

Reflections...

OCTOBER 2026



Halloween PARTY



Friday, October 30th
11:15 AM

11:15

COSTUME CONTEST w/ PRIZES

11:45

HALLOWEEN SNACKS / GAME

1:00

**FRIDAY MOVIE - "ABBOT & COSTELLO
MEET FRANKENSTIEN"**

Sponsored by:



Enhancing the Human Spirit

BLUEGRASS JAM

October 14th & 28th
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.

www.pekinparkdistrict.org/facilities/miller-center/

facebook.com/pekinmillercenter

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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- nuEra
- OSF HealthCare
- Preston-Hanley Funeral Home
- United Way of Pekin
- Villas of Holly Brook Pekin

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
- 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

\$3
per person

OCT
27TH

Presented by:

Sunny Pearson, Age Central

**“No Tricks, Just Treats! -
Age Central Senior Services**

NOV
24TH

Presented by:

Ron Tyler, Family Core

**“Anger & You - Don't
Be Mad”**

DEC
15TH

Presented by:

Chief Trent Reeise

“Fire Safety First”

**Looking for
2027
Expo Topic
Ideas**

HEALTH



LEGAL
INFO

SAFETY



EXERCISE

INSURANCE



MENTAL
HEALTH

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

FALL FUN AT TANNERS APPLE ORCHARD!

Tuesday, October 20th



Bus leaves the Miller Center at 10:30 AM



ALL-INCLUSIVE COST: \$48

Includes transportation, lunch, wagon ride, and tour!



Join us for a fun fall outing! We'll enjoy lunch around 11:30 AM, followed by a wagon ride and a mini tour with Grandma Tanner to learn how apple cider and donuts are made.



Lunch: Choose from a limited group menu - see the front desk to pick your meal



ALL-INCLUSIVE COST: Includes transportation, lunch, wagon ride, and tour!



Bring extra money for shopping and any goodies you'd like to take home!



Good food • Fall scenery • Wagon ride • Great company! 🍁

Next STOP Thrift SHOP

\$25 activity fee

payment due at registration

Seats are limited!

Wednesday, October 21st

Riders Choice

Vote for your favorite trip when you sign up

Thursday, November 5th

Peoria Area

Bus leaves @ 9:00 unless otherwise noted

Ever wondered what REALLY happens behind the scenes at a funeral home?

Join us for a special **Lunch & Tour at Preston-Hanley Funeral Home**

This is your chance to step inside, take a look around, and get a better understanding of what really goes on inside a funeral home — all in a relaxed and welcoming environment.

Come curious. Ask questions. See what's behind the scenes.



Enjoy lunch with us



Take a behind-the-scenes tour



Ask the questions you've always wondered about



Learn about the many things that happen behind the scenes that families may never see



November 18th



11:00 AM-1:00 PM



Preston-Hanley Funeral Home

Space may be limited, so be sure to RSVP!



AT THE MILLER CENTER

NOW SHOWING

SHOW TIME 1:00 PM

ADMISSION: \$3

Includes movie & popcorn!

October 2nd
Arsenic & Old Lace



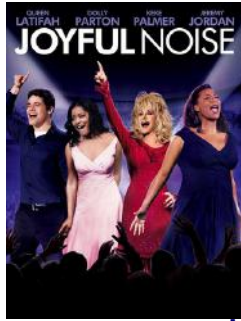
October 16th
Monster in Law



October 30th
Abott & Costello
Meet Frankenstein



October 9th
Joyful Noise



October 23rd
Hubie Halloween



FLEECE

DONATIONS NEEDED

Can you help??



Join us

Fleece & Thank You Event

November 2nd at 10AM, we will be making
No Sew Fleece Blankets to donate to
patients at the **Pekin Illinois Cancer Care**.

Technology Classes

At the Miller Center

You can register at Miller Center
OR SCAN QR code:



SENIOR PLANET
FROM AARP

AARP
Illinois

October - Intro to Estate Planning Tools & Resources

Summary: Estate planning may sound intimidating or something that requires a lot of resources. Creating an estate plan just means making sure that your health, finances, and anything you own is handled according to your wishes. In this case, a simple plan is better than no plan! In this lecture, you'll get an overview of some common documents found in an estate plan. We'll also cover some free or low-cost resources and digital tools to help you get started with a simple estate plan. Registration is required, and light snacks will be provided.

