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- Thurs. 5 Community Meal, 6 p.m. 6:45 p.m.
- Fri. Exercise Class, 11 a.m. Bridge, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.Cards, 1 p.m. -4 p.m.
- Mon. Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m. Monthly Dinner Meeting, 6 p.m. catered by Mt Cory Methodist
- Tue. 10 Parade Float Meeting, 10:30 a.m. Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
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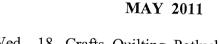












- Wed. 18 Crafts, Quilting, Potluck Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m. Cards, 1:30 p.m.
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- Fri. 20 Exercise Class, 11 a.m. Bridge, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.Cards, 1 p.m. -4 p.m.
- Sat. 21 Craft Day...... Breakfast at 8 a.m. Lunch at 10:30 a.m.
- Mon. 23 Toenail Clinic, 10 a.m. Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
- Tue. 24 Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Wed. 25 Crafts, Quilting, Potluck Senior Fitness Day.... Wii, Bowling & Sholf, 9 am-Noon Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m. Cards, 1:30 p.m.
- Thurs. 26 Survior Dinner for Relay For Life, 5:30 p.m.
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- Mon. 30 Closed for MEMORIAL DAY!!!
- Tue. Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.31

MAY DINNER MEETING

TIME: Monday, May 9th, 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: Bluffton Senior Center

WHAT: The meal will be catered by the Mount Cory Methodist Church. They will be serving baked steak, scalloped potatoes, buttered corn, rolls with butter and homemade pie.

The cost of the meal is \$7.00 and tickets must be reserved by Wednesday, May 4th.

M.C.: Barbara Shinabery

HOSTESSES: Mary Hofstetter and friends

PROGRAM: One in a Number, a Bluffton women's chorus, will perform for us.

BLOOD PRESSURE

Our next Blood Pressure clinic will be <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 4th</u>. Ameri Care will send a nurse from <u>10:30 am – Noon</u>. Thank you to <u>Peg Murphy</u> for being our nurse last month. If you need help with your insurance papers or Medicare Part D, please call the Senior Center at 419-

358-8971

HOBBY CENTER

Easter hopped into the Senior Center on the backs of **Dortha Radabaugh's** hand painted bunnies. She also painted the eggs and baskets. Thanks for the great display **Dortha**. In May, **Clarence Kooker** will display his collection of old books including Tom Swift books. If you have a collection or artwork that you would like to share, please call Tonya at **419-358-8971**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of sewers at the Senior Center. Two of our biggest sellers in the store are rugs and kitchen towels. We are looking for volunteers to help sew the towels and the strips for the rugs. If you can help, please contact **Mary** and **Tonya** at the Center.

NEWSPAPER BAGS

The Bluffton Senior Center is still in need of <u>CLEAR</u> newspaper bags. It you receive your newspaper in clear bags, please keep them for us. We use the bags for yarn and other items that need to be bagged for sale. Thanks.

BINGO

The Bluffton Senior Center will now has two BINGO DAYS every month! The Hilty Memorial Home of Pandora will be sponsoring BINGO on the <u>first Monday of the month</u> and Elmcroft of Lima will continue to sponsor BINGO on the <u>third Monday of the month</u>. Both BINGOS are at 2:30 P.M. and are FREE and open to the public. So bring a friend and come have fun!



MOTOR COACH TRIPS

May 12... Mystery Trip A day of nostalgia awaits and a very nice lunch. Departs at 8:15 AM. Tour cost is \$65.00 for members due April 12th. ???

June 16 ... Indians at Tiger Stadium We will take you out to the ballgame! Join us in some great seats reserved behind home plate for the 1:05 PM game. We will depart Bluffton at 10:15 AM and have lunch on your own at the stadium. The cost is \$88.00 for members due May 13th.

July 20-29 ... Colorado's Vintage Railways Tour There is only one seat left for this tour. Final payment is due on May 13th. Tour by World Wide Country Tours.

September 10... Ohio Renaissance Festival We will go back in time to the 16th Century. Come along and see the large horses used in jousting, or check out one of over 100 shows. We will be there in time for the daily parade and you can choose your lunch, which is included. The motor coach will leave Bluffton at 8:30 AM for a full day of fun. Cost is \$60.00 for members, \$70.00 for nonmembers due Aug. 10th. This is a Saturday tour, so bring your family and friends for some fun.

