA**

*For information and reservations,
please contact John Roberts at 440-346-6060*

WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY..... MARCH 28

Cost \$25.00/pp or until sold out. This is always a popular trip. Price includes ticket, transportation, and special exhibit of "Wild Horses: 60 years of Ford's Mustang". Please sign up today. **Make your check out to Fairport Senior Center.** The bus will leave the Center at 10:00am. Lunch will be on your own. *More information to come. (Lot of walking)*

ERIE STATION DINNER THEATER

Cost for each show \$60.00/pp (includes tip) or until sold out.
 "Murder Among Friends" (a murder mystery comedy thriller)... April 2
 "Holy Cannoli" (a comedy/farce).....June 4
 "Keep on Laughing" (comedy).....Aug. 27

Enjoy dinner and a play in an expanded vintage train sleeping car! We have 35 tickets for each show, so please pay when signing up & make a separate check for each show you are attending. **Make your check(s) out to Fairport Harbor Senior Center.** The bus will leave the Center at 9:45am. Reserve your tickets now!

ST. AUGUSTINE TRIP.....APRIL 27 - MAY 3

Cost is \$935.00/pp (dbl. occ.) or until sold out. Trip includes RT motorcoach; 6 nights; 10 meals; highlights include a visit

CASINO TRIPS

\$10.00/pp



- Thistledown.....Feb. 12**
- Jacks CLE downtown.....March 12**

*All departure times on casino trips are 9:00am unless otherwise noted. **Must pay when you sign up!** Leave casino at 3:00pm. No incentives unless listed. (Gambling Problem? 1-440-255-0678 or www.beforeyoubet.org)*

MEN & WOMEN WHO WINE

- ◆ **Welshfield Inn in Burton.....Wed. Feb. 19**
The bus will leave the Center at 11:30am. Limited menu with 35 maximum.
- ◆ **The Harp in Cleveland..... Wed. March 19**
The bus will leave the Center at 10:45am so that we arrive by 11:30am. Maximum number of 30.

Lunches are on your own for all wine trips. All trips are \$10/pp (unless otherwise noted) and must be paid when signing up.

Wine trips fill up fast, so sign up & pay early!



DAY & OVERNIGHT TRIPS

to the *Fountain of Youth*; Narrated Cruise on the *St. John's River*; guided tour of *Amelia Island, St. Augustine and Jacksonville*; and dinner party with entertainment. You may sign up now. Travel insurance is available & recommended. Flyers are available at the Center. **For those who have signed up, FINAL PAYMENT is due February 28.** Please make your check out to **Diamond Tours**.

CLEVELAND POPS ORCHESTRA.....MAY 2
Cost \$77.00/pp or until sold out. We'll attend "*The Golden Age of Sinatra*" with Grammy Nominated Vocalist, Steve Lippia who will join the Pops for a night filled with music spanning Frank Sinatra's incredible 60-year career. Please sign up today. **Make your check out to Fairport Senior Center.** The bus will leave the Center at 6:15pm and go straight to *Severance Hall*.

CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY..... MAY 8
Cost \$15.00/pp or until sold out. Our December trip was cancelled due to the weather and has been rescheduled. Now is your chance to get a guided 1-1/2 hour tour of the Cleveland Public Library. Only 30 people maximum. The first group of 15 people will take the tour first, while the other group of 15 people will go out to eat in the arcade (*on your own*); and then they will switch with the other group. Please sign up today. **Make your check out to Fairport Senior Center.** The bus will leave the Center at 10:00am. (*Lots of walking!*)

NATIONAL COMEDY CENTER, NY.....MAY 30
Cost \$89.00/pp or until sold out. We'll have a guided tour of the *National Comedy Center* which is dedicated to the art form of comedy, while we take an interactive journey through comedy history, from early vaudeville acts to the latest viral memes. We will also stop at the *Lucille Ball / Desi Arnaz Museum* and have a town tour. Lunch is included on this trip. Please sign up today. **Make your check out to Fairport Senior Center.** The bus will leave the Center at 7:30am.

