WHO PARTICIPATES IN LEADERSHIP MARION?
Participation in Leadership Marion is open to all Marion County citizens and/or employees in the Marion County area. The Board of Directors reviews applicants solicited from all walks of community life to select a class of interested, motivated, concerned individuals who have a sincere desire to offer their time and talents to improve their community. Selection is done without regard to race, gender, religion, age, national origin, or disability, as identified and defined by law.

HOW DO I APPLY?
Individuals, businesses, and community associations may nominate and sponsor prospective participants by contacting the Leadership Marion Director. Businesses may also provide a scholarship for participants not associated with their business (for example, sponsoring an individual from a non-profit agency). Completed forms should be returned to the Leadership Marion Director ASAP or before July 12, 2013.

WHEN DOES LEADERSHIP MARION MEET?
The program begins with an Orientation in August and is completed in May. The program consists of a three-day retreat in August and a one day seminar every month through May. Each class also conducts an annual service project and has a graduation dinner at the end of the program. Attendance is mandatory for the opening retreat, August 9-11, 2013. 80% attendance is required in order to graduate. (attend at least 8 of the 10 monthly seminars)

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM AND THE SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS?
The Board of Directors, a group of volunteers who have proven themselves to be knowledgeable, dedicated community leaders, determine policy for the Leadership program.

WHAT SUBJECTS ARE DEALT WITH IN LEADERSHIP MARION?
Each year, a Program Committee made up of the Leadership Board and other community leaders establishes the curriculum for a new class based on evaluations from the prior class and current issues and events. Subjects covered include but are not limited to: The History, People, and Economy of Marion County; Social Services; Public Education; Local Government; Labor; Community and Government Planning; the Media; Culture and the Arts; Public and Private Development; Higher Education; The Legal System; Quality of Life; Health Care; Industry; Technology; and Government Programs.

WHAT FORMAT DOES THE PROGRAM USE?
Local leaders in industry, business, civic, and governmental affairs, as well as authorities from various academic communities, are invited to take part in lectures, simulations, small group discussions, field trips, and panel discussions during the Leadership sessions. Access the brochure online at: http://www.fairmontstate.edu/institutionalforms/default.asp

Please send an application for the LEADERSHIP MARION XXXII, 2013-2014 Class to:

Name _____________________________________________________ Position ______________________________

Company __________________________________________________ Telephone ______________________________

Mailing Address ____________________________________________________________________________________

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Home Phone __________________________________________

A program of people who are motivated by commitment, involvement, understanding, and enthusiasm in an effort to foster leadership and stewardship in the community.
LEADERSHIP MARION GOAL:
To conduct an annual program which will develop a corps of informed, committed and qualified individuals to provide a leadership source for Marion County organizations, both public and private, to meet the needs of our future.

LEADERSHIP MARION OBJECTIVES:
• Identify and select highly qualified emerging leaders to participate in the Program.
• Provide the participants with an understanding of the opportunities and needs of the community through a series of issues-oriented programs, using existing local leaders as well as regional and national authorities from academic communities, business, and industry.
• Educate and counsel the participants in management and leadership skills, and the application of their skills to volunteer community leadership positions.
• Develop interpersonal relationships and “esprit de corps” among the participants which will provide a common ground for working together on community projects.
• Create lines of direct communication between participants and existing community leaders.
• Identify organizational and individual opportunities for community involvement and assist in the placement of participants in these positions.

LEADERSHIP MARION METHODS:
Action Group Planning that involves an overview of issues enhanced by visiting local community-oriented agencies and organizations.
• Panel Discussions  • Small Group Discussions  • Field Trips  • Lectures  • Service Project
• Interviews with Community Leaders  • Simulations  • Management Styles Workshops

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