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In this edition, I want to focus on two new programs that WCCOA has implemented to enhance the quality of life for our aging

population in Wyandot County. In 2022, we had our first Senior Tree campaign. This has become an annual fundraiser that coincides with Giving Tuesday. The funds raised are used to purchase Christmas gifts for seniors who might not otherwise be recognized at a time of year that can be challenging and lonesome. Yearly, we have given about 100 seniors bags that contain personal care items, favorite foods, treats, blankets, etc. In May of 2024, we held our first annual Purse Derby bingo fundraiser. This year, we made the decision to earmark these funds for seniors at risk (SARA). Through an application process, seniors can request financial assistance with various needs. Funds are distributed on a case-by-case basis and are subject to availability. This program is funded entirely through the Purse Derby and donations. No levy funds are used to support either of these programs.

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If you have any questions about these programs, or would like to make a donation to support them, please call me at 419-294-5733 or email me at director@wyandotseniorts.com.

Terry Ratliff, Executive Director

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#### **HOMEMAKING**

In an effort to allow our clients to safely remain in their homes for as long as possible, our homemaking team provides light housekeeping services. Keeping homes clean and free of clutter make for happier, safer homes.

Currently, we have a short waiting list for this service. If you would like your name added to the wait list

please give our office a call.



Alesta Altvater Homemaking Supervisor

#### **NUTRITION**

Do you know about our nutrition services??? Our agency offers three

types of meals that can be delivered to your home up to five days a week. Our menu is created by a nutritionist, emphasizing a well-balanced, low-sodium diet. The Home Delivered Meal program also allows our team to engage with

clients regularly.
Additionally, we provide a dine-in option at our office from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Monday to Friday.

Ronald Bailey Nutrition Supervisor

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

WCCOA drivers are committed to meeting your transportation needs. Non-emergency, medical appointments receive priority scheduling and can be anywhere in the state of Ohio. Non-medical transports are available inside Wyandot County. We offer door to door service and our fleet of vehicles can accommodate most

mobility needs.
Reservations can be made by calling our office and require advance notice.

Patty Nye Portation Supervisor

#### **Have Questions?**

Do you have questions about our services or where to find assistance for you or your loved ones? Call our office, and we will help you find the answers you need. If we cannot provide the service you need, we will put you in touch with those who can. Personal care, home modification, caregiver support, long-term care planning, legal

services, and many more resources are available through the Area Agency On Aging District 5.

Tim Griffin
Office Administrator



# Ohio's Ombudsmen are here for **YOU**.

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State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

## How an ombudsman can help you: • Listen to your concerns about care and help you

- Listen to your concerns about care and help you find solutions.
- Stand up for your rights to make your own choices.
- Teach community members about long-term care and resident rights.
- Help you understand your care needs, compare providers, and know your options to pay for your care.
- · Support resident and family councils.
- · Visit facilities and residents often.
- Work with policy-makers to create laws and regulations that help long-term care consumers.

#### Advocacy for Consumers of Home and Community-Based Services

Regional ombudsmen help people living in their own homes by offering solutions for challenges with home care, transportation and other support services.

## How to connect with an ombudsman:

Report concerns about your health, safety, welfare or rights by contacting your local ombudsman.

1-800-860-5799

#### What happens next?

- 1. An ombudsman representative will be assigned to work with you. They will call you to learn more about the situation and explain the help available to you.
- Your ombudsman will visit you to review the facts and investigate the reason the problem occurred.
- Your ombudsman will speak with you about what they discovered and work with you and the facility to resolve the complaint.
- Your ombudsman will follow up to determine if the solution is working.

## Is my information private?

Yes! Your information is private. Anyone may call the ombudsman to voice a concern or obtain information about long-term care. The ombudsman acts only with your consent, or in some cases, your legal representative.

Remember, ombudsman services are FREE

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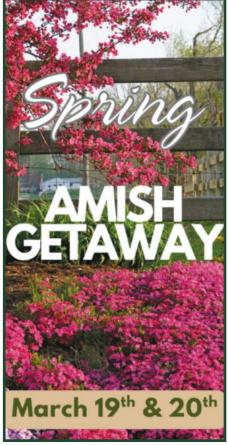


Learn more: Aging.Ohio.gov/Navigator

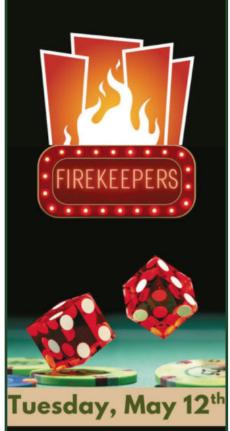
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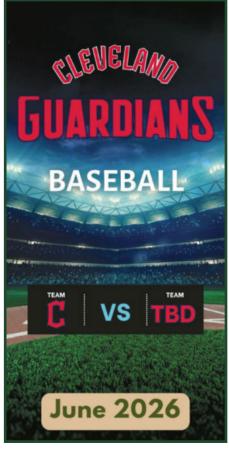
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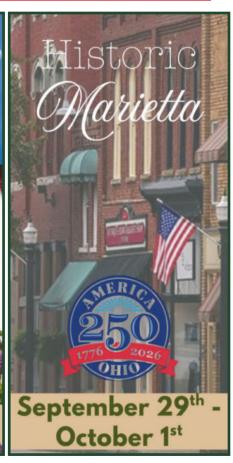


