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Porch Sale Christmas Items Only Millstadt Senior Center 102 South Jefferson Street – Millstadt IL



Thursday, December 7

We Have A Huge Inventory Of Donated Christmas Decorations and Ornaments! Be Sure To Visit The Senior Center Porch On **December 7, 2017 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm**.

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Beginning with the January 2018 edition of Senior Talk, we will no longer be able to **mail out free** monthly editions. In the past if you have given a donation of \$100 or more per year we provided you with a free subscription for a year to *Senior Talk* magazine. We will still provide a free copy, and hope you will understand that we ask you to pick it up at the Senior Center. Those that pay the \$25 subscription cost will still be mailed their monthly copies. Due to the increase of supplies beginning in January 2018 all renewals will be \$30 per year.

Newsletter Costs

Paper	10 Sheets (20 Pages)	10 \$0.02660	\$0.27
Lease	Per Copy Sheet 20	\$0.01358	\$0.27
Ink	Per Copy Sheet 20	\$0.00830	\$0.17
	Cost to Print 1 Newsletter		\$0.70
	Postage for 1 Newsletter		\$1.40
	Envelope for 1 Newsletter		\$0.25
	Total Cost to Mail 1 Newsletter		\$2.35
	12 Issues per Year Cost to Mail		\$28.24

I hope you continue to enjoy every issue of *Senior Talk* as much as we enjoy putting it out to you. Don Mueller, Jerry Schmitz, Marlou Eckert, Kathy Schaefer and myself are excited every month as we near the publication date. As you can see the cost to print each issue is 70 cents and to mail out is \$2.35. Actually the postage and envelope costs more than the newsletter itself.

From Below The Tower



Patty Evansco

It is hard to believe that it is December again. I know this year brought heartaches and pain for many that have lost someone they loved but also the joy of a new baby or being able to appreciate our families and friends has brought us great happiness. In 2018 let's look

forward and only look back in 2017 for the good memories we had.

We have held steady in our life boat this year as we rode the high waves of the State of Illinois funding and pray that the storm calms in 2018. We have had many "angels" helping us this year with their generous donations and are very grateful.

I really enjoyed going to Springfield and getting my "Senior Director of the Year" award and have proudly displayed the plaque in a place of honor on my desk. Here's wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Wishing you lots of love, joy and happiness. May your Christmas sparkle with moments of love, laughter and goodwill, And may the year ahead be full of contentment and joy.

Sandra M Bereitschaft Foundation Annual Dinner at Mertz Motors February 10, 2018

If you would like to attend and have not received the mailing in the past, please contact the Senior Center(476-3731) and we will send you information and invitation. Hope to see you there!





Greenhouse And Refreshments

Again, this year we will return to the Millstadt Greenhouse on Tuesday, December 12th, 2017 at 9:30 am.

The trip includes a chance to see all

the beautiful poinsettias and special gift for everyone.



After the tour we will stop at Lee's Home Center where the Vogel family and their staff will provide tea and cookies for everyone. If you missed this trip last year you want to be sure to sign up early this year. Everyone

welcome. Call (618) 476-3731 to reserve your spot.

Good Job Bowlers!

Fall 2017 Wii Bowling League Results

- 1st Place Rock n Bowlers (Elaine Gregson & Cindy Walker)
- 2nd Place Sassy Gals (Hobbie Haas & Thelma Short)
- 3rd Place Alley Cats (JoAnn Pisel & Janet Pauketat
- 4th Place Misfits (Marlene Bruehl & Evelyn Lucy)
- 5th Place Lucky Strikes (Ruth Reinhardt & Rick Coleman)
- 6th Place Wild Cats (Rich Chadeayne & Frances Dickneite)
- 7th Place Twist n Shout (Dot Edmondson & Barb Louis)
- 8th Place Spoilers (Lil Tracy & Bob Wheat)

Season High Game Cindy Walker (276) Season Most Strikes Janet Pauketat (167)

Season Most Spares Picked Rick Coleman (168) and

Lil Tracy (168)

Most Splits Converted Total Highest Pins Made

Ruth Reinhardt (12) Marlene Bruehl (7306)

The Winter 2018 Bowling will begin on January 3, 2018 and will hold the banquet on May 30th, 2018 and the Fall League will begin on August 1st, 2018 with banquet on November 28th, 2017. There will be no bowling in June, July or August.

Rick Coleman the bowling league Director does a great job and we appreciate all he does for the league.

Save The Date!

February 10, 2018, Annual Sandra M. Bereitschaft Dinner at Mertz's Ford.

Our Lady of the Snows Way of Lights and Dinner

Thursday, December 14, 2017

Bus leaves Millstadt at 4:15 pm Call (618) 476-3731 to reserve your spot



Way of Lights Buffet



Entrees:

Roast Beef w/ Bordelaise Sauce **Fried Chicken**

Bratwurst w/ Sauerkraut

Side Dishes:

Seasoned Green Beans

Corn O'Brien

Traditional Stuffing

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Salads & More:

Assorted Salads

Applesauce

Ambrosia Salad

Pickled Beets

Pasta Salad

Bean Salad

Rolls & Butter

Desserts:

Assorted Parfaits

Brownies

Assorted Scones

Cinnamon Roll Bread Pudding

Cost: Adults: \$16.99



Doris Adams proudly displays her monthly volunteer sheet from Southwestern Illinois College RSVP Volunteer program. Doris is a quilter at the Senior Center. Thank you Doris!



Medicare Information

Open enrollment for Medicare Part D runs from Oct. 16 to Dec. 7. SHIP specialist Patty Evansco will present "What's New with Medicare"



in the Senior Center on Thursday, Oct. 12, from 1 to 3. This program will contain useful information for all Medicare beneficiaries, particularly those seniors new to Medicare. Advance registration is not required.

