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Mayor Michael Todd holding a commemorative stone the Village of Millstadt received from Buergermeister Buchwald of Gross Bieberau, Germany. The Buergermeister presented this stone to Millstadt as a token of our lasting Sister City partnership. Mayor Todd said that the stone will become part of our Millstadt history and will remind us of the treasured friendships that have been built in the past as well as those in the future years with our dear friends from Gross-Bieberau.



## From Below The Tower



Yes, this is the season of giving and I am amazed and at times overwhelmed by the support we receive from our community. To everyone who has supported us in any way this past year, you have our deepest thanks.

In November I began a Certificate

**Patty Evansco** program in Behavioral Health sponsored by Boston University's Center for Aging and Disability Education and Research. This certificate program was offered and awarded to those who work in Senior Centers in Florida and Illinois at no cost to their agency. It consists of five courses including various topics of Mental Health and Aging Issues and Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias. I am finding it very interesting and will share with you as the months go by.

I spoke with Rachel Feazel yesterday and she is doing very well and said to tell you that she misses everyone. She has taken a new job at the DuPage Township Senior Center. DuPage has several locations and the center she is at prepares and delivers hundreds of Meals on Wheels daily.

I read an article the other day that described the "winter waddle" as people swathed in heavy coats and boots, cautiously making their way along ice-coated sidewalks. We have begun to see this "winter waddle" in Millstadt. If you haven't already gotten a supply of sand or salt for your sidewalks, you better do it now before the rush. We are very grateful that the Village and Township make it priority to have the Senior Center's parking lot and sidewalks cleared before we open our doors. Remember that whenever Millstadt schools are closed due to inclement weather, the Senior Center also closes. When that happens, home delivered and congregate meals will be cancelled, so be sure to keep a few non-perishable foods on hand just in case. The closing will be included in those listed on local channels 2, 4 and 5.

Many thanks to Cindy MacDonald for the great job of decorating the Senior Center for the holidays. It looks beautiful!!! We hope everyone can join us for brunch on December 21<sup>st</sup>, and that you will also have the opportunity to enjoy time with friends and family during the holidays.

Please note that the Senior Center will be closed Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 for Christmas. We are open on New Year's Eve but will be

closed Tuesday, January 1 for New Years Day.



## **Merry Christmas** From Millstadt Township Senior Services

We will be having our 12 Days of Christmas giveaway this year beginning on Friday, December 7th. Each day there will a be a

Holiday Giveaway for everyone who has lunch with us. Our final "Grand" drawing will be at our Annual Christmas Brunch on Friday, December 21st.



December 21st. 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 Millstadt Township Senior Services **Invites You To Attend** The Annual Christmas Brunch, **Kitchen Band and Party On** Friday, December 21, 2018 Santa Has Gifts For Everyone The Zion Ladies Kitchen Band starts at 9:00 am With Caroling And Sing A Longs 10:00 am Brunch Will Be Served 10:30 am Santa Arrives Gifts, Christmas Drawings And **Quilt Raffle Drawing** Afterwards There Will Also Be **Pictures With Santa** Don't Forget To Get Your Quilt Raffle Tickets. Be sure To Call For Reservations. 

## Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation Meeting

At the November 29, 2018 monthly meeting The Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation reported that a \$13,429.37 profit was made at their Annual Trivia Night. The Foundation will be updating their menu for the Annual Dinner held at Mertz Motors.

Thank You for your support.

### Greenhouse And Refreshments

This year on December 5, 2018 Millstadt Township Senior Center returned for their annual trip to the <u>Millstadt Greenhouse</u>. The trip included a chance to see all the beautiful poinsettias and a special gift for everyone. After the tour we stopped at Lee's Home Center where the Vogel family and their staff welcomed us with tea, coffee and pastries. If you missed this trip you want to be sure to sign up early next year. Thank you, Millstadt businesses, for all you do for us! May you have a Happy and Prosperous 2019!



(L-R) Patty Evansco, Colleen Costello, Betty Schranz, Barb Knewitz, Santa Larry Schmeder, Carrie Kwentus, Pat Morris, Norma Burleson, Thelma Short and Lucille Reese.



Lucille Reece showing her favorite



Donna Vogel and Barb Green (not shown) welcoming everyone for a sweet treat after Greenhouse tour.

