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Mon. 3 **OVAL**, 9:30 a.m.  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
**Bingo w/ MHCO**, 2:30 p.m.

Tue. 4 **Tax Assist.** 9 a.m.  
Line Dance Class, 3 p.m.  
Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Wed. 5 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck, 12 Noon  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 6 **Tax Assist.** 9 a.m.  
Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
Euchre, 1 p.m.  
**Community Meal – 6 p.m.**  
by Ebenezer Mennonite

Fri. 7 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

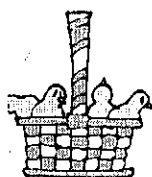
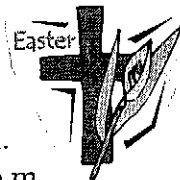
Mon. 10 **OVAL**, 9:30 a.m.  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
Monthly Dinner Meeting, 6 pm  
**FREE** catered meal!

Tue. 11 **Tax Assist.**, 9 a.m.  
Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Wed. 12 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck, 12 p.m.  
**Deb's Workshop, 1 p.m.**  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 13 **Tax Assist.**, 9 a.m.  
Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
Euchre, 1 p.m.

Fri. 14 Bus trip to LaComedia,  
**depart at 8:45 a.m.**



Fri. 14 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

Mon. 17 **OVAL**, 9:30 a.m.  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Tue. 18 Line Dance, 3 p.m.  
Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Wed. 19 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck, 12 Noon  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 20 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
**Bowling Banquet, 11 am**  
Euchre, 1 p.m.  
**Community Meal – 6 p.m.**  
By Mennonite Home

Fri. 21 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

Mon. 24 **OVAL**, 9:30 a.m.  
**Toenail Clinic, 10 a.m.**  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
**Bingo w/ Richland Manor –**  
At 2:30 p.m.  
Western Square Dance, 6:30 pm

Tue. 25 Bus trip to **Der Dutchman**,  
**Depart at 8:45 a.m.**  
Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Wed. 26 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck, 12 Noon  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
**Insurance Talk, 2:30 p.m.**

Thurs. 27 Euchre, 1 p.m.

Fri. 28 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.



## APRIL DINNER MEETING



**TIME:** Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM

**PLACE;** Bluffton Senior Center

**WHAT:** Right at Home will furnish a meal from Lee's Chicken. The meal will be **FREE** but reservations will be required by **April 5<sup>th</sup>** to insure there will be enough food for everyone.

**HOSTESS:** Marilyn Wymer

**MC:** Roger Edwards

**PROGRAM;** Tom and Sue Schaaf will share photos and stores of their trip to Cuba.

In April, **Dorothy German** will turn 90 years young. We will celebrate **Dorothy's** birthday at the monthly dinner meeting with a red rose and Life Membership. Congratulations' **Dorothy.**

## MEMORIALS



The Bluffton Senior Center has received a Memorial Gift in memory of **R. Lee Cookson**, son of **Dick & Betty Cookson** from Lee's cousin, **Ted Patterson**. Lee's name will be added to our Memorial Book.

## HOBBY CENTER



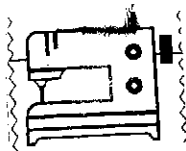
**Don Staley's** welding art was very imaginative! I hope you had a chance to see it. In April, **Becky Marshall** will share her late husband's (**Jerry**) truck collection. If you have something you would like to share, please let **Tonya** know.



## LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE



Representatives from **BG Insurance Group, LLC** will be presenting a program at the Bluffton Senior Center on **Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.** on "**Thinking Ahead on Long-Term Care.**" The program will cover Long-term care insurance and is **FREE** and open to the public.



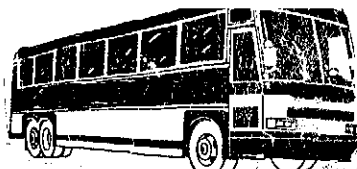
**DEB'S WORKSHOP,**  
Wednesday, April 12, 1 p.m.

At **Deb's** workshop, **Wednesday, April 12, starting at 1 p.m.** We will be sewing holders for plastic bags. We have stocked these bag holders for years, but our stock is very low! As usual, please call ahead if you are coming.



