

MARION COMMUNITY BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL PARK: On Sunday, September 8^{th} , 2019, the Marion Industrial Park held an Open House from 12 pm -4 pm. Several of the businesses participated in the successful event by giving tours, providing re-

freshments, bounce houses for the kids, and truck rides for visitors! The Industrial Park welcomes 3-Way Machine & Tool who recently purchased the Bergman Tool building. Thank you to Ted Bergman and Bergman Tool for the many years of service in the Industrial Park! Osgood has several businesses expanding operations and continuing growth!

MULTI-USE PATH: The Marion Township Greenway Founders Brick Club fundraising program is underway. Be part of the foundation of a multi-use foundation and help us raise the remaining \$150,000 of the local funds of the \$305,500. More than \$155,500 has been pledged so far! Marion Township has been awarded a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission - Clean Ohio Fund Green Space Conservation Program...of \$869,500! Pledge letters have been mailed and can be found at www.marioncommunities.com. Thank you!

Join the Party in the Park Bike Poker Tour on 9/29 starting at 12:30. Registration at 12:30. Kids Adventure Course at 1:00 in the Marion Township Park. 12, 25, and 50 mile bike tours start at 1:30. Football on the TV under the tent which will be raffled. Refreshments, beer, and food, plus music by Pac-Man. Register at www.marioncommunities.com and follow us on Facebook at Marion Community Multi-Use Paths.











Winner's Meats is expanding their processing plant operations in Osgood. Winner's includes the third and fourth generations of the 91 year-old family business. Congratulations on their continued success!

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Marion Local Schools—Mike Pohlman

We had a successful start to the school year and we encourage all parents to check their students' academic standing through Progress-book, our online grading system. We encourage parents to take this opportunity to sit down with their children and discuss how their classes are progressing. Catching problem areas early is of upmost importance in building a strong foundation for the rest of the school year. Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for October 29th (5:30-8:30), October 31st (3:30-6:30), and November 1st for grades K-6 during school hours, but please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher before this time.

We recently received the results from the state report card. Marion Local achieved at a high level and our community has a lot to proud of. Below is a snapshot of our overall grade of "A".

Achievement

The Achievement Component represents whether student performance on state tests met established thresholds and how well students performed on tests overall. A new indicator measures chronic absenteeism.



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Progress

The Progress component looks closely at the growth that all students are making based on their past performances.



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Gap Closing

The Gap Closing component shows how well schools are meeting the performance expectations for our most vulnerable students in English language arts, math, graduation and English language proficiency



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Graduation Rate

The Graduation Rate component looks at the percent of students who are successfully finishing high school with a diploma in four or five years.



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Improving At-Risk K-3 Readers

This component looks at how successful the school is at improving at-risk K-3 readers.



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Prepared for Success

Whether training in a technical field or preparing for work or college, the Prepared for Success component looks at how well prepared Ohio's students are for all future opportunities.



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In regards to our performance index score we ranked 8th out of 608 public school districts in Ohio. The top ten is listed in the chart to the right. Go Flyers!

School District	<u>Grade</u>	Performance index
Solon City	Α	112.623
Rocky River City	Α	109.385
Chagrin Falls Exempted Village	Α	109.224
Madeira City	Α	109.171
Ottawa Hills Local	Α	109.060
Beachwood City	Α	108.523
Brecksville-Broadview Heights City	В	108.071
Marion Local	А	107.973
Indian Hill Exempted Village	Α	107.960
Bay Village City	Α	107.715

Marion Township Park—Lee Heitkamp

The Park Board of Marion Township Park meets monthly. We continue to focus on improving and maintaining the park for our community.

The annual Alumni Tournament was a great success again this year! We appreciate all who helped make this a great event including the alumni committee, entertainment and all the volleyball and softball teams that competed. Thanks again to all who have supported our fundraisers this year! We truly appreciate everyone's patronage and support!

We recently held our soup appreciation party for all of our park patrons. It was a picture-perfect evening and we had a good turnout of members. It is also not too late to become a park patron! For a \$30 ticket donation, you will be entered into monthly drawings and be able to attend the annual soup appreciation party. To become a park patron and be entered in to the monthly drawings please contact Jeff Wolters.

