

Welcome to the Maria Reiner Center *servicing our area seniors*



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Open Monday thru Friday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm



2018

Seniorsliving, loving, laughing



2018 Veteran's Day Luncheon Special!



What a great turnout! In honor of Veteran's Day, we had our special luncheon and it was wonderful!

We served 59 Veterans, 65 non-veterans, and 10 vendors lunch!

A big thank you to Bob Hamady and the Hobart Marine Corps Legion for helping us plan this special event.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help us set up, take down, and cook lunch for our

Veterans, members, and guests! We had lunch, dessert, vendors,

door prizes, goodie bags, bag pipes, speeches, the National Anthem, special guests,

Barney the comfort dog, and so much more!

Thank you to Albanese for donating their delicious gummy military candy and thank you to Miller's Senior Living in Portage for making a homemade banana cake for our dessert. Thank you to Dunes Hospice, St. Mary Medical Center, Residences at Deer Creek, Centier, Kiwanis, and Hospice of the Calumet Area, for donating items for our goodie bags! There was also a great article in the Post Tribune paper the next day!

Thank you to our Veterans for serving and protecting our country!

We could not be where we are today without your dedication and service!

2018 MRC Christmas Party will be here soon!

The Christmas party will be here soon and it is a great party every year! Don't miss it!!

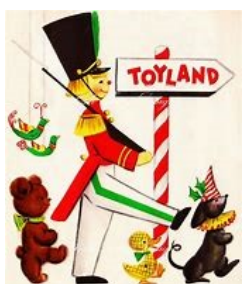
Join us in the gym for a "Christmas in Toyland" celebration! Tickets are on sale now and available at the front desk. The cost is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. The party will be catered by Stracks with their great fried chicken and Jimboos from last year with their Italian beef sandwiches. There will also be side dishes as well. We are asking members to sign up and bring their favorite dessert only!

And to make it easier, try to bring it in a disposable container so we do not worry about returning them to everyone.

Friday, December 7th from 12 - 3 in the front gym.

The Center will be closed this day and all regular activities are canceled.

If anyone would like to help us set up or teardown for the festivities, please let us know.



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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

The Maria Reiner Center will be closed on:

Christmas Eve - Monday, December 24th - Center will be closing at 2pm



Christmas - Tuesday, December 25th

New Years Day - Tuesday, January 1st

End of the year trip!!



8th Annual Holiday Bake Sale & Holiday Market

Friday, December 7th from 6 - 8pm

Celebrate the Holiday Season with free carriage rides and a visit from Santa as they light the City Christmas Tree at Festival Park!

Enjoy pictures with Santa (FREE with a donation to the Hobart Food Pantry), bonfire, tasty holiday treats, kids craft corner, Jingle Johns, and the Grinch will be playing!

Saturday, December 8th from 12 - 3pm.

The bake sale has returned to the Holiday Market! This is always a huge event for the Center and we are looking for your help. Yes, YOU! Let's see our bakers!



Pick your favorite baked treat and bring it in! Those who would like to bake, can drop it off at the front doors on Saturday, December 8th from 12-3pm.

We will make it a little easier, so please don't cut them into pieces! Just bring your whole baked treat in a disposable container and we will take care of the rest. Bring in one copy of your recipe or ingredient list as well. Let's see how much more we can do this year!

Sunday, December 9th from 9 am - 3 pm

Come and check out the Holiday Market in the gyms and browse through over 70 different vendors selling all of their amazing items. Food, crafts, clothes, and so much more! Find that perfect gift for someone, or treat yourself!



The Maria Reiner Center Trips and Travel Presents

The next trip is scheduled and the sign up sheet is out and it filled very quickly! Miracle on 34th Street and lunch at the Theatre at the Center in Munster on

Wednesday, December 12th.

Meal time is 12:15 pm and ShowTime is 2 pm.

Transportation is NOT provided.

YOU will need drive on your own for this trip.

Hobart Tri Kappa City Wide Giving Tree

Thank you to everyone who helped with their generosity with the 50 giving tree tags that we received. The tags on the tree



provided wishes, sizes, and information of what children in the area would like for this holiday season. They will be picked up by December 3rd.

Sing Along Ice Cream Social



What holiday season would be complete without a holiday sing along to Christmas songs!?

Come in and sing your hearts out to Christmas songs that we all know the words to!

If you have forgotten the words, don't worry, Bev will have them displayed on the projector!

After singing, what better way to soothe your singing voices but with ice cream!

But, you must sing in order to have ice cream.

Thursday, December 20th at 2 pm in the choir room

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Breakfast and lunch for December!

