

Reflections...

JULY 2026



JOIN
THE
FUN

YOUNG DANCE INC PRESENTS

A FUNDRAISER EVENT FOR MILLER CENTER RIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

MILLER MID-SUMMER MIXER

SAT.
JULY
25TH



6:00 PM
DOORS OPEN

6:30PM
EAST COAST SWING LESSON

7PM TO 10PM
SOCIAL DANCING WITH
LIVE MUSIC BY UNION AVENUE

FREE
ENTRY!

FREE NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
& SNACKS PROVIDED

ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR
THE MILLER CENTER
"RIDE" TRANSPORTATION SERVICES



MILLER CENTER
Pekin Park District



MILLER CENTER
551 S. 14TH ST. PEKIN, IL 61554

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pekinparkmillercenter@gmail.com

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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- United Way of Pekin
- Charter Senior Living
- OSF HealthCare
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- Don Sarff Insurance
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- Golden Tours
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COMMUNITY SUPPORTER - CARLE HEALTH



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
- Miller Center
- Grocery Stores
- Banks
- Hair Appointments
- 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*

\$B
per person

JUL
28TH

**American Heart
Association**

Presented by:

Colleen Blackburn, DNP, MJ, APRN, ANP-BC, American Heart Association

AUG
25TH

**Situational Awareness
Part 2**

Presented by:

Deputy Nathan Hastings, Tazewell County Sheriff Office

**Lunch is
sponsored by:**



SEP
22ND

**"Vaccines and
What You Need to Know"
Vaccine Clinic**

Presented by:

Ryan, Walgreens Pharmacy Operations

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

MILLER CENTER

WALKING CLUB⁺

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



July 9th 10:00 AM

Tuesdays & Thursdays

10:00 AM Walk

10:00 AM Walk · 10:30 Meeting



**Keeping Connected
with Crafts**

BUTTON ART

July 16th 10:00 AM
Reservations Required



**Next STOP
Thrift SHOP**



Seats are limited!
\$25 activity fee

payment due at registration
Bus leaves @ 9:00
unless otherwise noted

Wednesday, July 15th
Eureka / Metamora

Thursday, September 17th
Fairbury / Gridley

Wednesday, August 19th
Springfield
**Bus leaves at 8:45*

Wednesday, September 30th
Galesburg

Wednesday, October 21st

*Riders Choice - *Vote for your favorite trip when you sign up**

AT THE MILLER CENTER

NOW SHOWING

SHOW TIME

1:00 PM

ADMISSION: \$3

Includes movie & popcorn!

July 10th

Song Sung Blue



July 24th

Second Hand Lion



July 17th

Ticket to Paradise



July 31st

The Last Laugh



Technology Classes

At the Miller Center

You can register at Miller Center
OR SCAN QR code:



SENIOR PLANET

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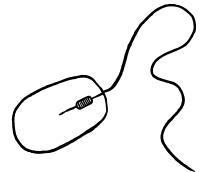
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July - Smartphone Camera Uses Beyond Photography

Summary: Join us to learn about additional ways you can use your smartphone's camera beyond photography! We'll explore a variety of fun and useful features made possible by apps, such as scanning QR codes, translating text, measuring objects, and even using augmented reality. We'll also cover considerations for choosing apps and reviewing their privacy and data practices. Registration is required, and light snacks will be provided.

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Registration Link: <https://events.aarp.org/BeyondPhotoPekin>



August - Saving Money with Tech

Summary: The internet can open a new world for saving money and managing your finances. This lecture introduces online banking and goes over how to keep your financial information safe. You'll also learn about online shopping and explore some digital resources for saving money on entertainment, prescription drugs, and everyday items. Registration is required, and light snacks will be provided.

Date/Time: Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Online Registration: <https://events.aarp.org/SavingMoneyPekin>

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

July

2026

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

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9:30 Craft & Conversation
10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
12:30 Game Day
12:30 Dartball
12:30 Mah Jongg
12:30 Double Pinochle

7

8:30 Wood Carvers
9:00 Cards w/ Kids
9:30 BINGO
10:00 Walking Club+
12:30 Pinochle
12:30 Dominoes

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

Dine Out!



CHIPOTLE

13

9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
9:30 Craft & Conversation
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

14

8:30 Wood Carvers
9:00 Cards w/ Kids
9:30 BINGO
10:00 Walking Club+
12:30 Pinochle
12:30 Dominoes
7:00 Square Dance

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 Book Club
7:00 Bottle Collectors

THRIFT TRIP

SHOPPING DAY

20

9:00 Exercise w/ Ann
9:30 Craft & Conversation
10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
12:30 Game Day
12:30 Dartball
12:30 Mah Jongg
12:30 Double Pinochle

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8:30 Wood Carvers
9:00 Cards w/ Kids
9:30 BINGO
10:00 Walking Club+
12:30 Pinochle
12:30 Dominoes
1:00 PAINT DAY



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10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
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POWER OF AGE EXPO

8:30 Wood Carvers
~~10:00 Walking Club+~~
12:30 Pinochle
12:30 Dominoes
7:00 Square Dance

Dine Out!



