# CRAWFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING



#### APRIL 2025 "Your Community Senior Center"

**200 SOUTH SPRING ST. BUCYRUS, OHIO 44820** 419-562-3050 or 800-589-7853

**CENTER HOURS** Monday-Friday 8:30am—5pm Email: coa@cccoa.org Crawfordcountyaging.com

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#### Newsletter Donations

Donations for the Council on Aging newsletter, Senior Tidings, are always appreciated. The mailing cost for each home is estimated to be \$3.00 per year.

> Mail donations to: Council on Aging, 200 S. Spring St., P.O. Box 166, Bucyrus, OH 44820

Senior Tidings

Easter Bake Sale

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, April 18 at the Council on Aging 200 S. Spring St., Bucyrus

**4th Annual** 

Proceeds benefit the Senior Activities Program

Some items may have a suggested price but most are by donation.



Organizations are welcome to donate items for the sale. Contact Courtney at 419-562-3050

## Desk of the Director



#### FLIP THE SCRIPT ON AGING: MAY 2025

## Senior Spring Spectacular

#### "Flip the Script on Aging"

In celebration of Older Americans Month we are going to **"Flip the Script on Aging"** and celebrate at the Trillium Event Center, 1630 E. Southern Ave., Bucyrus with a **Senior Spring Spectacular** on Thursday, May 22nd, 2025.

Our **BIG** celebration will be in May this year instead of celebrating at the Crawford County Fair on Senior Citizens Day. The Trillium Event Center is a better location and a better time of year for seniors to navigate parking and weather.

#### The event will feature live game shows, free boxed lunch provided by Unger Park Post Acute Skilled Nursing, resource fair, hat contest, door prizes and live performance by "In A Jam Band"!

Lunch will be FREE of charge, but a ticket must be obtained at the Council on Aging, 200 S. Spring St., Bucyrus, in order to reserve a seat and a lunch.

Anyone in need of transportation can make a reservation at the same time ticket reservations are made; the deadline to schedule a ride is Friday, May 16th by 5:00 p.m.

Lunch tickets and transportation reservations are on a first come first served basis and are limited to the number of seats and vehicles available.

#### Call to reserve your ticket on Monday, May 5th! 419-562-3050, Option 1.

#### **Older Americans Month 2025**

Every May, the Administration for Community Living (ACL) leads the nation's observance of Older Americans Month (OAM), a time to recognize older Americans' contributions, highlight aging trends, and reaffirm our commitment to serving older adults.

The 2025 theme, *Flip the Script on Aging,* focuses on transforming how society perceives, talks about, and approaches aging. It encourages individuals and communities to challenge stereotypes and dispel misconceptions.

This year, join us in honoring older adults' contributions, exploring the many opportunities for staying active and engaged as we age, and highlighting the opportunities for purpose, exploration, and connection that come with aging.

When Older Americans Month was established in 1963, only 17 million living Americans had reached their 65th birthday. About a third of older Americans lived in poverty and there were few programs to meet their needs. Interest in older Americans and their concerns was growing. A meeting in April 1963 between President John F. Kennedy and members of the National Council of Senior Citizens led to designating May as "Senior Citizens Month," the prelude to "Older Americans Month."



The Easter Bunny came by today and left surprises along his way. Colorful eggs are all around. With baskets in hand we search the ground. Hiding in places here and there... Easter Eggs are everywhere!

Keep Space Blank For Ads



Please pre-register for all activities you want to attend by signing up with Courtney, using the Kiosk in the lobby, or members may sign up early online using their MyActiveCenter profiles.

Sign up is required for accurate planning and preparation. Some activities may have a limited class size. Call 419-562-3050 Opt. 4. Remember to use the kiosk to check-in upon arrival.

All activities take place at our senior center in Bucyrus unless otherwise noted.

#### Weekly

#### **Senior Fitness**

10 a.m. Mondays

We follow senior fitness videos and use various equipment such as resistance bands, medicine balls, balloons and more. Each class is different.

#### Wood Carvers

Wednesdays

Wood carvers, soap carvers and related craftsmen welcome. Meet in the congregate lunch area. This group is led by Connie Kennedy.

#### Senior Walking Group

This group meets Thursdays at Aumiller Park. Those interested in attending may contact Judy Frey or call Courtney to be put in contact with Judy.

#### **Cardio Drumming**

10 a.m. Fridays

#### No class April 18

This class is full, but we will take people for a contingent list. If someone drops out of this class or is unavailable for a certain date we will call someone on the contingent list to fill the seat.

#### <u>Calendar</u>

#### **Tiny Painting**

1 p.m. April 1

Class is LIMITED. We have small canvases, paint, traceables and everything you need for this project. Class is \$2, members are \$1.