UPCOMING TRIPS BEING PLANNED

Lake View Cemetery.....April 24
 Lady Caroline..... TBD
More information to come

CLEVELAND GUARDIANS.....JUNE 11



Cost is \$40.00/pp or until sold out. Come cheer on the *Cleveland Guardians* vs the *Cincinnati Reds* at Progressive Field with your friends from the Senior Center! Price includes the bus and printed ticket. Please pay when signing up. The bus will leave the Center at 11:15am. **Make your check out to Fairport Senior Center.** Please note that *Progressive Field* is now cashless.

CLEVELAND GUARDIANS..... AUGUST 27



Cost is \$40.00/pp or until sold out. Come cheer on the *Cleveland Guardians* vs the *Tampa Bay Rays* at Progressive Field with your friends from the Senior Center! Price includes the bus and printed ticket. Please pay when signing up. The bus will leave the Center at 11:15am. **Make your check out to Fairport Senior Center.** Please note that *Progressive Field* is now cashless.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9.

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Remember...WE DO NOT close when school closes. If in doubt, please call the Center as an instructor may not be able to make it in, but the Center will be open. We always have the fireplace going and coffee made. So come in and enjoy the company of others!!

HAPPENINGS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!



We are celebrating our members that are 90+ years young. We invite you to a free birthday dinner at our monthly dinner held at the Center on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The Center would like to provide you with a free ticket for dinner during the month of your birthday. So...if your birthday falls in February, let us know at the Center by February 6, and you will be given a ticket for the February 11 dinner. We'll continue to do this each month.

NOTARY PUBLIC.....AS NEEDED



Lenore Berzanske will be available on an as needed basis to notarize your documents. Please contact her directly at [440-376-3227](tel:440-376-3227) to make arrangements to meet her at the Center. (No Fee)

MEDICARE CHECKUP.....BY APPT..... WEDNESDAYS

Lorna Curtiss, our OSIP volunteer will be available here on Wednesdays, by appointment, to help you with all of your Medicare needs. Please call the Center to make an appointment today. (No Fee)

INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE...8:30AM-2:00PM...STARTED JAN. 31

AARP Tax Preparer Volunteers will be here from January 31 (for EZ Form filers only this week) to April 11 from 8:30am to 2:00pm, **FRIDAYS only**. They will assist you in preparing your 2024 tax returns at no cost to you. **Appointments are a must!** Please bring with you your 2024 W-2's, 1099's, all forms indicating federal income tax paid, previous tax return 2023, and photo ID. If you are expecting a refund, you must have a voided blank check with account information. **If you need to cancel, please call in advance as we always have a waiting list.**

CONTRA DANCING \$5 per class paid to instructor

Feb. 8, March 8, & April 12, 2025 (2nd Sat. of the month)
Free Lessons from 6:30-7:00pm prior to class; Dancing 7-9pm
Come & try this new active, aerobic social dance activity. No partners needed. All 3 dances will include teaching by Bill O'Connor. **Live music will be provided in February by "The New Deal String Band."** Live music in March & April will be provided by the band "Mr. Haney." The caller who prompts & teaches each dance will be Al Pavlinak. Please sign up now. **[NEW]**

ACRYLIC PAINT CLASS AT THE FAIRPORT SENIOR CENTER.....5:00PM.....(2nd Tues. of the month)FEB. 11

Cost is \$25.00/pp. You will be provided with everything to complete your masterpiece. You **MUST PAY** when you sign up, so that there are enough supplies for everyone. Instructor: Connie Adams



BINGO FUN DAY.....1:00-4:00PM.....FEB. 16



The Hungarian Culture Club (633 High St, Fairport Harbor) will be holding a Bingo Fun Day. Tickets are \$10 and includes bingo cards for 20 games & dauber. Extra sets of cards are \$10. (One dauber per person.) Refreshments will be available for purchase. Must be 21 or over to play. Contact Barb Carlson for tickets. Open to the public! *Presale is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome!*