Date/Time: Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

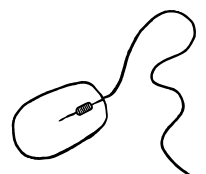
Online Registration: <https://events.aarp.org/EstatePlanningPekin>

November - Tech Basics for Caregiving

Caregiving is hard, but tech tools can make it easier! Join us in this lecture to find out how. Registration is required.

Date/Time: Wednesday, November 25, 2026, at 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

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



Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday



5 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	6 8:30 Wood Carvers 9:30 BINGO 10:00 Walking Club+ 12:30 Pinochle 12:30 Dominoes DINE OUT! 	7 TAZFEST 2026 Pekin Moose Lodge 916 10:30 -2PM 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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GAMES & FUN

Dominoes

Join us every Tuesday for an afternoon of fun, friendship, and dominoes action!

TUESDAYS

12:30

ACTIVITY FEE: \$3.00

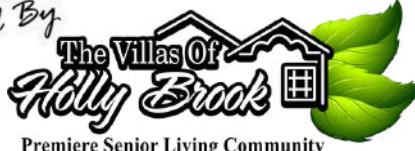
GAME DAY

Join us in an EASY card game of 1500!

Mondays @ 12:30

Activity Fee: \$3

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Premiere Senior Living Community



Dartball

Mondays & Wednesdays
12:30 PM

Activity fee: \$3.00



CARD GROUPS

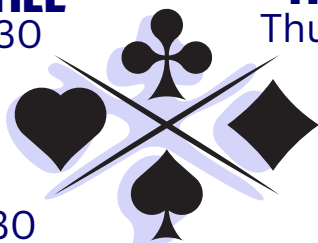
Activity Fee: \$3

DOUBLE PINOCHLE

Mondays @ 12:30

HAND & FOOT

Thursdays @ 12:30



PINOCHLE

Tuesdays @ 12:30

EUCHRE

Fridays @ 12:30

Euchre Party

October 3rd
November 7th

\$3 per person

6:00 PM

Popcorn, coffee & tea provided

MORE CHANCES TO PLAY



TUESDAY BINGO

1st, 2nd & 3rd Tuesdays

and 5th if applicable

9:30 AM



HALLMARK
HEALTHCARE OF PEKIN



Help at Home.



Sponsored By

THURSDAY BINGO

Every Thursday

9:30 AM



3 CARDS FOR \$3

5 CARDS FOR \$4



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Sales Representative
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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!

October 3rd November 7th

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



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.

Holiday Mystery Tour

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

SAVE THE DATE

**Customer Appreciation
Goodbye Party**

Miller Center December 2nd 1PM



**Keeping Connected
with Crafts**

**PUZZLE PIECE PUMPKINS
DOOR HANGER**



**October 22nd
10:00 AM**

Reservations Required

**FREE Senior
Savings
Shuttle**



Tuesday, November 17th
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

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

 **Carle**Health

Rockin'

WITH RUBY

October 16th 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 Thursdays of the month

October 8th & 22nd 7:00 PM



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!

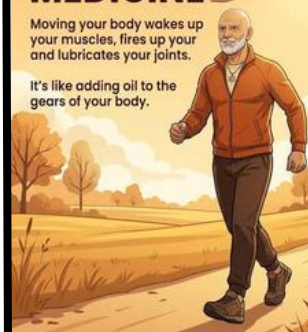
Tuesdays 10 AM Walk
Thursdays 10 AM Walk 10:30 Meeting

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

**MOVEMENT IS
 MEDICINE**

Moving your body wakes up
 your muscles, fires up your
 and lubricates your joints.

It's like adding oil to the
 gears of your body.



**TOO TIRED.
 TOO HARD.
 TOO BUSY.
 TOO EARLY.**

NO EXCUSES

GET CREATIVE AT THE MILLER CENTER

PAINT Days

1:00 PM \$25

with



Pumpkins
Tuesday, October 13th



Mountains
Tuesday, November 17th



Snowman on Bottle
Tuesday, December 8th

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

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

hello

FALL

 FRESH LOCAL HARVEST
PEKIN
Farmers Market

2026 MARKET

OCTOBER 15TH 3:30 - 6:30



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

Tazewell County TRIAD presents

TAZFEST 2026



WEDNESDAY
October 7, 2026



10:30 AM - 2:00 PM



PEKIN MOOSE LODGE 916
2605 Broadway St., Pekin, IL 61554

**NEW
LOCATION**



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