#### **Stepping On Program begins**

1 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays April 2-May 14

**Must have pre-registered to attend.** This program has limited attendance. We are partnering with the Area Agency on Aging and local health experts. Attendees are expected to attend all classes.

#### Meet to Eat: Pepe's Mexican Bar & Grill

11:30 a.m. April 3

We are restarting this fun series where we meet at different restaurants around the county. Must sign up to sit with our group. Those attending are responsible for their own meal purchase.

#### Easter Crafts & Crafty Companions

1 to 3 p.m. April 4

Variety of free crafts. You may also use this time to work on your Easter basket for the contest.

#### **Pressed Flower Bookmarks**

#### 1 to 2 p.m. April 7

We're using transparent plastic jar shapes, dried flowers and tassels to create these beautiful bookmarks. Class is \$4, members are \$2.

#### Lunch & Learn

1 to 3 p.m. April 10

MUST sign up by April 4 to receive a lunch. We will enjoy a boxed lunch and watch a documentary. **Sponsored by: Devoted Health.** 



#### Easter Basket Decorating Contest.

1 p.m. April 11

See page 8 for details.

#### Edu: Alzheimer's Association

1 p.m. April 14

Jennifer Miller with the Alzheimer's Association will present on the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's. Door prize drawing at end of program.

#### **Soap Carving Class**

#### 12:30 to 3 p.m. April 22

Bring your own bar of soap. We recommend Ivory or Irish Spring. Must be a softer soap for ease of carving. We will use plastic knives, pencils, paper clips and toothpicks. You are welcome to bring other tools. Connie Kennedy, who leads our wood carving group, will assist at this activity.

#### SFMNP Registration help

Noon to 3 p.m. April 23

Come by the Council on Aging any time between noon and 3 p.m. for assistance in registering for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program through Ohio Department of Aging. Eligible participants receive a \$50 voucher for use at participating farmers markets. Both past and new applicants must apply through an online application each year. **Each individual applicant will need an email address to complete the application. Please come prepared.** You may have to wait in the lobby for your turn. Can't attend on April 23? Make an appointment with Amie for a different day.

#### **Bucyrus Bingo**

#### 1 to 3 p.m. April 24

Free to play! Win prizes! Social time begins at 1 p.m. with hot dogs and root beer floats. Prizes and

#### food provided by Unger Park Post Acute.

**Film Friday** 

1 p.m. April 25

Rated PG-13, Runtime 1 hr 45 min

Based on Judy Blume's groundbreaking novel, this timeless coming of age story has insightful humor and candid exploration of life's biggest questions.

#### **Birthday Celebration**

1 to 3 p.m. April 29

Come celebrate April birthdays, enjoy cake and play cards and games. Sponsored by Altercare of Bucyrus.

### **Offsite Activities**

The purpose of activities offered in Crestline is to reach more seniors around the county. Therefore, we may have limited seating available to those who <u>are not</u> Crestline or Galion residents.

Priority registration given to residents of Crestline and Galion.

April. 8: Crestline Diabetes Bingo from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Crestline Library. Sponsored by Center Street Community Health Center. Must Sign up as space is limited! Call 419-562-3050 opt. 4.

April 15: Crestline Bingo from 1 to 3 p.m. at VFW Post 2920. Free to play! Win Prizes! Sponsored by Ohioans Home Healthcare. Must sign up! Call 419-562-3050 opt 4.