MANAGING DEMENTIA....1:00PM..... MARCH 13

Megan from *Bella Care Hospice* will be here to discuss Managing Dementia Related Behaviors. She will be here to answer your questions. Please sign up. (No Fee)

BOOK CLUB.....10:30-11:30AM.....FEB. 27

(4th Thurs. of the month) The Fairport Harbor Library is hosting a monthly book club for seniors at our Center. If interested, please call the Center & leave a message so that someone can call you back



BINGO BASH.....1-3:30PM..... MARCH 23



The Fairport Senior Center will be holding a Bingo Bash. Doors will open at Noon. Tickets are \$10 and includes bingo cards for 20 games and dauber. Extra paper sets are \$10. (One dauber per person.) Refreshments will be available for purchase. Tickets will be available at the Center! **INCREASED PRIZES!**

PICKLEBALL OPEN HOUSE....10:00AM.....MARCH 27

You are invited to come to our Senior Center for the **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** of our state of the art courts which were so generously donated by JC Mitchell. Let's all think Spring and come to our **Pickleball Open House**. If you enjoyed the practice sessions and the funny games we played, please sign up for this year's practices. Our practices will be for beginners & intermediates. Rob P will get you ready to make the climb to the pickleball leagues at our Senior Center. The sky is the limit for pickleballers! The **Open House** will consist of hitting some balls, enjoying each others company, and enjoying some homemade chicken noodle soup by our own Jeannie of the Senior Center. Please sign up. (No Fee)

SILK DYED EGGS.....1:00PM.....March 31

Cost is \$5.00/pp. Make & take a unique Easter egg, as well as printed instructions for making them in the future. Your fee includes materials. Must pay when signing up. **Make your check out to your instructor, Dusty Staudt.** Minimum 4 & maximum 12. *Fee is non-refundable.*



Practice Round - April 14; Knockout Round - May 8; Smart 16 Round - May 15; Elevated 12 Round - May 22; Semi-Finals - May 28 at 9:30 in Parma; and Finals May 29 at 11:00am in Parma.

(Usually we are OUT by the 4th Round.) **If interested in representing our Center, please call the Center ASAP to sign up!**



2025 MIND CHALLENGE TRIVIA TOURNAMENT

March (teams formed); April 14-May 29..... No Cost to Play

The Mind Challenge is back for its 7th year. This mind stimulating event grows each year. We hope to have our **teams of 6 formed by March 21** to compete against teams from other cities all across NE Ohio. **Our monthly Risk Trivia group is great practice! Next meeting is Feb. 3.** Here is the schedule to help you decide. We will be in the Kirkland division and will play until the 3rd round. All of our games will be played on Wednesdays at 9:30am until the 4th round. If we make it that far, the game will be at 9:00am at Kirkland. If you can't make all of the games, but would like to be an alternate, we would welcome your participation. Here is the schedule:

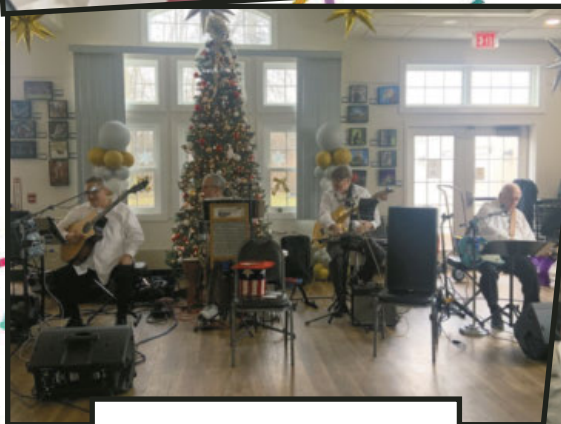
A MATTER OF BALANCE....12:30-2:30pm....Starts May 9

This award winning program is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Classes will meet on Fridays for 8-weeks at the Center. Please sign up now to reserve your spot as space is limited to a maximum of 15 people. *(No Fee)*

May 9, 16, 23 & 30; June 6, 13, 20, & 27



PLEASE NOTE: Call the Center first to see if an event and/or class has been cancelled due to inclement weather.



