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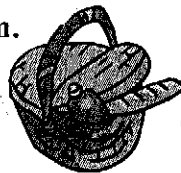


JUNE 2015

Mon. 1 Bus trip to **Yellowstone, WY**
Parts 7:30 a.m.
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo w/MHCO, 2:30 p.m.

Tue. 16 Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Tue. 2 Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.



Wed. 17 Crafts and Quilting/**Baking**
Potluck, 12 NOON
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

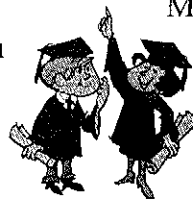
Wed. 3 Quilting and Crafts
Blood Pressure Clinic, 11 a.m.
Potluck, 12 NOON
Healthy Hour, 12:30 p.m.
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 18 Wii Bowling, 1 p.m.

Thurs. 4 Wii Bowling, 1 p.m.
Community Meal, 6 p.m.
First Mennonite church

Fri. 19 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.
Car Show Meal, 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Fri. 5 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.



Sun. 21 **GOBA meal, 3 pm – 6 pm**

Mon. 8 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Monthly Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m.
Catered by Schnipke Inn

Mon. 22 **TOENAIL CLINIC, 10 A.M.**
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo w/Richard Manor, 2:30 p.m.
Western Square Dance, 6 pm – 9 p.m

Tue. 9 Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.



Tue. 23 **FREE Pizza Party, 12 Noon**
Followed by **Exact Care..talk**
Dance, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Wed. 10 Quilting and Crafts
Potluck, 12 Noon
Deb's Workshop, 1 p.m.
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Wed. 24 Quilting and Crafts
Potluck, 12 Noon
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 11 Wii Bowling, 1 p.m.



Thurs. 25 Wii Bowling, 1 p.m.
Fri. 26 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.

Fri. 12 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.
Movie Time, 1 p.m.

Sat. 27 Coach trip to **Scottish Games**
Depart at 7 a.m.
BLUFFTON'S FIREWORKS!!

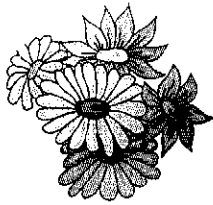


Sun. 14 **Return** from Yellowstone trip

Mon. 29 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Mon. 15 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Tue. 30 Dance 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.



JUNE DINNER MEETING



TIME: Monday, June 8th, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Bluffton Senior Center

WHAT: Schnipke Inn will be serving baked steak, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, cole slaw, dinner roll and strawberries and cream. **Price is \$7.50. Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday, June 3rd** so the caterer will have enough food for everyone.

M.C.: Bill Peebles

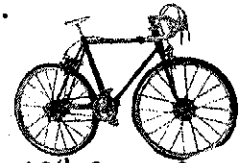
HOSTESSES: Marilyn Wymer & friends

PROGRAM: Marg LaFollette will present "Memories of Grandma's Garden"

It is Birthday Party Time at the Bluffton Senior Center!! We have five (5) members turning 90 years young in June: **Wayne Shafer, Treva Shafer, Anna Buller, Catherine Bish and Geraldine Basinger DeMeo.** We will be celebrating with those who can come at the June dinner meeting where they will receive their Life Membership and Red Rose.



CAR SHOW/GOBA



The Bluffton Lion's Club is holding the **Annual Car Show on Friday, June 19th from 2 p.m. – 8 p.m.** The Bluffton Senior Center will be serving a salad bar supper from **4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.** We are looking for volunteers to donate a salad for the meal. There is a sign-up sheet in the office with a list of suggestions. If the salad you wish to donate is not on the list, you can add it. We will also need a few volunteers to serve the meal. Come and join us for a great meal at the Senior Center.

Two days later on **Sunday, June 21st, GOBA (Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure)** will be coming through Bluffton. They are expecting 2500 riders who will need to be fed. The Bluffton Senior Center will be serving a different Salad Bar. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to donate shredded carrots, chopped onions, sliced cucumbers, etc. It will be a make your own salad bar. There is a sign-up at the office for what we are looking for. We will be having a **Bale Sale**, too. We are looking for baked items that are easy for the biker to take with them such as cookies, muffins, rolls, cupcakes and candy. Nothing that needs a fork like a pie or cake. We will be selling everything by the piece. We will need volunteers to serve the meal from **3 p.m. – 6 p.m.** We hope to serve **150 bikers.** We also need some people to run the Bake Sale. Sign-ups are in the office. We know this is a lot for one weekend so **THANK YOU** in advance.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC



Our next Blood Pressure Clinic will be **Wednesday, June 3rd**. **Clarabeth Bixel** will be our nurse from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Thanks to **Megan** from **Ameri Care** for being our nurse in April.



