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### DECEMBER 2017

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Fri. 1 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

Mon. 4 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
**Bingo w/ MHCO, 2:30 p.m.**

Tue. 5 Dance, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
**Krysti Music Studio recital,  
7 p.m. at Sr. Center.**

Wed. 6 Quilting, Crafts  
**Card Making Class, 9:30 a.m.**  
Potluck Meal, 12 NOON  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
**England, Scotland, Wales  
Meeting at 2:30 p.m.**

Thurs. 7 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
Euchre, 1 p.m.  
**Community Meal by English  
Lutheran Church, 6 p.m.**

Fri. 8 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.  
**Bus trip to Clifton Mills,  
Depart at 2 p.m.**

Mon. 11 **Monthly Dinner Meeting at 11 am**  
NO Exercise Class!

Tue. 12 Line Dance Class, 3 p.m.  
Dance, 4 p.m.- 6 p.m.

Wed. 13 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck Meal, 12 NOON  
**Deb's Workshop, 1 p.m.**  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 14 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
Euchre, 1 p.m.

Fri. 15 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

Sat. 16 **Coach trip to Frankie Avalon show**  
**Depart at 4:15 p.m.**



Mon. 18 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.  
**Bingo w/ Brookdale, 2:30 p.m.**

Tue. 19 Dance, 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Wed. 20 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck, 12 NOON  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 21 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
Euchre, 1 p.m.  
**Community Meal at 6 p.m.**  
**By Bluffton Presbyterian  
Church**

Fri. 22 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

Mon. 25 **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**  
**Center- closed!!**

Tue. 26 **Sr. Center – Closed!!**

Wed. 27 Quilting, Crafts  
Potluck, 12 NOON  
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 28 **Put-Put-Golf...ALL DAY!!**  
**At Sr. Center**  
Bowling, 9:30 a.m.  
Euchre, 1 p.m.

Fri. 29 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

SUN. 31 **NEW YEAR'S EVE**





## DECEMBER DINNER MEETING



**TIME: Monday, December 11th, 11 AM** (so everyone can get to their Christmas programs)

**PLACE:** Bluffton Senior Center

**WHAT:** The meal is catered by The Dough Hook. We will have chicken noodle soup, sandwiches and fresh fruit. The cost of the meal will be \$5.00. Tickets need to be purchased by December 6th to be sure there will be enough food for everyone.

**HOSTESS:** Staff

**MC:** Tonya Meyer

**PROGRAM:** The Rainbow Dulcimers will perform

## SATURDAY HOURS



The Bluffton Senior Center will be OPEN on Saturdays until **Christmas** weekend from **9 a.m. to Noon**.

## RECITAL



Krysti's Music Studio will be holding a recital at the Senior Center on **Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.** and you are all invited. The program will be **coffee shop style** which means you come and go as you want, have coffee and cookies and the kids will be playing in the background. Come and support future talent who might be playing at a dinner meeting some day.

## CHRISTMAS CLOSING



The Bluffton Senior Center will be **closed Monday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>** for the **Christmas Holiday and Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's**.

## PUT-PUT GOLF

Jeff from M & R is loaning us his **Put-Put Golf course** to enjoy on **Thursday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> ALL DAY!!!** Bring your friends, kids, grandkids, or whoever you can find to the **Senior Center** that day for a fun round of **Put-Put. FREE** for members and their guest (s) and open all day from **9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.** NO reservation required.

## LINE DANCE

There will be only ONE class in **December on the 12<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.** Don't miss it!



## THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to all the wonderful **Peanut Brittle** workers!! It takes a lot of hard working fun loving people to make all that candy!!!



## COACH TRIPS WITH TONYA

**December 16<sup>th</sup>, Frankie Avalon in Concert.** Join us for a fun evening of food and Frankie. We will have supper at the Pioneer Mill in Tiffin before going to the Ritz for an evening concert with legendary Frankie Avalon. Only 40 seats available. Cost is \$112.00 due Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. Trip departs at 4:15 PM.



### 2018

**Scotland, England and Wales Sept. 10-20, 2018.** Join us for a great trip to Great Britain. We will fly to Scotland and see where Golf was started. We will visit Stonehenge, Rosslyn Chapel, Tower of London and the birthplace of the Beatles. Brochures are in the office for more details. Tour cost includes air fare and starts at \$4600.00.

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### Travel Talk

A rep from Country Travel Discoveries will be at the Senior Center on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM to show photos and answer questions about this tour. Come see the pretty pictures.

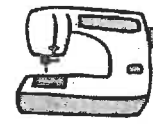


## CHRISTMAS CARD MAKE AND TAKE Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>



**Jean Cook**, who makes our homemade greeting cards for the Center's Gift Shop will host a make and take Christmas card workshop on **Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, starting at 9:30 a.m.** The cost is **\$1.00** and you get to take your card(s) home. Please sign up in advance.