## BOWLING BANQUET

The last day of bowling will be **Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** The annual Bowling Banquet will follow at the Senior Center. Tickets can be purchased at the Bowling Alley until **April 13<sup>th</sup>**. The meal will be catered by **Schnipke Inn** and will consist of baked steak, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, and pie. Cost is **\$ 7.50** and tickets must be purchased in advance!!



### COACH TRIPS WITH TONYA 2017 Trips



**September 4-13, 2017 Grand Canyon and Red Rocks** We will visit 5 National Parks. Join us to meet a Code Talker, enjoy a cowboy night, and see the Lowell Observatory, visit Sedona, an ancient Pueblo village and much more. Six optional tours are also available on this tour to get the most out of your trip. Price starts at \$2700.00. Brochures are at the Senior Center.



**November 29-December 3, 2017 Christmas in New York City** See Time Square, Chinatown, visit the top of the Rock, the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island and watch the glamorous Rockettes. Price starts at \$1905.00. Brochures are at the Senior Center.

**August ? Mystery Trip?** Details to follow. ? ? ? ?



### TOE NAIL CLINIC



The next Toenail Clinic with **Dr. Kirk** is scheduled for Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, at 10 a.m. You must call ahead to make an appointment with **Dr. Kirk**, 419-358-8971. A **\$10.00** fee is due at the time of your appointment.



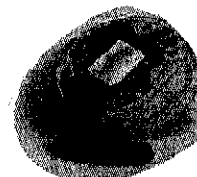
### WESTERN SQUARE DANCING



Our next Western Square Dance will be on Monday, april 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The cost is **\$3.00** for non-members and **\$2.00** for members. You don't need a partner as partners are changed throughout the evening. So mark your calendars.



### PANCAKE DAY



Last year's PANCAKE DAY fell on the same day as many other organizations PANCAKE DAY. The Bluffton Lion's Club asked if it would be better to change when we hold ours. Our Board agreed so our **Annual Pancake Day** will be in May this year during the **Annual Arts and Crafts Festival**. So you will have to wait a couple months for your pancakes. Sorry!!!

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**THANK YOU....** "A thank you to everyone who signed the card you sent me while in the hospital. I appreciated it a lot." **Sheila Hurlburt**

**April 14th** The "Church Basement Ladies" are back at LaComedia **\$75.00**  
Audiences can't seem to get enough of these witty, lovable ladies. **Depart at 8:45 am.**

**Tuesday, April 25th.** ShowTime presents "The Juggernaut Jug Band" at Plain City.  
Featuring jazz, ragtime, swing and more via washboards, washtubs, kazoos and jugs  
Lunch at DerDutchman before this special musical and vocal program. **\$75.00 Depart at 8:45 am.**

**May 15 & 16** "The Ark Encounter" and "The Creation Museum".

2 days - 1 night including a River Boat Dinner Cruise **\$300.00.**

**\$50.00 Deposit by March 1st. Depart at 7:00 am**

**June 15, "Sister Act" at LaComedia \$75.00**

A feel-good musical comedy based on a 1992 hit film. Due by April 1st.

A new venture to Port Clinton on **June 23, 2017.** We'll visit the Liberty Aviation Museum, an Island Airlines,  
**1929 Ford Tri Motor, Tin Goose,** WWII PT boat and exhibit, Hogan's Heros Original Collection and more.

Lunch provided by the Tin Goose Diner. Visit the Cheese Haven then to Bellevue  
to share in a guided tour of the **Mad River & NKP Railroad Society and The Traveling Vietnam Wall**  
We'll stop in Findlay at Dietsch Bros for an Ice Cream treat All this for **\$60.00.**

**July 16 - 22 Branson and the Ozarks** 7 days - 6 nights **\$864.00 Deposit due May 1st.**

7 fantastic shows, including **"Moses" at the Sight and Sound Theater,** Dixie Stampede,  
Patsy Cline and Friends, Branson Belle Showboat, Branson Mill Craft Village, The Ducks Land  
and Water Excursion, Uptown Cafe and a show in the Andy Williams Performing Arts Center.

