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## Mercer County Senior Center

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Hello **All**,

**Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment** start **January 1<sup>st</sup>-March 31<sup>st</sup>**. If you **find** that your **providers** aren't in **network** or the plan **isn't working** the way you **want**. You have the **chance** to **choose** another **Medicare Advantage** or go to **Original Medicare** and get a **Stand-Alone Prescription Drug plan**.

**We can now take payments for Niagara Falls!!** The trip will be on **August 31<sup>st</sup>-September 5, 2026**. The price for a **Double Room** will be **\$800.00**. We will require a **\$75 deposit** to put you on the **list (CHECK ONLY)** All checks need to be **made out** to **Diamond Tours**. The **insurance** is **online** and by **credit/debit card ONLY!**

We will be having **BINGO** at the **American Legion** on the **13<sup>th</sup>!** **Dinner starts @ 5pm** and **BINGO starts at 6:30pm!**

With **February** comes **Snow** and **School Closings**. **Listen** to **WRMJ, Channel 6 & 8** for any **weather closings** related to the **center**. A **good rule of thumb** is if the **Mercer County Schools** **close**, so does the **Center**.

**Dealing** with a **loved** one who has **Alzheimer's** or **Dementia?** We can **help** up to **\$1,500** to **keep** that **loved** one in the **home!** Please see **flyer** attached!

**Bridge** has started a **class** for **anyone** who would **like** to **learn** **how to play**, they will be having the **classes** on **Mondays** at **10:30am.** 🍀

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Stay Engaged at your Clubhouse!

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**The winner for the January icon search is Janice Moore. Find this month's icon: Cupid, then call to be included in this month's drawing.**

**Every Wednesday will be Game Day!**  
**9am-2pm**

**Monday & Friday's: Bridge (12:00)**  
**\*Only when the office is opened! If we are only offering meals that day, we will not be hosting cards! \***

Jamieson Community Center's Senior Nutrition program provides nutritious, well-balanced meals to adults aged 60 and older, supporting health, independence, and social connection.

Meals are served in welcoming community settings, giving seniors the chance to enjoy good food while building friendships and staying engaged with their neighbors.

Visit our website for more information,  
<https://www.jamiesoncommunitycenter.org/senior-nutrition>

This program is partially funded by Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging and United Way of Greater Warren County. For more information and to find a meal site near you, visit:  
<https://www.jamiesoncommunitycenter.org/senior-nutrition>

Our **activity calendar** is full of possibilities for **engagement**. We will have our **Senior Digital Class 2/10/2026 @ 10am**. **Men's meal** and **Bingo** will be on **2/19/2026 @ 11:30 & 12:00**. **Caregiver** and **Grief Support** group will be on **2/11/2026** from **1:30-3pm**. **Craft Day** will be on **2/25/2026**. **American Job Center** will be hosting a **Digital Class** on **2/5/2026**. **Foot Clinic** will be here on **2/17/2026 @ 1:30pm**.

We are also going to **start** having **games** available on **Wednesday** for **anyone** who would like to **play!** We are **always** looking for new ways to bring people in, if you have **any ideas**, please let us know!

In **Honor** of **President's Day**, we will be **closed** on **2/16/2026**. This includes meals.

We would like to start a **Stress Busting Class** in **April** of **2026**. If you have any **interest**, please let us know. We **need 5** to start the class.

**Caregivers** we need your help, please do an **online assessment** to **assist** with **Caregiving needs** to help reduce the **workload/stress**. Click on the **TCARE link** or visit [www.mercercountyseniorcenter.com](http://www.mercercountyseniorcenter.com)

Calling all able body's that would like to **Volunteer**. There are **plenty** of **ways** to get **involved!**  
<https://www.justserve.org/MercerCountySeniorCenter>

This is your Clubhouse and a one stop shop to receive all **Local, State & Federal Programs**. Please **call us** with **any and all questions** for **Medicare, Drug Co-Pay Assistance, Part B reimbursement, Medicaid, License Plate discounts, Caregiving, Stress Busting, Caregiver TCARE, Social Engagements and More!** Thank you, we look forward to seeing you soon, Taylor & Molli.

**Happy Birthday to Our February Babies: 2/18: Donald Manthe, 2/27: JoAnne Balmer**

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We serve congregate meals at Mercer County Senior Center, M-F at 11:30AM for all adults 60+. Check out our menu and choose your favorites! Reservation required 24 hours in advance. **Call Hannah at 309-337-1938 to secure your spot!** Thank you, Jamieson center Staff.

Jamieson Center is also hosting their own activities.

2/10/2026: Coloring @ 12p

2/27/2026: Origami @ 12p

**Remember we are a warming station Monday -Friday, 8:00-3:00. Most days we have Whitey's Ice cream too!**

Mercer County Senior Center Does Not Endorse any for Profit or Nonprofit Entity that shares space, partners with, and/or Advertises within our Establishment.

**AVAILABILITY-The Center is a Great Place to Rent for your Family Gatherings, Showers, & Parties. Comfortably seat's 80!**

**The Computer Lab is ready with 10 New Chromebooks & The Theater Room with Massage Chairs & a Smart TV.**