

# 10 Questions

for DON MAGEE *by Lisa Biedenbach*

## What programming do you take advantage of at Central Connections?

I exercise in SilverSneakers classes and play euchre on Mondays and canasta on Fridays. SilverSneakers keeps me moving and keeps my joints from freezing up. I will have knee replacement surgery this fall so I want to keep moving and keep up my knee strength so my recovery is better.

## What do you like about playing cards?

I've liked cards since I was a child and could see over the table and watch my parents and aunts and uncles play. I always wanted to play cards more often, but when my life changed with the arrival of kids, I could not play so much. Now that I am retired, I can play more.

## What has been your work experience?

I started at Armco as a cost accountant and then went into the mill where working conditions suited me better. I continued my education and earned a bachelor's degree in accounting with minors in economics and statistics from Miami University, a master's degree in management and portfolio analysis from Xavier University, and I attended law school at Salmon P. Chase Law School. When I started law studies, I had 4 kids and then 2 more came along and I could not finish



*A Central Connections member since 2013, Don Magee can be found in SilverSneakers classes and playing euchre and canasta several times a week.*

my law studies. I became an executive union officer with Armco Employees Independent Federation, an independent union started by Armco in 1943. I did this work for 10 years and then returned to the mill for 2 years before retiring from Armco after 35 years.

## Who is family for you?

My wife of 43 years, Roxanne, and our children Chris, Kelly, Lauren, Ryan, Kevin, and Adam.

## What is your involvement with local politics?

I was elected to the Central Committee of the Warren County Democrats. I started attending meetings and was appointed treasurer of a state candidate's

fund. I serve too as treasurer for Noha Eyada, a candidate for Mason School Board.

## What are your treasurer tasks?

I account for money coming in and going out and must balance financial books. The school board treasurer's job takes more time with weekly meetings and events.

## Where is home?

I was born in Dayton, moved to Middletown at age 6, attended grade school where Central Connections now stands, and graduated from Fenwick High School. I belong to Holy Name Parish.

## What are your other interests?

I own 2 dogs: Sophie, 16, a Bichon mix who is blind and nearly deaf, and Zoe, 6, a dachshund-cocker spaniel mix. I'm a fan of FC Cincinnati soccer, XU and University of Dayton basketball, and Cincinnati Reds and Dayton Dragons baseball.

## Where have you traveled?

I visit my mom and brother in Florida several times a year and a son in Virginia whose wife is expecting our first grandchild.

## What is on your bucket list?

I'm doing it. Playing more cards. I want to learn to play bridge. 🍀

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