Celebrating the "Eve" of New Year's Eve at the Center!



Happy Valentine's Day! We are excited to welcome our new trustees: Terry Wodarski and Judy Klotzbach. A big thank you to Charlie Palumbo and Chip Saalfield for their service on our Board of Trustees. Your dedication to our Center is greatly appreciated!

Don't forget that AARP Tax Preparation services are available at the Center on Fridays. Appointments are required, and we have plenty of time slots available.

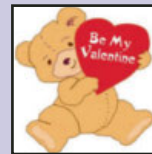
The Mind Challenge competition is back for its 7th year. We are practicing every first Monday at 2:00pm. Join us for some fun, as teams will be forming soon. Everyone is welcome to participate!

Just a reminder that we do not close when the school closes. If you are unsure that we are open, please call the Center. While an instructor may not be able to make it in, the Center will remain open. We always have the fireplace going and coffee ready...so come in and enjoy the company of others.

We look forward to seeing you soon at the Center!

Best regards,

Chris



Home Weatherization Assistance Programs are back!



Applications are being accepted by *ACCAA*. For more information or an application, call 440-997-5957 ext. 553 or 554 or visit www.accaa.org to see if you qualify. You may also be eligible for a free efficient replacement refrigerator. To qualify your income must be \$29,160 for one; \$39,440 for two; etc. Applications for both programs are available at the Center. Please check to see if you qualify. *Refrigerator applications are on hold until more funding is available.*

Lifeline also offers a *Diabetes Assistance Program* which can assist diabetics with medication and/or supplies up to twice annually. Each voucher can assist with up to \$100. Requirements for both programs: Must be a Lake County resident whose household meets income guidelines of 175% of the federal poverty guideline.

Lifeline is also looking for volunteers.

For more information, please contact Jason Shaw, Program Coordinator, at 440-354-2148 x201.

Lake County Phone Pal is a program for adults 60+. Enjoy a friendly chat with a phone pal twice a week to help reduce loneliness. Must meet financial criteria & reside in Lake County. Please call 440-350-2020 for a referral and additional information. Sponsored by the *Lake County Board of Commissioners*.

Moving Home - *Fair Housing Resource Center (FHRC)* has received funding from the Lake County Board of Commissioners to assist low to moderate income seniors age 60+ with moving and cleaning costs. They can provide help with the cost of movers and a truck when relocating to a new home in Lake County, Ohio. They also can provide help with the cost of cleaning services to maintain the health and safety of your home. Call 440-392-0147 today to see if you qualify!

Helping Hands for Seniors is a program for seniors who are 60+ that will help them with minor repairs, outside maintenance, tech services and in-home services. Must meet financial & nonfinancial criteria & reside in Lake County. Please contact Andrea Johnson at 440-354-2148 ext. 207 for additional information. Sponsored by *Lifeline*.

HEAP Applications: *Lifeline* continues to be the grantee for the federal **HEAP** programs as we have for many years—this includes both Summer Crisis and Winter Crisis programs. Lake County residents can **ONLY** apply for the SCP and WCP through our *Lifeline* **HEAP** intake staff who have been trained by the *Ohio Dept of Development* and use the state mandated application system. Appointment are available both in person and over the phone, but they have to be completed with our **HEAP** staff—applications for SCP and WCP cannot be taken by CoA staff, despite what is implied on their materials.

