



The Spindle

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MARION OHIO
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September 14, 2021

Topic: State of the County and Land Bank

KEN STIVERSON

Marion County Commissioner

Ken and his wife Janet have been married for 53 years. They are the parents of 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren. Ken graduated from Ridgedale High School and attended The Ohio State University. Ken is a Viet Nam veteran and retired from Whirlpool after 40 years. He has also farmed and raised hogs for 40+ years. He attends the Dayspring Wesleyan Church. Ken served on the Marion County Fair Board for 17 years and continues to serve as chairman of the Marion County Jr. Fair Livestock Sale Committee as well as serving 32 years as a Jr. Fair Board Advisor. He is a past president and 9 year member of the River Valley School Board. Ken, who has been a County Commissioner of 11 years, serves on the following boards and committees:

- Marion County Farm Bureau
- DKMM Solid Waste District Board of Directors
- DKMM Solid Waste District Audit Committee
- CEBCO Board of Directors
- Marion Regional Planning Commission
- Issue I/District 16 Integrating Committee
- Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Board
- Board of Revision
- Automated Data Processing Board
- Farmland Planning Committee
- Record Commission
- Audit Review Board
- Insurance Committee
- Investment Review Committee
- CANDO Board of Trustees

EVELYN WARR-CUMMINGS

Director, Marion City/County Regional Planning Commission and Director, Marion County Land Reutilization Corporation (Land Bank)

Evelyn is originally from Toledo, Ohio. She now lives in Delaware County with her two teenage boys and has commuted to Marion for 31 years. Her son Julian is a Junior at OSU Main Campus and Evan is a senior at Olentangy High School. The boys view Marion as a second home because they spent their first 6 years in Marion preschool and kindergarten, spent summers at the Marion Boys and Girls Club and most recently Julian was back at OSU-

M for first 2 years of college. In years past she was a marathon runner with her partner Paul. More recently she focuses on crafts and genealogy in her free time. Interesting note: Through her genealogy she has learned that she is simultaneously in the Daughters of the American Revolution on her mother's side of the family and first generation American on her father's side of the family.

Her inclination toward civil service was revealed in elementary school when she organized kids on her block to play "City". She was the mayor and they even "annexed" part of the next block include her friend Lisa. Interest in local government continued into her teen years when she worked for the City of Toledo pool system. After highschool she went to Ohio State University to initially study architecture. After two years drafting in architecture studio, she slowly gravitated toward Art and City Planning. In 1984 she earned a Bachelor of Art and a minor in City & Regional Planning, In 1990 she completed a Master's Degree in City and Regional Planning at OSU with emphasis in historic preservation and public art. She interned for 2 years in the Franklin County Building and Zoning Department and volunteered at the Ohio Historic Preservation Office.

In 1990 she was hired as a Planner level 1 for Marion City/ County Regional Planning Commission. The first person she met was George Kasotis who was a glowing ambassador for the community. In the beginning of her career her primary duties involved minor land division review, local zoning such as writing township and village zoning codes, acting as staff of the City's Design Review Board and Board of Zoning Appeals. She was promoted numerous times and became the main person responsible for CDBG grant management for the City and the County. Some notable projects in which she has been involved are: the renovation of the Harding Centre; obtaining grants to fund village sewer system; the creation of Founders Park; contacting Eric Grohe for the mural at Busby Park ; working with committees on the Marion Wallscape facing the Courthouse and the recently installed cardinal project. Over the past 31 years her duties have expanded to include major subdivision review, Economic Development, Industrial site development like creation of the Airport Industrial Park and the Dual Rail Industrial Park, establishing the City's Energy Special Improvement District (ESID), serving as staff to the Port Authority and County Land Bank. She sits on the Marion Continuum of Care to Prevent Homelessness, the CANDO Board and is one of the founding members of Downtown Marion Inc. She has thoroughly enjoyed serving and becoming part of the Marion Community.

"Service Above Self"

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