Senior Notes

A bimonthly publication for members of the Yellow Springs Senior Center



Volunteer services and financial contributions are vital to the operation of the Senior Center.

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Director's Comments

I am so glad to be back "home" at the Senior Center where I got my start as a social worker 14 years ago. While there have been many changes during those years, so much is still the same. I look forward to re-connecting with familiar faces and getting to know new ones.

Those faces have been hidden behind masks for a year now; but we are initiating plans to resume in-person activities during July and August. We are also planning to hold the annual Garden Dinner Party fundraiser in August. Please see the back page for details and a registration form.

The Senior Center has been a vital link for socialization, services and systems of support during the Covid pandemic. As we transition into the "new normal," I look forward to collaborating with the community to discover what we can develop to enrich our dear village together. Thank you for entrusting me with leadership of the Senior Center.

Caroline Mullin, Executive Director
 937-767-5751 x 101, cmullin@ysseniors.org

Outgoing board members

A very special THANK YOU! to board member Macy Reynolds who completed her term as President of the YSSC Board of Trustees in May. Also, welcome to Wayne Gulden, the board's incoming treasurer. For current YSSC Board members, please see the list in this newsletter on page 7. The voluntary service of YSSC board members is invaluable as each person brings experience, community linkage and most of all concern for the well-being of the organization. The added effort and time while navigating the hiring

of our new Executive Director, considering policies and options as we strive to resume in-person events and aim for new opportunities is very much appreciated. You all make a difference.

Reopening

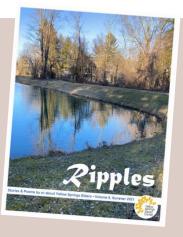
Resuming in-person activities is the number one goal at the center. The YSSC team is working to make that happen as soon as possible. Each class/program will have the option of continuing to connect online if the format is working well for participants and the instructor.

Wesley Matthews event

The committee for the Wesley Matthews tribute celebration has worked for many months to plan the event, engage participants and create the fantastic plaque honoring him. Honoring the legacy of his efforts to found the Yellow Springs Senior Citizens organization tells an important story of his service and our community. Thank you to the committee, The Matthews family, the Yellow Springs Community Foundation, 365 Project, and many donors for the various ways you contributed generous time and funds to help make this a reality.

Ripples is here!

A complimentary copy of Volume 8, the 2021 issue is enclosed for you!



CLASSES & GROUPS

See below for Zoom and other link instructions

Exercise, Movement, & Yoga

Yoga with Reena, Mon. & Thurs. at 1:30 pm Beginner's yoga on the floor or seated. On Zoom.

NEW DAY/TIME Zumba Gold, Mon. at 5:30 pm

Lynn Hardman leads this low impact, moderate cardio dance party using music from all over the world! Suitable for all abilities and ages. *On Zoom*.

Chair Interval Training, *Tues. & Thurs. at 11 am* Lynn Hardman instructs this class which is good for people with limited mobility.

Tuesday's class is virtual on youtube.com/c/ CommunityAccessYellowSprings/featured (click on the word Videos) and on Spectrum cable Channel 5. Thursdays's class is live on Zoom and also on YouTube and Channel 5.

Dancing with Parkinson's, Wed. at 2 pm

For people with Parkinson's and their spouses or caregivers. This movement class is simple, free-form choreography performed to music, to get the body moving in a way that feels good, is enjoyable and socially engaging. The participant works at his/her own potential on that day. Exercises can be modified to suit each individual's own level of comfort and their ability.

This is a hybrid class with some participants meeting in the Great Room and others joining on Zoom. In person participants need to come in the front door, check in, then go to the Great Room.

Strength Training with Andrew, Fri. at 2:45 pm On Zoom.

Learn a Language

Advanced Beginner Spanish, *Mon. at 4 pm ¡Hola Amigos!* Judy Skillings is teaching Advanced Beginner Spanish. *Comprende Ud.? On Zoom*.

As state pandemic restrictions for senior centers ease, activity leaders are considering how to return to in-person meetings. Check the Calendar on the website, <u>vsseniors.org</u>, for updates. Descriptions of activities will be on the Activities pages of the website.

Virtual Spanish Coffee Hour, Wed. at 11 am Participants will be matched for 15 minute conversations then reassigned to another chat

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NEW! Beginner Spanish, Wed. at noon

¡Hola Amigos! Judy Skillings is teaching Beginner Spanish using the book "Easy Spanish Step-By-Step by Barbara Bregstein. *Comprende Ud.? On Zoom*.

