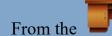
# SENIOR MOMENTS

# Morrow County's Monthly Newsletter January, 2026



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## 5 Tips to Start the New Year Off Right

The start of a new year can be a time of renewal. It offers each of us an opportunity to reflect, set new goals, and start over. For many, living a healthier life is a popular New Year's resolution. If it's one of yours, we have some suggestions to help you live better in 2026.

## 1. Improve your diet

Cooking for one or two can seem like more work than it is worth. Unfortunately, many of us often turn instead to convenience foods or fast food. Most are loaded with sodium, carbs, and calories. If you just aren't interested in preparing foods on your own, consider a meal delivery service.

## 2. Get moving

A sedentary lifestyle is now believed to be as bad for your health as smoking! It contributes to a variety of health concerns, ranging from obesity to diabetes and high blood pressure. Try to limit the amount of time you spend sitting and get up and move around throughout the day. It may help to invest in a fitness device that sends you an alert if it's been too long since you've moved.

# 3. Connect with an exercise program

Another resolution to make in the new year is to exercise 30 minutes a day. Talk with your doctor for advice about the best types of exercise for you, and how much to do at first. While many people are sticking close to home because of concerns about COVID-19, there are plenty of options to exercise in the privacy of your own home. If you're just getting started, set a goal that feels achievable, like walking on a treadmill for 15 minutes in the morning and practicing yoga for 15 minutes in the evening..

# 4. Laugh more

If you've been feeling lonely and isolated, resolve to laugh more. Laughter is not only fun, it's also good for your health. It helps lower blood pressure and decrease the risk for depression. Remind yourself that laughter is the best medicine, whether it is talking with a funny friend on FaceTime, watching a comedy series on television, or streaming a new romantic comedy.

# 5. Have a physical

If you've been putting off seeing your primary care physician, commit to scheduling an appointment in January. They can evaluate your health status and help schedule routine screenings that might be due. The good news is that most insurances pay for an annual wellness visit, so you won't incur any out-of-pocket expenses unless your physician orders additional testing.

Here's to a happy, healthy 2026!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

#### **BOOK CLUB- NEW DATE**

Mount Gilead Library will lead a lively discussion of "The Oligarch's Daughter" by Joseph Finder. Join us at the center on **January 28, 2026** from 1:00 –2:00 pm.



Get sassy and stay spry! Join our Sassy Seniors Exercise Group for fun, feisty workouts every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30 AM. Pump up those muscles, boost your sass, and make new friends!

#### **BINGO**

Join Presidential Acute Care for bingo on January 6 from 12:00-1:30 pm. Galion Meadows will be with us on January 13. Join Tiffany with Cornerstone Caregiving on January and Ohioans Home Health will run bingo on January 27. If you would like to join us for lunch before playing, please call us the day before by noon.



#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Come to the center and join us in a bible study Friday, January 9 from 12:30-1:30 pm. BIRLE We would like RSVPs but you are more than welcome to just come.



#### **EUCHRE**

Do you enjoy playing Euchre? We will be playing Euchre on Thursday, January 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2026 at Noon.



#### **MUSIC**

Monday, January 5, County Travelers will be with us for music. Monday, January 12 we will have our Open Mic night. Tuesday, January 13, we will have Karaoke. Monday, January 19 the center will be CLOSED. And Monday, January 26 will feature Gospel/Hymn Music with the Skudders from 6:00-8:00 pm



Donations for the band are still greatly appreciated.

Donations for entry and snacks are greatly appreciated as well.

# I hope you are enjoying your newsletter, but.....

Please know that due to printing deadlines, and lag-time in communication, it is impossible for us to communicate everything that is happening at the center in the newsletter. If you are wanting the most current information, please visit our website at

# www.seniorsoncenter.org



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# 2026 Commodities Pick-up Schedule

Month	Day	Date	Time	
December, 2025	Tuesday	day 12/23/2025 9:00 am to 12:00 pm		
January	Tuesday	1/27/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
February	Tuesday	2/24/2026	/24/2026 9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
March	Tuesday	3/24/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
April	Tuesday	4/28/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
May	Friday	5/29/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
June	Tuesday	6/23/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
July	Tuesday	7/28/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
August	Tuesday	8/25/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
September	Tuesday	9/22/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
October	Tuesday	10/27/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
November	Tuesday	11/24/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	
December	Tuesday	12/22/2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm	

# 1. Commodities are **ONLY** distributed on the day and times listed above.

2. If you are not able to pick-up during this time, you must contact the center, prior to these times, to make arrangements.