### Land of Lincoln Legal Services

**W**ill assist individuals of limited income age 60 and older with power of attorney for property and health care and simple last wills.

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### Come Visit Santa At The Township



Fridays - Dec 7, 14 4 pm-8pm Saturdays - Dec 8, 15 12Pm-5pm Sundays - Dec 9, 16 12pm-5pm 820 south Jefferson, Millstadt, IL Sponsored By The Millstadt Commercial Club & Millstadt Township 

# December Shopping Schedule

December 10 – Walmart Waterloo - 9am **December 17 - Dollar Tree** Columbia IL - 9am



# Pennywise Thrift Shop

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. Need a sweater to decorate for an "Ugly

Sweater" contest, stop by the Pennywise Thrift Store for a red or green sweater to decorate. All donations support the Millstadt Township Senior Center. Shop local!

#### Walk In Our Senior Walk Path Tuesday, Thursdays, And Fridays. 10 laps = 1/4 mile. Grab



your friends or walk alone! If you want us to keep a card on file so you can keep track of your progress, we will and award mile prizes at the end of September.

## Good Job Bowlers! Fall 2018 Wii Bowling Teams



1<sup>st</sup> Place Alley Cats (JoAnn Pisel/Janet Pauketat 2<sup>nd</sup> Place **Misfits (Marlene Bruehl/Betty Schranz** 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Odd Couple (Barb and Bob Louis)

Millstadt Township Senior Services held their end of season bowling banquet on November 28, 2018 that included a Breakfast brunch and gifts for everyone. The top game score bowlers of the year were Cindy Walker with 279 and her mother Janet Pauketat with a 201. The most strikes in a season award went to JoAnn Pisel with 13. The most spares of they season were Marlene Bruehl with 267 and Lil Tracy with 244. Thelma Short picked the most splits with a total of 16 for the season. Way to go Bowlers!!!

If you have time to spend in the mornings, we would like to have you join us for a morning of fun and social time. Our bowling league is looking for anyone who would like to join. No worries, you do not have to be a bowler to join and we do not go out to a bowling alley to bowl. We do our bowling using the Wii gaming system, it is a system we hook up to our television and all you have to do is aim and toss. We will show you everything you need to join in the fun. We need regulars and substitutes. Come on down and meet everyone it is a wonderful place to spend your mornings with great people.

The Winter 2019 Bowling will begin on January 2, 2019 and will hold the banquet on May 29th, 2019 and the Fall League will begin on July 31, 2019. There will be no bowling in June, July or August.

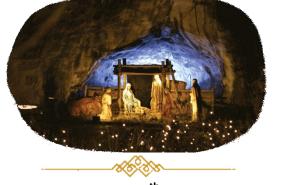
Rick Coleman the bowling league Director does a great job and we appreciate all he does for the league.

# **Crafting Time**



Join Carol Aston on January 16 at 10:00 am to learn how to make beautiful crafts.

**Our Lady Of The Snows** Way Of Lights And Dinner Wed., Dec. 19, 2018 Bus Leaves Millstadt At 4:15 Pm Call (618) 476-3731 To Reserve Your Spot



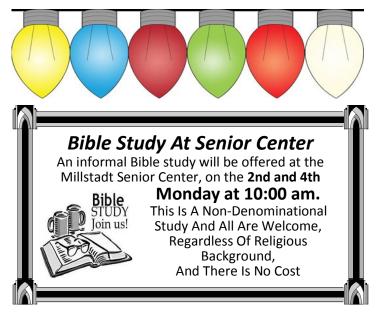
Call By December 12<sup>th</sup> For Reservation (618) 476-3731

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#### November 2018 Program Report

Date	Congregate Meals	Hot	Trans	Days Open	Average Daily Congregate	Average Daily Meals on Wheels	Average Congregate Contributions	Average MOW Contributions
October-18	780	1,020	440	23	34	44	3.67	3.19
November-18	689	856	319	19	36	45	2.99	2.38

The dining room meals (Congregate) were down 12% and Meals on Wheels down 16%. We were not open as many days because of Thanksgiving holiday. Our program is here to provide meals to everyone and we appreciate those that contribute \$5.00. Everyone is guaranteed a meal by our granting agreement with the United States Department of Aging whether a client can pay or not. Your help in sponsoring meals and continued donations are appreciated.