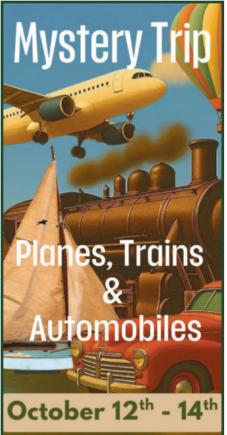




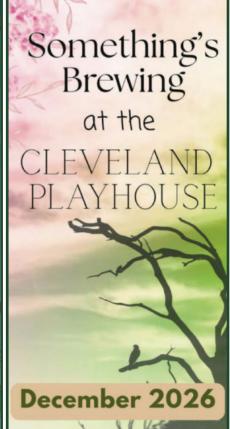




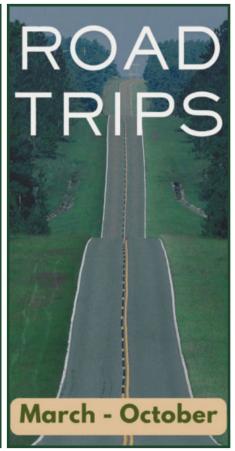














**Top Golf** April 24th - Granville Tulip Festival **May 15th - Canton** 1st Ladies Museum & **Gervasi Winery June 26th - London** Strawberry Festival July 17th - Detroit **River Cruise** August 24th - Columbus Air Show September 25th - West Liberty **Ohio Caverns** October 18th - Coshocton Apple Butter Stirin' Festival **November 21st - Marion Harding Home December 12th Coffee Shop Hop** 

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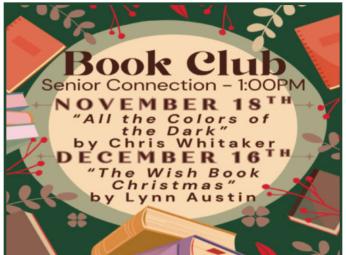
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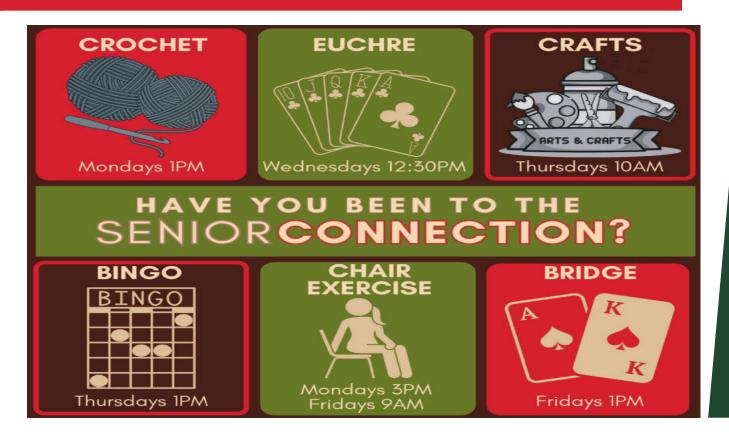
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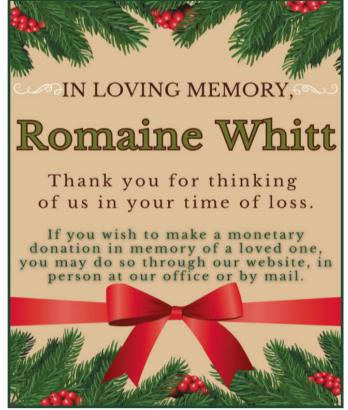






















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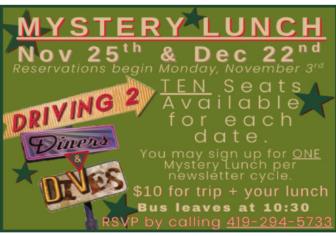


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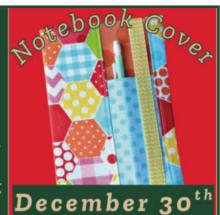


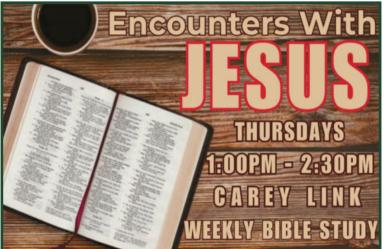
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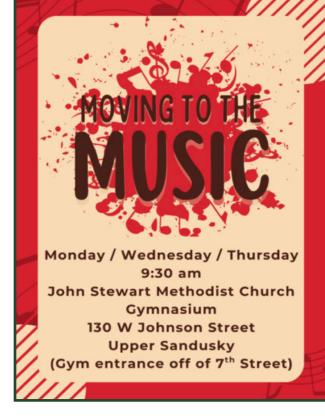


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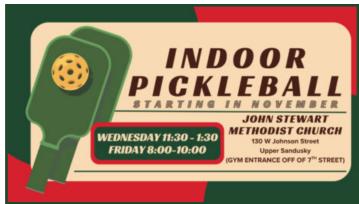












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