## DEB'S WORKSHOP Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>



In honor of the Christmas season, we will be decorating a glass ornament for **Deb's Workshop**, **Wednesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.** We'll run this like a make and take workshop as well as making ornaments for the gift shop. For **\$1.00** you get to take home a lovely frosted ornament made by painting the ornament with glue and sprinkling it with epon salt. Please sign up in advance.



## HOBBY CENTER



**Joan Krugh's** fall and winter teapots were a big hit! Look for her spring ones next year. Thank you **Joan** for sharing. In December, **Shirley Sommer**, will share her Nativity collection. If you have a collection, artwork, a hobby that you would be willing to share, let **Tonya** know.

**BUS TRIPS WITH BOB AND BEV**

**Clifton Mill and Young” Dairy Farm Restaurant December 8<sup>th</sup>.**

Depart Bluffton at 2 PM, come alive at 6 PM. \$65.00 due Nov. 1

**2018**

**Pennsylvania Amish Lands**

April 24-27 includes Sight and Sound’s Millennium Theater featuring “Jesus”,  
“Show Boat”, and Dutch Apple Dinner Theater

Tour Cost \$510.00 due Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

**Showtime Presents Michael Carluccio,**

The Man of a Thousand Voices at the Der Dutchman May 2<sup>nd</sup>

Cost \$75.00 due March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**ShowTime presents “A Tribute to the Legendary Patsy Cline”**

July 10<sup>th</sup> at the Der Dutchman

Cost \$75.00 due June 1<sup>st</sup>

**Chattanooga Choo Choo 4 days, 3 nights – July 30 to Aug. 2**

\$680.00 due June 1st

Southern Belle Dinner Cruise, 3 Train Rides, Ruby Falls, and more.

**Showtime presents Ron Retzer Trio “Sounds of the Sixties”**

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> at the Der Dutchman

Cost \$75.00 due Sept 4<sup>th</sup>

**Showtime presents Taylor Family Trio and Accomplished Harpist**

Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at the Der Dutchman

Cost \$75.00 due Nov. 4th

## WESTERN SQUARE DANCE



There is **NO** square dance in December. The next Western Square Dance will be **Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**



## TOENAIL CLINIC

Our next Toenail Clinic with **Dr. Kirk** will be **January 22 at 10 a.m.** There will not be a Toenail Clinic in December. Appointments can be made by calling **419-358-8971**. Cost is **\$10.00**.



## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped with the **Blaze of Lights** meal and to those who donated pies. It was a big night and we appreciate your help!!

## WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS...



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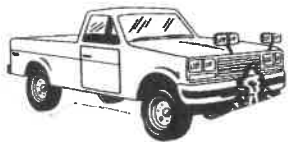
## SENT CARDS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS IN THE HOSPITAL...

Mary Ann Jordan   Paul Gossard   Cathy Leis   Angela Schroeder



## WE EXPRESS OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF...

- Marilyn Jean Swmney;
- Nora Swank Mericle;
- Dwight Bixel;
- Bob Buettner.



## WINTER WEATHER

Winter is coming if we are ready or not! If Bluffton Schools are closed due to winter weather, **All Activities at the Bluffton Senior Center will be cancelled.** If the weather turns bad in the middle of the day, please call ahead to check on activities. We use **WLIO Hometown Stations, Lima** to announce closings and cancellations. If in doubt, don't hesitate to call the Senior Center, **419-358-8971**.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped put up and take down the **Christmas Garage Sale**. We could not do it without you. Also, thanks for the wonderful donations!!!



**NEW ENGLAND TRIP, October 14-21, 2017**

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, we left Bluffton at 7:30 a.m. with driver, **Bill** and fifty (50) people, headed for the **Best of Vermont-New Hampshire-Maine** area. Our big white bus "with **Air Bear**" written on the side took us to "**Apple Bees**" in New York by 5 p.m. After an evening meal, we stopped in **Warmers, N.Y.** for the night.

Sunday, after breakfast, we are on the road for our second day heading east. Stopped at **Lake George** for lunch, shopping, sightseeing, and some just did walking for exercise. Back on the bus heading for **Vermont** for our overnight stay at **Killington Lodge** located in the mountains. Now we were beginning to see more color with the leaves on the trees. Arrived around 4 p.m. and had a short wait for our rooms and at supper were treated with our choice of drinks because of the inconvenience earlier. After our meal, we were entertained by a "**Magic Show**", one gentleman doing it. **He** was quite good and lots of good laughter was done. After the show, some of the folks played cards in the lounge; some went on walks; others enjoyed the hot tub; and other sat by the fireplace to chat. (A couple of girls even managed to take a trip in the freight elevator by mistake. Ha!)