## The Cookies Are Coming!!!

The Annual Cookie Walk at Trinity Lutheran Church will be held on Saturday, December 8th 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.

# Surprise Ingredient

Mrs. Claus was making her special pot of beans for the annual Elf Christmas party held at the North Pole, just days before Christmas Eve.

The beans were simmering nicely on top of the stove, when two elves ran thru the kitchen with а Christmas classic Red Rider BB gun and a hand full of spare BBs. Stories vary on what exactly happened next, but, somehow, someway the



handful of BBs fell into the pot of beans. Not wanting to be added to Santa's "naughty list" so close to Christmas, the Elf stirred the bean pot and let the BBs fall as they may and said nothing to Mrs. Claus.

Santa came in from packing the sleigh and asked Mrs. Claus if she had added any new ingredients to the bean recipe. Mrs. Claus responded, she had not. She asked Santa why.

Well, when I bent over to offer Rudolph a carrot, I shot Fred the head Elf in the butt.

Tuesday, January 29, 2019 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Millstadt Community Center **Open House 102 South Jefferson Free Chili Supper** Dessert **Donated By** Millstadt IGA **Cheese Bread Donated By Breadeaux** Pizza Chili Donated By Mayor Mike Todd **Come And Visit With Your Millstadt Neighbors** 

# Rotisserie Chickens

We all seem to love those rotisserie chickens offered most grocery and box stores. Last year Americans bought 625 million of those



seasoned brown birds. In 2017 Costco saw 60 million rotisserie chickens go out their doors. How do they keep the costs down on their \$4.99 birds? Costco is building their own 414-acre chicken processing plant to keep the costs down on their super cheap \$4.99 price. This is how Costco keeps the price of their hot dogs at \$1.50, they are also in the hot dog making business. For cheap eats, Costco is the place to shop and dine.

What do you do with your \$4.99 chicken? Give us your favorite recipe for rotisserie chicken. Is it chicken and dumplings, chicken enchiladas, chicken soup, etc. What ever it is, give us your ideas and recipes for rotisserie chicken.



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. We have a new menu and hope to see you there!

# Dates to Remember

December 2, Weihnachtsfest, St. James Parish, 10:00 am-5:00 pm. December 21, First Day of winter

**December 25,** Christmas, Senior Center closed. **January 1,** New Year's Day, Senior Center closed.

### Library Archiving Newsletter

Did you miss an issue of "Senior Talk"? While we want you to be sure you see every issue of Senior Talk the Millstadt Library is now offering you an opportunity to catch up on all of our past issues.

Starting immediately, you can view past issues of Senior Talk since its first issue in September 2010. We are very happy and grateful that the Millstadt Library is archiving our newsletter.



I just read an article in the Oct/Nov 2018 <u>German Life</u> magazine (available Millstadt Library) that mentioned an old German boardgame "Muhlespiel" or "Muhle zu." As a child, I was taught this game by my brotherin-law Edwin Boehm. The board had 3 concentric "squares." The object was to make a "MILL" and capture your opponent's game pieces.

Does anyone recall the rules or sequence of play for Mills?

Perhaps, since the name of our village is "Milltown," we should consider adopting and official village game such as Muhlespiel/Mills. What do you think? Historical Society? Village Board? Crafters who could build gameboards and pieces?

## 2018 Senior Talk Newsletter Costs

Paper 10 Sheets (20 Pages)		10	\$0.029356	\$0.29
Lease	Per Copy Sheet	20	\$0.01358	\$0.27
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Envelope for 1 Newsletter			\$0.25	
<b>Total Cost to Mail 1 Newslette</b>		tter	\$2.45	
12 Issues per Year Cost to Mail			\$29.40	)

### Are You Interested In Learning To Play Different Cards Games?

Evelyn Lucy is organizing a Learning "Card Club" on Tuesdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Starting August 7<sup>th</sup> she will be teaching how to play the game Canasta. If you would like



to sign up please contact the Senior Center at 476-3731.









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Robin Krauth a former Marine and formally of Millstadt had the opportunity recently to visit with President Trump. Robin is the daughter of Kathy Krauth and they have moved to Louisiana. They were regular visitors at the Senior Center in their scooters.