Each week, our volunteers help serve two delicious meals:
breakfast every Tuesday from 9 am - 11 am and lunch every Thursday from 11 am - 1 pm.



You can purchase your tickets at the door for the bargain price of only \$3.00!

Thank you to our meal sponsors, coordinators, and all of the volunteers who work so hard at each meal!

Interested in helping in the kitchen for a few hours? Don't be shy, come on in and ask us about it!



Tuesday's Breakfast



12/4/2018

Food Sponsor: **MRC Board of Directors**

Coordinator: Marianne Mummey

12/11/2018

Food Sponsor: **Our Savior Catholic Church**

Coordinator: Bob & Sharon Mishevich

NO BREAKFAST TODAY!

12/18/2018

NO BREAKFAST TODAY!

12/25/2018



Thursday's Lunch



12/6/2018

NO LUNCH TODAY!

12/13/2018

Food Sponsor: **Brentwod at Hobart**

Coordinator:

12/20/2018

NO LUNCH TODAY!

12/27/2018

NO LUNCH TODAY!

We cannot thank our wonderful sponsors and volunteers enough!

MRC Board of Directors

Carol Heikema, President
Trey Gilliana, Vice-President
Dee Bedella, Secretary
Michael Adams
Jeff Cefali
Thomas Ehrhardt
Ken Gagliardi
Jay Harrigan
Lynn Kostbade



**Our Savior Polish National
Catholic Church**

Indoor Book Mobile!

Jack Traeger will be set up in the hallway on the 3 days that we have meals this month with his books! Are you looking for something scary that will make you turn on the light, perhaps informational to ponder, light romance that makes your heart go pitter patter, or maybe a gift for someone else! Come see what kind of books he has to offer!

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Let the Christmas festivities continue!



Kids First Preschool

Miss Kim and her preschool friends had such a great time last time month when they made turkey magnets with the Hobart Garden Club that they got to take home with them!! Come in and see them, everyone is welcomed to come! **Friday, December 14th at 11:45 am in the dining room.** They will singing Christmas songs for us and do a little dance! Come and see how great they are!

Santa Breakfast and The Polar Express



T'was a few weeks before Christmas and why not take two separate events and combine them into one!

First, join the Hobart High School Junior Class for their annual Breakfast with Santa! Delicious pancake breakfast, Christmas music, PLUS get your picture taken with Santa and write him a letter.

8:30—11am and tickets are \$5 each.

Pay at the HHS main office before the events or that day. Proceeds help fund the 2019 prom.

December 8th

Hobart High School—Enter at door 21

Second, join the HHS Theatre Department for the FREE annual viewing of The Polar Express held in the Theatre immediately after the



Santa Breakfast! Snacks and hot chocolate will available for a small fee.

Starts at 11:15 Free for everyone.

Help them be better prepared by calling ahead to RSVP and leave them a message at 942-8885.

The Boys and Girl Club of Northwest Indiana



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF GREATER
NORTHWEST INDIANA

Join them for a breakfast with Santa at their new location in New Chicago which is the old middle school. This is a wonderful event that also include raffles for the children, Santa, and different games in the gym
Saturday, December 8th

Breakfast with Santa at St. Mary Medical Center



Treat yourself and your grandchildren to a fun-filled and festive morning and have breakfast with Santa as well as a picture and treasure the moment forever!

Go to St. Mary Medical Center in the Waterfall Café on **Saturday, December 2nd**.

To reserve tickets, call St. Mary's marketing at 947-6041.

Breakfast starts at 8:30 and Santa arrives at 9:00

Adults are \$7 and Children are \$5



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Hobart High School Legacy Concert

December 18th at 6pm

Dinner will be served at 5pm

Please RSVP at 942-8521 and enter ext. 8193.

Feel free to leave a voicemail with your name, phone number, and how many are attending.

Rittenhouse Village at Portage Holiday Bazaar!

This year's event will be featuring a wide array of vendors, each selling unique one-of-a-kind gifts.

Whether it be crafts, homemade baked goods, candles, skin care, no matter how hard finding the right gift that that picky family member of

friends is, you'll be able to find something perfect!



RITTENHOUSE
VILLAGE
AT PORTAGE
By Discovery Senior Living

6235 Sterling Creek Road in Portage

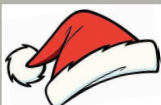
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Activities!



Toys for Tots Donations!

In the spirit of Christmas, we will be accepting donations for those in need. There is a box in the front of the Center for Toy for Tots which has delivering toys since 1947 and have totaled about 548 million toys! If you would like to donate, please bring them unwrapped and place them in the box!



Movie and Popcorn

Let's keep this Christmas theme going!
Popcorn?? Movie??