Day 3 of our trip, a hot breakfast was waiting for us plus "hot" cider pumpkin donuts. Back on the bus and on our way to visit **Calvin Coolidge** birthplace and homestead. Next to **Woodstock** (not the one we know from 1969). This one was different, being an old town with many old buildings, covered bridges, and many other places to visit. From here on to **Sugar Bush Farms** and the **Quechee Gorge**. Here we visited several covered bridges, beautiful landscapes, waterways and mountains. **Ski resorts** (had NO snow) because it was too WARM! They couldn't even make "fake" snow! Supper was at the **Sherbuine Church of Christ**. A very small church at the edge of **Killington**. Served by the church ladies and friends. The congregation membership is around 15. I think they were all there to serve our meal. This small church does a lot of varied projects during the year to support the community.

Day 4 we had breakfast at the lodge with an early start enroute to **New Hampshire**. Picked up a guide and then stopped at **Bath** for some very good fudge and to see another covered bridge. Continued on and had lunch in **Littleton, NH**. The clam chowder was real good and did a little shopping before leaving town for "**The Basin**". This is a natural hole in the ground in a rock about a half hour walk through the woods. Continued to the **Rock Estates** which is a 1600 acre nature preserve where they do research on **Moose and Black Bear**. They also grow lots of **Christmas trees** along the mountains. There was a very large gift shop with another chance to SHOP!!! (continue in JANUARY)

by **Elaine Harris**



October 19, 2017

Men's High Score:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Rick Mawhorr    | 181 |
| Dick Marquart   | 161 |
| Basil Meyer     | 158 |
| Larry Armstrong | 158 |

Women's High Score:

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Susan Thomas      | 156 |
| Marsha McCafferty | 141 |
| Marilyn Lenhart   | 139 |
| Bev Armstrong     | 137 |

Men's High Series:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Rick Mawhorr    | 341 |
| Dick Marquart   | 303 |
| Basil Meyer     | 302 |
| Larry Armstrong | 279 |

Women's High Series:

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Marilyn Lenhart   | 275 |
| Marsha McCafferty | 269 |
| Bev Armstrong     | 266 |
| Susan Thomas      | 259 |

October 26, 2017

Men's High Score:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Allan Eversole  | 191 |
| Rick Mawhorr    | 178 |
| Jim Baumgartner | 167 |
| Dick Marquart   | 164 |

Women's High Score:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Marilyn Lenhart | 164 |
| Bev Armstrong   | 157 |
| Susan Thomas    | 150 |
| Sue Mawhorr     | 124 |

Men's High Series:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Jim Baumgartner | 333 |
| Rick Mawhorr    | 316 |
| Allan Eversole  | 315 |
| Dick Marquart   | 302 |

Women's High Series:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Marilyn Lenhart | 312 |
| Susan Thomas    | 284 |
| Bev Armstrong   | 176 |
| Sue Mawhorr     | 225 |

November 9, 2017

Men's High Score:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Dwight Baumgartner | 176 |
| Dick Marquart      | 163 |
| Larry Armstrong    | 151 |
| Allan Eversole     | 147 |

Women's High Score:

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Bev Armstrong     | 135 |
| Susan Thomas      | 124 |
| Susan Mawhorr     | 114 |
| Marcia McCafferty | 110 |

Men's High Series:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Dick Marquart      | 317 |
| Dwight Baumgartner | 289 |
| Larry Armstrong    | 289 |
| Allan Eversole     | 280 |

Women's High Series:

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Bev Armstrong     | 246 |
| Susan Thomas      | 246 |
| Sue Mawhorr       | 207 |
| Marcia McCafferty | 188 |

November 16, 2017

Men's High Score:

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Allan Eversole     | 187 |
| Larry Armstrong    | 163 |
| Dwight Baumgartner | 162 |
| Jack Wickham       | 157 |

Women's High Score:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Marilyn Lenhart | 165 |
| Susan Thomas    | 141 |
| Sue Mawhorr     | 127 |

Men's High Series:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Allan Eversole  | 363 |
| Jack Wickham    | 296 |
| Larry Armstrong | 290 |
| Dick Marquart   | 283 |

Women's High Series:

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Marilyn Lenhart | 281 |
| Susan Thomas    | 259 |
| Sue Mawhorr     | 227 |

This year's turkey was won by Allan Eversole for having the highest score over his average.



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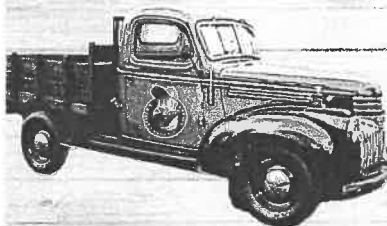
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