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Mon. 3 Bus trip to VERMONT returns
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo, 2:30 p.m.



Tue. 4 Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Wed. 5 Crafts, Quilting, Potluck
Blood Pressure Clinic, 10:30 a.m.-Noon
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Cards, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 6 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.
Community Meal, 6 p.m.

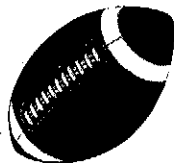


Fri. 7 Exercise Class, 11 a.m.
Bridge, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Cards, 12:30 p.m.

Mon. 10 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Monthly Dinner Meeting catered by
Mt.Cory Methodist, 6 p.m.

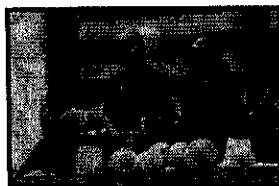
Tue. 11 Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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



Thurs. 13 **Flu Shot Clinic, 9 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.**
Bowling, 9:30 a.m.
Potluck Dinner, 4 p.m.
Bette's Polka Band, 5:30 pm-8 pm

Fri. 14 **Dominos, 9:30 a.m.**
Exercise Class, 11 a.m.
Bridge, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Cards, 12:30 p.m.



Mon. 17 Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo 2:30 p.m.



Tue. 18 Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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

Thurs. 20 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.
Community Meal, 6 p.m.

Fri. 21 Exercise Class, 11 a.m.
Bridge, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Cards, 12:30 p.m.

Mon. 24 Toe Nail Clinic, 10 a.m.
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.

Tue. 25 Dance, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

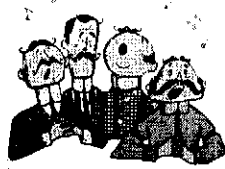
Wed. 26 Crafts, Quilting, Potluck
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.
Cards, 1:30 p.m.

Thurs. 27 Bowling, 9:30 a.m.

Fri. 28 Dominos, 9:30 a.m.
Exercise Class, 11 a.m.
Bridge, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Cards, 12:30 p.m.

Mon. 31 **Happy Halloween**
Exercise Class, 1:30 p.m.





OCTOBER DINNER MEETING

TIME: Monday, October 10th, 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, mixed vegetables, rolls, and cake. The cost of the meal is \$7.00 and tickets must be reserved by Wednesday, October 5th.

M.C.: Basil Meyer

HOSTESSES: Lenore Reiter and friends

PROGRAM: Men's Quartet from West Independence will entertain us.

In October, **Doris E. Heldman** will turn 90 years young. We will present **Doris** with a red rose and Life Membership at the October Dinner Meeting. Hopefully, **Doris Clevenger** who turned 90 in September, will be able to join us that evening as well. Congratulations ladies!

BLOOD PRESSURE



Wednesday, October 5th will be our next Blood Pressure Clinic. **Peg Murphy** will be our nurse from 10:30 am – Noon. Thank you to **Ameri Care** for sending a nurse last month. If you need help with your insurance papers or Medicare Part D, please call the Senior Center at 419-358-8971. Medicare Part D open enrollment will be from Oct. 15th to Dec. 7th, 2011.

HOBBY CENTER

Tonya Meyer's display of Coke bottles and memorabilia made us thirsty all month. In October, **Mary Hofstetter** will display quilt blocks and their history or meaning. Come and check it out. If you have a collection or artwork that you would like to share, please call **Tonya** at 419-358-8971.

TOE NAIL CLINIC

Monday, October 24th at 10:00 a.m. will be our next toenail Clinic with **Dr. Daniel Kirk** of Bluffton Foot and & Ankle. You must call ahead for an appointment and there is a charge of \$10.00 due at the time of your appointment. 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.

FLU SHOT CLINIC

The Allen county Health Dept. will be holding a **Flu Shot Clinic** on Thursday, October 13th from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. at the Bluffton Senior Center. Please bring your Medicare Card, Photo ID (aka Drivers License,) and wear a short sleeve shirt when you come for your shot. If you have questions about qualifying for a flu shot, please contact the Allen County Health Dept.





September ...Hawaii Discover a side of Hawaii that most people never see on a Hawaiian Vacation! You'll travel the back roads of this beautiful state, visit tropical farms and plantations, and meet friendly locals of Hawaii who make their living in ways other than tourism. You'll also have plenty of time to stroll the sandy beaches of Hawaii, Maui and Oahu. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind Hawaiian vacation.