COMMUNITY MEALS

On May 5th, Ebenezer Mennonite Church will have the meal and on May 19th the meal will be served by the Mennonite Home. The Bluffton Inner Church Board sponsors the FREE Community Meals on the first and third Thursdays of each month. The meals are free open to the public and start at **6 p.m.** All donations support the Bluffton Food Pantry. Everyone is welcome, so please come on by.

TOE NAIL CLINIC

The Bluffton Senior Center offers a monthly toenail clinic. **Dr. Daniel Kirk** of **Grand Lake Podiatry** will be offers his services on the <u>fourth Monday of the month</u>. Our next toenail clinic will be <u>Monday, May 23rd at 10:00 a.m.</u> You must call ahead for an appointment and there is a charge of <u>\$10.00</u>. To prepare for your appointment, please soak your feet in a basin of warm water for 20 to 30 minutes prior to your appointment time.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS.....

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Bearcreek Farms presents Ernie Haase and Signature Sound, Gospel Concert.

Depart 10:00 am A great Amish Style lunch - Sat. June 11th \$70.00 (due May 5th.)

Visit the General Store and shops after the show.

Columbus Zoo - Tue. June 21st. \$40.00 (due May 15th) Depart at 8:30 am Lunch at the Zoo, on your own. See the new exhibits.

Ohio Statehouse, Governor's Residence and Heritage Gardens - Tue. July 19th \$55.00

(due by June 1st) Depart at 8:15 am, Partake at Miss Emma's Table for lunch, tour the Statehouse, the Governor's Residence and the Heritage Gardens.

A list of guests must be submitted several weeks in advance and you must provide photo ID at the Residence.

Holmes County Amish - Friday, Aug. 26th. \$95.00 (due by Aug. 1st)

Smuckers, Kidron, Mrs. Yoders for lunch, Heinie's Cheese Chalet, Coblenz Chocolates and a Dinner Show at The Amish Door, "Cotton Patch Gospel" Depart at 8:00 am

LaComedia Dinner Theatre - "Church Basement Ladies, 2nd Helping".

Thurs. Sept. 1st \$70.00 (due by Aug. 5th) Depart at 9:00 am. Plus a stop at Friesingers Chocolate Factory.

<u>Vermont Kaleidoscope Trip</u> - September 27th thru October 3rd Motorcoach Trip, 7 days - 6 nights in the peak of New England tastes and colors.

Only \$852.00 (double occupancy) (due by July 27th) This is certain to be another enjoyable experience with White Star Tours. Morse Sugar Farm, Green Mountain Coffee Company, Gourmet Luncheon and Cooking Demonstration, Vermont Country Store, Hildene Estate, Cheese Making, Manchester Village, Vermont Marble Museum, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory, Quechee Gorge, Cruise on Lake Champlain, Apple Orchard and Cider Mill. Most meals furnished, including taxes and gratuities.

Sat. November 5th -- Oak Ridge Boys at Bearcreek - Dinner included for \$85.00

Oglebay Festival of Lights Tour, Wheeling WV 3 days, 2 nights including Colonel Oglebay's Mansion Museum, The Glass Museum & Artisans Center, Kruger Street Toy & Train Museum, The West Virginia Independence Hall and more.

Motor Coach Trip - Time and price to be announced.

^{***}Complete information regarding the trips is available at the desk.***



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

- Earl Lehman on the death of his wife, Edith.



BLUFFTON'S ART AND CRAFT SHOW Saturday, May 21st 9a.m. – 4 p.m.



The Bluffton Annual Art and Craft Show is the day they close off main street in downtown Bluffton and set-up craft booths. Many people come in to buy our craft items, also.

The Senior Citizen's Center will be open <u>ALL DAY!!</u> We will be serving coffee and doughnuts for breakfast starting at <u>8:00 a.m.</u> Lunch will consist of sloppy jo, chicken, chili dog and hot dog sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw, applesauce, homemade pie, (made by you!) and cake, along with coffee, tea, pop, and bottled water. Serving time for lunch will be between 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

There will be a bake sale as well! Everyone in town knows where to get the best food, and that is from you! We need **35 pies** for our luncheon and pies for the bake sale as well as homemade bread, noodles, cookies, angel food cake, coffee cakes, buckeyes and other homemade candies. We need your baked goods as soon as possible. The back door will be open about **7:15 a.m.** or you can drop them off on Friday.