FAIRPORT RESIDENTS

If you are interested in a lockbox for your home, the cost is \$30.00. Please call the *Fairport Fire Department* at 440-352-6922 for more information. If you do not live in Fairport, please call your city Fire Department for information.

Lake County Dept. of Utilities has a 30% (increased from 25%) Water & Sewer Fee Discount for Seniors (65+) with owner-occupied residences who meet the limited income threshold set forth by the **Ohio Homestead Means Testing**. Please call the **Lake County Dept. of Utilities** at 440-350-2070 for more information and an application. **Discount will automatically increase for current recipients.**

NEED A "FREE" RIDE TO THE CENTER?



The Senior Levy will now pay for trips to/from the Center if you are a Lake County resident & age 60 or older. Call Laketran's Dial-a-Ride service at 440-354-6100 to reserve your trip to the Center. Laketran will directly bill the Senior Services Levy. Laketran will NOT drive thru for the produce pickup.

WELFARE CHECKS - As of January 2022, the *Fairport Harbor Police Auxiliary Unit* has been conducting weekly welfare checks on our most vulnerable senior citizens. This could include seniors with long distance family contact or limited mobility. The program is available as a public service and consists of an *Auxiliary Police Officer* coming to the door as a friendly visit and making sure everything is okay. They will not enter the home (*unless under certain circumstances*) due to COVID-19 restrictions. You must live in Fairport Harbor. If you, or a family on behalf of our seniors wish to sign up, please contact the Police Department at 440-352-3150.

PLEASE NOTE: Call the Center first to see if an event and/or class has been cancelled due to inclement weather.

WE ARE RECYCLING the following items:



CELL PHONES & INK CARTRIDGES: When you bring your items to the Center, the *Cleveland Escrap Donation Program & The Cleveland Clinic* will use them to assist amputees with prosthetic limbs. We are also collecting **EYE GLASSES** for the *Lions Club of Painesville*.

Lottery Tree Tickets are on sale Mon-Thurs from 8am until 4pm. See the sales desk in the lobby. Tickets are six (6) for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each. A ticket will be drawn for the winner on the first Monday of each month.

Congratulations to **Marie Miranda** for winning December's Lottery Tree.

February Lottery Tree tickets are on sale now.



REMEMBER to scan your card **ANY-TIME** you enter the Center including weekends and after hours. This scanning process is for helping to determine the funding we get for the Center. Please help us get these funds by doing this. It is very important!

PHONE PAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Do you enjoy talking on the phone? This is a flexible volunteer opportunity that can be done without leaving your home. If you are interested, please contact our Center so that we can connect you with Cristen Kane from the *Lake County Volunteers Network* at the *Board of Lake County Commissioners*.

DEXTER'S SENIORS FOR SENIORS



Are you 60+ and interested in adopting an older dog or cat? In "Dexter's Memory," the *Lake Humane Society* has a program that covers the costs of adoption for Canines 6+ years of age or Felines 8+ years of age. Please contact the *Lake Humane Society* for more information.



February 14



Please make sure that the Center has your current address, email, phone number, etc. You can either call the Center or stop in.

STAY CONNECTED

Now more than ever, it's important to stay connected within your community. You can stay in touch by going to www.mycommunityonline.com

(formerly ourseniorcenter.com) to sign up to receive our monthly newsletter delivered straight to your inbox. Just search for our center's name and click **Subscribe**. **If you want to receive your newsletter via email, please provide the Center with your email.**

Free Fresh Produce at Fairport Senior Center 1380 East St., Fairport Harbor, OH

The Fairport Senior Center will continue teaming up with the Greater Cleveland Foodbank to provide fresh, nutritious bulk produce and other items to Lake County seniors. The Senior Market is normally available the 4th Monday of each month from 11:30am until 1:00pm, but the schedule is subject to change. Here are some upcoming dates:

Feb. 24; March 24;
April 28; May 19

Pet Food
Giveaway:
May, June,
Aug. & Sept.

