

Reflections...

APRIL 2026



It's time to start up our Thrift Store trips!

Next STOP Thrift SHOP

Happy SHOPPING


SALE

Seats are limited!

\$25 activity fee

payment due at registration

Bus leaves @ 9:00 unless otherwise noted



Wednesday, April 29 th Bloomington	Wednesday, August 19 th Springfield <i>*Bus leaves at 8:45</i>
Thursday, May 28 th Havana/Canton	Thursday, September 17 th Fairbury / Gridley
Wednesday, June 17 th Clinton / Lincoln	Wednesday, October 7 th Galesburg
Wednesday, July 15 th Eureka / Metamora	Wednesday, October 21 st Riders Choice <i>*Vote when you sign up</i>

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MILLER CENTER - 309-346-5210 - 551 S. 14TH ST - PEKIN, IL. 61554

MILLER CENTER ENGAGES ACTIVE LIFE THROUGH ACTIVE LIVING!

Drop by the center to meet with friends and make new ones! Feel active and youthful when participating in the various activities and events offered here. There is always a friendly face to greet you as you enter. Once inside, join friends for a class or one of many games; express yourself through woodcarving and crafts; maintain a healthy body, mind and spirit through exercise classes; or hop on the Miller Center bus for an adventurous day trip.

At the Miller Center you will ENJOY YOUR AGE!

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MILLER CENTER SENIOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

Monday - Friday * 8:00 - 4:00 * 309.346.5210

IN TOWN (PEKIN)	OUT OF TOWN
\$4 per stop	\$11 per stop
Wheelchair transport \$15 per stop	Wheelchair transport \$25 per stop

- Doctor Appointments
- Grocery Stores
- Hair Appointments
- Miller Center
- Banks
- and more!

These are suggested donations. No one is turned away for inability to pay. Miller Center Transportation is partially funded by The United Way of Pekin.



NEW DAY SENIOR SERVICES

Center for Youth & Family Solutions offers an outreach program called **New Day Senior Services** to help identify available services and resources for you. Services are free and available to those 60 years and older.

Some information they can provide is: **Benefit Access Applications, Home Delivered Meals, Legal Services, In-Home Counseling & MORE!**

*Call Megan at 309-323-6568 to schedule an appointment. She will be at Miller Center on the **2nd Monday of the month at noon.***

SPECIAL EVENTS

Power of Age Expo 2026 monthly lunch and learn series.



The Power of Age Expo 2026

CHANGING THE CONVERSATION ON AGING
HOT TOPICS • LOCAL VENDORS • LUNCH
MONTHLY LUNCH AND LEARN EXPO

The doors open at 10:30am. Lunch is served while you listen to the speaker and there is time to check out the vendors and ask questions.

REGISTER NOW

309.346.5210

*****Registration Limited**

cancellation before the Monday of the Expo Week will be moved to the next month

\$5
per person

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28TH

Presented by:
Mark Werner

The Bald Eagles of Pekin

Lunch is sponsored by:



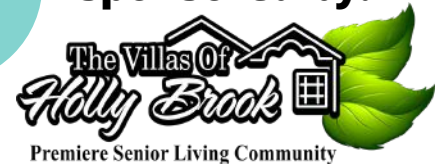
MAY

26TH

Presented by:
Jackie Bowers, Center for Youth & Family Solution

Importance of Daily Laughs

Lunch is sponsored by:



11TH ANNUAL

A "HOLE"



LOT OF FUN!

MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, MAY 15

\$5 a person

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING



Golden Tours and Miller Center have partnered for 4 Ultimate Daytrips! These trips leave from Miller Center with a fun 'send-off' each time!

If you have questions regarding the trips or would like to make reservations please call Tracy Ann Drill @ 309-369-3171.