Beginning on Tuesday, October 17, she will meet one -on-one with individuals in the senior center regarding the Medicare Part D prescription drug program. Appointments are available between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm on Tuesdays in Millstadt and 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm on Thursdays at the Freeburg Township building for any Medicare beneficiary who has Medicare Part A or Part B or both. November is the time to get the help you need to choose or change your prescription drug plan. It is strongly recommended that you review your plan annually as plan coverage and drug costs often change for the coming year. In order to attend these Tuesday and sessions, must schedule you appointment by calling Millstadt at (618) 476-3731 or Freeburg Township at (618) 539-5545.



Are you celebrating a Special Birthday or Anniversary or have a Special Announcement? Please send us a photo and information. Our

readers would love for you to share with us. Please email to seniorce@htc.net or drop off at Senior Center.

Trinity's Cookie Walk

The Cookies are coming!!! - The Annual Cookie Walk at Trinity Lutheran Church will be held on Saturday, **December 9th from 9:00 am to noon**. Everyone is invited to enjoy all your favorite holiday cookies! Cookies will be available by the pound, mixed cookies are \$10/lb. and fancy cookies are \$11/lb. Advance orders are welcome by calling Shirley Boehm at 476-1113. Trinity's address is 503 East Washington, Millstadt, IL 62260. The entrance is wheelchair, walker, and stroller accessible.

Pennywise Thrift Shop

MILLSTADT LIBRARY

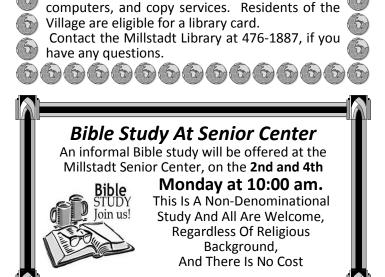
The Millstadt Library in addition to books, offers

audio books, videos, large print books,



Stop by the second floor Thrift Store at the Community Center for Christmas ornaments, wreaths, cookie cutters as well as clothing and other household items. donations support the Millstadt

Township Senior Center. Shop local!







Visit Santa at the Township

Dec 8 4pm-8pm Dec 15 4pm-8pm Dec 9 11am-4pm Dec 16 4pm-8pm Dec 10 11am - 4pm Dec 17 4pm-8pm

Millstadt Township Hall

820 South Jefferson Sponsored by

The Millstadt Commercial Club & Millstadt Township

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

Trustees

Jim Palovick Charlie Todd George Blaha Ronald Eckert

Millstadt Township-October Meeting

No report listed on internet for the October meeting.

Christmas Gift Ideas

Remote Control Light Switch-No need to get out of bed or a chair to turn on or off a light switch when you have a wireless controller. Check out the Etekcity



Wireless Remote Control Electrical Outlet Switch for Household Appliances.

Large Button TV Remote-Just check beforehand to see the type of TV that your gift recipient has so you can get a compatible remote. The Gmatrix u43 Big Button Universal Remote Control is easy to operate.

Battery-Powered Lantern-Always handy to have in case of power loss. This Energizer LED Folding 360 Area Lantern with Light Fusion Technology is water resistant and has up to 100 hours of run time. It also folds up for easy storage.



Millstadt Township Senior Services Lunch Tickets (\$4.50) each.

Clock and Temperature Combo Everyone loves to know the temperature outside and these have temperature inside as well. Also has Day, Date and Time.



Merry Christmas

From Millstadt Township Senior Services

We will be having our 12 Days of

Christmas giveaway this year beginning on Thursday, December



7th. Each day there will a be a Holiday Giveaway for everyone who has lunch with us. After each daily drawing you will write your name on



your ticket and put in the bucket for **the final drawing on Friday, December 22**nd



at our Annual Christmas Brunch. Everyone who attends the Brunch will also be given a chance to win.



Here are a sneak preview of the prizes

and there are more to come. You won't want to miss your chance to win!



Village Board Meeting

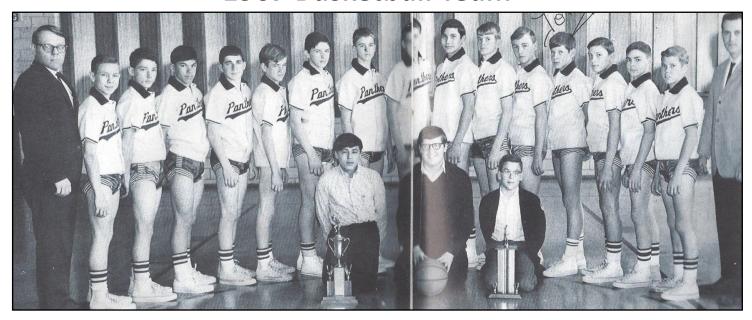
October 9, 2017

Al Lehr stated the library would like to tie into the Millstadt Primary Center's sewer system when they build the new library.

Mayor Todd stated the Village will have to negotiate a new contract with Waste Management next year because the current contract will be up.

Mayor Todd asked the Water Committee to get together to discuss residents being able to have an additional water tap installed for sprinkler systems that would not incur the cost of using the sewer. Residents would pay for meter and then their monthly water bill.

1967 Basketball Team



Fred Hotz, Phil Davis, Kevin Colbert, Jim Hill, Randy Eckert, Mike Hopkins, John Poletti, Dave Harres Jeff Holtgrewe, Howard Analla, Steve Halterbaum, Tony Jarvis, Bob Bruehl, Mike Bangert, Bill Bogie, Don Pellman, Coach Bill Howell. Front row Dale Theis, John Darr, Mike Germann.





QUILT RAFFLE December 22, 2017

At Senior Center

1. Prize - Handmade Queen Size Quilt
2. prize - Christmas Tree Skirt
3. prize - Handmade Baby Quilt

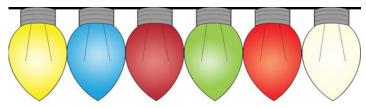
TICKETS

\$**1**00

6 FOR **500**

Available at the Center

Many tickets are being sold for our Quilt A Rama drawing on Dec 22, 2017. The Quilt tops are Handmade and Hand Quilted Queen Sized Pieced Quilt and if it were in Branson it would most likely sell for \$1000. Be sure to get your tickets.