COACH TRIPS WITH TONYA
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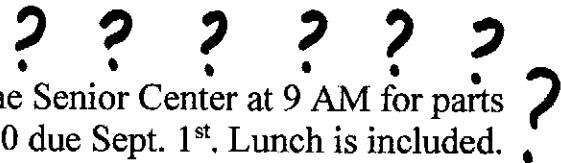
OHIO SCOTTISH GAMES & CELTIC FESTIVAL, Saturday, June 27. Join us for a fun day of music, Highland Dancing, bagpipes, kilts and Games. A whole fairgrounds full of fun. Meals on your own. Depart 7AM and return before 7PM. Trip cost \$50.00 due June 5th.



ZANESVILLE AND STERNWHEELER BOAT RIDE, July 16 We will spend the day in Zanesville, Ohio. The day will include a ride on the sternwheeler Lorena, a tour with a guide of Zanesville, John and Annie Glenn house, the National Road Museum and Zane Grey Museum and more. Minimal walking at each stop. Lunch is included. Trip cost is \$85.00 due June 15th.



OREGON'S NATURAL WONDERS, September 12-20 2015, We will fly out of Detroit to Portland. 9 days, 8 nights and 13 meals later we will fly home to Detroit. We will visit Portland, Multnomah Falls, Newberry Volcano, Bonneville Dam and much more. The price has been reduced to \$2547.00 per person for double occupancy. New brochures are in the Senior Center.



MYSTERY TRIP, September 29th, We will depart the Senior Center at 9 AM for parts unknown to all but the driver and Tonya. Cost is \$50.00 due Sept. 1st. Lunch is included.

SOUTH PACIFIC WONDERS this trip is closed

DEB'S SEWING WORKSHOP



On Wednesday, June 10th, starting at 1:00 pm is a repeat from something taught in February, 2014! We will be sewing **hanging bags**. These bags have a pincushion/weight with a fabric bag attached. The bag is held open by inserting a plastic strip from a cool whip lid. It can be used in your sewing room or in your car as a wastepaper bag.

Also, **THANK YOU** to **Eileen Amstutz, Mary Hoffstetter, Becky Marshall, Rella Augsburg, Jo Edwards, Jean Grismore, Barb Nussbaum, Louise LaRoche, LaVonne Woodward, Diane Cook, Rosemary Meyer and Shirley Sommer** for helping to sew the 222 fleece pillowcases for Ebenezer Mennonite Church's Vacation Bible School.



Movie Time

It is time to start our summer movies. On Friday, June 12th at 1 PM we will kick off with a movie about a young girl growing up in war torn Germany. Free popcorn for everyone. Bring your own drink and a friend.

HEALTHY HOUR

Megan from Ameri Care will be at the Bluffton Senior Center on Wednesday, June 3rd to tell us about the latest health info. Come and join us for lunch at noon and the talk at 12:30 PM.



ShowTime and Ron Retzer presents "Crazy Bout Country II" at Der Dutchman in Plain City, OH

Assisted by John Parrendo on fiddle and Roger Hoard on guitar

Family style Dinner Wednesday, July 8th \$80.00

Cook's Bison Ranch Tour including a Chuck Wagon Lunch. Several Indiana Quilt Pattern

Gardens, Wakarusa Dime Store, Family Style Dinner plus "The King's Brass"

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Church Basement Ladies 'Last Potluck Supper' Thurs. Sept. 24th \$80.00

Der Dutchman at Plain City, Karen Knott, Thurs. October 8th \$80.00

Christmas Story at LaComedia Thurs. November 12th \$80.00

Ron Retzer's Christmas Show at Der Dutchman, Plain City, December 1st \$80.00

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 10 am - ????

To help the Senior Center get ready for the thousands of bicyclists coming to Bluffton for GOBA on Sunday, June 21, the Wednesday, June 17, Craft day will turn into a baking day. Starting at about 10 am. We will be baking cookies and other easily transported baked goods for the GOBA Bikers to purchase. Tonya is also looking for volunteers to bake at home.





