



Friendship Park
Community Center
419-936-3079

Mondays

9:00 Computer/Technology Help
10 Shuffleboard
11:45 Lunch
12:30 BINGO
2:30 Mah Jongg

Tuesdays

11:45 Lunch
12:30 Pinochle (1st & 3rd Tues)
12:30 Euchre (2nd & last Tues)

Wednesdays

9:30 Line Dancing
11:45 Lunch
12:30 BINGO
12:30 Open board & card games

Thursdays

11:45 Lunch
12:30 Open board & card games

Fridays

10:00 Shuffleboard
11:45 Lunch
12:30 BINGO

SPECIAL DATES

**Mon. May 27 Center Closed
Memorial Day**

Center Hours

**M/W/F 9-4
T/Th 9-3**

**Additional hours during
special events/activities.**

FRIENDSHIP PARK COMMUNITY CENTER'S

MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER

Our mission is to promote the overall quality of life in the community through social, educational, recreational, health, and social programs.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

John Burgan

The eclipse party, funded by the Toledo Parks & Youth Services spring grant, was great. Thanks to Joyce and the volunteers who made it a success.

We are registered in the June 1st Point Place/Shoreland parade, with a patriotic theme. We invite our area veterans to ride in the parade and be recognized for your service to our country. Veterans, please let know if you'd like to be in the parade by May 17.

Great News! We received the grant from ServeOhio for \$1,500 for materials to rebuild the two planter boxes out front. We'll need many helping hands to disassemble the old and build the new boxes. Demolition will be in mid-May & construction beginning in early June. Win Anderson will start the vegetables & transplant them in the new boxes when they're finished. Thanks in advance for your help.

See the articles on the May 14 senior food boxes and the free legal advice appointments on June 4.

Interested in genealogy? We may start a class. If interested, please contact Mary Lichtenwald at 419-472-6529 or maryliz630@aol.com.

Please regularly check our website at (friendshipparktoledo.org) to keep current on our upcoming events & activities.

Next few months have many fun events & activities, including a June 21 Polish Heritage dinner, where we'll remember Clem.

I hope to see you soon & often.

GAME TIME!

Pinochle

1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 12:30 to 2:30. Single deck played, but if enough are interested, double deck can be played as well. No cost. Snacks provided. All levels welcome. Gloria Godwin or Dave Shawen will teach you to play.



Mary Decker leads the group on Mondays at 2:30 (after Bingo). Feel free to join the group no matter your playing experience. Mary and the others will teach you. No cost, just fun.



Cheryl Johnson leads the fun on Mondays and Fridays from 10 to 11:30. They would like to have a few more players so that both courts can be used. No cost to play and no experience needed, they will teach you.



Come join the others on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12:30 to 2:30. Cards are provided or you can bring your own. Games are .05 per card or six for a quarter. There are about 20 games played during that time plus four "special" games. All money collected is paid out. On Wednesday and Friday there is a 50-50 raffle and sometimes an item raffle on Wednesday. Donations of raffle items are welcome. Snacks are provided at the break from donations by the players. Thanks to our regular bingo callers, Jim Smith, Jim Semenovich and Dave Shawen.



2nd and last Tuesday each month. Arrive by 12:15. Play starts 12:30. We have been averaging five or six tables of players each time, but would welcome you to join us all. The more the merrier! Buy in to play is \$3 and all the money collected is paid out to first, second and third places and the lowest score wins the booby prize which return of their buy in of \$3. Thanks to Jim Smith for continuing to organize this activity and to Carol Smith for making sure there are snacks, donated by the players, for everyone to enjoy.

Winners were: 3/26 – 1 Deloris Michalak; 2 Dan Holbrook and Richard Wilder; 3 Sheryl Holbrook and Debbie Behrens; B Janet McPherson, Ray Worner, and Jim Smith.

4/9 – 1 Larry Moskal; 2 Pat Kuehling; 3 Sheryl Holbrook; B John Kozlaker.



COMPUTERS, TABLETS, PHONES

Do you need help with setting up email, learning to use a computer, tablet or your smart phone? If so, you can receive personalized help on Mondays from 9 to 11 from Jim Smith or Lee Stewart. The latest information is that a computer has been put in the lunchroom for everyone to use as needed. It has the internet, but no printer at this time. You can use this computer any time the Center is open.



FREE LUNCH FOR VETERANS

FREE VETERANS LUNCH

The FREE Veterans lunch this month will be Thursday, May 16, at 12:30. All veterans and their guests are welcome. Reservations required by Tuesday, May 14. Call 419 936-3079 or sign up at the front desk.