**Center phone number: 419-946-4191**We are an Equal Opportunity Provider

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## **SERVICES**



#### **FOOT CARE**

#### Call Lauren Johnson at

(937) 738-1761 to schedule your 30 minute foot care appointment with Lauren.

Lauren will be at the center on **January 8, 2026** from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm.

Cost for this service is **\$45.00** per person and treatment includes: 30 minute treatment, Expertly Trim, Thin and File Nails. Corns and Callous are filed and buffed smooth. All tools are sterilized for each patient.

Payment is due at time of service. Self Pay ONLY!

No Medicare or Insurance will be billed



Resolution Celebration Midnight Countdown Champagne Confetti

Fireworks Tradition January **Festivities** 

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### **MEDICARE**

Marc Follin, is available, by appointment only, to assist

you in any Medicare Assistance you may need. Please give her a call at 419-768-2000 or 614-519-9128

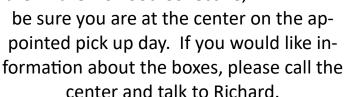


## **HOME DELIVERED MEALS**

A hot, well-balanced lunch is available daily to homebound individuals living in Morrow County that are 60+ years of age. Call the center for assistance at (419)-946-4191.

### **COMMODITIES FOOD BOX**

If you have signed up to receive a commodity box from the Mid-Ohio Food Collective,



Pick up: Tuesday, January 27 from 9:00 to 12:00

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## **Public Notice**

Morrow County Services for Older Citizens, Inc. 2026 Annual Meeting. The Morrow County Services for Older Citizens, Inc.

announces it's Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at the Senior Center

41 W. Center Street, Mt Gilead, Ohio. Registration opens at 12:00 pm and meeting begins at 12:30 pm.

## **TRANSPORTATION**



Transportation for Morrow County residents that are 60+ years of age to medical

appointments, grocery shopping, banking, etc. is available Monday thru Friday. Out of county medical transportation is available with a 48-hour notice, and the availability of a driver and vehicle. Handicapped accessible vehicles are also available. Please call the center at 419-946-4191 to set up your transportation.

Donations are accepted.



## **LEGAL AID**

Karen McVay is available (by appointment only) to assist

you in any legal questions you may have. Please give her a call and set up your appointment today! 740-383-2161 or 888-301-2411

# **CONGREGATE MEALS**



A hot, well balanced lunch is available daily to anyone 60+ years of age at the center. Please call the center (419) 946-4191 the day before by noon to reserve a meal.

EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	
5 8:30 am Sassy Seniors 9:00 am – Marengo Senior Breakfast 11:30 am Lunch @ Center	6 11:30 am Lunch @ Center 12:00-1:30 pm Bingo with Presidential.	7 8:30 Sassy Seniors 11:30 am Lunch @ Center	
5:00 pm- Dinner 6:00 pm- Country Travelers			
8:30 am Sassy Seniors 11:30 am Lunch @ Center 6:00 pm— Open Mic	11:30 am Lunch @ Center 12:00-1:30 pm Bingo with Galion Meadows 6:00 pm Music- Karaoke	8:30 am Sassy Seniors 11:30 am Lunch @ Center 12:30 pm Board of Directors Annual Meeting	
WE WALL BE CLOSED MLK DAY	20 11:30 am Lunch @ Center 12:00-1:30 pm Bingo with Cornerstone Caregiving.	21 8:30 am Sassy Seniors 11:30 am Lunch @ Center	
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## **SENIOR GROUPS**

#### THE LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch will meet on January 26, 2026. Lunch will be served at Noon.