Spanish with Josefina for Advanced Beginners, *Thurs. at 4 pm*

Taught by Josefina Sosa from Cuernavaca, Mexico, students should be familiar with the present tense and have a basic vocabulary. Suggested donations of \$100 for 10 sessions for those able to pay. This class has a limited enrollment and may be full. Contact: JudithSkillings@yahoo.com for more info. On Zoom.

French Class, Tues. at 2 pm

Taught by Lynda for those with basic French language skills. *Nous serions ravis de vous rencontrer!* On Zoom.

Card & Strategy Games

Euchre, *Tues. at 1:30 pm & Thurs. at 7 pm* A fun, quick playing, competitive game. We use an app called "Euchre 3D" which is available for PC, Mac, and mobile devices. Contact Brad Terry at bradxt78@gmail or 707-321-2341.

Other Social Activities

Lunch & Meet Thursdays, *Thurs. at noon*Join us Thursdays at noon for this Zoom event featuring guest speakers or performers while you eat at home. Registration is required, email info@ysseniors.org or call 937-767-5751. *On Zoom*.

Great Novels & Poetry, Alternate Tues. at 3:30 pm (see the Calendar for dates)

Jo Ann Kiser, Ph.D. from the Univ. of Chicago, with a focus on international literature, leads this group discussing books, poetry, and authors. *On Zoom*.

Financial Series, Second Mon. at 6:30 pm

Ryan Beach, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones in Xenia presents finance related information every month in person in the Great Room. *April–November*.

The Month of May in Photos



The annual celebration of National Senior Health & Fitness Day was May 26. Lynn Hardman chore-ographed the 8th annual Flash Mob to get everyone moving. Due to the weather the event was held in the Great Room. This event was also a time to bid farewell to retiring Executive Director Karen Wolford. The video of the dance can be viewed at tinyurl.com/xtyxzh96



The Greene County Council on Aging held their Senior Field Day on May 20. (Left to right) Karen Puterbaugh, GCCOA Executive Director, Andree Bognar, Lin Wood, Nancy Hirsch, Corinne Pelzl, and Caroline Mullin.



On May 25 the Senior Center hosted a Grab & Go lunch to thank the volunteers who help with the Tom's Market Grocery Delivery Program which has been going on for the last 14 months. Pictured (left to right) KellyAnn Tracy, Wayne Gulden, Lili Jennings, Karen Wolford, and Robert Libecap.

JULY 2021

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Are We There Yet?

Homemakers

The vaccination for Covid-19 has made it safer to get out and mingle and for opening your home to visitors. The homemakers of the Yellow Springs Senior Center are happy to bring services of house cleaning, cooking, companionship, errands, etc., to the seniors villagers of the Yellow Springs area and also to welcome back clients who took a break during the Pandemic.

Support Services

We support seniors with all kinds of questions and for a variety of circumstances. Please contact us for questions ranging from new and renewing enrollment for Medicare, medical equipment, incontinent supplies, finding adult daycare, and so much more. A call is all it takes to get started.

-Teresa Bondurant, Social Services Outreach 937-767-5751 x107, tbondurant@ysseniors.org

Grocery Delivery

The Senior Center continues to shop for groceries weekly from Tom's Market for anyone who is homebound due to transportation, mobility, or health issues. Deliveries are on **Fridays** and orders are due to the Senior Center by noon on Thursdays. Orders are accepted one of three ways:

- e-mail to info@ysseniors.org
- by using the form at: ysseniors.org/grocery-delivery-program
- calling **937-767-5751** Mon.—Thu. 9:30 am—4 pm or Friday 9:30 am—1 pm

Credit Card/Debit Card/EBT cards are accepted, and a representative of the Senior Center will call on Thursday to get card information. This is a free service. Donations are gratefully accepted.

Transportation Notes

Henceforth I whimper no more, postpone no more... Strong and content, I travel the open road.

-Walt Whitman, "Song of the Open Road"

Were we **ever** ready to escape our Covid encampments!! Our collective, pent up desires for socializing, traveling, laughing and singing out loud was in evidence everywhere you looked this year! AAA Travel estimated a 60% increase in the number of travelers over 2020. We took to the highways and byways. Air travel was up 6 times over last year. Not quite up to pre-pandemic level, but climbing fast.

You never know how life is going to surprise you. All the more reason to have your getaway car in good working order and your passport up to date! Remember: (1) there are no age limits to travel and; (2) travel need not be defined only in terms of distance and expense.