We currently have our soccer season in full swing with games running until mid-October. The Park Board is also excited to be working with the Marion Township Greenway Project in the planning and construction of the new bike path.

If you have suggestions for the park's future, we welcome those discussions. Current Park Board members include: Lee Heitkamp (President – 419-305-8238), Eric Schroeder (419-296-8570), Jeff Wolters (Treasurer – 419-953-6863), Nick "Shaggy" Pavelka (Social media/email coordinator – 419-852-3858), Ryan Stucke (Rentals – 419-852-5088), Jesse Rose (419-305-6695), Kara Ahrens (419-733-7774), and Renee Hartings (Secretary/Concession stand – 419-305-5530).

Please follow us on Facebook (Marion Township Park), on Twitter (@MarionTwpPark), or email us at mariontwppk@gmail.com.

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301 Club—Nick Boeckman The MCDO 301 Recreation Club would like to thank everyone for their continued support of our local parks and youth leagues. Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership in 2018 and an additional thank you to our new members. If you would like to become a member, please return the slip below or contact Nick Boeckman through email nick.boeckman@gmail.com, by phone 937-638-8579 or any of the other committee members (Cory Albers, Matt Homan, Luke Bertke, Brian Wolters, Kyle Moeller, Mitch Thobe, Wes Everman, or Kirk Stucke).

The MCDO 301 Recreation Club was able to donate this year to Marion Little League, Youth Softball, Youth Soccer, Pony League Baseball, Acme, & Jr. Acme programs.

The 301 club was also able to donate to Chickasaw Parks, Marion Township Park and Osgood Park for various improvement projects.

Please keep your eyes peeled for our annual renewal letter, which will be going out later this fall for existing members. Membership is \$50, as it always has been, and enters you into a weekly drawing of \$100 as well as an invitation to our annual appreciation party. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

The MCDO 301 Recreation Club is a non-profit group that has been actively supporting Marion youth programs and our local parks since 1996. Our goal is to help sustain active programs and the development of our parks. We are able to accomplish this through membership fees, donations & our annual chicken dinner sales. Our community and children benefit from your generosity.

Zahn Marion Township Library—Juli Berning Come and join us for these upcoming events:

- Every Monday thru October 28th. Cheryl Ann book club. The eight-week session started Monday, Sept. 9th and will run thru Monday, October 28th. You can start <u>anytime</u>. 4:30 to 5:30 pm at the library. Ages 12-adult. All reading levels and non-readers are welcome. Book selection: Because of Winn-Dixie (books will be provided by the library). Snack provided. Sponsored by: The Mercer County Board of D.D.
- Tuesday, October 8th Halloween family night. Dress in your Halloween costumes for a Halloween themed story hour. Starts at 6:30 pm, craft included, no pre-registration required.
- Thursday, October 17th Lego night from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Lego nights are held on the Thursday of every month. No age limit, no preregistration required. Parental supervision required for younger children as some pieces are rather small.
- Saturday, October 19th -- Medicare Open Enrollments Medicare Part D Comparisons 3-7 pm. Council on Aging will be here to assist you with reviewing your Part D-Prescription Drug plans to ensure you are utilizing the most effective plan for your needs. Call (419) 586-1644 to schedule a time.
- Tuesday, October 22nd Nancy Kremer -- Autumn Room Sprays—6:30 to 7:30 pm. Make and take room sprays to welcome in fall. Enjoy the smell and learn why cinnamon, clove, and wild orange can support your immune system.
- Thursday, November 7th Trivia on Tap is back! Join us at the Moeller Brew Barn for trivia. Registration begins at 7:30 pm. No fee to enter. Event starts promptly at 8 pm. Prizes will be awarded.
- Tuesday, November 12th Thanksgiving family night. Come join us for a Thanksgiving themed story hour. Starts at 6:30 pm, craft included, no pre-registration required.
- Thursday, November 21st Lego night from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Lego nights are held on the Thursday of every month. No age limit, no preregistration required. Parental supervision required for younger children as some pieces are rather small.
- Tuesday, November 26th Nancy Kremer Scents of the Season and Aromatherapy 6:30-7:30 pm. Make and take clay ornaments—these will make great gifts! Learn about the health benefits associated with the fir oils.
- Tuesday, December 17th Christmas family night. Santa will be at the library from 6:30 to 8 pm. Get your child's picture taken with Santa.
- Thursday, December 19th -- Lego night from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Lego nights are held on the Thursday of every month. No age limit, no preregistration required. Parental supervision required for younger children as some pieces are rather small.