**August - Ride the DIXIE STERN WHEELER - Visit Amish Acres, Indiana - Details next month.**

**Vermont, New Hampshire & Maine October 14 - 21, 2017** 8 days - 7 nights

**\$1,050.00 ----- \$50.00 Deposit due by May 1st. Balance due August 14th.**

This trip has been sold out for several months with a stand-by list.

**Ron Retzer presents "Spirit of America" at DerDutchman in Plain City on November 10th.**

A Celebration of America's music with a special salute to Veterans. **\$75.00**

Ron will be joined by vocalists, Jennifer Galownia and Bob Wolfe.

**December 8th - Visit Clifton Mill Christmas Lights and Young's Dairy Farm Restaurant**



**WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS...**

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- Cary Childs;
- Pat McCafferty;
- Paul Behnfeldt.



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**MARCH DINNER MEETING**



With snow threatening, the Senior Center was looking like spring with daffodils on the tables. **Bob Painter** opened the dinner with a joke and a song. **Mary Hofstettler** and **Bev Painter**, hostesses, helped serve the nice potluck meal. **Tonya** interviewed **Bob Bowersox** and **Herman Hilty** who both turned 90 years old in March. Both men had family with them. After announcements, the daughters of **Hope Dance Troup** performed for us with Christian Music. A good time was had by all.



**LINE DANCE CLASSES**

Line dancing is a great way to get a fun workout while meeting new people. **Bonnie Newman** teaches each dance step by step. The dances are repeated at every class as many of us need to be reminded of the steps. It is fun, easy and there is lots of room for new people. Classes are **\$2.00** for members and **\$3.00** for non- members. In March, classes are **March 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at 3 p.m.** Come join the fun!!

**PLANNING FOR THE END OF LIFE SEMINAR**

Mark your calendars for **June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** for a good chance to talk to your loved ones about your plans or their plans for the end of life! We will have experts from many different fields at the Senior Center to talk about decisions that can be made ahead of time. Continue to watch here for more details.



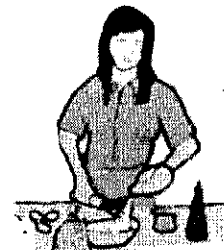
**EXERCISE ROOM**

Last year, the Bluffton Senior Center sold the pool table as no one had used it in years. What was the "Pool Room" has now become the "Exercise Room." We have two exercise bikes and a tread mill with a TV set up for your viewing pleasure as you work out. The back of the room gives **Deb** more room to store fabric and supplies for creating quilts and things for the store. Check out the new "Exercise Room" next time you are in the Senior Center.





**OVAL**  
(Our Version of Adult Learning)



Our OVAL class will continue this month with the following events;

**Monday April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** **Linda Houshower** from The Food Store will talk about gut health. Come and learn about pro biotics, pre biotics and how to stay healthy by eating the right foods. This class is free and open to the public.

**Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** **Fran Core** will discuss the book "Creatures of the Kingdom" by James Michener. In these sixteen wonderful stories, the author lights up nature's most awesome and beguiling handiwork. These mini-masterpieces take us deep into the secret lives of animals and the hidden world of nature. In them we hear the music of the spheres and feel the heartbeat of creation.

**Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** **Lynn Miller** will show photos and talk about this walk on the Camino de Santiago de Compostela in Spain and Portugal. **Lynn** has walked parts of the pilgrimage trail twice and will talk about his adventures and some of the history.

**Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** **LaRee Little** will present the history of the Dixie Highway in photos and stories about the great highway that runs right down Main Street Bluffton. This class is FREE and open to the public.

We plan to have three classes in May but those are not yet scheduled. If you have any ideas, don't hesitate to share them.