Help Save Our Landlines Call AARP

Illinois Telecom Hotline 1-800-220-5552.

Tell your legislators to reject Senate Bill 1381 and House Bill 2691.



Trinity Lutheran Church Donates \$500



Pastor III representing the members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Millstadt presents to Director Patty Evansco a check for \$500 from the congregation. Thank you Trinity Lutheran! We will surely be able to use this donation to help fund our daily meals. Your support is appreciated.

Notary Services Are Provided Free At The Senior Center



The mission of Heartlinks Grief Center is to assist grieving children, individuals, families, and groups regardless of their ability to pay through individual and family counseling, peer support groups, and other supportive community programs.

Established in 1997, Heartlinks provides services to six counties in Southwestern Illinois. Heartlinks serves nearly 2000 people annually.

Call for Grief Support (618) 277-1800 Groups, Individual, and Family Counseling

See our website at http://myheartlinks.com

An Outreach Program of FAMILY HOSPICE

Halloween Wheel



Bob Wheat takes a spin on the Halloween Wheel to see what he has won.

Funding Update

A recent letter from the agency we receive our Federal and State Funds from. Last year and next year we depend on them for nearly \$90,000 of our operating They are doing everything possible to help expedite our funding. We are still owed for part of September, October and November. We are supposed to have our September by Thursday, November 30th. State payments are still a challenge. We spoke with the Department's CFO about the lack of payments for FY17 services (with the exception of those under a court order). The borrowing the state did was used for Medicaid and back medical payments. They have exhausted the borrowing. The department has issued vouchers for FY18 payments however were a bit behind on the process. We expect to receive something soon and when we do you will see payment. Nancy is following up with emails to each of you. Federal Funds will be delayed due to the Continuing Resolution.

Due to this extremely slow payment process if you are struggling with payroll or thinking freezing any services we ask that you let us know and we will forward that information to our Regional Administrator at the Department on Aging. The Department has stated they will be advocates for us, as always, but will further push the issue in extreme situations. We also encourage you to also use your avenues for advocacy. The comptroller's office is currently struggling with any payments.

Please forward any questions or concerns to me.

Joy Paeth, Chief Executive Officer AgeSmart Community Resources 2365 Country Road, Belleville, IL 62221

800-326-3221 618-222-2561 ext. 22

FAX 618-222-2567



Commodity Supplemental The Program (CSFP) St. Louis Area Foodbank supplemental food source for seniors age 60 and older who fall within 130% of the federal poverty guidelines—seniors may participate in this program while also receiving food assistance via food pantries, meals on wheels, and/or SNAP (food stamps). The Foodbank partners with an organization that elects to administer the CSFP boxes to qualified seniors. Millstadt Township Senior Services would receive a once a month free delivery of free boxes to be distributed to the seniors signed up for the program; each box contains about 16 shelf stable items, plus cheese. The program does require some administrative work including, application

If you are interested in signing up for this program and fit into the income guidelines below, please contact Patty

sign up and verification of seniors, maintenance of sign-in

sheets, and re-certification of participants that may be

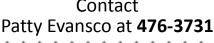
conducted verbally every 6 months.

Persons 60 Years and Older 130 percent of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines amounts valid from April 2015 until further notice

Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$15,301	\$1,276	\$295
2	\$20,709	\$1,726	\$399
3	\$26,117	\$2,177	\$503
4	\$31,525	\$2,628	\$607
5	\$36,933	\$3,078	\$711
6	\$42,341	\$3,529	\$815
7	\$47,749	\$3,980	\$919
8	\$53,157	\$4,430	\$1023
Each additional family member	Plus \$5,408	Plus \$451	Plus \$104

Aluminum Cans

Donate Your Aluminum Cans To The Senior Center Contact





Millstadt VFW Post 7980

618-476-1180

CLUBROOM HOURS

Monday & Thursday 6:30pm - ? Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday 11am -?

KITCHEN HOURS

Monday-Closed - Taco Tuesday 11am-8pm Wednesday 11am-4pm Fried Chicken Buffet 4 - 8pm-2nd and 4th Wednesday only Thursday Closed - Fish Fry Friday 11-8pm The Post is available to schedule meetings/events throughout the week & weekends - call or message us on Facebook, our Event Coordinator, Brandy Redwine would be happy to assist you

Senior Talk Available at These Locations

Pick-Up Your copy of the Monthly Senior Talk at One of The Following Millstadt Locations Melva's Family Hair Care 476-7933 Millstadt Barber Shop 476-7273 Millstadt IGA 476-3161 Millstadt Library 476-1887 Dr. Carla Samson 476-3373 Millstadt Pharmacy 476-1701 Millstadt Village Hall 476-1514 Millstadt VFW 476-1180 Shirley's Beauty Shop 476-9494 St. James Catholic Church 476-3513 Trinity Lutheran Church 476-3101 Zion Evangelical Church 476-1778 Dr. Steve Knoernchild 476-3344 Concordia UCC 476-3377 St. Paul Church, Floraville 473-2285 Dr. Kevin Schmidt 476-3261 St Michaels Church - Paderborn 473-2798 First National Bank of Waterloo 476-3334 Caseys 476-7360 Associated Bank 476-3040 Michelle's Family Haircut Millstadt Garden Place Millstadt Baptist Church Lee's Home Center 476-1760 **Bonnie's Beauty Shop** Training Room Handy Feed Country Financial





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Millstadt Red HEIPSave **Cross Blood** Drive Schedule



January 11, 2018 March 8, 2018 May 10, 2018 July 12, 2018

3:30 pm - 8:00 pm **MCS** 3:30 pm - 8:00 pm **MCS** 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. James 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. James



Please join us in celebrating the Christmas Season and the introduction of our new organ. With featured guest organist Don Massey, Director of Music at St. John the Apostle and Evangelist in St. Louis and our own St. Michael's organists.