We will serve spaghetti & meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, dessert and beverages. Speaker to be announced. Nurse Kelly, from Lucas County Health Dept. will be there from 12:30 to 2 for blood pressure and health checks.



May Potluck

Thursday, May 2

A – H sides / salad

I – P desert

Q – Z main course/meat

There were about 25 at the April potluck and eight lucky people won door prizes of fresh flowers that decorated the tables. After lunch, a large group version of “spoons” card game was played and the winner of the KT’s Diner gift certificate was Pat Kuehling. Join the group for food, fun, and conversation. Set up from 11:45 to 12 and then we enjoy a great meal together. Feel free to bring something else to share if you don’t like the category for your name. After lunch we will be playing 10 free games of special traditional bingo.



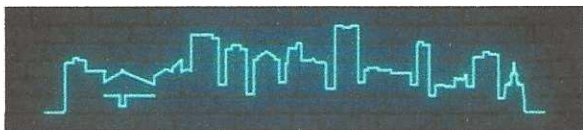
BREAKFAST AT KT’s

There were 17 at Breakfast Out on Tuesday, April 16. Pat Kuehling won a KT’s gift certificate at the April potluck and decided to “pay it forward” so we drew two names to use the gift certificate. Gloria Godwin and Debbie Goldsworthy were the lucky winners of their breakfast, compliments of Pat, but in another lovely gesture, Debbie gave her winning ticket to Fran Rowe, since it was Fran’s birthday. Next Breakfast Out, Tuesday, May 23, in the “Hole in the Wall” at KT’s Diner. No reservation is needed, no sign ups, just come.

MONTHLY DINNER TRIP



On April 9, 25 had dinner at Hot Sizzling Wok. Thanks to Jim Smith for finding a replacement restaurant for us. The food and the service was great, which is why this is a popular choice for the group. We went to Inky’s on Monday, April 22 and set a record with 34 in attendance. What a great turn out! Next dinner is Tues May 14 at Cracker Barrel in Monroe, MI. Monday, May 27, no dinner due to Memorial Day. Tues, June 11, we will be at Golden City on Summit; Mon, June 24, Trapperz in LaSalle, MI. Remember to sign in at the Center or call 419-936-3079 to be added to the reservation at the restaurant.



Friendship Park Community Center Officers

John Burgan - President

Joyce Ejhinger - Vice-President

Kris Shawen - Secretary

Debbie Fritz – Treasurer

Board Members: Gloria Godwin, Lillian Katko, Mary Lichtenwald, Marylyn Lucas, Janet McPherson, Bob Plasencio, Vera Plasencio, Marilyn Ritter, Fran Rowe, David Shawen, Steve Toda, Tammy Toda.

Honorary Trustees: Donna Baryg, Pat Konwinski, Elaine Swaile.

City Park Rep: Aaron Myers.



**FREE ACTIVITIES AT
POINT PLACE LIBRARY**

Monday and Tuesday, 9 – 8:30

Wednesday - Friday 9 - 5:30

**FREE MEALS FOR ALL UNDER 17
Connecting Kids to Meals**

Monday through Friday 3:30 to 4:30

FOR KIDS

Storytimes: will resume June 6

Colorful Chalk Art

Tuesday, May 7 at 4:30

FOR TEENS

Cocoa Club – Fridays 4 pm

Hour of Code–Th, May 2/16/30 at 4

Chalk Paint & Nature Hunt –

Tues, May 14 at 5:30

Be a Summer Read VolunTEEN –

Tues, May 21 at 4 pm

FOR ADULTS

Point Place Book Club:

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane
by Lisa See

Thursday, May 9 at 2

FOR ALL AGES

Sound Bath with Singing Bowls –
Monday, May 6 at 4:30



**SENIOR LEGAL
OUTREACH SERVICES**

Joseph Stanford, a lawyer with Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc will be here on Tuesday, June 4, to provide services. He can help with drafting wills, financial power of attorney, collection defense, bankruptcy, landlord-tenant issues, simple probate issues and avoiding probate advice (drafting a transfer on death for a house). Appointments are for 30 minutes from 9:30-12:30. There is no charge for this service. Contact John Burgan at Friendship Park Community Center to make an appointment starting on May 1 by calling the Center or emailing him at fpccoledo@yahoo.com and indicate your name, phone number and appointment time preference. He will confirm appointments with everyone.