**I thought  
growing old**



**would take  
longer!**



February 23, 2017

**Men's High Score;**

Larry Armstrong	185
Dick Marquart	176
Allan Eversole	171
Ed Taylor	166

**Women's High Score;**

Susan Thomas	161
Linda Taylor	146
Bev Armstrong	145
Marcia McCafferty	129

**Men's High Series;**

Dick Marquart	324
Larry Armstrong	316
Ed Taylor	314
Allan Eversole	310

**Women's High Series;**

Susan Thomas	292
Bev Armstrong	255
Marcia McCafferty	253
Linda Taylor	251

March 2, 2017

**Men's High Score;**

Rick Mawhorr	201
Allan Eversole	199
Dick Marquart	190
Jack Wickham	185

**Women's High Score;**

Marcia McCafferty	163
Marilyn Lenhart	160
Pat Farmer	139
Susan Thomas	132



**Men's High Series;**

Rick Mawhorr	379
Allan Eversole	375
Dick Marquart	369
Jack Wickham	333

**Women's High Score;**

Marcia McCafferty	315
Marilyn Lenhart	298
Susan Thomas	260
Linda Taylor	246

March 9, 2017

**Men's High Score**

Jack Wickham	193
Rick Mawhorr	179
Larry Armstrong	174
Russell Koontz	174

**Women's High Score**

Marilyn Lenhart	167
Bev Armstrong	143
Susan Thomas	134
Tonya Meyer	119

**Men's High Series**

Jack Wickham	374
Larry Armstrong	334
Allan Eversole	326
Ed Taylor	316

**Women's High Series**

Marilyn Lenhart	308
Bev Armstrong	285
Susan Thomas	263
Linda Taylor	227



March 16, 2017

**Men's High Score;**

Russell Koontz	198
Mike Bastian	168
Allan Eversole	160
Jack Wickham	160

**Women's High Score;**

Susan Thomas	181
Sue Mawhorr	137
Marilyn Lenhart	136
Marcia McCafferty	134

**Men's High Series;**

Russel Koontz	330
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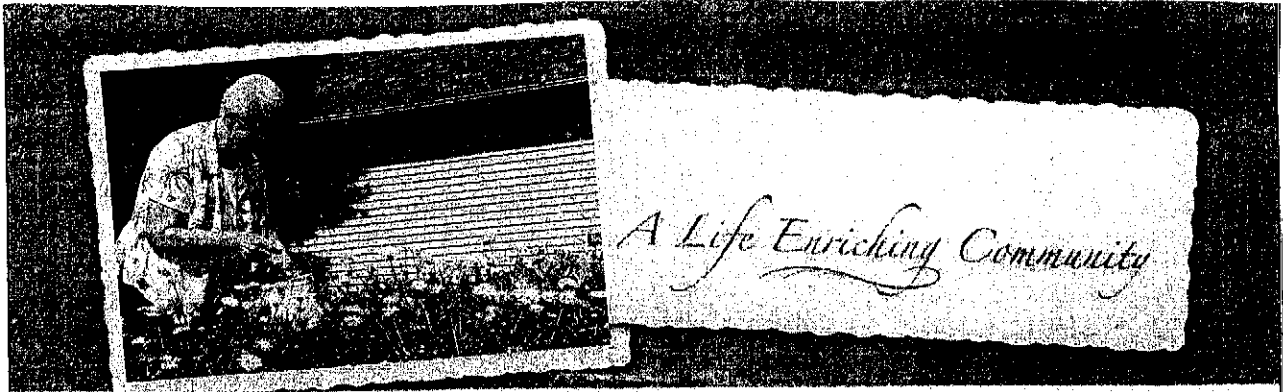
Susan Thomas	294
Marilyn Lenhart	255
Sue Mawhorr	251
Marcia McCafferty	234

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**I don't exercise; it makes my coffee spill.**

**I really think tossing and turning at night should be considered exercise.**

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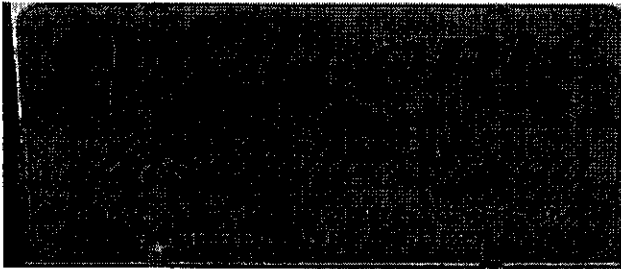
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