This is first come, first served. No reservations are needed, but please bring your photo ID for onsite registration along with bags for produce. Please have your trunk empty and open. Participants must certify annual gross household income is at or below **\$30,120** for a household of 1 and **\$40,880** for a household of 2. Income is self-declared; verification is not required. One box per household.



Please note that the amount
of gross household income
has increased.

We now have a new *Fairport Harbor Senior Center* Facebook group page. To join our group, simply search for **“Fairport Harbor Senior Center”** on Facebook. Members are encouraged to share photos that capture the essence of our Center & its activities. Please NO political beliefs, negative or hostile posts. Let’s showcase the pride we have in our Center and its members!

HOMETOWN HEROES BANNER PROGRAM

Fairport Harbor Village will be taking applications for banners honoring any Veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces with a connection to Fairport Harbor. Only 28 applications or March 1 (*whichever happens first*) will be taken. The application fee is \$200 per banner, and is payable to *Village Hall*. Banners will be displayed on High Street & Third Street. You will need a digital photo of the Veteran and a copy of the DD-214/proof of honorable discharge or proof of active duty status. Please contact the *Fairport Harbor Village Hall* at 440-352-3620 or email LDarling@fairportHarbor.org for more information.



Celebrating at the Grand River Winery.



The Fairport Harbor First Responders visited our Center, spreading joy, warm greetings, & treats.





Fairport Harbor Senior Citizens Center
Membership Form for the Year 2025
 Membership Dues: Resident/Non-Resident - \$12.00

New Member
 Renewal

Please Print all Information

| Personal Information | |
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| Your Interests: |
| Any Special Needs: |
| <p align="center">Participation Waiver and Agreement Please read and sign</p> <p>1. I, _____, a participant in activities, including pickleball, programs, and trips sponsored by Fairport Senior Center, do hereby acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating. I recognize that in any activity program or trip, there are certain risks of injury to myself. I declare that my health and physical condition is adequate to meet the physical requirements of activities, programs, and trips in which I participate.</p> <p>2. I agree to hold the Fairport Senior Center, their respective agents, representatives, instructors, volunteers, and participating companies and agencies harmless and indemnify them from any and all claims for damages to persons and property caused by myself or for any and all injuries sustained by me during my activities, programs and trips.</p> <p>3. I agree to obey and abide by the rules and regulations of the Fairport Senior Center and to follow said instructions of same.</p> <p>4. I further acknowledge the I am becoming a registered member of the Fairport Senior Center in reliance upon this waiver of liability.</p> <p>Signature: _____ Date: _____</p> |

Please Print all Information

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ATTENTION “ALL” VETERANS!! You are invited to Leroy Thompson VFW 7939 (12827 Painesville Warren Rd, Leroy Twp. 44077) | 440-254-0609) for a “Veterans Get Together” on the last Tuesday of every month. **The next meeting is February 25 at 6:30pm .**

Happy Valentines Day!



PURPLE HEART

The Purple Heart medal is one of the most revered and recognized military awards in the United States. It holds a significant amount of symbolism and represents a powerful message.

The Purple Heart medal has a rich history that dates back to the American Revolutionary War. Originally known as the Badge of Military Merit, it was established by General George Washington in 1782 to honor soldiers who displayed exceptional bravery on the battlefield. However, it was discontinued after the war.

The color purple was chosen because it symbolizes courage and valor. Since then, this medal has been awarded to members of all branches of the U.S. Military who have been wounded or killed in action.

Receiving a Purple Heart is an incredible honor, but often comes with physical and emotional scars from combat-related injuries. This prestigious award can provide validation for veterans who may struggle with feelings of guilt or survivor’s remorse.



Our recent Dinner at the Center.

