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Let the community know why you love
Main Street Community Center!



Yes! I want to support Main Street Community Center!

I want to help Main Street Community Center as they support local seniors and disabled adults with essential and valuable programs and services by donating to the Center.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

☐ Check enclosed, payable to MSCC \$ _____

☐ Cash Donation Amount: \$ _____

Please restrict my donation for the following program or service:

☐ My employer _____

will match this amount: \$ _____.

☐ Yes! Please contact me to process my donation over the phone via debit card/credit card or to learn more about a monthly contribution through automatic payment.

☐ Yes! Please switch to e-newsletter.

Use this QR Code to make
a donation online!



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Main Street Community Center



CONNECTION



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Celebrating 50 years of senior services!

SEPTEMBER 2026

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"It's the first day of
autumn! A time of hot
chocolatey mornings, and
toasty marshmallow
evenings, and, best of all,
leaping into leaves!"
- Winnie the Pooh*

Main Street
Community Center
People. Programs. Possibilities.

Growing, Learning & Staying Connected

At Main Street Community Center, we believe you are never too old to learn something new.

Every day, we see our community learning, creating, laughing, and challenging themselves in ways that go far beyond simply filling their calendars.

Whether they're learning Spanish or French, exploring watercolor, concentrating on a game of Mah Jongg, or laughing with friends over Mexican Train Dominoes, our members are keeping their minds engaged, learning new things, and enjoying time together.

What makes lifelong learning so special is what accompanies the activity. It's the conversation around the table, helping a friend learn a new game, trying something for the first time, or simply knowing familiar faces will be there to welcome you each week. Our members also look out for one another, encourage friends to stay active, take care of their health, and keep trying, even on the days when it's not easy.

The CDC reports that about 1 in 3 adults experience loneliness, with older adults among those at greater risk for social isolation. Staying connected and involved can make a meaningful difference, especially when colder weather makes it easier to stay home. At the Center, we see that difference firsthand.

We don't just see statistics, we see people. We see the smiles, laughter, encouragement, friendships, and excitement that come from trying something new. Most importantly, we see a community that cares for and supports one another.

That is what lifelong learning means at Main Street Community Center: staying curious, having something to look forward to, and continuing to learn, grow, and connect with people who make you feel welcome.



Thank You

SEPTEMBER
NEWSLETTER
SPONSOR

Cambridge House
Maryville

Support Main Street Community Center on Spark Good

Two ways to support:

- 1. Donate change by rounding up your purchase at checkout on Walmart.com
- 2. Donate products from a nonprofit's registry & have the items shipped straight to them



20% of event sales will be donated

When
Wednesday, September 09, 2026 Time:
10:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Where
Panda Express located at:
2337 Troy Rd Edwardsville IL 62025
(618) 872 - 8029



Online

PandaExpress.com or the App.
Enter 3862038 in the fundraiser code box

or



In-Person

Bring paper flyer or show it on your smartphone

How to Order

Save the Dates

AARP SMART DRIVING

- REFRESH YOUR KNOWLEDGE ON THE BASICS OF DRIVING SAFELY
- CONTACT YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY ABOUT POSSIBLE DISCOUNTS
- MUST ATTEND BOTH CLASS DAYS
- AARP MEMBERS \$20; NON-MEMBERS \$25

SEPT 21ST & 22ND
8AM - 12 PM
MAIN STREET COMMUNITY CENTER



SEPT. 30

VACCINATION CLINIC

10am - 2pm

Walgreens will have the following vaccines available:

- COVID - 19
- RSV
- Flu

Bring insurance card.
Provided by:





COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS

AT
Main Street Community Center
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JOIN US!
September 16th @ 9 am
Topic: Restore Decor
FOR FRESH COFFEE & A SWEET TREAT!

Elvis Day

September 11

Bingo at 1pm:
Free Peanut Butter
and Banana Sandwiches



Join us every Friday morning
this month for a showing of
an Elvis film!





Happy Hour

With
Main Street Community Center

JOIN US AT
1818 CHOPHOUSE
6170 BENNETT DR, EDWARDSVILLE
ON WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 23RD AT 4PM

Please Call the Center at 618-656-0300 to register
so we can give the restaurant an accurate count.



Congregate Meals at

Main Street Community Center

EVERY MONDAY & FRIDAY
AT 11:30AM!