FOOD BOXES

Seagate Senior Food Boxes are distributed at FPCC each month on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. There is no cost. Come to the Center to pick up your box on Tuesday, May 14, from 10 to noon or on Wednesday, May 15, from 2 to 3 pm. We will have help to put it in your vehicle if needed. You can still complete an application to receive a box. You must be over 60 and have a monthly income less than \$1,632. Call the Center if you have questions or need more information.

NURSE KELLY

Nurse Kelly Battinger, from the Lucas County Health Dept, will be at FPCC on Thursday, May 16, from 12:30 to 2 pm. This is a free service and you don't have to be part of the activities at the Center to participate and no appointment is needed.



The next AARP meeting will be Tuesday, May 8, at 12:30. Our speaker will be Carrie Hartman Council President and the Vice-Chairperson of the Intergovernmental & Administrative Services. We will have a free taco bar and refreshments. All are invited. No registration is necessary and we welcome new members.

DAILY LUNCH INFO

Lunch is available Monday through Friday at the Center (unless closed for a holiday) from 11:45 to 1 pm. Cost for those 60 and over is a donation of \$2.50 and \$5.62 for those under 60. This is a donation, so meals can be free if times are difficult for you. You need to reserve a lunch by noon the day before by speaking with or calling Carol at 419-936-3079.



PARKING LOT UPDATE

With good weather, Geddis Paving will start Monday, May 6, and finish in about one week. The 131st Street entrance will be closed for one week after they pour new concrete entrance apron and pad for dumpster. They will mill (grind) all the old pavement, doing in front of the building in the morning. They will pave first the front and then the side lots. Then they pour concrete around manholes and replace parking bumpers. Park in the side lot when they're working in the front. For now, we are NOT closing any days, but we must stay out of any areas blocked off. We'll keep you informed of their schedule.



The next meeting of Student Leadership is Monday, May 13, from 3:45 to 5:45. Weather permitting, we will remove dirt from the vegetable boxes, pull weeds, plant flowers, play outside games and have snacks.



The Mustard Seed is a non-profit, Feed Your Neighbor. 501c3 food pantry at 5420 302nd Street behind Riverpoint Ministries. Its run by volunteers and open Monday and Wednesday, 10-2, and Tuesday, 4-7. You can donate canned fruit or pasta, cookies, peanut butter, bread, donuts, granola bars, or pop tarts. Right now they accept ONLY summer clothing. Drop donations there or in the shopping cart at FPCC. Money donations are always welcome.

KIDS BINGO REPORT

Saturday, April 13, FPCC hosted Kid's Bingo for 51 children and 43 adults. Winners selected a prize of their choice from many tables of toys, games, dolls, outdoor fun, art supplies and stuffed animals. A special thank you to Jim Semenovich for his generous donation of all the prizes. He really does go above and beyond, getting great options for winners and he calls bingo at the event too. The next kids bingo will be Saturday, October 12. Thanks to all the Center volunteers who helped Jim at the event: Carol Smith, John Burgan, Mary Rechtenwald, April Hoffman, Joan Sniecinski, Linda Hoffman, Dave Shawen and Kris Shawen.

FRUHLINGFEST (Spring Party)



GERMAN DINNER/DANCE

Fruhlingfest, a German celebration of spring, will take place at Friendship Park Community Center on Friday, April 26, from 6 to 9 pm. This is a free event for the whole family. The Kinders and Elders Dancers from The Bavarian Sports Club will perform. There will also be interactive dances and activities, crafts and free food and refreshments including brats and pretzels. This is another event made possible with the grant from The City of Toledo Parks & Youth Services.

NATURE'S NURSERY PROGRAM

Discover the world of wildlife rehabilitation with Nature's Nursery and get to know the wildlife in your backyard. This is a family friendly program with some live animal ambassadors. Saturday, May 25 at 11 am at Friendship Park Community Center. It is free and open to the public.



RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE





The Rummage Sale is coming Fri August 9 and Sat Aug 10. Workers will be needed to sort and price the days before and to work the sale days so please consider helping us. Donations of items for the sale will be accepted beginning in July so keep us in mind when doing your cleaning. Start saving brown paper grocery bags. More specific information will be coming soon.



HAMBURGER SOCIAL

On Friday, May 31, from 5 to 7 pm there will be a Hamburger Social, a fundraiser for the Center. Come and meet old friends or join us to make new ones. The menu is a burger with all the goodies, chips, macaroni salad, baked beans and dessert. Eat in or do carry out. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. We will have a 50-50 raffle and perhaps some surprises! Hope you can come to support the center.

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