St. Louis Riverboat & Arch Tour

June 10, 2026 * 7:00 am - 7:30 pm

Happy 100th Birthday Route 66

August 19, 2026 * 8:00 am - 6:30 pm

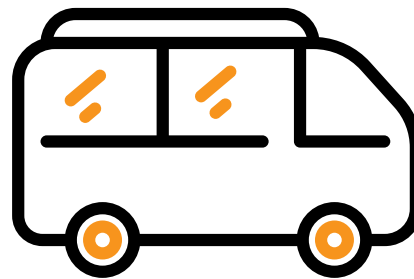
Four Old Broads on The High Seas Show - The Beef House

September 24, 2026 * 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Holiday Mystery Tour

November 19, 2026 * 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

FREE Senior Savings Shuttle



Wednesday, April 21st

Bus Leaves at 9AM

Staff on hand to answer questions and offer demonstrations.

Space is limited - Sign up at the front desk - Must bring picture ID

PAINT YOUR FAVORITE BIRD

with Chris

This class will provide one on one direction in drawing and painting your favorite bird! ~space is limited

Tuesday, April 21st 1:00 PM \$30



AT THE MILLER CENTER

NOW SHOWING

SHOW TIME 1:00 PM
ADMISSION: \$3

Includes movie & popcorn!



**MOVIES
AND
POPCORN**



Tuesday Watch Party

April 7th, 14th
1:30 PM

- April 3rd Springsteen - Deliver Me From Nowhere**
- April 10th O Brother Where Art Thou**
- April 17th Hamilton**
- April 24th Memoirs of a Geisha**
- May 1st Jungle Cruise**

Technology Classes

SENIOR PLANET
FROM AARP

At the Miller Center

SCAN QR code to register for classes:



AI Disinformation

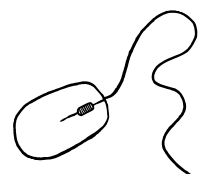
Summary: Disinformation refers to false information created to mislead people, and it's nothing new. But today's AI-powered tools and social media have made it easier and faster to create and spread disinformation. In this lecture, we'll explore how AI is used to create convincing deepfakes and clone voices, making it challenging to distinguish between real and fake content. We'll also review best practices for evaluating information and explore tech tools that can help identify content created with AI. Registration is required, and light snacks will be provided.
<https://events.aarp.org/AIDisinformationPekin>

Date/Time: Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Register: <https://events.aarp.org/AIDisinformationPekin>

May - Digital Coupon Tools

Summary: If you like saving money on groceries and everyday items, then this lecture is for you! We'll introduce you to the world of digital couponing and a variety of tools to help you get started. You'll learn about coupon websites, apps, and databases as well as tips for getting the best deals. Registration is required, and light snacks will be provided.

Date/Time: Wednesday, May 27, 2026, at 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Register: <https://events.aarp.org/DigitalCouponPekin>



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday



1
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:30 Crafts & Conversation
 9:30 Live Art / Open Studio
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Dartball
2:30 Bluegrass Jam

6
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
9:30 Matter of Balance
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Game Day
 12:30 Dartball
 12:30 Mah Jongg
 12:30 Double Pinochle
6:00 LINE DANCE LESSONS

7
 8:30 Wood Carvers
 9:30 BINGO
 10:00 Walking Club+
 12:30 Pinochle
1:30 Watch Party - Only Murders in the Building

8
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:30 Crafts & Conversation
 9:30 Live Art / Open Studio
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Dartball
2:00 Alzheimer Support Group

13
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
9:30 Matter of Balance
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
12:00 New Day Senior Services
 12:30 Game Day
 12:30 Dartball
 12:30 Mah Jongg
 12:30 Double Pinochle
6:00 LINE DANCE LESSONS

14
 8:30 Wood Carvers
 9:30 BINGO
 10:00 Walking Club+
 12:30 Pinochle
1:00 PAINT DAY
1:30 Watch Party - Only Murders in the Building

15
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:30 Crafts & Conversation
 9:30 Live Art / Open Studio
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Dartball
1:30 Bookclub
2:30 Bluegrass Jam
7:00 Bottle Collectors

20
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 12:30 Game Day
 12:30 Dartball
 12:30 Mah Jongg
 12:30 Double Pinochle
6:00 LINE DANCE LESSONS

21
 8:30 Wood Carvers
9:00 NUERA TRIP
 9:30 BINGO
 10:00 Walking Club+
 12:30 Pinochle
1:00 PAINTING YOUR FAVORITE BIRD with Chris