> December 3rd 2017 at 3:00 p.m. St. Michael's Catholic Church 4516 Buss Branch Road, Waterloo, Illinois FREE Admission Refreshments will be served after the concert.

Come and welcome the Christmas Season with our new organ.

Christmas Cards

An estimated 1.6 billion Christmas cards are purchased each year in the U.S. according to the **Greeting Card** Association. Fach card can be



traced back to Sir Henry Cole, an activist who lived in Victorian England.

Cole born in 1809, was our equivalent to Benjamin Franklin, Cole was instrumental in changing the U.K.'s postal system in establishing London's National Training School for music and its National Training of Cookery. He also designed prize winning ceramics, studied engraving and penned children's books.

Cole made hundreds of connections and friends who sent him Christmas letters. Ignoring correspondence would be impolite, but responding to each letter, in 1843, would take to long. No computer -generated letters or short e-mail replies. came upon an idea of responding to friends with a card, at the top of which would be the salutation _," allowing him to personalize the card.

J.C. Horsley, an English painter, added a painting of a family toasting to the health of their absent friends and family. "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to You" was the inscription.

Cole had 1000 cards created and those he sent were hand-colored. It wasn't long before Cole's ideal took hold and holiday cards spread across the English Channel.

In the United States, for nearly 30 years Americans imported Christmas cards from England. It wasn't until 1875, in Boston, that an enterprising Prussian immigrant named Louis Prang created America's first commercial Christmas card. Prang's card showed a sprig of three Killarney roses with the words "Merry Christmas".

Prang's cards proved popular that young ladies would record in their diaries how many "Prangs" they received during the holidays. By 1881 the Boston entrepreneur was printing an estimated five million cards a year.

Holiday cards received their biggest boost in 1915 when the Hall brothers began manufacturing cards in Kansas City, Missouri. The signature contribution of later named Hallmark, their company, introducing a larger 4 inch by 6 inch "book" format.

This December. Americans, on average, will spend nearly \$30.00 on Christmas cards. Still, that is a pittance compared to the anonymous bidder who paid the equivalent of more than \$6,800 at a British auction in 2013 for one of Cole's original cards.

Millstadt Enterprise Dec. 1967

President Johnson signed the bill, last week, for an over-all postal rate increase which included pay increases for postal workers and other government employees. Higher postal rates, including six cents for a letter and 10 cents for airmail, will go into effect on January 7, 1968.

UFO Reported-Miss Lydia Hoffmann, primary teacher, in the local school, was interviewed on Radio Station KSD, when she recounted an experience of several weeks ago when she and four other women riding with her watched an unusual object in the sky.

They were returning to Millstadt from Belleville at 10 o'clock at night when they saw a round glowing object to the south. She said it seemed to be moving at a rapid rate in a southwesterly direction and it could be seen during most of the time they were driving between Belleville and here. As they neared Millstadt it disappeared in the distance to the west.

She described it as a self-illumined object, quite large, and

Others in the car with her who watched during the drive were Mrs. AL Hauss, Mrs. Wm. Mertz, Mrs. Kate Valerius and Mrs. Clarence Roos.

So-called Unidentified Flying Objects have been the subject of considerable interest in recent years. Some time ago high school students from Marissa reported seeing one land near a road and a reporter visited the scene the next morning said there were indications of scorched grass.

A department of the U.S. Air Force is detailed to collect such reports, occasionally it releases a report saying that such sightings checked out with satisfactory explanations, such as glows of marsh gas, weather balloons, etc.

Many local people head the radio interview, which had been taped earlier.



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Senior Transportation Program

Need a Ride to the Doctor, Bank Hairdresser, or Dentist? The Senior Center Offers the Only Form of Public **Transportation for the Community** This Service is Available for Persons 60 Years and

Older and Their Caregivers

A Suggested Donation Of \$2.00 For Transportation To and From Doctors, Dentists, Or Hair Appointments This Partially Covers the Actual Transportation

Costs of \$5.95

For Each Time It Is Provided

All donations are Confidential and Are Used To Maintain the Transportation Program For Millstadt Township Seniors Please Contact Patty at 476-3731 With Questions

DID YOU SIGN IN?

Knowing who is at lunch at the Center is important for a number of reasons. First of all it's good to keep track so if someone isn't there for a few days we can contact them to make sure everything is ok. Second, when you sign in and are registered we are able to submit your name to receive our grant money to help pay for the meals. A way to look at it is that if you aren't registered and signed in we can't send a bill for your lunch to the Area Agency on Aging.



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RECYCLING PROGRAM

Recycling continues the first Saturday of every month at the Township Garage on East Harrison Street. Volunteers will remove the recyclables, glass, cans, paper, cardboard and number 1 and 2 plastics from your vehicle from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. This program is available for all residents of Millstadt Township and the Village.

Make a Contribution

There are many ways to contribute to Millstadt Senior Center:

Gifts by Cash or Check

We accept gifts by cash or check by mail and in person. Include your name, address and phone number. Checks should be made payable to Millstadt Township Senior Services.

Memorial Gifts and Bequests

The Millstadt Senior Center is establishing an endowment fund of memorial gifts and bequests, to ensure the future of senior services in Millstadt.

We hope that you will remember the Center when planning your estate, or as a fitting means of honoring a departed friend or loved one.

All memorial gifts and bequests will be acknowledged in the Center's newsletter. If you would like to make a provision in your will, the following form is suggested:

I give, devise and bequeath to Millstadt Township Senior Services, a non-profit corporation, located on this date at 102 South Jefferson, Millstadt, Illinois 62260 the sum of \$ ______ (or the property, herewith described)

We Welcome Any Inquiries About Bequests, Please Call Us At (618) 476-3731

Millstadt Township News Thank You!

Nov 4th household recycling, Floraville Grange members Bob Hoffmann and Vic Klein along with the Township Trustees Ron Eckert, George Blaha, Supervisor Denise Blaha, Hwy Commissioner Stan Jarvis collected 1.46 tons of material that will go to St Louis to be sorted and not go to a landfill.