RESERVATION REQUIRED \$4.00 SUGGESTED DONATION SENIORS ON CENTER, 41 W. CENTER ST., MT. GILEAD CALL Richard 419-946-4191

# **MARENGO/FULTON SENIORS**

BREAKFAST AT EDISON DEPOT 552 W HIGH ST. EDISON, OH 43320 MONDAY, January 5, 2026 AT 9:00 am

LUNCH AT LEGION HALL 1549 COUNTY ROAD 26, MARENGO, OH, MONDAY, January 19, 2026 AT 12 NOON JUDY JONES 567-231-9339

# **Holiday List**

# 2026 Holiday Dates

The center will be closed on the following dates.

If you are part of our meals on wheels program, you will receive a frozen meal a day or two prior to the date.

Thursday January 1, 2026 New Year's Day

Friday January 2, 2026 Day after New Year's Day

Monday January 19, 2026 Martin Luther King Day

Monday February 16, 2026 President's Day

Monday May 25, 2026 Memorial Day

Friday July 3, 2026 Independence Day

Tuesday September 1, 2026 Senior Day at the Fair

Monday September 7, 2026 Labor Day

Monday October 12, 2026 Columbus Day

Wednesday November 11, 2026 Veterans Day

Thursday November 26, 2026 Thanksgiving Day

Friday November 27, 2026 Day following Thanksgiving

Thursday December 24, 2026 Christmas Eve Day

Friday December 25, 2026 Christmas Day

Friday January 1, 2027 New Years Day

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Call the center for A complete list of ingredients 419.946.4191	WG= Whole Grain		CLOSED FOR New Year's	CLOSED FOR New Year's
5	6	7	8	9
Pork Chop	Parmesan Chicken	Salisbury Steak	Chicken Patty	Chicken Salad on
w/ mushroom sauce	Marinara Pasta	Mashed Potatoes	WG Bun	WG Croissant
WG Wild Rice	Green Beans	Glazed Carrots	California Blend	Baby Carrots
Steamed Broccoli	Diced Peaches	Fresh Pear	Pineapple Tidbits	Potato Salad
Fresh Apple	WG Breadstick	WG Roll	Milk	Fresh Grapes
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12	13	14	15	16
Grilled Chicken Breast	Hamburger on WG Bun	Chicken Noodles	Vegetable Omelet	Tuna Salad on
Seasoned Green Beans	Lettuce/Tomato/Onion	Mashed Potatoes	Rosemary Potatoes	WG Croissant
Pear Crisp	French Fries	<b>Brussel Sprouts</b>	Orange Wedges	Celery Stick
WG Roll	Fresh Apple	Tropical Fruit	WG Biscuit	Cole Slaw
Milk	Milk	WG Bun	Milk	Apricots
		Milk		Milk
19	20	21	22	23
	Pulled BBQ Pork	Mac &Cheese	Breaded Veal	Deli Sandwich on
* * * * WE WALL BE / @	Sweet Potato Fries	Seasoned Broccoli	Squash Medley	WG Croissant
CLOSED	Steamed Corn	Mandarin Oranges	Blueberry Crisp	Tomato Cucumber salad
● MLK DAY®	Applesauce	WG Roll	WG Bun	Pickle Spear
	WG Bun	Milk	Milk	Fresh Orange
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26	27	28	29	30
Sweet & Sour Chicken	Homemade Meatloaf	Pasta Alfredo w/	Personal Pizza	Egg Salad
Seasoned Snap Peas	Mashed Potatoes	Chicken	California Blend	Lettuce/Tomato/Onion
Pineapple Tidbits	Glazed Carrots	Seasoned Peas	Fresh Banana	Baby Carrots
WG Brown Rice	Apple Slices	House Salad	Wheat Bread	Diced Pears
Milk	WG Roll	WG Breadstick	Milk	WG Croissant
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Sally Bailey Claude Wright

Sharon Bartley Jane Miller

Vanessa Bing Donna Ufferman

Donald Boyle Peggy Perkins

Helen Edwards Marjean Taylor

Daniel Goodman

Mary Grubb If you have any updates to this list,

Dorothy Holbrook Please contact the center at

419.946.4191

Nathan Kindt

Melvina Painter

**Raymond Powell** 

Pat Rinehart

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