# December Birthdays

🌂 1 Jean Patterson **James Schneider** 2 Rose Mary Piantanida 8 **3 Pat Oelrich** 4 Donna Crane Janet Mueller 5 Jewell Todd Jerold Touchette 🔍 6 Ronald Kissel 💐 7 Kathy A Schaefer 🛛 25 Beth Kwentus 9 Patty Evansco **Robert Fish 10 Janice Beller** Edward Luecking 28 Linda Stewart 11 Mary Ann Klosterman Ruth Morton 13 Mary Rowan

- 17 Shirley Brandenburger 🂐 **Billie Demond 18 Earl Eckert** Robert Stumpf **19 Mary Clendening** 20 Robin Krauth Lawrence Todd 22 Dorothy Edmondson **Evelyn Turner** 24 Rose Sanders 26 Rodney Holland **Barbara Knewitz 27 Carroll Rowan Carolyn Theis** 29 Marlou Eckert **30 Marcy Altschuh Dennis Fleming**
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### MILLSTADT TOWNSHIP SENIOR SERVICES



#### ILT RAFFLE QU DEC. 21, 2018

At Senior Center 1. Prize - Handmade Queen Size Quilt 2- Prize - Handmade Baby Quilt 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - Christmas Craft

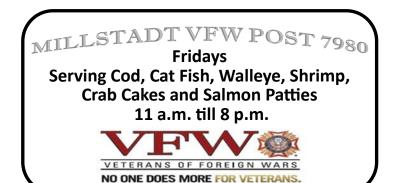


#### Available at the Center

Many tickets are being sold for our Quilt A Rama drawing on Dec 21, 2018. The Quilt tops are Handmade and Hand Quilted Queen Sized Pieced Quilts.

Aluminum Cans

**Donate Your Aluminum Cans** To The Senior Center Contact Patty Evansco at 476-3731 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*



# Illinois Benefit Access

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If you qualify please contact Millstadt Senior Center at 476-3731 and we can file for this discount for you.



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# Holiday Open House

Millstadt Library is hosting our Second Annual Holiday Open House! Join us, Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.! This year we'll again be having attendance prizes and library-card sign-up prizes.



New this year, we're adding a Millstadt Food Pantry Donation prize giveaway. We'll have a hot chocolate bar, coffee, and cookies.



Also, as an extra special treat, the Millstadt Community Choir will be here at 6 p.m. for some Christmas Caroling! And since it's on St. Nick's Night, be sure to let the kids place their name on a stocking and come back to see what Santa left behind! We hope to see you there!

# BLT Pasta Salad Recipe

Served on November 29, 2018 at the Millstadt Senior Center by Breadeaux Pizza

Prep Time 10 mins Cook Time 20 mins Total Time 30 mins



BLT Pasta Salad it the perfect summer side dish for your next BBQ. It combines the flavors of a favorite sandwich in salad form.

Course: Salad

Servings: -12 servings

#### Ingredients

- 1 12 oz box Bow Tie Noodles
- 1/2 lb. Thick Cut Hickory Smoked Sliced Bacon, cooked crisped and diced
- 1 cup of cherry tomatoes cut in half
- 2 -3 green onions diced
- 1 1/2 cups Monterey Jack cheese grated
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 3-4 Tbsp BBQ sauce
- 1 tsp garlic powder.

#### Instructions

- 1. Cook pasta according to directions in boiling water until cooked al dente. Drain and rinse.
- 2. In a bowl, combined pasta, tomatoes, green onion, cheese and bacon.
- 3. Mix together mayo, BBQ sauce and garlic powder.
- 4. Add dressing to pasta bowl and stir to combine. Salt and pepper to taste.
- 5. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

# Little Free Library

The Little Free Library, which looks like a giant bird house, is located in front of the Community Center and is open 24 hours a day. Donations of books may also be made at the library. It is based upon the theory that a borrower may take a book, read it, then return the book for others to enjoy. Books of kinds and for all age groups are available in the library. Stop by select a book or leave one for someone else to enjoy.



### Millstadt Township News

Recycling: Thank you to The Millstadt Township Officials George Blaha, Jim Palovick, Cathy Gaby, Stan Jarvis and Denise Blaha. 1.32 tons of recycling material was collected.

That brings the total to 17.49 tons collected so far this year!