Large item recycling: We have been notified by our Recycling man, due to health reasons he is going out of business. He will no longer be picking up any large item recycling. Millstadt Township is discontinuing the program. Do not leave anything, appliances, etc. at the Township Hall.

Millstadt Township, in conjunction with the Millstadt Fire Dept., is providing, free of charge, reflective house number signs. Contact the Fire Dept. at 476-1234 for details to acquire a sign. Limited quantity is available.

Visit Santa at the Township - Fridays, Dec 8 & 16 4pm-8pm,

Saturdays, Dec 9 & 17 and Sundays, Dec 10 & 18 11am-4pm.

Need to get rid of an old TV:

*Ralph's Recycling 3968 State Rt. 3, Red Bud 618-282-4400

*CJD E-Cycling 5257 Illinois 157, Edwardsville 618-659-9006

Fees will apply depending on size. Between \$5-\$25 Ralph Schneider found another place to take an old TV, Monroe County Recycling Center, 901 Illinois Ave, Waterloo, IL.

Millstadt Township Officials Trustees - Charles Todd, George Blaha, Ronald Eckert, Jim Palovick, Hy. Commissioner – Stanley Jarvis Clerk – Cathy Hotz Gaby, Supervisor – Denise M Blaha. 820 South Jefferson, (618) 476-1207\

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Millstadt Senior Center Is A Place Of Opportunities, A Focal Point In Our Community Where Services Support Positive Aging and Where Educational, Recreational and Cultural Programs Enrich The Lives Of Elders and The Community

Funding for (Grantee) is received from the United States Administration for Community Living, the Illinois Department on Aging, and the AgeSmart Community Resources. (Grantee) does not discriminate in admission to programs or activities or treatment of employment in programs or activities in compliance with State and Federal Statues. If you feel you have been discriminated against, you have the right to file a complaint with the AgeSmart Community Resources by calling

618-222-2561 or 800-326-3221

"Seniors Come First" Services Available

Meals on Wheels One of the Center's most important programs, the Meals on Wheels program provides daily meals to people who have difficulty getting out of the house and/or cooking for themselves. Not only are we able to supply necessary food, but the driver delivering the meal is able to ascertain how the client is getting along and share some companionship. We have a number of folks dedicated to providing these services. They give freely of their time and energy to deliver the meals, make contact with the recipient and report back to the Center. The majority of the "regular" drivers volunteer one day per week and most have said it is highly rewarding for them.

Lunch Program Lunch is served Monday through Friday at 12 noon. You must be 60 years of age or older to qualify for this program. It is appreciated that if you want lunch you call the center by 3:00 pm in order to sign up for lunch on the following day. When you come in you may sign yourself up for the next day. If you like, you may sign up for the entire week or month. If you know that you can not make it and you have signed up, please call and let us know that you will not be here and tell us when you will be back for lunch. If you have any questions concerning the lunch program please contact Patty Evansco at **476-3731**.

All Lunches Are Catered From the Millstadt IGA, China King And Breadeoux Pizza From Millstadt "The Center is a Great Place to Enjoy Yourself Through Fellowship And Celebrations With Other Seniors of Millstadt"

Senior Information and Assistance provides information or help with services and benefits to residents of Millstadt age 60 and over. We will also visit homebound seniors. If you need this service or would like to schedule a visit, call Millstadt Township Senior Center at **618-476-3731**.

ALLIE'S GROUP PRESENTS

Mackinac Island



- **Motorcoach transportation**
- 6 nights lodging including 4 consecutive nights in Northern Michigan
- 10 meals: 6 breakfasts and 4 dinners
- **Guided Tour of Mackinaw City**
- Visit to Mackinac Island, including a Guided Carriage
- Boat ride through the Soc Locks and free time and sightseeing in Sault Sainte Marie
- Visit to Mackinaw Crossings
- Admission to Colonial Michilimackinac
- and much more

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7 DAYS 6 NIGHTS

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(Sun - Sat)

June

3 - 9, 2018



Day 1: Board your spacious, video and restroom equipped Motorcoach and set off for Northern Michigan. Enjoy the beautiful scenery along the way before checking into your en route hotel tonight. Day 2: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you'll continue towards Northern Michigan. Later, you'll arrive at your destination. This evening, you will enjoy Dinner and check into your hotel for a four night stay.

Day 3: After today's Continental Breakfast, head for Sault Sainte Marie, MI and take an exciting cruise through the Soo Locks. Next, enjoy lunch on your own and spend some free time in Sault Sainte Marie. Watch ships enter and depart the Locks from the observation area or browse the unique local shops and boutiques. Then, you'll visit the Fort de Buade Museum and enjoy some free time in the quaint lakeside village of Saint Ignace. Later, enjoy Dinner at a local restaurant before returning to your hotel.

Day 4: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, your adventure begins with a ferryboat ride to peaceful Mackinac Island where the only mode of transportation is by Horse and Carriage. Take a leisurely carriage ride tour of the island and see splendid sites like the Arch Rock and Lilac Lane. Enjoy some free time to explore this quaint island. Later, cross the Straits of Mackinac again and enjoy a lovely Dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 5: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you'll take a Guided Tour of quaint Mackinaw City. Next, see the Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse, dating back to 1892. After some free time at Mackinaw Crossings, visit Colonial Michilimackinac – A 1700's era Village. Later, enjoy Dinner with your friends. Day 6: Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before leaving for "Michigan's Little Bavaria", Frankenmuth, MI. This evening, relax at your en route hotel.

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Schnucks

Schnucks - Bags 4 My Cause program



featuring the "Hunger" Bag

Congratulations again on being chosen for the Schnucks – Bags 4 My Cause program for the month of December!

Let's start spreading the news! The more people who know about the program, the more people who will purchase the "Hunger" bag during your benefiting month which equals a bigger donation to you.

Thinking you may not have time to promote?

Not to worry!

We have created a **MarketingToolkit** proven to make your outreach as easy and effective as possible.