All dates, times and information on all of our upcoming programs are available on our Face Book page. Just go to www.facebook/ZahnMarionLibrary and "like" our page. So come into the library today and check us out!

The Spiritual Center—Robin Goettemoeller The Spiritual Center "Retreat House" is looking forward to a busy fall with guests coming from near and far. For those of you who live nearby, we invite you to stop by anytime and check out the gift shops we now have at both the Maria Stein and Montezuma locations. We have a great selection of religious t-shirts, bracelets, hats, and other gift items.

Other events taking place at the Maria Stein Retreat House include...

Healing Masses Tuesday, October 8 and Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

Thursday, October 10 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a patron meeting. All patrons are welcome to attend this meeting to hear about all that is happening at the Spiritual Center

Wednesday, November 6 at 5:30 p.m. the Retreat House will be hosting the Annual Volunteer Dinner with entertainment by Craig Mullenkamp to follow.

Soul Core Classes are tentatively scheduled to start again in late September on Tuesday mornings (at our Montezuma location). Check our Face-book page for more information.

We hope to see you all at the Spiritual Center Retreat House this fall.

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Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics—Don Rosenbeck & Susie Bergman

We invite you to join us at the Shrine this fall to renew your faith through the inspiring lives of the saints. Mark your calendars for the following events!

OCTOBER 13: LOST TREASURES OF MARION AND DANVILLE TOWNSHIPS

Anyone interested in preserving and promoting history and historical sites will surely enjoy Dr. Allen Bernard's powerful and thought-provoking presentation on the rich architectural heritage of Granville and Marion Townships in Ohio's Mercer County. Tickets are \$30.00 each and can be purchased on the Shrine's website at mariasteinshrine.org. The evening with start at 5:30pm with dinner and drinks from Bella's Italian Grille, followed by the presentation at 6:30pm. Space is limited.

OCTOBER 15 & 24: ADORATION GUILD LEARNING SERIES: LITURGICAL SEASONS

These two sessions, led by Sister Joyce Ann Zimmerman, C.PP.S. will be held at 10am on both days. The first session will explore how the Roman Calendar/Church Year unfolds, what the various ranks of festival require in terms of liturgical celebrations, and what makes "Ordinary Time" so very extraordinary. We usually take for granted where we are in the Church Year; but it helps our celebrations if we understand it better. The second session focuses on the Advent/Christmas/Epiphany Season. We will consider themes for each aspect of the cycle, how they related, and offer suggestions for how we might keep this Season in our homes and personal prayer.

OCTOBER 20: SISTERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD 175th CELEBRATION

Join us as we celebrate the 175th Anniversary of The Sisters of the Precious Blood coming to this country! Come out to remember and honor the faithful women who have served us and taught us how to live as Christ lived. This special day will begin at 2pm with prayer in the newly refurbished Cemetery (south end of grounds) and then will continue inside the Shrine. Former Congregation President, Sister Maryann Bremke, will be giving a presentation on the ten convents established in this area by Father Brunner. The celebration will include light refreshments and plenty of memories!

NOVEMBER 3: BASEBALL & BLESSINGS

What do faith and baseball have in common? So much! Join us at the Maria Stein Shrine for this special presentation from 4 baseball legends: Craig Stammen, Katie Horstman, Lou Brunswick and Cory Luebke (via video) who will share how their faith guided and strengthened their baseball careers. Tickets are \$15.00 per person and includes a meet & greet, refreshments and all attendees will receive a baseball signed by all 4 speakers. Register online at mariasteinshrine.org. Perfect for athletes of all ages and religious backgrounds!

NOVEMBER 17: ST. PEREGRINE CANCER PRAYER SERVICE

A special prayer service for all those affected by cancer will be held on Sunday, November 17th at 2pm. Service will include relic veneration, witness and light refreshments after.

The Upper Room is available to rent for your anniversary and birthday parties, baby and bridal showers, family reunions and corporate events. It's more than a space – it's an experience! To schedule a private tour of the Shrine, find volunteer opportunities or up to date event information, visit us online at mariasteinshrine.org.