



Bluffton Senior Citizen Center

# Happenings

May,  
2024

## Paul and Joy Gruetter to perform at May 13 meal

**TIME:** Monday, May 13, at 6 p.m.

**PLACE:** Bluffton Senior Center

**WHAT:** Ted's Market will cater our meal. He will serve pulled pork, potato salad, green beans, roll with butter and cheese cake. The cost is \$9.00. Reservations must be made by May 8.

**MC:** Bev Armstrong

**PROGRAM:** Our own Paul and Joy Gruetter will perform for us.

In May, Richard Ramseyer will turn 90 years young. We will celebrate Dick's birthday at the May Dinner Meeting. Congratulations Dick.

## Center closed Memorial Day

The Bluffton Senior Center will be closed on Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.



## Medicare 101 session May 8

Wednesday, May 8, at 10:30 a.m., employees from the Allen County Council on Aging will be at the Bluffton Senior Center to discuss Medicare.

Medicare

This program is great for anyone getting ready to go on Medicare or anyone with questions about how Medicare parts A, B, C and D work. Registration is requested but not mandatory.

## Kay Sidle collections on display in May

Leannah Reigle's little crocheted animals were so cute! I hope you got a chance to see them. In May, Kay Sidle will share one of her collections. If you have a collection, art work or hobby that you would be willing to share, let Tonya know.



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## No May toenail clinic, next one June 24

Our next Toenail Clinic with Dr. Kirk will be Monday, June 24, at 9:30 a.m. There will not be a May toenail clinic because of Memorial Day. Appointments are needed to have your nails trimmed. Appointments can be made in the office or by calling 419-358-8971. A \$10 fee is due at the time of your appointment.



## May community meals on 2nd & 16th

On May 2, Ebenezer Mennonite Church will serve the community meal at the Senior Center. Emmanuel United Church of Christ will serve the Thursday, May 16, meal.

All meals are at 6 p.m. Meals are free, but a good will offering is taken to benefit the local food pantry.



**Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the Pancake and Sausage Benefit. We couldn't do it without you.**

## BOWLING

### MARCH 22

#### Men's High Score

Larry Armstrong	189
Jerry Cupples	178
Walter Paxson	143
Jim Dillman	135

#### Woman's High Score

Bev (lane 8)	144
June Fields	134
Bev (lane 3)	131
Beth Lamb	116

#### Men's High Series

Larry Armstrong	354
Jerry Cupples	348
Paul Gruetter	261
Walter Paxson	256

#### Women's High Series

Bev (lane 3)	253
June Fields	249
Bev (lane 8)	228
Eileen Falk	220



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### Mamma Mia in Dayton June 13

This jukebox musical is based on the songs recorded by Swedish group ABBA and takes place on a Greek island paradise. The show is in the Schuster Performing Arts Center, Dayton, on Thursday, June 13. Join us for a fun evening of dinner and a show.

We will enjoy a Mediterranean meal in celebration of the show. Trip includes the dinner, show, ride and tipping. Cost is \$133 and is due at the time of sign up. Trip will depart at 4 p.m. We have balcony seats, so this trip is a Level 2. Last day to sign up is May 9.

### Alaska trip is full - final payment due May 3



This trip is full. Final payment is due May 3. This trip is a Level 3. If you are scheduled and need help with the on line registration with the cruise line, please call and make an appointment with Tonya.

### Blue Ridge Country trip Oct. 7-14

We will be motor coaching down to Tennessee. One of our stops in this tour is Buc's. We are almost full. Price starts at \$2,837 per person based on double occupancy.

Brochures are available in the office. \$250 deposit due at sign up. This trip is a Level 3.



## IT'S NEW!!!

### Hawaii cruise & land tour March, 2025

Join us for 12 days in the Hawaiian Paradise. Trip includes a seven-night cruise on Pride of America, Norwegian Cruise ship and four nights on land.

Visit four islands, Pearl Harbor, the famous North shore and enjoy a Luau Dinner. Prices start at \$7,299. A deposit of \$500 per person is due at time of sign up.

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### My Amish Life Tour is full & date changes

Because of Ascension Thursday, we had to move the date of this tour to Friday, May 10. This trip is full. We are taking stand by. Departing at 7 a.m. \$122 due at sign up. Level 2.



### We're going to Frankenmuth June 11

We will shop and explore *Bronner's Christmas Wonderland*, then have a relaxing, narrated tour on the *Bavarian Belle*, where we will discover the history of Frankenmuth, Michigan, with views of the scenic Cass River.

Next, we will do lunch and have chicken that put "Frankenmuth on the map" at the Bavarian Inn restaurant. It features a mouthwatering array of homemade foods served family style. After lunch we will take some time to explore Main Street. Departing at 6 a.m. \$128 due at sign up. Level 2.