Visit schnucks.bags4mycause.com

Go to the Marketing Toolkit located under the Notfor-Profit Resource Center tab.

Let EVERYONE know to buy the "Hunger" bag during the month of December at the Schnucks store(s) located at:

5720 North Belt West, Belleville IL.

Each bag sold = \$1 to Millstadt Township Senior Services!

Remember - Only the sale of the

"Hunger" bag will support your cause!

Questions?
Feel free to contact
Morgan Palmer - Schnucks Program Director at
314.621.3220 or morganps@bags4mycause.com.

Big Ole Bag and Jewelry Sale

Mark your calendar now. The two-day sale is set for Friday evening, April 27 and Saturday, April 28, 2018. Donations of purses and jewelry may be made at the Community Center. This is always a popular event and all the funds raised are donated to the Senior Center.

Land of Lincoln Legal Services

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All Ride Reservations Should Be Made Through The Office *Please Do Not Tell Bus Drivers Your*



Tickets available at IGA and Millstadt Pharmacy or at the door

Adult \$5

Making the Coffee

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning. The wife said, "You should do it, because you



get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee."

The husband said, "You are in charge of the cooking around here and you should do it, because that is your job. I can just wait for my coffee."

Wife replies, "No you should do it. It is in the Bible that the man should make the coffee."

Husband replies, "I can't believe that, show me."

So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says "HEBREWS."

This story was submitted by Diane "Hobbie" Haas. Diane has bowled in our bowling league since its inception. She has made many new friends here but however she will be moving to Kansas City to be with her family. We wish her well and hope to hear or see her on occasions. Good Luck!



SISTER CITIES ORGANIZATION

24th Annual

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Sunday, December 3, 2017 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

St. James Parish Center

423 West Madison (one block South of Hwy. 158)

St. Nikolaus Parade at Noon

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Visit with Santa

German Food served 11:30 am – ??
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Proceeds Benefit the Youth Ambassadors Exchange with Gross-Bieberau, Germany

2017 Millstadt Farmers Market

The Millstadt Farmers Market closed out a successful third season with over 20 vendors participating at some time during the April-October season. An average of eleven vendors participated at each Friday afternoon event, providing customers with everything from black berries to canned pickles. We are looking forward to even more vendors participating next year, now that the Millstadt V.F.W. parking area has become our permanent home, and once again, no fees will be charged to vendors.

The Market is fueled on local produce, but all vendors, clothing, jewelry, baked goods and yes, even Kettle Corn are welcome.

A big thanks to the V.F.W. and all the vendors and customers. As the seed catalogs start to arrive early in 2018, remember to order a few extra packets to sow for the Millstadt Farmers Market. If you have any questions, contact Randy Eckert at 618.910.4427.

2018 Farmers Market Vendors

Chardtran Farms- Lenard & Alice Chardtran Black Berries - by Carol Schaefer Truck Patch-Larry Schaefer Helfrich Produce-Bob Helfrich Scharf Farms- Lauren Scharf Lisa & Ray's Plants Healthy Garden-Brandan Clark Live Oak-Dave Chaput Hickory Haven Honey- Dan & Jodee Blue **Tomato Gardens** Artisan Pottery-Chad Travous All Things Dana-Dana Gray Peace by Piece-Jason & Christina Keck Country Barkery-Cheryl Pflaster Engine House Kettle Corn-Don & Tina Clifton Naimay Cruptrons-Hadiyan Goodwin Iron Works By Cliff-Cliff McNames Lettus Grow-Rick Schmidt Farmer's Daughters-Diane Kern & Marlou Eckert Avon-Shannon O'Donnel Wood by Bob RoachTown Pickles-O'Donnel Brothers Korte's Farm Tastefully Simple-Barbara Penn Keep in Touch-Tabitha Lanham

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December

Walmart Shopping 9:00 am
Millstadt Green House & Tea Trip 9:30 am
Chocolate Chocolate Factory and
Miss Sherry's for lunch 10:00 am

Call the Senior Center to register for the trips at (618) 476-3731. Trip schedule may be subject to change.

St. Clair County Associate Judges

(L-R) St. Clair County Associate Judges Heinz Rudolf and John O'Gara visited the Senior Center and explained the court process to Senior Center patrons on Tuesday, November 21,.





(L-R) Judge John O'Gara, Director Patty Evansco and Judy Heinz Rudolf talking after the judges had served lunch to everyone.

During The Month Of **Dec.**

Our Volunteers Donated **949** Hours To

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THANK YOU

For Your Dedication, In The Spirit Of Giving Please Remember To Report Your Volunteer Hours Would you like to join our group of Volunteers?

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The Millstadt Historical Society held their Annual Homemade Wine Tasting Contest on November 28th with 14 entries. A variety of wines entered were from cantaloupe, apple, Zinfindel, elderberry/blackberry, cranapple, to bing cherry. Winners were: Eugene Herrmann 1st Place for blackberry wine, Bill Meckfessel 2nd place for sweet white grape, and

Glenn
Mehrtens for
elderberry
wine. After the
contest,
members and
entrants
enjoyed
sampling all
the wines with



cheese, sausage, and crackers, and a good time was had by all.



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Veterans Recognized by Millstadt Seniors

On Monday, November 13, 2017 5 local Veterans were honored for their service to our country. Senior Director gave a very nice



tribute to the center's veterans and asked that they all stand up and be recognized for their service. We thank each and every one of them.



(L-R) Bill Anderson, Darryl Muskopf, Rick Coleman, Cathy Kraut and Charles Worden.

December Birthdays

4 Janet Mueller 5 Jewell Todd Jerold Touchette 9 Patty Evansco

10 Janice Beller

Ed Luecking
17 Shirley Brandenburger

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18 Earl Eckert

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Dates to Remember

December 3, Weihnachtsfest, St. James Parish, 10:00 am-5:00 pm.

December 3, Christmas Organ Concert, St. Michael's Catholic Church, Paderborn; 3:00 pm.