Suggested donation of \$2

Monday Meals - Must register by noon the Friday prior
Friday Meals - Must register by noon the Wednesday prior



AS A LOCAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION,
WE RELY ON COMMUNITY DONATIONS,
GRANTS AND FUNDRAISERS TO MAINTAIN
FREE QUALITY PROGRAMMING FOR OUR
LOCAL AREA SENIORS. EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!



LEARN TO PLAY SOMETHING NEW WITH US!!

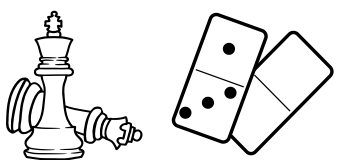
MAH JONGG

Tuesdays at 12:30pm
Beginner: Fridays at 9:00am
MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES
Tuesdays at 10:30am & 2nd Wednesday at 12:30pm
PINOCHLE
Mondays - Registration Required: 12:00pm
Thursdays - Drop-In: 12:00pm



EDWARDSVILLE BRIDGE GROUP

Wednesdays & Fridays at 12:00pm
Thursdays at 5:45pm
Contact Gail Dare at 618-623-8886 to register.
EUCHRE
2nd, 4th & 5th Mondays at 9:00am
BEGINNER CHESS
2nd & 4th Thursdays at 2:00pm



TRAVEL WITH US! OVERNIGHT & INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

SIGHTS & SOUNDS OF DANUBE

September 20 – October 1, 2026
\$6,899 - 8,699/person & suite type

Limited Space!

New Bookings - Free Room Upgrade!

TRAVEL MEETING: SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 5:00PM

Sunrise Tours Trip: Embark on a Danube River cruise from Prague's fairytale streets, boarding in Nuremberg to sail through Europe's heart. Discover Vienna, Bratislava, and Budapest on a journey filled with timeless beauty, rich history, and vibrant culture.



OMAHA CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD WITHOUT A PASSPORT

November 30 – December 3, 2026
\$1600/person, double occupancy
\$100 deposit due, non-refundable
Final payment due September 1st

GRAB YOUR SPOT TODAY!

Join Main Street as we experience Christmas around the world without a passport. Delight in history, art, and delicious cuisine on an amazing journey, in Omaha, Nebraska! We'll tour classic sites like Boys Town as well as enjoy ethnic holiday presentations including: German, Irish, Greek and more!



DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD!

ALOHA HAWAII

January 27 – February 4, 2027
\$6,899 /person, double occupancy
\$698 deposit due
Final payment due October 29th

Colette Tours Trip: Includes airfare, transfers, lodging & 12 meals. Highlights include: Waimea Canyon, Wailua River Cruise & Fern Grotto, Haleakala National Park, Polynesian Luau, Sustainable Farm Tour & Lunch, Iao Valley



SHADES OF IRELAND

March 14 - 23 2027
\$4,199/person, double occupancy
\$698 deposit due
Final payment due Dec. 14th

Colette Tours Trip: 10 days and 13 meals. Highlights include: Dublin, jaunting car in Killarney, Cliffs of Moher, Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle, sheepdog demonstration.



GRAND CANYON & RED ROCKS

April 18 - 26 2027
\$3,759/person, double occupancy
\$250 deposit due
Final payment due Feb. 2nd

Now Booking!

TRAVEL MEETING: SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 5:00PM

Sunrise Tours Trip: Explore six national parks in Red Rock Country, including the Grand Canyon. Discover Arches' natural bridges, Zion's vast canyons, and the stunning landscapes of Bryce Canyon, Capitol Reef, and Canyonlands.



Visit our website www.mainstcc.org or stop by the Center for more information.

Save the Date!

Main Street
Community Center

SALT + SMOKE

BBQ BOURBON BEER

&

Narwhal's
CRAFTED

FUNDRAISER

October 15th from 4-9PM

A PORTION OF EVENT PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE CENTER

400 N MAIN ST, EDWARDSVILLE

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SPECIAL LUNCH TO HONOR OUR VETERANS

Wednesday, November 4th, 2026

FREE FOR ALL US VETERANS

All Home Delivered Meals Clients will receive this special Veterans lunch. Please call the Center at 618-656-0300 to let us know if you or your spouse is a Veteran and you will receive your meal free of charge.

