

# August

2021

Bluffton Senior Center

## Summer Fun

We try to have a little something for everyone. Remember, not listed are the lending library, exercise equipment, free Wi-Fi and corn hold game that are always available whenever we are open.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Exercise 1:30	3 Dulcimers 1 Dance 3	4 Crafts 9:30 Exercise 1:30	5 Euchre 1 Community Meal 6	6 Dominos 9:30	7
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AUGUST 2021

Summer is in full swing, trips are full and things are starting to feel normal. If we don't have an activity that interests you, please talk to us, we are here to serve. If you are in need of a COVID vaccine, we can help you find one. Remember, fully vaccinated people do not need to wear a mask but we recommend that those that are unvaccinated wear one to protect themselves. And check out our outing to the Allen County Fair in Trips. Enjoy your summer.

### MONTHLY DINNER MEETING

**TIME:** Monday, August 9 at 6 p.m.

**PLACE:** Bluffton Senior Center

**WHAT:** The meal will be catered by Schnipke Inn. We will have baked steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed veggies, roll and pie. The cost is \$9 and reservations need to be made by Wednesday, August 4.

**MC:** Pat Basinger

**PROGRAM:** Charlie Saylor and friends will entertain us with their guitar music.

In August, Joyce Badertscher and Richard Boehr will both turn 90 years young. We will celebrate their Birthdays with a Red Rose and a Life Membership at the Monthly Dinner Meeting. Congratulations Richard and Joyce.

### MEMORIAL

The Bluffton Senior Center has received a gift in memory of Cathy Leis from Sharon Fleming. Her name will be put in our Memorial Book for all to see.

### HOBBY CENTER

Lee Ann Savage's collection of Heavenly Angels was beautiful. I hope you had a chance to see it. In August, Beth Hoch will share her collection of mini houses. If you have a collection, art work or hobby that you would be willing to share, please let Tonya know.

**MEDICARE 101**

The Bluffton Senior Center will be hosting the Allen County Council on Aging for a Medicare 101 class on Thursday, August 19 at 2:30 p.m. The class is designed for those who will soon be eligible for Medicare. The class covers the different types of Medicare and Medicare supplemental coverage that need to be chosen and advantages and disadvantages to be considered. Reservations are not required but recommended so there will be enough papers for everyone. We highly recommend this class for anyone getting close to Medicare age so spread to word to your loved ones. The class is open to everyone.

**THANK YOU**

\*Thank you for all your help in putting our scam bags together for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. You are appreciated! Elder Victim Ministry – Crime Victim Services

\*Thank you to all who helped with the Craft Supply Sale. We can't do these fundraisers without you. Tonya

**SUMMER MOVIE**

Our summer movie series will conclude on Friday, August 13 at 1 p.m. with the movie "News of the World". The movie stars Tom Hanks and takes place five years after the Civil War. The rating is PG-13. It is free so invite your friends. The Senior Center will provide the popcorn.

**COMMUNITY MEALS**

Thursday, August 5, the Community Meal will be served by the Bluffton Lions Club and on August 19, it will be served by the Bluffton Presbyterian Church. Meals are served at 6 p.m. We have told the cooks that some people are still leery of eating inside so they should have take-out containers available.

**SQUARE DANCE**

Larry and Bev Armstrong will host Western Square Dance lessons on Thursday, August 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. All are welcome. Cost is \$2 for members and \$3 for non-members. This is great exercise and a fun way to meet people.

**TOENAIL CLINIC**

The next toenail clinic with Dr. Kirk will be Monday, August 23 at 10 a.m. An appointment is needed and the cost is \$10 due at the time of appointment. Call 419-358-8971 to make an appointment.

### ACTIVITIES

Other activities at the Senior Center will continue as normal. Unvaccinated individuals are encouraged to wear a mask while in the Center but we are not regulating mask wearing. Reservations are no longer required (with the exception of the Monthly Dinner Meeting) but feel free to call if you have questions about an activity. Here is a list of activities. Hope you find something interesting.

<b>Crafts</b>	<b>Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Dances</b>	<b>Tuesdays at 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Dominos</b>	<b>Fridays at 9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Dulcimers</b>	<b>Tuesdays at 1 p.m.</b>
<b>Exercise Class</b>	<b>Monday and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Euchre</b>	<b>Thursdays at 1 p.m.</b>
<b>Bingo</b>	<b>Monday, August 9 at 2:30 p.m. sponsored by MHCO</b> <b>Monday, August 16 at 2:30 p.m. sponsored by Good Sam</b>
<b>Line Dance Class</b>	<b>August 10 &amp; 24 at 11 a.m., \$2 members, \$3 non-members</b>
<b>Jam Session</b>	<b>August 11 &amp; 25 at 2:30 p.m.</b>

### EXERCISE CLASS

Starting in August, Jackie Frey will be leading exercise classes on Monday and Joy Diller on Wednesday. Tonya will be the sub. Thank you Jackie for helping us get back on schedule.

### WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS ....

Richard A. Basinger, Bluffton

Alton Kiene, Pandora

Will and Kate Earl, Cairo

Gary and Ruth Verhoff, Ottawa

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

Nancy Schweingruber

Dave Campbell

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

Herman Hilty

George McCune

Sam Reichenbach on the death of his daughter

**COVID – 19 Trip Policy**

Masks are optional while on the motor coach but please bring a mask with you as many of the stops that we visit may require them. If someone is not willing to wear a mask, they should not sign up for a trip.

Vaccination or tests will not be required to travel with the Senior Center but is strongly encouraged. We trust that everyone traveling with us is adult enough to monitor their own health and not get on the motor coach if they are sick in any way.

In the beginning, seating on the motor coach will be restricted to 30 people. Coach companies are leaving the two rows behind the driver empty to protect the driver. As the coach companies relax their rules, we will allow more people on a trip. Please note that even if you get motion sick, you will not be allowed in the front two rows.

Exiting the coach will be from the front to the back to avoid contact with others. Please note that if you are in the back, you will be the last off.

Refund policy has not changed. If the Senior Center has to cancel a trip for any reason, full refunds will be given. If a traveler cancels a trip before final payment is due, a full refund is given. If a traveler cancels after the final payment date, a refund will be issued only if we sell their seat or we are able to get refunds from the vendors.

For travelers who are not members, the Senior Center will need their name, phone number and address in case of contract tracing.

When we are traveling with a paid tour company, their COVID-19 policies trump ours.

**BUS TRIPS WITH DEBBIE**

**RIVERBOATS & TRAINS Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>** Departing time is 8:15 a.m. from behind Bluffton Senior Center.

**ALLEN COUNTY FAIR SENIOR DAY** Thursday, August 26 Debbie will ride the Allen County RTA bus from Bluffton to the Fair. Gather at the Senior Center at 8:30 to flag down the bus. Call and talk to Tonya about the bus fare. The Allen County Fair is free to anyone over 65 on that day. At 3 p.m. meet Debbie to come back on the bus. Please make a reservation if you wish to go with us.

**TURKEYVILLE DINNER THEATRE** Sept 9, departs 8:30 a.m. This trip is full, we are taking standby.

**La Comedia- A Christmas Story (the Musical)** November 10<sup>th</sup> Featuring Broadway-style show along with a famous mouth-watering buffet. A Christmas Story The Musical is the hilarious account of Ralphie's desperate quest to ensure that this most perfect of gifts ends up under his tree this Christmas! Bus departs @9:00a.m. Cost is \$80.00 due Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>.

**BUS TRIPS CONTINUED**

**DANIEL O' DONNELL** *Christmas & More* – Blue Gate Dinner Theatre Shipshewana, Indiana. Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> \$123 (due Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>) This unique production features the star entertaining his audience with a nostalgic trip down memory lane for the first part of the show. Then, for the second half, the stage is transformed into a Yuletide setting which will feature Daniel singing many Christmas favorites, including “White Christmas”, “Merry Christmas To You”, and countless other festive classics from across the decades. We will enjoy fine Amish dining for our afternoon meal before the show! Departing time @ 8:30a.m. from behind the Bluffton Senior Center.

**COACH TRIPS WITH TONYA**

**Wisconsin's Northwoods** Aug 28 – Sept 3, 2021 Please let Tonya know if you are planning on leaving your car in the parking lot during the trip. We need to give a list with license plate numbers to the police.

**New England Rails and Resorts** October 3-11, 2021 You should have received a final bill from Country Travel Discoveries. If you have not, please let us know. You can pay Country Travel Discoveries directly or write a check to the Bluffton Senior Center and we will send it in.

**COMING NEXT MONTH!**

In September, we will start the Senior Citizens Bowling league out at South Gate Lanes. We will start on the Thursday after Labor Day at 9:30 a.m.

We will also have OVAL (Our Version of Adult Learning) classes again this fall. If you are interested in being a presenter, let Tonya know.

**ROAD WORK**

There has been ongoing gas line replacement around Bluffton this summer. Every so often there will be a road closed that was open the day before. We are assuming that at some point they will close the alley behind the Senior Center. We do not expect them to inform us beforehand but we apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

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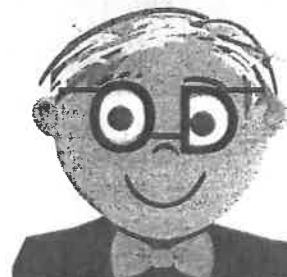
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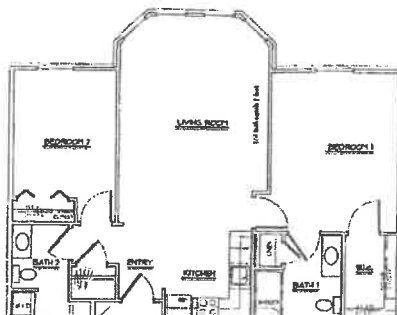
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