Come in and see a movie at the Center
Showtime is at 12PM on Wednesdays!
This month the MRC will be showing the following films:

- December 5th** - "Eight Below"
- December 12th** - "Holiday Affair"
- December 19th** - "Fred Claus"
- December 26th** - "Holiday Inn"



Coffee and Canvas with Carol

Carol has such a great group that loves to paint with her! In November, her group painted beautiful cornucopia for Thanksgiving!
Come and see how great they look!

She will be returning for a winter theme and it looks great!!! There is an example on the front counter and you can choose your color for the background.

Monday, December 10th from 9 am - noon

Please sign up if you are interested in this fun activity!

Book Club

Join the Book Club on
Thursday, December 20th at 10 am in the computer room for the next great reading experience!

Book Club Members will be reading
"A Reliable Wife" by Robert Goolrick. They will also be discussing last months book and writing a review for it.

Class Schedules

Many classes will be taking breaks during this holiday season so be sure to watch the calendar, listen to Aimee's Sunday night call, and last minute posted signs on the front desk.

Oil painting will have class on Thurs. Dec 6th and on Mon. Dec. 10th and be on a break through January and will return in February.

Bible as Literature class will not meet on Dec. 20th, Dec. 27th, and Jan. 3rd. They will return on Jan. 10th.
Art class will not meet on Dec. 19th and 26th and Jan. 2nd. They will return on Jan 9th.

New! New! New!

If anyone is interested in being in a quilting class and could bring in their own sewing machine starting in January, please sign up on the front cabinets as we have received a few requests.

Does anyone have a hobby that they would interested in selling here at the Center, please sign up on the front cabinets. You would have a day during breakfast/lunch and have your own table.

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Classes!



Computer class

Beverly Bush's Computer Class

Beginner computer class with Beverly Bush will be taking a break in December and will return in January. There will be a sign up sheet in on the front counter when it is closer.

Dr. Cripliver's Computer Classes

Dr. Cripliver will be on a break for the holidays and will return in January on a new day!

She will be back on Friday, January 25th from 11 am—1 pm.

Come in and see why everyone loves her teaching style and her crazy personality!

She makes learning about technology so much fun! Jump in and catch up!

She is a great instructor and so knowledgeable on all computer topics! Don't be shy, come on in!

Fridays from 11 am - 1 pm in the computer room



NEW! NEW! NEW!

There will also be a new smart phone class that will be started in January! We have had many, MANY people ask about this and you got it! Britney Taylor who is a technology consultant and has her own company called I Tech Teach you, LLC, "Pursing Tech Happiness".

She will be covering many topics, such as email setup, Bluetooth connection to your car, iTunes account setup, downloading apps setup, recognizing fraudulent emails, recognizing fraudulent websites, training on texting, training on video chats, training on sending and receiving photos.

The mission at I Tech Teach You, LLC is to train, equip, and simply your technological needs. Whether you are a beginner, intermediate, or advanced smartphone user, we have developed a program for you. We are committed to teaching at your pace and encouraging your development. We make technology work for you!

Monday's in January from 11am—noon!

Senior Citizen Gold Card

The School City of Hobart strongly believe in the importance of their community being engaged in our schools and our schools being engaged in the community. With the Brickie Gold Card will allow you access all events for FREE! Field House Access, blood pressure screening, after school book club, athletic events (not including post-season IHSA sponsored events), all theatre showings, all choir and Wolfgang concerts, and all band and orchestra concerts. If you do not have a card, please call the administration office at 942-



8885 and they will mail a card to you. You must live within Hobart and be 62 or older. When you plan on attending an event, bring your gold card and your drivers license and that's it!

Every Wednesday from 8am—10am, come in for free blood pressure screening at the Hobart High School. You can also take advantage of their field house that will give you access to the indoor track and weight room, but only when school is in session.

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We would like to thank YOU!

Pig Totals for October



Member Visits Average
127 per day

Pig Funds Average
\$16.44 Per day

That equals: \$0.13 cents per day - per member!

Dinner Club



In November, dinner club went to New Hong Kong Chinese restaurant in Stracks Plaza on Ridge Road and it was GREAT! They will be taking a break for December for the holidays, but will pick back up in January

Tony Schifino with A.J. Specialties



Tony loves the Center and is always so generous! Thank you Tony for the donation! He gives the Center back a portion of his sales every time he comes in.....and is he returning before the holiday season! Come in and check out his hats, purses, sweaters, and everything else he brings in!

Thursday, December 13th during lunch



Thank you to our member Javier for his **VERY** generous donations of his fruits and vegetables that he has been bringing in every week and sharing with us all season long! Be sure to thank him when he is here !