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Answer to Sudoku

Answers to Sudoku on page 9



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Burkholder, Carol
Sferra, Jim
Shupp, Grace
Witt, Kris

02/02

Firestone, Rose
Fishleigh, James
Knuth, Shelia
Mlynarczyk, Amy
Stowe, Patrice

02/03

Bartone, Neal
Leathers, Dale
McCormick, Nancy
Melin, Ron
Myotte, Bob
Sullivan, Peter
Wittlinger, Karen

02/04

Balski, Linda
Colpetzer, Barb
Davis, Sharon
Kostelac, Erica
Swansboro, Joyce
Vershall, Dave

02/05

Boyd, Mary
Kallay, Joseph Jr.
Kovatch, Nancy
Trench, Cynthia

02/06

Deveney, Brigid
Greenwait, Leanna
Lockwood, Bonnie
Thompson, Mary Jo
Toth, Patrice

02/07

Aplis, Jacki
Buckley, Sandy
Cottrell, Bonnie
Latva, Marvin
Maynard, Wilma
Oinonen, Niles
Rush, Lori
Singer, Stephanie
Wagner, Brancel

02/08

Barbosky, Albie
Csaszar, Diane
Rowan, Rita
Rowan, Mike

02/09

Hemrich, Rella
Nelson, Marie
Root, Art
Stropkey, Lyndsey
Wayner, Eva

02/10

Balala, Jim
Yranian, Paula

02/11

Drews, James
Harvey, David
Hunsucker, Joyce
O'Donnell, Joe
Ross, Kathleen
Toivonen, Gary

02/12

Lowe, Eleanor
Lung, Patricia
Peine, Kirk

02/13

Comstock, Cindy
Dick, Joyce
Elliott, Robin
Hatfield, Sherry

02/14

Caplinger, Sandra
Davis, Sue
Ferritto, Bob
Sabol, Barry

02/16

Hogya, Diana
Randa, Arthur

02/17

Davis, Barbara
Gavlick, Valentine
Grem, Dolores
Justus, Margaret
Penttila, Brita
Ramsey, Connie
Rebenock, Nancy
Schmiermund, Betty
Towler, Gary

02/18

Andrews, Ailiin
Dei, William
Eaton, Lisa
Fulford, Karen
Janor, Mary
Kozsey, Janet
Lyons, Joanne
Spiker, Patricia

02/19

Anthony, Jean
Beck, Nichole

Boggs, Mary
Clifford, Cheri
Kallevig, James
Lette, Mary
Madrzak, James
Warren, Ron

02/20

Buckels, Karen
Cochrac, Janice
Craig, Carolyn
Haley, Paula
Lohrey, Patricia
Madger, Sharon
Nemeth, Judy
Sally, Patricia
Schuster, Sam

02/21

Chandler, Paulette
Gardner, Jerry
Mitchell, Jerri
Nelson, Fran
Rossley, Robert
Thomas, Linda
Zalar, Darlene

02/22

Hribar, Sally
Karosy, Michael
Mramor, Mildred
Sabol, Katherine
Steinback, John
Ward, Linda

02/23

Adkins, Joanna
Brown, Debi
Eames-Jones, Cheryl
Kocan, Debbie
Schmiermund, Robert

02/24

Galm, Charlotte
Hambor, Virginia
Karp, Karen
Leone, Bridget
Lucha, James
Orosz, Dan
Peck, Katharine
Stoyle, Rita

02/25

Cleversy, Dana
Nemeth, Margaret
Oberstar, Judy

02/26

Brennan, Barbara
Dymeck, Diane
Guider, Carole
Rice, Barbara

Rich, Penny
Shreve, Grace
Wayner, Bob

02/27

Estadt, Elaine
Novotney, Ronnie
Zwanchev, Karen

02/28

Ciconetti, Marie
Humbert, Anthony
Jones, Bob
Krehel, John
Prouts, Cynthia
Piazza, Suzanne
Placek, Hope
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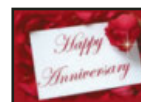
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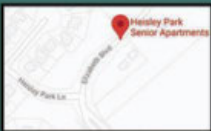
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