TRIVIA NIGHT
2026



FRI
NOV
6



**\$200/
TABLE OF
8**



VETERAN'S DAY PARADE
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

MEET AT MSCC AT 2PM
PARADE STARTS AT 3PM



JOIN US IN THE VETERAN'S DAY PARADE!
YOU CAN RIDE THE MSCC BUS OR WALK ALONG SIDE.
SPECIAL POSTERS WILL BE MADE FOR VETERANS WHO PARTICIPATE.



SEPTEMBER 2026 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	*activities require appointments/prior registration **activities have a fee and require prior registration	1 9:30am Walking Club: Watershed 10:00am Spanish Class (Beginning)* 10:30am Mexican Train Dominoes 12:00pm Spanish Class (Advanced)* 12:15pm Functional Fitness 12:30pm Mah Jongg 1:00pm French Class* 7:00pm Evening Book Club: Iona Iversons Rules for Commuting by Clare Pooley	2 10:00am Crochet & Connect 10:00am Technology Drop-In Help 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 12:30pm Watercolor Class* (Open Paint) 1:00pm Benefit Access* 7:00pm Tai Chi**	3 9:00am Chair Yoga 10:30am Write Your Own Story 12:00pm Pinochle (Drop-In) 6:30pm Edwardsville Bridge Group	4 9:00am Beginner's Mah Jongg 9:30am Film Friday: King Creole 11:30am Congregate Meal* 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 1:00pm Bingo
Center Hours: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Monday - Friday	7 	8 9:30am Walking Club: SIUE Gardens <i>\$5 bag sale</i> 10:00am Spanish Class (Beginning)* 10:30am Mexican Train Dominoes 12:00pm Spanish Class (Advanced)* 12:15pm Line Dancing 12:30pm Mah Jongg 1:00pm French Class* 5:00pm Travel Meeting: Sunrise Danube/Grand Canyon	9 10:00am Crochet & Connect 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 12:30am Mexican Train Dominoes 2:00pm Blood Pressure Screenings 5:00pm Dining With Friends  Panda Express** 7:00pm Tai Chi** <i>Dine to Donate</i>	10 9:00am Chair Yoga 10:30am Write Your Own Story 12:00pm Pinochle (Drop-In) 1:00pm Afternoon Book Club: Desolation Mountain by William Krueger 6:30pm Edwardsville Bridge Group	11 9:00am Beginner's Mah Jongg 9:30am Film Friday: Jailhouse Rock 11:30am Congregate Meal* 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 1:00pm Bingo - Free Peanut Butter and Banana Sandwiches 
Check us out! www.mainstcc.org www.facebook.com/mainstcc info@mainstcc.org	14 9:00am Paralegal* 9:30am Euchre 10:30am Walking + 11:30am Congregate Meal* 12:00pm Pinochle* 	15 9:30am Walking Club: Glik Park 10:00am Spanish Class (Beginning)* 10:30am Mexican Train Dominoes 12:00pm Spanish Class (Advanced)* 12:15pm Functional Fitness 12:30pm Mah Jongg 1:00pm French Class* <i>Train Trip #1 - sold out</i>	16 9:00am Coffee & Conversations Topic: Restore Decor 10:00am Crochet & Connect 10:00am Technology Drop-In Help 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 12:30pm Watercolor Class* 1:00pm Bunco 7:00pm Tai Chi** <i>Cardiaval Game - sold out</i>	17 9:00am Chair Yoga 10:30am Write Your Own Story 12:00pm Pinochle (Drop-In) 6:30pm Edwardsville Bridge Group	18 9:00am Beginner's Mah Jongg 9:30am Film Friday: Viva Las Vegas 11:30am Congregate Meal* 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 1:00pm Bingo
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	28 9:30am Euchre 10:30am Walking + 11:30am Congregate Meal* 12:00pm Pinochle* <i>Card Making Fundraiser</i> 	29 9:30am Walking Club: LeClaire Park 10:00am Spanish Class (Beginning)* 10:30am Mexican Train Dominoes 12:00pm Spanish Class (Advanced)* 12:30pm Mah Jongg 1:00pm French Class*	30 10:00am Crochet & Connect <i>\$5 bag sale</i> 10:00am Walgreens Vaccine Clinic 11:30am Lunch and Learn Medicare 101 12:00pm Edwardsville Bridge Group 2:00pm Blood Pressure Screenings 7:00pm Tai Chi** 		Film Friday titles are not guaranteed. If the film listed becomes unavailable, we will substitute for a similar film.