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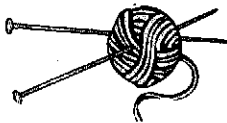


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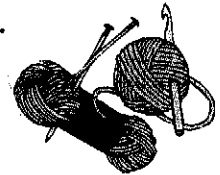
Have you been diagnosed with Diabetes? Are you struggling to control your condition? We can help! The **Area Agency on Aging 3** will be holding classes at the **Bluffton Sr. Center** on **Tuesday, July 28-September 1 from 10 – 12:30 p.m.** Registration is required by **Friday, July 17th**. There is a **\$20.00** fee to cover materials. Call **Area Agency on Aging 3** at **419-222-7723** to reserve your seat!

STORE NEWS

Quilters, we are in need of leftover batting to make more snowballs for the Christmas season. If you have any small leftover batting pieces, we can make good use of them.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The Bluffton Public Library has asked the Senior Center to put on a crochet class for their **Summer Program**. **Mary Hofstetter** has agreed to teach this on **Wednesday, July 22nd from 10 a.m. –Noon** but needs some assistance to help the children. **Mary** would like four (4) people with a basic knowledge of crochet. There is a sign-up sheet in the office.



WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS.....

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CARD PLAYING



We have some members who would like to play cards. We have been asked about **Bridge, Eucher, and Hand and Foot**. Friday afternoons are always free for games. If you are interested in playing cards, please give **Tonya** your name, the game you want to play and when you are free to play and we will try to get groups together.

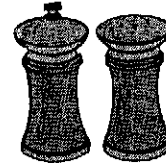


45 YEARS AND COUNTING UPDATE
(new info, please read)

We hope to have to shirts in the Senior Center sometime in June to start selling. Keep an eye out. There is still time to enter the Song and Poem contest. A Senior Citizen's Center **Poem** should be one to three verses long and a Senior Citizen's Center **Song** could be one to three verses long and may use any popular tune. The contest is open to anyone. Check at the office for rules and entry form. Also, if anyone is interested in decorating the front window or display case with memories of the Senior Center, let Tonya know.



HOBBY CENTER



In April, **Joyce Daniels** clocks were very timely! (ha!ha!) Actually the clocks and jewelry were really neat creations made by **Joyce** and I hope you had a chance to see them.

In May, **Ruth Koontz** shared part of her salt and pepper collection. It is quite a collection. I hope you got to see it.

In June, it will be a SURPRISE so come and check it out.

VOLUNTEER FAIR

The Bluffton Public Library will be holding a **Volunteer Fair** in conjunction with their Summer Reading program. The Bluffton Senior Center will have a booth at the Fair on **Thursday, June 18th, from 2 p.m. – 7 p.m.** If anyone is interested in joining **Tonya** to help man the booth, please let her know.



TOE NAIL CLINIC



Our next Toenail Clinic will be **Monday, June 22nd at 10:00 AM.** You must call ahead to make an appointment with Dr. Kirk, **419-384-8971.** There is a \$10.00 charge due at the time of your appointment. Medicare does not cover clinics at the Senior Center.

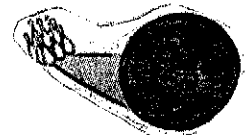
WESTERN SQUARE DANCING



Our next Western Square Dance will be on **Monday, June 22nd at 6:30 p.m.** New dancers are always welcomed! The cost is **\$3.00** for non-members and **\$2.00** for members. You do not need a partner as partners are changed throughout the evening. So mark your calendars.



BOWLING BANQUET



After the last day of bowling, 30 of the bowlers convened at the Senior Center for lunch. **Don Basinger** opened with a prayer. The **Schnipke Inn** served a lovely meal. **Don** then told some jokes before introducing **Tonya and Bob** to give announcements. The **Bowling Awards** went to **Nancy Sidney and Al Eversole.** A good time was had by all.



FOREVER IN STITCHES no longer has a retail store. They are only doing long arm quilting now. **Rick and Ruth Grihalva** donated the products that they couldn't sell to some churches and to the Bluffton Senior Center. We are very grateful and will be using the material for years.

THANK YOU



The Bluffton Arts and Crafts Festival was almost a wash out, but not inside the Senior Center. We had great sales and the donuts and food went over very well. **Thank you** to all the wonderful volunteers who helped make it a great day and to all those who donated food.