December 17, Millstadt Community Choir Christmas Concert, Zion Church.

December 21, First Day of winter

December 25, Christmas, Senior Center closed.

January 1, New Year's Day, Senior Center closed.

You're Invited!

The Millstadt Library, 115 Laurel, is inviting everyone to our First **Annual** Holiday Open House Thursday, on December 7, 2017, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, together a Library Card Sign-Up Drawing.



By signing up or renewing a time-appropriate card, your name will be entered for drawing. There will be (2) adult drawing for \$25 IGA gift cards and (2) youth drawings for \$25 Breadeaux gift cards.

For those who already have a library card and bring a friend who signs up for a card, you and your friend will be entered in the drawings. The drawing entries will begin on November 16th, 2017 and the winners will be announced during the Open House on December 7th, 2017 at 7:30 pm. You do not need to be present to win.

There will also be an attendance prize drawing for all you attend the Open House.

Coffee, Water and a Hot Chocolate Bar as well as light refreshments such as cookies will be available during the Open House.

Libraries are changing, come see what your library has to offer!





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Smithton Library News

The Smithton Library is offering a Beginning Genealogy Class on Thursday, November 9, at 1:00. If you want to explore your family history, but have no idea where to begin, this class may be for you. You will learn about the places to research both on-line and in print. This a free one hour event. Space is limited to 6 participants so call and register today. You may reserve you seat by calling 618-233-8057.

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Donate 2 Canned Goods To Help Millstadt Food Pantry And Receive A Handmade Ornament



Millstadt resident Tom Venier is busy carving. He will be decorating the Millstadt Senior Center Christmas tree with his hand carved Christmas ornaments. When you bring in (2) canned goods to the Senior Center you will receive your choice of a beautiful hand carved Christmas ornament. These ornaments are of exceptional quality and probably worth nearly \$30 each retail. The tree and ornaments will be in place by December 1, 2017.



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The Millstadt Senior

Holiday Center is sponsoring a Food Drive to help "fight" hunger this holiday season.

The Food Drive will be held on Friday,
December 15th from 9:00

am to 1:00 pm at the Millstadt Senior Center in Millstadt front door. The Senior Center will be accepting donations of the below items to benefit the Millstadt Food Pantry. Collection bins will be in the front door of the Senior Center.

Even though the experts say our economy is in recovery, many people in the Millstadt area have been left behind; low income families, struggling single parents; the elderly on a fixed income and the unemployed. The Millstadt Food Pantry assists in

supplying food to these families. To make this holiday season hunger free, bring your donation of needed items. Groceries most urgently needed



Hamburger Helper (any brand), Jello, Pudding (Instant), Pancake Mix (Add Water only), Pancake Syrup (regular & lite), Jelly (any brand), Peanut Butter (smooth & chunky) and Canned Soup (any flavor).

Please **no green beans, corn, pasta or spaghetti** they have plenty currently.



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Verna Joseph

Verna Mary Joseph, 86 years of Millstadt, Illinois, passed away on November 14, 2017 at Red Bud Regional Hospital in Red Bud, IL. She was born on August 1, 1931.



Verna was a long time cook for Weir Nursing

Home in Swansea, IL. She loved to go "Yard Saling" and attend auctions, she was an excellent cook, hard worker, devoted family person, a great mother, and loved her dogs very much

She was preceded in death by her husband, Irwin Joseph, her parents, Emil and Sophia, nee Honnecker, Eckert, son, Robert Joseph, and brothers, Wilbert and Warren Eckert.

Surviving are children, Patsy Johnston, and Steven Joseph, grandchildren, James (Beth) Johnston Jr., Shawn Johnston, Robin (David) Easton, and Shannon (Tim) Patton, great-grandchildren, Katie and Joey Johnston and Logan Patton, her brother-in-law, Raymond Joseph, and sister-in-law, Eleanora Helfrich, along with other relatives and friends.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to the family. For more information, please access our website,

Robert Petri

Robert L. Petri, 73, of Millstadt, IL, born September 18, 1944, in Belleville, IL, died Friday, November 10, 2017, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville, IL, with his family by his side.



Bob retired from Belleville West High School after 34 years as a teacher/administrator. He was an avid hunter and enjoyed building and remodeling. While retired, he and Sandy enjoyed traveling at home and abroad.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert A. Petri.

Surviving are his wife, Sandra, nee Hull, Petri; a step-son, Matt Schewe of Belleville, IL; two step-daughters, Erin (Dan) Steinkamp of Fenton, MO, and Brie (Bob) Fournie, Jr. of Millstadt, IL; an adopted daughter, Karen (Bryan) Turner of Edwardsville, IL; eight grandchildren, Tyler, Ian, and Kennedy Steinkamp, Madison and Braden Fournie, and Chloe, Cooper, and Macy Turner; his mother, Ruth D., nee Schrader, Petri of Belleville, IL; and a sister, Jeany (Billy Marion) Ackiss of Portsmouth, VA.

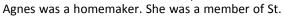
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Walter Beil Verna Joseph Robert Petri Kermit Haas Betty Peters Lgnes C. Friedich

Agnes Frierdich

Agnes C. Frierdich, nee Schneider, 87 of Millstadt, Ill., born August 5, 1930 in Millstadt, Ill., passed away on Thursday, November 23, 2017 at Mercy Rehab and Care Center in Swansea, Ill.



James Catholic Church in Millstadt, Ill., the St. James Council of Catholic Women and the Over Fifty Club. Agnes was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She enjoyed quilting, crocheting, playing with and seeing her great grandchildren, and she made the best chocolate chip cookies ever.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, Walter Frank Frierdich, who passed away on March 7, 2017; her father, Frank Schneider; her mother, Cecilia "Anne", nee Schoenborn, Schneider-Drennen; her brother, Daniel Schneider; brother-inlaw, Ralph Henss; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, William H. and Bertha, nee Menner, Frierdich; her sister-in-law, Hilda (August) Schaefer; her brothers-in-law, Elmer and William (Helen) Frierdich.