### Visit Santa at the Township

Millstadt Township Hall, 820 South Jefferson Fridays Dec 7&14 4pm-8pm Saturdays Dec 8&15 12pm-5pm Sundays Dec 9&16 12pm-5pm We once again have a large item drop off at the Township Bldg., at 820 S. Jefferson

#### **UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

NO TV'S NO WOOD NO COMPUTER MONITORS NO FURNITURE **NO MICROWAVES** NO AA, AAA, C **NO TRASH/ CARDBOARD** BATTERIES **NO GLASS/PLASTIC NO D OR 9 V BATTERIES** 

Any person placing unacceptable items at this location are subject to prosecution or fine for

"Illegal Dumping". If you have something you can't haul we could pick up for a small fee depending on distance you can call 618-978-3914.

This is for drop off only, any unauthorized persons taking items will be considered stealing and can be prosecuted.

Need to get rid of an old TV: DO NOT LEAVE AT **TOWNSHIP OFFICE!!** 

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

Fees will apply depending on size. Between \$5-\$25

#### Wishing Everyone a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year!!

Millstadt Township Officials

Trustees - Charles Todd, George Blaha, Jim Palovick, Don Traiteur, Hy. Commissioner – Stanley Jarvis, Clerk - Cathy Hotz Gaby, Supervisor - Denise M Blaha, 820 South Jefferson, (618)476-1207



#### Friends Give Update on Tin Man

The Friends of the Old Millstadt OLD MILLSTADT WATER TOWER Water Tower are approaching the half-way mark in their fund-raising campaign to get the Old Millstadt Water Tower repainted. As of November 25, 2018, they now have \$98,000, with a little over two vears to get to the goal of \$200,000.

"We've had a very busy year with a fundraiser almost every month," said Betty Keller Timmer, president.



"The car show in September was wonderful - we had perfect weather, which helped bring 103 vehicles. We are very thankful for everyone who came to the show and who volunteered", she added.

In addition to the fundraisers, donations have been on the increase this year. "All donations are welcome and very much appreciated - none are too big or too small!" Keller Timmer explained. Online donations may be made by visiting the Friends' website, www.millstadtwatertower.org, going to the "Support Shop" tab, and following the screen prompts. Checks may be made payable to:

Friends of the Old Millstadt Water Tower

P. O. Box 335

Millstadt, IL 62260

The Friends is a 501 (C) 3 charity. Donors will receive an acknowledgement letter that can be used as an income tax receipt.

The Friends are continuing to recycle inkjet cartridges. Simply bring empty cartridges to Millstadt IGA, and the Friends will send them to recycling and then earn some money for the Tin Man.

The Friends are registered with the Amazon.Smile program. When shopping on Amazon, visit https:// smile.amazon.com/ and choose the Friends of the Old Millstadt Water Tower as your charity of choice. Amazon will donate, in most cases, a percentage of your purchase to the Friends. This also works with Amazon Prime.

Looking ahead, the Friends will be selling their merchandise at Millstadt IGA on December 22 from 9-3. They have several styles and colors of tee shirts, zippered hooded sweatshirts, pull-over hoodies, greeting cards and coasters. Scheduled events for 2019 include the annual Bowl-a-thon on February 2 at Bel-Air Bowl in Belleville, the annual trivia night/silent auction on March 9 at St. James Parish Center in Millstadt, the half-marathon/5K races on June 2 starting by the Tin Man, the annual Pre-Father's Day Bake Sale/Tee Shirt Sale on June 15 at Millstadt IGA, Noble Shire Carriages narrated horse-drawn trolley rides on September 22 and the annual classic car show on September 28 at Mertz Ford.

"We have some other events in the planning stages. More information to come", Keller Timmer concluded.



Medicare Information Open enrollment for Medicare Part D runs from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7. SHIP specialist Patty Evansco will present "What's New with Medicare" in the Senior

Center on Wednesday, Oct. 24, 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 16 she will meet one on-one with individuals in the senior center regarding the Medicare Part D prescription drug program. Appointments are available between 9:00 am 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 Thursday sessions, you must schedule an appointment by calling Millstadt at (618) 476-3731 or Freeburg Township at (618) 539-5639.



LIHEAP HEATING 2019 The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

started on October 1st this year. Households that meet income eligibility will receive a onetime grant assistance paid directly to the utility companies. An applicant can only apply once in a program year. To be eligible the following documents must be provided:

Social Security cards for all household members

- Total Income for last 30 days for entire household (SSA, SSI, Wages, Pension, etc.)
- Medicaid card Letter of Support and/or Letter of Permission (if applicable)
- Drivers License
- Current Utility bills (Nicor and Commonwealth Edison)
- Current Lease or Rent Receipt

Contact Millstadt Senior Center (618) 476-3731 for an appointment or for further questions. This program will end May 31, 2019 or until funds are depleted.