Perhaps you could plan a trip to Lisbon? Be sure to see the Beaver Creek Candle Company. Afterward, quench your thirst at Numbers Brewing Company.... wait...oh, you thought I meant Lisbon, Portugal. Oh, no, no. They are at a Code Orange Level as I write! I was talking about Lisbon, Ohio!

There are many places to travel in Ohio. Check Ohio.org or OhioMagazine.com for ideas. Websites for state parks (ODNR.gov) and national parks (NPS.gov) will tickle your inner-trek cravings.

In truth, you don't need to leave town to 'travel.' The web offers easy access to countless virtual tours of cities and world treasures around the globe. Or get a Rick Steve's DVD from the library.

Or catch a ride downtown. *Explore Yellow Springs*. Take a stroll downtown. Enjoy the gardens, the flowers, the trees along the way.

Wherever you go, have a grand trip!

Robert Libecap, Transportation Manager 937-767-5751 x104, rlibecap@ysseniors.org







July Birthdays

07/00 Andy Holyoke 07/01 Patty Gehring

07/01 Alan Raney

07/02 Thomas Macaulay

07/04 Jane Boucher 07/05* Mary Bushrui

07/05 Susan Freeman

07/05 Jan Holbrook

07/06 Linda Reeves

07/06 Patricia A.Wright

07/06 Selwa Whitesell

07/07 Anne Randolph

07/08 Richard Bullock

07/08 Helen Filler

07/08* Martie Jensen

07/08 Mitzie Miller

07/10* Lenore Doctor

07/10* Maria Donat 07/12* Robert Darrow

07/14* Dorothy Drake

07/14 Sonia Kiser

07/14 Marcia Sutherland

07/15* Donna Denman

07/17* George Coder

07/18 Pat Robinow

07/19 Margaret Veenstra

07/21* Joyce Robinson 07/22 Karen Rasey

07/23 Steve Piatt

07/24 Heidi Eastman

07/25* Joan Champie

07/25 Deborah Dillon-Bloch

07/26* Polly Miller

07/26 Ardis Macaulay

07/26 Lidia Stone

07/27* Harriet Blackman

07/29 Denise Robinow

07/30 James Tetz

07/31 Kathy Carr

Membership Dues

\$20 annual memberships, \$15 for each additional household member. Make checks payable to **Yellow Springs Senior Center** or **YSCC** and mailed to: YSCC, 227 Xenia Ave. Yellow Springs, OH 45387

We do not sell or share your info.

August Birthdays

08/01 John Atkins 08/01 Phyllis J. Davis

08/02 Susan Bothwell

08/03* Mary E. Prince 08/04* Geneva Brisbane

08/04* Joseph Dowdell

08/04 Niki Foor

08/06* Ted Barker

08/06 Patricia Dewees

08/07 Brian Gaughan

08/08 Doug Klappich

08/10* Perry M. Stewart 08/10 Chris Zurbuchen

08/12 Diana Quirk

08/14 Judy James

08/15 Dorothy Smith

08/16 Donna Coleman

08/16 Nancy Hirsch

08/16 Heather Neill

08/19 Joy Fishbain 08/21 Pete Wehner

08/21 Pete Wehner 08/23* Joan Chappelle

08/23 Allan Ryder

08/24* Ned Oldham

08/24* Sue Parker 08/24 David Anderson

08/24 Gyamfi Gyamerah

08/24 Marianna Stewart

08/25 Tom Malcolm

08/26* Maria Varandani 08/27 Larry Gerthoffer Jr.

08/27 Peggy Shank

08/28 John Baldasare

08/29 Joe Ayres

08/30 Isidro Fernandez, Jr.

08/30* Bob Fogarty

08/30 Sheila Drennen

08/30 Moya Shea

08/31* Michael Kraus

*Indicates those known to be 80 or older.

We apologize to anyone who may have been left off the Birthday List by mistake. We include <u>current members</u> who have shared their birth date.

Welcome NEW Members!

Tory Brookshire Rosa Martinez Diana Quirk



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CURRENT RESIDENT OR:	

8th Annual Garden Dinner Party
Benefit for the Yellow Springs Senior Center

Saturday, August 7, 2021 from 6-9 pm • \$65.00 per person RSVP by July 15, 2021 (Seating is limited so please register early)

Please include all persons in your party, limit six, in the same envelope with payment. We will do our best to accommodate your request.

All participants must be fully vaccinated.

Contact the Senior Center at 937-767-5751 or info@ysseniors.org.

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No, I/We cannot attend, but wish to make a donation of \$				