<u>Volunteers</u> are needed for all types of jobs this day so mark your calendars now and sign up! We need volunteers to make and serve the breakfast and the lunch and to take care of the customers. We need volunteers to price the baked goods and talk to the shoppers. Whether you are outgoing and want to talk to everyone or be behind the scenes, whether you like to handle money or food or merchandise, whether you want to sit, stand, or walk around, we have a job for you and we can't do this without you! So stop in and sign up and give us a call!

SENIOR HEALTH & FITNESS DAY!

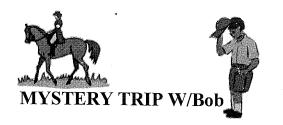
The Bluffton Family Recreation is sponsoring Senior Health and Fitness Day again this year. There will be events held at four different locations around Bluffton on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 25th</u>. Events include Wii Bowling, Sholf (miniature putting green), Senior Nutrition, Exercise, and Water exercise classes. Locations are the BFR;, Richland Manor, Mennonite Home, Maple Crest, and the Bluffton Senior Center. Activities at the Senior Center that day include: Wii bowling from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., Sholf (miniture golf putting green) from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. and Exercise class at 1:30 p.m. All activities are FREE and open to seniors age 55 and older. For more information, please contact Jessica at 419-358-4150 or bfre@wcoil.com.

[&]quot;Thank you for the prayers, cards, and concerns during my surgery."

Janice Shafer

[&]quot;A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the GARAGE SALE such a big success."







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On Friday, April 8th at 8:30 a.m. the Bluffton Seniors started out on their MYSTERY TRIP. Our first stop was at the **I HOP Restaurant** in Findlay where we all enjoyed breakfast.

The next stop was at the home of **Mike & Judy Erven**, they are members of the Bluffton Sr. Center. They could not bring their LARGE collections to the Senior Center, so we went there. **Judy** has a thimble collection of over 3,000; a cat collection with cats every where including 6 live ones. She has a cat tea kettle, telephone, cookie jars, throws & etc. They also have a pen collection and shot glass collection. They had refreshments for us.

The next stop was at the **Pukka-Fdi Design & Sales** offices located on the 3rd & 4th floors of the Fifth Third Bank Bldg. They specialize in hats, jewelry, bags, logos for teams & golf courses. Ninety-nine percent (99%) of the manufacturing is done in China. They have offices in Hong Kong, Los Angeles, NY, Amsterdam & Chicago. **Andrea Rogers** was our tour guide; the company is owned by her father & brother.

We then went to **Bob Evans** for lunch on our own & then to the N.W. Ohio R.R. Preservation Inc. where we viewed toy trains & then went on a train ride.

The next stop was at **Dietsch's** for ice cream & on to the **University of Findlay Horseman School** where **Clark Bradley** gave a talk & demonstration on horsemanship. The program started in 1976 as a 2 year program and is now a 4 year program. They have over 300 horses and 6 instructors. **Dan Webb** then took us to the **Animal Science Bldg.** Located under the same complex. We saw many farm animals & marveled at how clean and well kept everything was.

We returned to Bluffton at 4:30 p.m.

Thanks to **Bob & Bev** for a great day in Findlay for \$25.00 We did not know there was so much to see and do so close to home.

Sharleen Olson

APRIL DINNER MEETING

The Senior Center looked like spring with fresh cut flowers. Phyllis Suter, Sharleen Olson, and Marilyn Lenhart decorated with bunnys, eggs, and other Easter decorations. Basil Meyer, our MC, opened the evening with a prayer. The Lifters of Pandora UMC served a great meal of chicken and pineapple upside down cake for dessert.

Basil entertained us with some jokes on aging. Don Wymer interviewed Jean Schumacher and Margie Badertscher who both turned 90 in April. Basil then introduced Bob Minto. Bob gave us a brief history on clay and pottery. Bob brought a electric wheel and threw some clay. Bob & Darvin Luginbuhl shared some stories and laughs as Bob threw. Bob showed the three basic shapes, a bowl, a cylinder, and a plate. He then destroyed everything he made because he said it was too hard to transport them. A good time was had by all.

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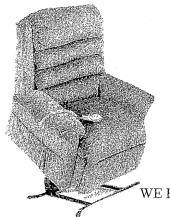
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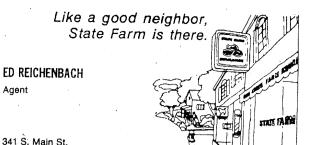
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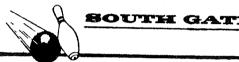


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