November -- It's a Wonderful Life at LaComedia



NOV. 8TH ELECTION DAY



Election day is coming soon. Remember that if you have moved in the last year that you need to re-register to vote. Registration forms are available at the Bluffton Senior Center. Absentee registration forms for Allen County are also available at the Bluffton Senior Center.

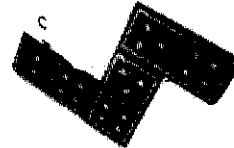
COMMUNITY MEALS



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 monetary and food donations support the Bluffton Food Pantry. Everyone is welcome, so please come on by. The Mennonite Home Communities will sponsor the October 6th meal and St. John UCC will sponsor the October 20th meal.

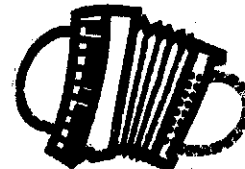


DOMINOS



We are having so much fun with dominos that we are going to start playing twice a month. **Stephanie Theis** from the Hilty Memorial Home is teaching us Mexican Train Dominos. **Fri., Oct. 14th and Fri. Oct. 28th at 9:30 a.m.,** Stephanie will teach dominos to anyone interested. If you already play, come and join the fun.

BETTE'S POLKA BAND



Bette's Polka Band will be at the Bluffton Senior Center on **Thursday October 13th from 5:30 8:00 P.M.** The Hilty Home is sponsoring **Bette's Polka Band** so the dance is **FREE**. We will start the night off with a carry in meal at **4:00 p.m.** followed by the dance at 5:30. Bring a covered dish to share if you wish to come for the meal. The paper products will be provided. Drinks will be available to purchase. Or come at 5:30 and enjoy the dance. This is a public dance so invite your family and friends.

Christmas Garage Sale



Our Annual Christmas Garage Sale will be Nov. 11 and 12. Please have any donations into the Senior Center by **Thursday, November 10th.**

A group of 49 Seniors will be bound for a **Vermont Kaleidoscope of Taste and Color** on Tuesday September 27th. and returning October 3rd.

Saturday, November 5th **"The Oak Ridge Boys"** at Bearcreek Farms, includes Home Style Dinner and Show.
Sorry, Seating is sold out.

Friday, November 18th - Mannheim Steamroller Concert at Lima Civic Center.

If you have not heard this group you have missed a special musical treat.

We have choice reserved seats just waiting for you.

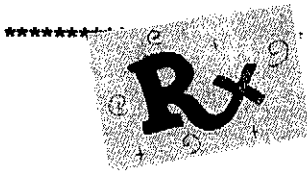
We'll dine at Cracker Barrel (Dutch Treat), before the 8:00 pm show,
\$72.00 due by (November 1st.) Depart at 5:30 pm

November 29 - December 1st Festival of Lights at Oglebay in West Virginia

3 days, 2 nights. Guided tour of Wheeling, West Virginia, Oglebay Mansion, West Virginia's Independence Hall, Wheeling Artisan Center, Tour the Glass Museum, Good Time Zoo in Oglebay, Oglebay Park by day and the Festival of Lights Parade at night, Kruger Street Toy and Train Museum, 2 dinner shows, one at Wilson Lodge. We will stay in the McClure House, one of Wheeling's local landmarks and lodging quarters for many historic figures.

Lunch breaks, going and coming near St. Clairsville, Ohio.

\$371.00 (double occupancy). Due by October 10th.



MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD
has changed! You may make adjustments or change your Part D plans from October 15th to December 7th. Bob Painter is a Certified OSHIP Counselor and will be available to help you compare your coverage options. Please call the Senior Center for an appointment on Tuesdays or Thursdays. 419-358-8971

TRIPS FOR 2012



2012 may seem like a long way away but we have started planning the trips for next year. We have had to cancel some trips this year because of lack of ticket sales. We hope to be more efficient in the coming year. We are always open to hearing your ideas.



BRIDGE



The Friday bridge players would like to invite you to join them on Fridays from 11 am to ??? for a fun day of bridge and friends. If you don't know how to play, they can teach you. They would like to have two or three tables every week. Call the office, **419-358-8971**, or stop by the Senior Center on a Friday for more information.