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.

Special Thanks to Concordia Church Immaculate Conception - Centreville St. James Catholic Church Trinity Lutheran Church Zion Evangelical Church Millstadt Baptist Church For Your Continued Support

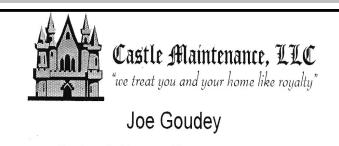
#### **Senior Transportation Program**

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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motorcoach and arrive later that day at a Casino Resort in exciting Tunical You'll check in and enjoy a delicious Dinner Buffet. Day 2: Have a Hot Breakfast before enjoying a GUIDED TOUR OF MEMPHIS, the

"Home of the Blues." From the music landmarks to legendary sights, you will experience the irresistible soul of this fascinating city. Later, you'll depart for free time on BEALE STREET in Memphis. Enjoy Dinner before heading back to your Casino Resort.

Day 3: After a Hot Breakfast, your group will have a memorable day, starting with a visit to the MEMPHIS ROCK 'N' SOUL MUSEUM. Since opening its doors in 2000, the Rock 'N' Soul Museum has been seen by over 200,000 tourists. Take an audio guided tour through the museum's seven galleries and see the story of rock and soul unfold through extensive audio footage, artifacts and audio visual programs. Then, return to Tunica to visit your Casino Resort for more gaming and Dinner.

Day 4: After a Hot Breakfast, your group will have another memorable day, starting with a MANSION TOUR of amazing and opulent GRACELAND, home of Elvis. Then,



# **Veterans Charity Scam**

From 2014 to 2017, charities associated with a Florida organization called Help the Vets raised \$20 million with patriotic, heartrending calls to aid veterans in need. "For thousands of disabled veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, giving an arm and a leg isn't simply a figure of speech — it's a harsh reality," a typical fundraising letter read.

There was just one problem: According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), almost none of that money went to help servicemen and women. Help the Vets spent 95 percent of donated dollars on administrative costs, compensation for its founder, and more fundraising. The now-defunct organization was targeted as part of a massive 2018 crackdown on a particularly shameful subset of charity fraud: scams that exploit Americans' gratitude for military members' service and sacrifice.

Sham veterans charities don't just steal or misspend your money; they divert millions of dollars that might otherwise flow to the many honorable organizations providing mental health care, housing, job training and other vital services to veterans and their families. Older people can be especially appealing targets, the FTC says.

These outfits use the same outreach techniques as trusted charities — letters, phone calls, email, texts and often adopt similar names, but they rely on deceptive pitches and high-pressure tactics to wear down donors. A little research can go a long way in weeding out phony appeals. Don't let scammers curb your generosity toward those who serve — but take steps to ensure your donated dollars truly support them.

#### Warning Signs

- Pressure to donate immediately. A legitimate veterans charity will welcome your donation whenever you choose to make it.
- Claims that you'll get a prize or win a sweepstakes if you give. That's illegal, according to the FTC.
- A thank-you for a donation you don't recall making. Phony fundraisers try to trick you into thinking you've already given to the cause, to lower your resistance to donating "again."



March 14, 2019 May 9, 2019 July 11, 2019

3:30 pm – 8:00 pm (MCS) 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm (St James) 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm (St James)

DECEMBER 2018

SENIOR NEWS

## 50/50 JIL Club Raffle If you haven't

## joined the club

yet, it's not too late! In January there will be a 50/50 raffle and a \$15 drawing for those who have birthdays in the month. You must be registered with the Center to be included in the birthday raffle. Be sure to check in office that we have your correct birthday. We will be selling 50/50 Raffle Tickets and the drawing will be the first Tuesday where you will have three chances to win each month! The tickets are \$1 per chance or 6 for \$5. Sign up today! Join the Club

### MILLSTADT SENIOR CENTER 50/50 CLUB RAFFLE

Winners Each Month!