### Let's visit David Warther Carvings July 11

Come with us on an educational and inspirational trip to David Warther Carvings. This is a guided tour with an opportunity to visit the museum's unique gift store.

After that we fill our plates with Amish favorites at the Dutch Valley Restaurant. Then we'll have some time to shop next door for Amish Country goodies.

Before we head back we'll make a stop at the "World's Largest Cuckoo Clock," over 23 feet tall and 24 feet wide. This adventurous day takes place in Sugar creek Ohio, departing at 7 a.m., Thursday July 11. \$95 due at sign up. Level 2.

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More adventure after the cruise as we head to the next pier to see the Great Lakes Science Center/William G. Mather SteamShip!

Departing at 6:45 a.m. on Aug. 13. \$144 due at sign up. Level 2/3 (Steamship will have steep stairways due to its historic nature).



# AND MORE

Keep an eye out here for day trips to LaComedia, a mystery trip, and a Christmas lights trip.

Remember, day trips can be paid with a credit card over the phone if you cannot come into the Senior Center in person.

If you want a copy of the Bus Trip Policy, stop by the office and pick one up.

## Trip activity level explained

Members ask for clarity on how much walking takes place on our trips. Here's an activity level on all trips to help you judge if it is the right trip you.

**LEVEL 1** – Minimal walking through parking lots and drop off locations. Standing while waiting in line and for entrance to tours. Will include steps and uneven surfaces throughout day and steps in and out of motor coach.

**LEVEL 2** – Moderate walking/standing, up to half a mile, may include stairs and/or uneven terrain. Plus on and off motor coach more than once.

**LEVEL 3** – Lots of walking/standing for multiple hours. May include flights of stairs and/or uneven terrain. Could include long days.

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**\*NEW\*** Toledo Mud Hens Wednesday, Sept. 18. Catch a lasting memory when you join in on the fun of Senior Day with the 'World Famous' Toledo Mud Hens. We will have a traditional Hot Dog along with chips and a pop for lunch. New this year, the ballpark will host a stroll after the game, giving seniors the chance to walk around the bases. Then on our way home we will stop for ice-cream! (Guest are permitted bags no larger than 16 x 16 x 8 inches) Cost is just \$72! (Depart at 10:30 a.m.) Level 1. First day to sign up is May 16.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joan Hurlburt, Lima  
Michelle Steman, Lafayette  
Kathy Klausing, Westerville  
Gerwald Weaver, Bluffton  
Rachel Schroeder, Columbus Grove  
Larry and Sharon Musser, Rawson  
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## CARDS SENT

**Cards were sent to the following persons in the hospital:**

Basil Meyer  
Marty Hostetler  
Herb Grismore  
Sarah Noland  
Kathi Badertscher  
Chuck Sehlhorst  
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<b>Crafts</b>	Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.
<b>Dominos</b>	Fridays at 9:30 a.m.
<b>Dulcimers</b>	Tuesdays at 1 p.m. <i>(except the first Tuesday of the month)</i>
<b>Exercise Class</b>	Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.
<b>Euchre</b>	Thursdays at 1 p.m.
<b>Hand and Foot</b>	Fridays at 9:30 a.m.
<b>Social Hour</b>	Tuesdays at 3 p.m.
<b>Tai Chi</b>	Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. <i>(Through May 9)</i>

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## Bingo

Monday, May 6 at 2:30 p.m. with Bridge Home Health  
 Monday, May 13 at 2:30 p.m. with MHCO  
 Monday, May 20 at 2:30 p.m. with HCS Management  
 Monday, May 27 closed for Memorial Day

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## Cooking Class

Wednesday, May 15, at 11 a.m. with Sunrise of Findlay

## Line Dance Class

May 14 & 28, at 11 a.m., \$2 members, \$3 non-members

## Song Circle

May 8 & 22 ,at 2:30 p.m. Everyone welcome!

## Western Square Dance

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5	6 Exercise 1:30 Bingo 2:30	7 Tia Chi 9:30 Social Hour 3	8 Bridge 9:30 Medicare 101 10:30 Exercise 1:30 Song Circle 2:30	9 Tia Chi 9:30 Crafts 9:30 Euchre 1 Square Dance 7	10 Hand & Foot 9:30 Dominos 9:30	11
12 Mother's Day	13 Exercise 1:30 Bingo 2:30 Monthly Dinner Meeting 6	14 Line Dance 11 Dulcimers 1 Social Hour 3	15 Bridge 9:30 Exercise 1:30	16 Crafts 9:30 Euchre 1 Community Meal 6	17 Dominos 9:30 Hand & Foot 9:30	18
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