TOSHIBA

Web site



We have had problems with our website for almost a year now. **Rockettech**, a group of tech students from Pandora Schools and their teacher, **Mark Suter**, has got us up and running again. Check us out at blufftonseniors.org.



APRIL DINNER MEETING



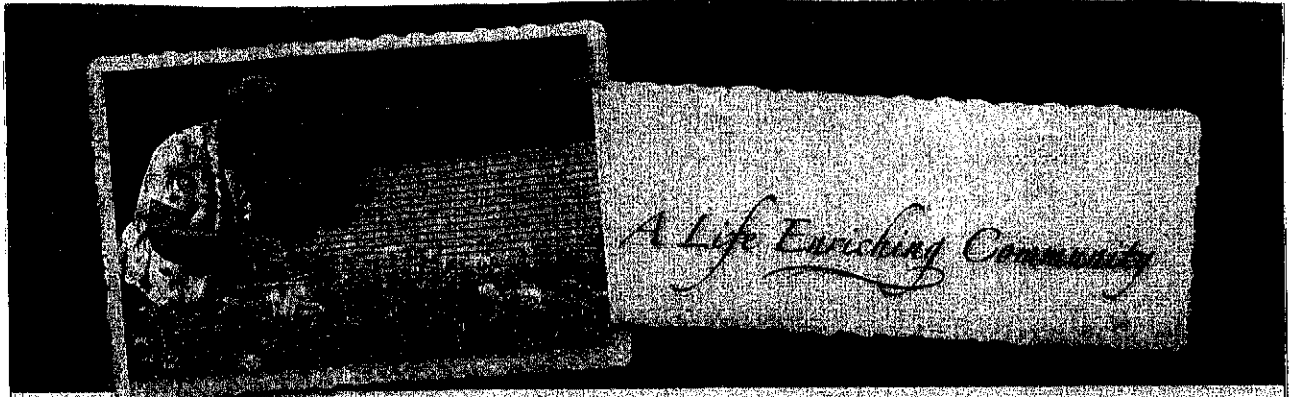
Over 75 people gathered for the first evenings Dinner Meeting of the Year. **Shirley & Keith Sommer** decorated the tables with a "Suter Little Red Barn," tractors and fresh and plastic produce. They had candy corn on the tables all in honor of the speaker. **Roger Edwards** opened the evening with some jokes and a prayer. The Mt. Cory Methodist Church served us a lovely meal right to the table. After supper, **Tonya** interviewed **Wayne Matter and Anna Ruth Reichenbach** who both turned 90 yrs. Old in April. Following announcements by the staff, **Roger** introduced **Jerry Suter** who showed pictures and shared the history of **Suter Produce**. Everyone enjoyed the old photos and the walk down memory lane.

MAY DINNER MEETING



Spring was evident as we gathered for the May Dinner meeting. **Betty Moser and Ron Zimmerly** had decorated the tables with live flowers and red, white, and blue decorations. **Basiel Meyer**, our MC, opened the evening with some corny jokes, and a prayer for our meal. **Betty, Ron, and friends** served everyone a pulled pork meal with the etc's which was very good. After supper, **Tonya** interviewed **Walter T. Miller** for his 90th birthday. **Walter** shared the story of how he met his wife and other stories of his life/family. After announcements, **Basil** introduced **W.C.Fields (Don Basinger** was dressed as **Mr. Fields** with a sport coat, a red nose and cheeks). After telling some jokes, "brother **Billy**" came out and told some stories. Everyone felt good after an evening of laughing.

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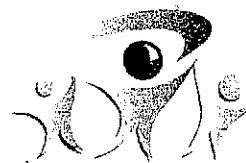


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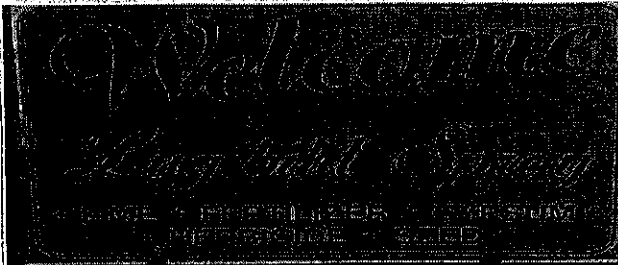
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