As some of you start packing up for your annual trip south, don't forget to let the Bluffton Sr. Center know when you are leaving and your winter address. The newsletter is not mailed first class so it is not forwarded with your other mail. Another option is to receive your newsletter by email. Then it follows you wherever you go. If you wish to pay your yearly membership before you go; please note that the Board of Directors has raised the membership dues for 2012 to **\$15.00 a year** to help with the rising costs of expenses.

PEANUT BRITTLE

Fall is here and that means it is time to think about Peanut Brittle. We ran out early last year so this year we plan to make a little more. Our start date for making the sweet candy will be **Monday, November 7th at 8 a.m.** Both **men and women** are needed to make the candy and the more help we have the easier it is for everyone. So please mark your calendars now for **Nov. 7th**.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS.....

Marjorie Diller, Bluffton Rich & Bonnie Cartwright, Bluffton Naomi Windle, Lima
Roger & Eleanor Grose, Bluffton James (Jim) & Marh Sheets, Lima



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

Don Wymer



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

- Louise Reichenbach on the death of her daughter;
- Richard Moyer.



August Monthly Meeting

Monday evening, August 8th, our monthly catered meal was hosted by **Marilyn & Don Wymer, chr.**, and assisted by **Carolyn Green, Pearl Williamson, Sharleen Olson, and Betty Moser.** The tables were decorated with black and white checkered napkins and flags with different models of cars. It sure made our Center look very festive! **Schnipke Inn** catered the meal and delicious as always with roast beef and the trimmings.

Clarence Kooker, MC, greeted everyone and had a prayer before the meal. After we were Done eating, he acknowledged the August birthdays, anniversaries, and sang to both. **Don Wymer,** then interviewed our four 90 year old guests: **Evelyn Lugibihl, Gretchen Lehman, Dorothy Hoffman, and James Oberly.** Each was given a red rose and their Life Membership to the Senior Center. **Tonya** then spoke about her trip to the **Renaissance Festival** on September 10 needing 8 more people to sign up to make the trip "a go." She also mentioned that next year her big trip will be **Hawaii.** **Bob Painter** spoke of his trips for the rest of the year and said he had to cancel the **TIM CONWAY** in Oct. due to NO interest.

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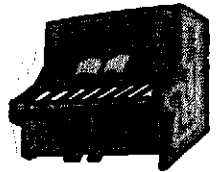
Our entertainment for the evening was **Jill Bland**. She sang **Tammy Wynette's** songs and ended with her favorite song, "AMAZING GRACE." It was enjoyed by all present! **Clarence** then wished all a safe trip home and will see them in September.

THANK YOU....

"Thanks to all the Senior Members for the beautiful card! I was only in St. Rita's 24 hours as my heart went out of rhythm and went right back with their help. Every thing is well. Thanks again to all, friends are the best!" **Wanda Heffner**



HOLMES COUNTY AMSIH, ETC.



Friday, August 26th at 8 a.m., twenty-two (22) Seniors boarded our bus and were on our way to Holmes County with **Bob and Bev**. Our first stop was east of Upper Sandusky to partake of **Bev's** homemade cookies and coffee.

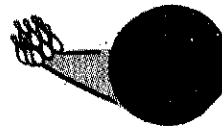
Then on to **Smucker's Shop** near Orrville for more goodies to taste. Next stop was **Lehman's Hardware** in Kidron and a sample of fudge. We decided if **Lehman's** don't have it you don't need it. Next was to **Mrs. Yoder's Kitchen** in Mt. Hope for a lunch of soup and salad bar. **Bob** decided to pass on a stop at **Heinie's Cheese House** go to **Walnut Creek Cheese Company** where we could indulge in bulk foods also. The ice cream at **Mudd Valley Creamery** was excellent with orange pineapple appearing to be the favorite. Having some time before the next stop, **Bob** took us on one of his famous side road jaunts, always interesting and ended up at **The German Cultural Museum** in Walnut Creek. Our Amish Tour Guide was dressed in period clothes and represented **Jonas Stutzman**, the first Amish Settler in Walnut Creek. He shared some of the hardships endured over 200 years ago and made us thankful for our modern conveniences. The last stop was at the **Amish Door** in Wilmot, Ohio where we enjoyed a chicken dinner with all the trimmings followed by their presentation of "Cotton Patch Gospel," a southern, blue grass version of the Life of Christ. I think everyone enjoyed the show.