22
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:30 Crafts & Conversation
 9:30 Live Art / Open Studio
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Dartball
6:30 OPEN LINE DANCE / LESSONS

27
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 12:30 Game Day
 12:30 Dartball
 12:30 Mah Jongg
 12:30 Double Pinochle
6:00 LINE DANCE LESSONS

28
POWER OF AGE EXPO
 8:30 Wood Carvers
~~10:00 Walking Club+~~
 12:30 Pinochle

29
THRIFT TRIP
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:30 Crafts & Conversation
 9:30 Live Art / Open Studio
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
12:00 Digital Literacy Class
 12:30 Dartball

Thursday

Friday

Sat/Sun

2
 8:30 Wood Carvers
 9:30 BINGO
 10:00 Walking Club+
 12:30 Hand & Foot
 1:00 Beginner Line Dance Lessons
 2:00 High Beginner Line Dance Lessons
 6:00 Lapidary

3
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:00 Quilting Group
 9:30 China Painting Group
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Euchre
1:00 Movie - Springsteen: Deliver Me From Nowhere
POPCORN FRIDAY

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 6:00 Lapidary
 7:00 Square Dance

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 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:00 Quilting Group
 9:30 China Painting Group
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Euchre
1:00 Movie - O Brother Where Art Thou
POPCORN FRIDAY

11 6:30 Euchre Party
LINE DANCE PARTY!!!
7 PM


16
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 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Euchre
1:00 Movie - Hamilton
POPCORN FRIDAY

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 6:00 Lapidary
 7:00 Square Dance

24
 9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
 9:00 Quilting Group
 9:30 China Painting Group
10:00 Rockin' with Ruby
 12:30 Euchre
1:00 Movie - Memoirs of a Geisha
POPCORN FRIDAY

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 9:30 China Painting Group
 10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
 12:30 Euchre
1:00 Movie - Jungle Cruise

2 6:30 Euchre Party
LINE DANCE PARTY!!!
7 PM


GAMES & FUN



MORE CHANCES TO PLAY

BINGO



3 CARDS FOR \$3
5 CARDS FOR \$4



TUESDAY BINGO

THURSDAY BINGO

1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays
and 5th if applicable
9:30 AM

Every Thursday
9:30 AM

Sponsored By



Don Sarff
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HEALTHCARE OF PEKIN

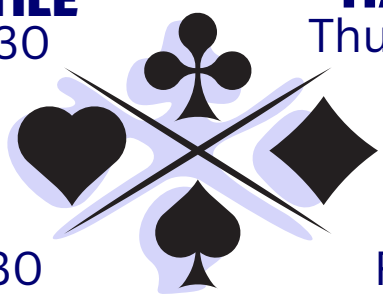


CARD GROUPS

Activity Fee: \$3

DOUBLE PINOCHLE
Mondays @ 12:30

HAND & FOOT
Thursdays @ 12:30



PINOCHLE
Tuesdays @ 12:30

EUCHRE
Fridays @ 12:30

April
Showers
bring....

MORE
TIME TO
PLAY!

EUCHRE PARTY

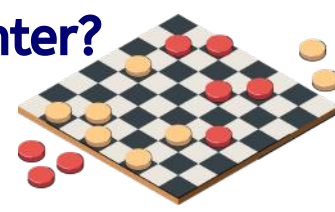
April 11th
May 2nd

\$3 per person
6:30 PM

Popcorn, coffee & tea provided



Are you interested in playing
Dominoes or Checkers
at Miller Center?

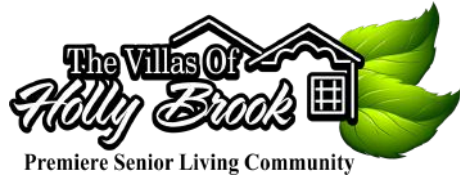


Leave your name with the front desk.

GAME DAY

Join us in an EASY card game of 1500!

Mondays @ 12:30
Activity Fee: \$3



MAH JONGG

Mondays @ 12:30 *Activity Fee is \$3*
Mah Jongg is a Chinese Tile game that is full of strategy! This fun group can always use more players! They'll even teach you to play!



