

Wyandot County Council on Aging

Servicing Wyandot County citizens age 60 and beyond • 127 S. Sandusky Avenue and 124 S. Sandusky Avenue, Upper Sandusky • 200 E. Findlay Street, Carey

Wyandot County Council on Aging offers services and activities to those 60 years of age and over in Wyandot County.

We currently have four locations where you can go and gather with friends, eat a meal and be part of our daily scheduled activities.

- Wyandot County Council on Aging, 127 S. Sandusky Avenue, Upper Sandusky, OH 43351, 419-294-5733.

- Senior Connection, 124 S. Sandusky Avenue, Upper Sandusky, OH, 43351.

- Activities held at various locations in Sycamore, OH 44882, 419-294-5733.

- Carey Senior Depot, 200 E. Findlay Street, Carey, OH 43316, 419-396-6741.

Mission statement

Wyandot County Council on Aging engages Wyandot County citizens of all ages and provides services to our 60+ community to enhance the quality of their lives.

Home delivered meals

Our Carey and Upper Sandusky locations offer on-site meals. We offer home delivered meals to all Wyandot County residents who are 60+ and unable to get to an on-site meal location. All meals are subject to strict nutritional guidelines that are set by the State of Ohio and are approved by a dietitian. Each home delivered meal costs \$5 and on-site meals are \$4.

Transportation

Transportation may be arranged for any of the following: medical

appointments, grocery and drug-store, shopping, banking, beauty salons/barbershops, on-site meals, Senior Connection activities and other essential trips.

Transportation services are provided through a reservation system. It is best to call as soon as you know the date transportation is needed and at least 24 hours for in-town service. For out of county medical trips, please call at least one week in advance.

Homemaking

To help our 60+ citizens have a safe and healthy living environment, we provide light housekeeping for all eligible Wyandot County seniors who cannot otherwise do it themselves. Some tasks we provide are: vacuuming, dusting, mopping,

cleaning bathrooms and kitchens, laundry and changing bedding.

Activities

We offer many regularly scheduled activities such as exercise class, game days, crafts, crochet



Wyandot County Fair

Worth Crowning About for 168 years

The Wyandot County Fair is celebrating 168 years and is rich in tradition and history. The 2019 theme is "Country Pride, County Wide."

According to the book "The History of Ohio Fairs," the first Wyandot County Fair was held in 1851 on the Thompson farm, which is the current site of Fairhaven Community on Marseilles Avenue in Upper Sandusky. A total of 139 people paid \$1 for admission.

"The first fair was in 1851, but they didn't form an Agriculture Society until 1852," according to former fair secretary Bonnie Miller. She also added that the society has more than 800 members now. An average of 1,600 people attended the first three days of a recent fair and daily gate admission is now \$7 for those 8 years of age and up. Weekly season passes are \$25 and veterans get in free on Wednesday. Senior Citizens are charged \$3 on

Thursday.

The fair was held on the Thompson farm until 1856 when the current fairgrounds site was purchased. Originally 18 acres, the fairgrounds was enlarged on three separate occasions with purchases of an additional 29 acres between 1861 and 1915. The 1915 expansion included a parking lot area for automobiles.

The first race track was built at the fairgrounds in 1859, covering 1/3 mile. It was enlarged to 1/2 mile in 1873. In 1906, the first grandstand was built on the site of the current midway. In 1920, 10 additional acres were purchased north of the fairgrounds and the grandstand and race track were moved to their current location.

Masters Building

The newest addition to the fairgrounds is the Masters Building named after Willis and Irene Masters. The space can be rented

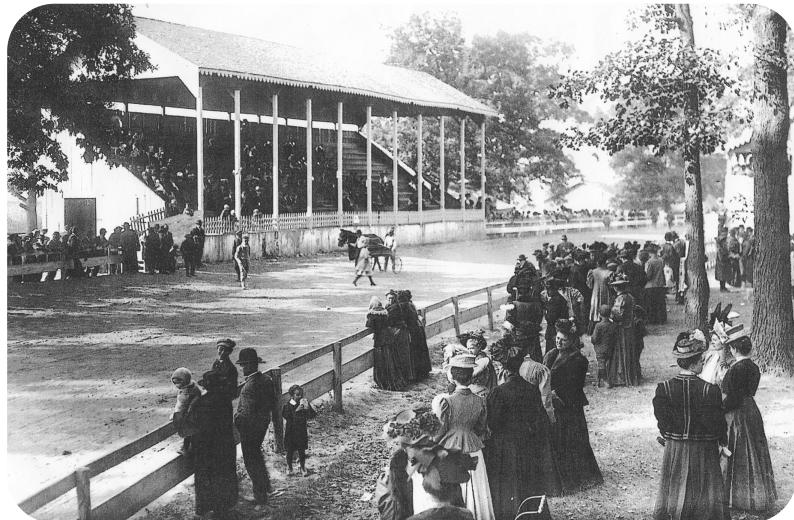
for various events including wedding receptions, reunions, trade shows and banquets.

The 9,780 square foot building offers a caterer's kitchen and seating for 450 people. Chairs and tables are provided and the building has a beverage serving area, video/sound system and a stage and podium if needed. Wifi is also available.

The 2019 Wyandot County Fair is scheduled for Sept. 10-15. Fair events throughout the year include a summer truck pull in July. During the fair, a cheerleading competition is scheduled for Saturday at 6:30 p.m. in the arena.

New this year is a draft horse pull at the grandstands at 7 p.m. Friday. Friday and Saturday there will be horse shows at the horse arena.

All event information can be found on the fair's website, www.thewyandotcountyfair.com.



The original Wyandot County Fair grandstand, pictured above circa 1918. At left, the current fairgrounds photographed by Dennis Barnes.