Day is done and we are on our way back to Bluffton. Some were rather tired and some are a bit heavier. We arrived back in Bluffton about midnight, safe, and sound. Thanks to **Bob and Bev**.

CHURCH BASEMENT LADIES, 2nd HELPING



September 1st, forty (40) Seniors departed the Senior Center via Excursions Trailways, bound for LaComedia Dinner Theater in Springboro, Ohio. Several contents enroute kept folks alert and tested their knowledge, somewhat. Contest winners included **Barb Bushong, Ruby Mabry, Catherine Bish, Marilyn Hamilton, Susan Maze and Marilyn Wymer**. We were greeted by LaComedia staff who presented a box of cookies for the road home. Their customary dinner buffet was enjoyed by all, followed by the production of "Church Basement Ladies, 2nd Helping." A great and hilarious show. After visiting **Freisinger's Chocolate Factory** for samples and some to take home we completed our safe trip back to Bluffton,



BOWLING SCORES

SEPT 8

Men's High Game:	
Mike Bastian	183
Don Barth	182
Dan Gleason	180
Jack Wickham	171

Men's High Series:	
Dan Gleason	347
Don Barth	330
Jack Wickham	317
Dwight Baumgartner	315

Women's High Game:	
Faye Eley	137
Sue Adam	136
Faye Eley	126
Susann Mawhorr	118

Women's High Series:	
Faye Eley	263
Sue Adam	253
Susann Mawhorr	215
Evelyn Reese	197

SEPT. 15



Men's High Game:	
Dick Marquart	202
Rick Mawhorr	189
Bob Badertscher	179
Dick Marquart	178

Men's High Series:	
Dick Marquart	380
Rick Mawhorr	359
Bob Badertscher	350
Bud Kantner	316

Women's High Game:	
Wanda Hefner	131
Faye Eley	119
Sue Adam	112
Tonya Meyer	106

Women's High Series:	
Wanda Hefner	248
Faye Eley	234
Sue Adam	210
Tonya Meyer	200

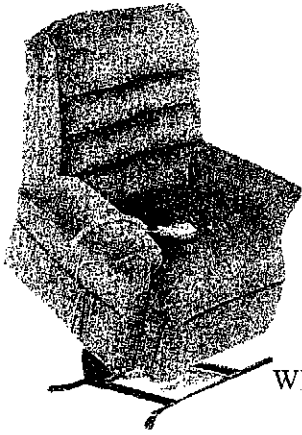


SEPTEMBER DINNER MEETING

Fall was in the air and the tables were decorated by **Dortha Radabaugh, Anna Ruth Reichenbach, and Barbara Shinaberry** with dried flowers, butterflies, gourds, and leaves. **Evelyn Reese**, our M.C., opened with prayer and then we were served a lovely meal of baked steak, baked potato, jello salad, and homemade pie. After dinner, **Evelyn**, entertained us with some jokes before introducing **Bob Bowersox** who filled in for **Don Wymer**. **Bob** spoke with our 90 year olds, **Ruby Mabry, and Evelyn Sutter**. **Tonya Meyer and Bob Painter**

then gave their announcements. After a few more jokes by **Evelyn**, she introduced our entertainment for the evening, **Philip Murphy**. **Philip** played his guitar and sang songs including the song about "**Dillinger**" that he wrote. All had a good time and wished a safe trip home and looking forward seeing them in October.

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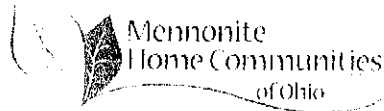
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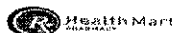
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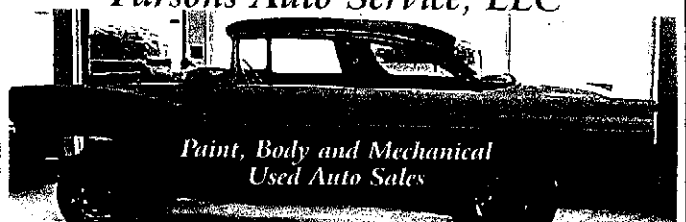
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