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The Newsletter of Marengo Community Development

CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES FOR OUR 2024 MARENGO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPONSORSHIP LETTERS! YOUR SPONSORSHIP IS YOUR TICKET TO THE MARENGO BANQUET ON FEBRUARY 17TH. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT OUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AND MAKE SURE TO ADD YOUR OWN EVENTS TOO



MARENGO COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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or visit:
www.go-marengo.com/communityevents

Marengo Community Development will be starting a MarenGO Bucks program in March of 2024. MarenGO Bucks are gift certificates that can be used at participating member locations in our community. By purchasing MarenGO Bucks, you are keeping money in our community providing the recipient the convenience of using their gift close to home. Starting in March you can purchase MarenGO Bucks by stopping by the Marengo Community Development Office. You can order online and have them mailed at:

www.go-marengo.com/bucks

Look for a decal at business locations noting
that they accept MarenGO Bucks!







CANDLELIGHT LANE

On Christmas Eve, The Back Porch Flowers, Sips, & Gifts sponsored the resurrecting of Candlelight Lane. West Hilton Street from Western Avenue to Cherry Avenue was lined with one thousand luminaries. This tradition started in the 1960s and ended in the early 1990s. Candlelight Lane has been resurrected a few times since it ended. We hope to continue this tradition as it brings fond memories for the community and new memories.



DECEMBER 2023 MARENGO MEMBER MIXERS UPDATE

Grinnell State Bank hosted our mixer on December 14th. President Kim Nelson reviewed the history of the bank. The current building is the third bank building at their current location. The first was torn down to make way for a newer building, which burnt down in 1953, followed by the current structure. Grinnell State Bank is active in the community and understands the importance of economic development. Depositing your money in local banks increases the amount they can lend to businesses in the community, which in turn helps to grow our local communities. Jesse Hynek with River Valley Chiropractic was also at the mixer. He introduced himself and told us about his background and future plans for having his business in Marengo.

St. Patrick Catholic Church hosted our mixer on December 28th. Angie Carney welcomed us with coffee, rolls, and the church's history. St. Patrick's Catholic Church was built in 1881 and is still as beautiful today as it was. They are involved in many community things and have an annual St. Patrick's Day soup lunch, Spaghetti Supper, Mardis Gras Dinner, and KC Pancake Breakfasts. Angie gave us a tour of the church and told us how a tornado in the 1980s weakened the church structure and about the beams they added to repair it. They have a unique piece of history at the altar, as their first priest is buried under it. His headstone is quite an amazing piece.

MarenGO Member Mixers Schedule for January 2024

Businesses Quarterly Meeting Thursday, January 25th @ 6PM in the Library Basement