Agnes is survived by her daughter, Linda (Gary) Weingartner; her son, James (Mary) Frierdich; her grandchildren, Carrie (Brian) Gettinger, Michael Weingartner, Erin (Scott) Richter, Dan (Briana) Frierdich and Jill (Tom) Gravemann; her greatgrandchildren, Olivia and Avery Gettinger, Abigail and Jenna Weingartner and Simon Frierdich; her sisters, Dorothy (Roy) Skaer and Elaine (Don) Ortmann; her brothers, Frank (Janice) Schneider, Ralph (Toni) Schneider, Robert (Janet) Schneider and Ken (Becky) Schneider; as well as many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the staff of Mercy Rehab and Care Center in Swansea, III., and Monsignor Marvin Volk for his pastoral care to Agnes.

Betty Peters

Betty Jean Peters, 73, of Millstadt, Illinois, born on Tuesday, December 28, 1943, in Red Bud, IL, died at her home on Friday, November 17, 2017.

Betty was a graduate of Waterloo High School, class of 1961. She was employed with the U.S. Army, Ft. Leonard Wood, MO, and at Scott AFB



before joining the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois. She retired from the US Attorney's Office as the Administrative Officer with over 25 years of service. She was an active member of the Millstadt Community. She was a member of the Millstadt Civic Club for many years where she served as President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary; a charter member of the GFWC IL Nancy's Bluebirds, and an active member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Illinois, holding numerous positions on the Illinois State Board including Recording Secretary for the Executive Committee. As a member of Hope Christian Church she served as an ambassador, and a greeter at Sunday Services, and as a volunteer at the Hope Church Food Pantry.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Helmut and Vivian, nee Cashion, Kinzinger; and a brother, Walter Eugene Kinzinger, who died in infancy.

She is survived by her children, Tamara "Tammi" (James Landry) Peters, Millstadt, IL, and Jason (Lawanda Shepherd) Peters, Kansas City, MO; grandchildren, Brandon (Danielle) Peters, Ft. Polk, LA, Bailee Boker, Millstadt, IL; and Jordan Peters, Vandenberg AFB, CA; great-grandson, Owen Peters; a brother, Richard (Mary) Kinzinger, Waterloo, IL; sisters, Mary (Richard) Dambacher, Freeburg, IL, Delores (Dee) Kinzinger, and Alice (Richard) Betlach, both of Millstadt, IL; as well as nieces, nephews, and many friends.

Walter Beil

Walter F. Beil, 93, of Millstadt, IL, born April 7, 1924 in St. Clair County, Illinois, passed away on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at Oak Hill in Waterloo, IL.



Walter was a member of the Zion Evangelical Church, where he had been active with the Church Brotherhood and Men's Fellowship. He owned and operated Charles Beil & Sons Trucking, was a 50 year member of the Columbia Blue Lodge #474 A.F. & A.M., Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Southern IL, Ainad Temple, Belleville High 12 Club & Belleville Elks Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bernice O. Beil, nee Keller, son, Alan R. Beil, his parents, Charles and Otillia, nee Bereitschaft, Beil Sr., son-in-law, David Otto and brother-in-law, Vernon Keller.

Surviving are his daughter, Elizabeth Otto; his brothers, Ralph (Marilyn) Beil and Charles I. (Laureen) Beil; his grandson, Timothy (Laura) Rehling; his great-grandchildren, Mitchell and Alexis Rehling; sister-in-law, Ardelle Keller: along with other relatives and friends.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to Shriner's Hospital for Children, 4400 Clayton Ave., St. Louis, MO, 63110. For more information, please access our website,

www.leesmanfuneralhome.com.

Visitation: Visitation will be Thursday, November 2, 2017 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Leesman Funeral Home in Millstadt, IL, and on Friday, November 3, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Leesman Funeral Home in Millstadt, IL.

Kermit Haas

Kermit "Kerm" Adrian Haas, formerly of Findlay, OH, born in Millstadt, Illinois on December 17, 1935, passed away Sunday morning October 22, 2017, in Green Valley, AZ, after a brief battle with glioblastoma brain cancer.



After graduating from Belleville (IL) High School he served 3 years in the US Army. He then graduated from DeVry engineering school in Chicago and began his career with AT&T first in Chicago and then in Blufton, OH. His father-in-law, Homer Bean (deceased) encouraged Kerm to learn how to repair clocks; launching his second career/avocation as a Master Clockmaker. Known as "The Clockman" for nearly 50 years, Kerm repaired thousands wall, mantle, cuckoo and Grandfather clocks in Northwest Ohio and Green Valley, AZ. Kerm and Mary Lee Bean were married in Findlay, Ohio and celebrated their 55th anniversary April 2017. In 2004 Kerm and Mary Lee moved to Green Valley, AZ, where they enjoyed an active retirement lifestyle. Kerm enjoyed travelling - especially cruises and driving trips.

Kerm was an active member of Valley Presbyterian Church in Green Valley, AZ, where he enjoyed ushering, greeting and volunteering at summer Vacation Bible School. He also was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Findlay, OH. Other memberships included Telephone Pioneers, Amvets and National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors.

He was preceded in death by Oliver (Joyce) Haas, Milton (Wilma) Haas, Floyd (Gladys) Haas, Helen (Vernon) Weiss, Marie Semmler and Kenneth Haas; and his parents, Adolph and Ella Heller-Haas; he was one of 8 children.

He is survived by one sister, Shirley Fenner (Ron deceased); sister -in-law, Ann Haas (Edward deceased); a brother-in-law, Don Semmler (Marie deceased); two daughters, Deborah Haas Williams (Green Valley, AZ) and Catherine Haas Perhala (Galion, OH). Kerm was proud of his six grandchildren, Nick, Adam, Jon and David Perhala, Joshua (Alyssa) Wyrsch, and Elisha (Carroll) Wyrsch-Bonvillain; also survived by many nieces and nephews.