BLUEGRASS JAM



1st & 3rd
Wednesdays
2:30 - 3:30



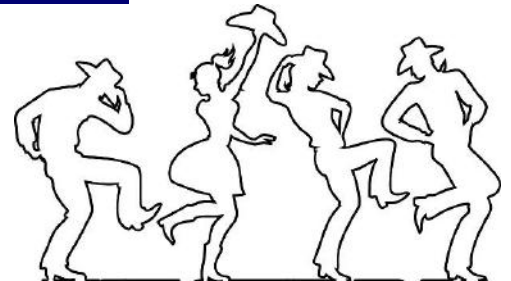
Experience the heart of bluegrass at our open jam! Whether you're a fan or just curious, come pull up a chair and enjoy some live local picking.

LINE DANCE

BEGINNER LINE DANCE LESSONS

MONDAYS **ACTIVITY FEE: \$5**
6:00 Beginner 7:00 High Beginner / Improver

THURSDAYS **ACTIVITY FEE: \$4**
1:00 Beginner 2:00 High Beginner / Improver



LOOKING TO LEARN THE STEPS? CHECK CLASS TIMES AT THE FRONT DESK.

MONTHLY DANCE PARTIES

Come practice the dances you learned in class, or put in a request on the first Saturdays of the month!

April 11th
May 2nd

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM **ACTIVITY FEE: \$7**
Popcorn, coffee & tea provided

MOVE!



MILLER CENTER **WALKING CLUB⁺**



**Tuesdays &
Thursdays**

The Walking Club+ has been reinvented to include not only physical health, but brain and mind health as well. We will meet on Tuesdays & Thursdays and focus on walking outdoors weather permitting. When the weather is unpleasant we will walk to a video inside. After walking on Thursdays, we are incorporating brain games, discussion topics and conversation!

**Tuesdays 10 AM Walk
Thursdays 10 AM Walk 10:30 Meeting**

The Walking Club has an annual membership of \$30 OR \$3/drop in fee.

Exercise w/ Ann



**Mon, Wed & Fri
9:00 & 10:15
Activity Fee: \$3**

This is a low impact, chair exercise class led by Ann. Ann plans different activities for each class to get you moving- sometimes she has games or a guest. Not only will you exercise, you'll make friends and have fun too!

COMMUNITY SUPPORTER


Rockin'
WITH RUBY



April 24th 10:00 AM
No Exercise with Ann at 10:15
Activity fee: \$3

This class is so much fun! Ruby leads chair dancing!
Requests taken - Singing Encouraged!

GET CREATIVE AT THE MILLER CENTER

We have a variety of opportunities to be creative! Drop in and check them out!

WOODCARVER \$3 GROUP

Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30AM

They work on projects like carving and wood burning. There is a lot of equipment in our woodshop and some helpful woodworkers! Come in and check it out!

QUILT GROUP \$3

Fridays 9:00AM

There is plenty of space available for spreading out your equipment and working on projects. We also have fabric available to make Linus Blankets for children in the hospital. Come on in and see what they do!

CRAFTS & \$3 CONVERSATION

Wednesdays 9:30AM

Did you know you can spend almost all day crafting at Miller Center? Our craft room is stocked FULL of supplies & you are welcome to use whatever you need! Stop in and enjoy some crafts and conversation.

LAPIDARY \$4

Thursdays 6:00PM

This group polishes and cuts stones for creative projects. You'd be amazed at the beautiful treasures they create!

LIVE ART OPEN STUDIO



Wednesdays - 9:30AM - Donations Appreciated

No experience needed – just come paint, draw, and create in a relaxed space. Mid-tempo beats, good vibes, and room to explore your inner artist. Free & open to all / Donations for supplies appreciated

PAINT DAYS

with

Canvas
Connections
Painting Parties

1:00 PM
\$25

Roses in the Vase
Tuesday, May 19th



Mushrooms
Tuesday, June 16th



RENT The Miller Center



We have 3 rooms available for rentals with many amenities, including kitchen access. Miller Center has ample parking and is wheelchair accessible. Call or go online for the contract. www.pekinparkdistrict.org/rentals


BIRTHDAY PARTIES
LUNCHEONS
FAMILY GATHERINGS
WEDDINGS
BRIDAL SHOWERS
MEETINGS



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