Thank you pickle ball players and ping pong players for being so understanding about closing the back gym so quickly and unexpectedly last month. NILEA's next class will start in January.

Blood Pressure Checks

Blood pressure checks will be done once in December! Come in and see what your blood pressure is and while you're here, have breakfast!



Tuesday, December 4th from 10am—noon

Did you know??

There are about 65 blood pressures taken every month by our sweet and lovely volunteers. We are looking for a couple more volunteers who would be willing to help take blood pressures on the first and third Tuesday. If you are interested, please come in and let us know!

A VERY Special Thank You



Thank you to: Our Area Businesses & Partners:

Brentwood, Miller's Merry Manor of Hobart, Wittenburg Village, Story Point, Rittenhouse of Portage, Dunkin Donuts in Hobart, Stracks, Life Care of Valpo, and Comfort Keepers.

To Our Own Members:

John & Doris Ban, Eleanor Boyles, Thasia Brant, Patricia & Richard Brown, Doris Christian, Mary Covington, Joyce Dietz, Bonnie Ehrhardt, Tom & Rosemarie Ehrhardt, Margie Evano, Marilyn Hendrickson, Penny & Dave Hiestand, Joan & Chuck Horn, Marilyn Hendrickson, Moses Homoky, Ruth Ittel, Kay Pickens, Betsy Kaiser, Jan & Don Lawrence, Marge Mathis, Keith Miller, Sam & Sue Miller, Ernie & Lenore Moehl, Jim & Martha Nichols, Annie Snemis, James & Judy Stone, Simone Stupar, Judy & Paul Surowiec, Delphine Schwartz, Larry Trzuppek, and Joyce Wackett.

Thank you to Annie Snemis for the Peppercide Cookies! You are AMAZING!

Please be sure to record your donation in the Donation Intake Binder at the front desk.

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52 December Birthdays

1	Roger	Pritchard
	Phillip	McKee
	Linda	Stottlemire
3	Edward	Kuehs
4	Donna	Mercer
	Deborah	Bolek
5	Beverly	Bush
	Betty	Davis
6	Edward	Price
7	Evelyn	Pustik
	Jerilyn	Heck
	Dianne	Joiner
8	Donald	Devries
	Kate	Cavanaugh
9	Nancy	Anderson
	Judy	Sheldon
10	Barbara	Julian
	Stephen	Potter
11	Linda	Brown
12	Pamela	Hass
	Jerry	Good
13	Mary	Manning
14	Diana	Beckett
17	Debbie	Martinez
18	Mary	Covington
	Stanley	Christianson

18	Kathy	Potosky
	Joyce	Einikis
	Donna	Roth
	Katherine	Hannigan
19	Nancy	Laabs
	Gwen	Clapp
	Renee	Shannon
20	Rose	Braun
	Mollie	Ivaldi
21	Lee	Michna
	Minerva	Yanez
22	Joyce	Chontos
23	Joyce	Choncoff
24	Vicki	Small
25	Connie	Mattix
26	Nancy	Gourlay
	Rick	Madrigal
	Barbara	Reese
	Judy	Candiano
	Julianne	Grankowski
27	Barb	Kaiser
28	Elizabeth	Bodnar
29	Carol	Kovasz
30	William	Hahn
31	Ron	Warkentien
	Mary	Alexander

6 new MRC members

Laura	Bodnar
Chris	Eliopoulos
David	Hiestand
Nancy	Klaja
April	Popp
Patricia	Zwolinski

We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Advisory board meeting
Wednesday, January 9th at 11am

Warming Center
With Winter here in full force, please remember to check on your neighbors and friends in this cold weather. The city will have warming centers open during extreme weather. Fire House 2 at 2301 W. Old Ridge Rd. will be open 24 hours and available to anyone who needs to keep warm. If you need transportation to the warming centers, please call 911 for assistance. If you need any other help, please call the MRC at 947-1864 and we will try to help.

Thank you to Jenny Hadley for making and selling her GREAT hats! 25% of her sales are being donated to the Center! You can choose any color, stripes, or add a flower! \$10 per hat and \$8 for a headband!

2019 Membership Dues!

This has flown by! Before we know it, January will be here which means that everyone will need to renew their memberships.

Hobart residents are \$30.

Non-Hobart residents are \$50.

All memberships will still expire on 12-31-19!

Hardship memberships are available!

If you or someone you know in the city of Hobart is in need of financial assistance in order to become a member at the Center, please be sure to see us. We have grant funds available. Let's make sure that no one is left behind!

Everyone is welcomed!



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