Activities		APRIL 2025	
Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 <b>Tiny Painting</b> 1 p.m. 9 pp1 \$2, M \$1	2 Stepping On Pro- gram begins 1 to 3 p.m. Pre-registration re- quired. Wood Carvers 3 to 4:30 p.m.	3 Meet to Eat: Pepe's Mexican Bar & Grill 11:30 a.m.	4 Cardio Drumming 10 a.m. Easter Crafts & Crafty Companions
8 <b>Crestline</b> <b>Diabetes Bingo</b> At the Crestline Li-	9 <b>Wood Carvers</b> 3 to 4:30 p.m.	10 Lunch & Learn 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by De-	11 <b>Cardio Drumming</b> 10 a.m.
brary 1 to 3 p.m. <b>Sponsored by Center</b> <b>Street Community</b> <b>Health Center</b>		voted Health Sign up by April 4 to receive a lunch.	Easter Basket Decorating Contest 1 p.m.
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22 Soap Carving Class 12:30 to 3 p.m. Bring your own soap bar.	23 SFMNP Registration Help Noon to 3 p.m. Wood Carvers	24 Bucyrus Bingo 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Un- ger Park Post	25 <b>Cardio Drumming</b> 10 a.m. <b>Film Friday</b> 1 p.m.
29 Birthday Celebration 1 to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Altercare	30 Wood Carvers 1 to 3 p.m.	MAY Sneak Peek 1 Apron or Tote Craft Session A: 10 a.m. Session B: 1 p.m.	2 Cardio Drumming 10 a.m.
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APRIL 2025			Menu		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Menu Subject To Change Without Notice. Bolded Items Are High Sodium	1.Breaded Veal <u>OR</u> Chicken Alfredo Cheesy Cauliflower Redskin Potatoes Apple Juice	2.Pork Fritter <u>OR</u> BBQ Chicken Breast Brussel Sprouts Peach Crisp Banana	3. Orange Chicken <u>OR</u> Stuffed Pepper Succotash Pickled Beets Orange/ Pineapple Juice	4. Lasagna Soup <u>OR</u> Unstuffed Cabbage Bowl Tossed Salad Baked Apples Fruit Juice	
7. Salisbury Steak <u>OR</u> Chicken Leg Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Fruit Punch	8. French Toast Bake <u>OR</u> Egg & Sausage Casserole Baked Apples Redskin Potatoes Fresh Orange	9. Mac & Cheese <u><b>OR</b></u> Cheese Pizza Bites Cheesy Broccoli Blueberry Crisp Apple Juice	10. Smothered Hamburger <u>OR</u> Smothered Pork Chop Sliced Potatoes Snap Peas Fruit & Veggie Juice	11. Egg Salad <u>OR</u> Buffalo Chicken Salad Pineapple Ambrosia Salad Fruit Punch Both served W/ Croissant	
14. Sweet & Sour Chicken <u>OR</u> Cabbage Roll Pickled Beets Succotash Fresh Orange	15. Turkey Pot Roast <u>OR</u> Bread- ed Egg Plant Brussel Sprouts Warm Cinn. Apple Sauce Fruit Juice	16.Sloppy Joe <u>OR</u> Shredded Chicken Sandwich Cheesy Cauliflower Mixed Veggie Orange/ Pineapple Juice	Mashed Potatoes	18. Ham & Bean Soup <u>OR</u> Italian Sausage Soupe W/ Tortellini Tater Tots Ambrosia Salad Apple Juice	
21. Meatloaf <u>OR</u> Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Corn Fruit Juice	22. Meat Lasagna <u><b>OR</b></u> Chili Mac & Cheese Winter Blend Peas Grape Juice	23. Turkey Burger <u>OR</u> Crispy Chicken Sandwich Cheesy Broccoli Redskin Potatoes Apple Juice	24. BBQ Pulled Pork <u>OR</u> Chili Coleslaw Baked Potato Tropical Fruit Both Served Over Baked Potato	<b>25.</b> Cream of Potato Soup <u>OR</u> Broccoli Cheddar Soup Apple Crisp Banana Fruit & Veggie	
28. Pizza Burger <u><b>OR</b></u> White Castle Cheeseburgers Steamed Cabbage Okra & Stewed Tomatoes Fruit Juice	29. Cheese Stuffed Shells <u>OR</u> Cheesy Taco Pasta Zucchini & Stewed Tomatoes Pears & Blueberries Fruit Juice	30.Popcorn Chicken Bowl <u>OR</u> Beef Pot Roast Mashed Potatoes Corn Pineapple Betty	<u>Major Food</u> <u>Allergens:</u> Milk, Egg, Fish, Crustacean Shell- fish, Tree Nuts, Peanuts, Wheat, Soy & Sesame.	To Receive Your Meal You <u>Must Be Home</u> At Time Of Delivery.	

# Easter Basket Decorating Contest

For details, call Courtney at the Council on Aging: 419-562-3050 opt. 4

#### Baskets MUST be dropped off by April 10

Contest will take place April 11 at 1 p.m. Light refreshments, cards and games available.

There will be 2 winners: \*People's Choice (via voting of those in attendance) \*Courtney's Choice. After the contest you may take your basket

or donate it to our Easter Bake Sale.

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# Save the Date! **begins May 5** May 22 Call 419-562-3050 Opt. 1 at Trillium Event Center 1630 E Southern Ave, Bucyrus, 🐄

Registration

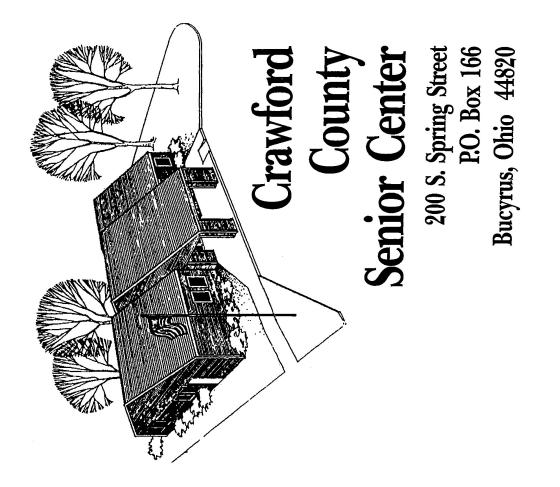
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