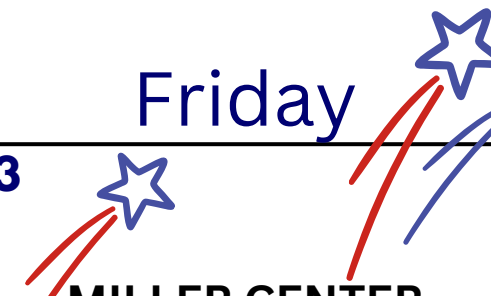
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10:15 Exercise w/ Ann
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12:30 Dartball

Thursday

Friday

Sat/Sun

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GAMES & FUN

CARD GROUPS

Activity Fee: \$3

DOUBLE PINOCHLE

Mondays @ 12:30

HAND & FOOT

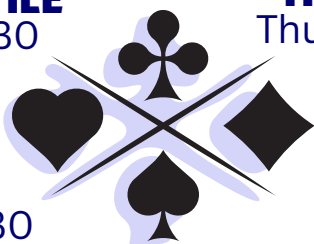
Thursdays @ 12:30

PINOCHLE

Tuesdays @ 12:30

EUCHRE

Fridays @ 12:30



Join the fun while we play card games with I.R.V.S.R.A. Campers

Tuesday July 7, 14 & 21

FREE!

NEW!

Dominoes

Tuesdays

12:30

\$3



EUCHRE PARTY

July 11th

August 1st

\$3 per person

6:00 PM



Popcorn, coffee & tea provided

MORE CHANCES TO PLAY

BINGO

NEW!

TUESDAY BINGO

1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays

and 5th if applicable

9:30 AM

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THURSDAY BINGO

Every Thursday

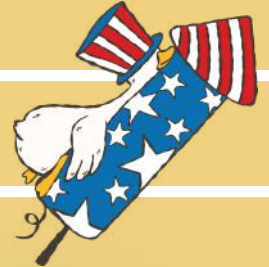
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Golden Tours and Miller Center have partnered for 4 Ultimate Daytrips! These trips leave from Miller Center with a fun 'send-off' each time!

If you have questions regarding the trips or would like to make reservations

please call Tracy Ann Drill @ 309-369-3171.



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

FUNDRAISERS

to support senior transportation



Young's Popcorn Heaven Fundraiser

Purchase a delicious bag of your favorite flavor of popcorn at the Miller Center. \$9 / bag. Available June - August during Miller Center hours and at the Pekin Farmers Market.

Marigolden Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, September 13th from 8-10AM at Miller Center

Show your support at the WALK on September 15th!

Receive a **2026 commemorative t-shirt** with your \$30 donation. T-shirt pick up will be at the WALK, make your donation/ t-shirt order at Miller Center

Miller Center Senior Transportation

WALK
 for a **RIDE**

Restaurant Fundraisers



August 18th
Pekin / Morton Locations



September 9th
Pekin Location



July 8th
Pekin Location



July 28th & October 6th
Pekin Location

PICK UP FLYERS AT MILLER CENTER

MOVE!

Exercise w/ Ann

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!



Mon, Wed & Fri
9:00 & 10:15

Activity Fee: \$3

COMMUNITY SUPPORTER

CarleHealth

Rockin'
WITH RUBY

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



Ruby leads chair dancing!
Requests taken - Singing Encouraged!

Square Dancing

Hosted by: Heart of Illinois
Bachelor & Bachelorettes Club

Square Dances

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
July 14th & 28th 7:00 PM



LINE DANCE

LINE DANCE LESSONS

THURSDAYS ACTIVITY FEE: \$4

12:00 Level 1 - Newbie

1:00 Level 2 - Beginner

2:00 Level 3 - High Beginner / Improver

MONTHLY DANCE PARTIES

Come practice the dances you learn in class, or put in a request of your own!

July 11th August 1st

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM ACTIVITY FEE: \$7

Popcorn, coffee & tea provided

WHICH CLASS IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

Level 1 - Newbie

- New to line dancing
- Learning the steps
- Walk through step combinations

Level 2 - Beginner

- Step by step instruction
- Clear direction change
- Simple turns

Level 3 - High Beginner / Improver

- Faster paced instructions
- More complex combinations
- Full run throughs and less repetition

SCAN the QR code to
sign up for
LINE DANCE UPDATES



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

NEW

Mondays & 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

Sunshine
Tuesday, August 18th

Firefly Jar
Tuesday, July 21st



99th Summer Band Season

PEKIN PARK CONCERT BAND

Steven D. Skinner, Director *presents*



A Celebration for America's 250th July 5, 2026

Presentation of the Colors by

The Tazewell Area Ceremonial Team

DON'T MISS OUT ON NEW PROGRAMS AND TRIPS! SUBSCRIBE TO TEXT ALERTS FOR MILLER CENTER NEWS & UPDATES. CLICK ON OR SCAN THE ADJACENT QR CODE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE CAMERA APP OR TEXT "FOLLOW MILLERCENTER" TO 309-347-7477

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