Receive the Newsletter in the Mail!   Subscriptions are \$30.00 Per Year   Due To Postage Increases (12 Issues)   Name:   Address:
City: State: Zip:
Phone:
Please Send This Form And Your Check To: Millstadt Township Senior Services 102 South Jefferson Street Millstadt, IL 62260 **Be Sure To Check Your Mailing Label For Your Subscription Expiration Date**

## One CAN Make A Difference



Tom Venier stands near the tree that he put up along with all the hand carved ornaments that are offered during the Christmas Food Pantry Drive. If you donate 2 cans goods you may choose your choice of a Tom Venier hand carved ornament. His goal for this year is 100 cans, last year he collected over 167 items for the food pantry. The deadline is December 15, 2018.



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Martha Gallion, Alex Spelic and Tammy Heet and Michelle Rist enjoying Thanksgiving weekend at the Lake of the Ozarks.



**Save The Date** February 9, 2019 Annual Sandra M. Bereitschaft Dinner at Mertz's Ford.

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### You shop. Amazon gives.

Do you shop on Amazon? Now there is a new version of the company's website – smile.amazon.com – the company will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to charity. Customers pick their charity through the new website and there are almost one million to choose from, including Sandra Marie Bereitschaft Foundation (supports Millstadt, Freeburg and Smithton Meals on Wheels program).

There is no cap on the amount Amazon will donate and almost every physical product sold by the company is eligible, which means tens of millions of items. Digital goods are not included, but that may come in the future.

Everything else about the Amazon online shopping experience stays the same, including the shopping cart, wish lists and shipping options. The prices will also be the same, so these donations will suck some of the profit out of each sale Amazon makes through the program.

Please be sure to sign up, shop and add "Sandra Marie Bereitschaft Foundation" as your designated charity.

Thank you. <u>http://smile.amazon.com</u>



#### Bag Tournaments Results BAGS

#### November 1, 2018

- 1<sup>st</sup> Norma Burleson/Darleen Sanheinrich
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ralph Schneider/Barbara Knweitz
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ron Jelinek/Elmer Sandheinrich

#### November 8, 2018

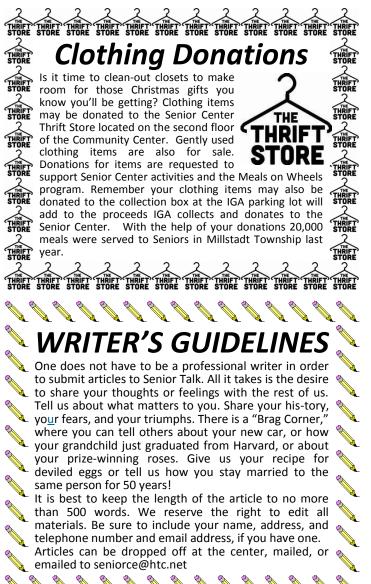
- 1<sup>st</sup> Patty Evansco/Norma Burleson
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry Hucke/Elmer Sandheinrich
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Buzz/Betty Schranz

#### November 29, 2018

- 1<sup>st</sup> Elmer Sandheinrich/Columbia Delong
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ron Jelinek/Norma Burleson
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Darleen Sandheinrich/Ralph Schneider

# Senior Moment

I've reached the age where my train of thought often leaves the station without me.



## Big Ole Bag and Jewelry Sale

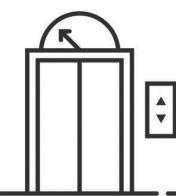
Mark your calendar now. The two-day sale is set for Friday evening, April 26 and Saturday, April 27, 2019. Donations of purses and jewelry may be made at the Community Center. This is always a popular event and all the funds raised are donated to the Senior Center.



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 **Schuberts** Coffee Mill Café 476-6540 **Smithton Village Hall** Smithton Library Freeburg Township **Freeburg Pharmacy** 

# **Elevator Fixed And Back In Operation**

A circuit board for the elevator recently shorted out causing over \$2,000 in damage. It has been repaired and we appreciate your patience during the time it was not working.



### HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, December 15 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m Mertz Ford 100 East Washington Millstadt, IL

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.: Hot Cocoa & Cookies with Santa 1:30 p.m.: Ugly Christmas Outfit Contest 2:00 p.m.: Helping Strays Car Raffle Drawing

Activities for the your little ones, Attendance prizes,

> Refreshments & **Holiday Fun!**



# Truckeria **Del Valle**



Saturday, December 8th 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## **Mertz Ford**

100 East Washington, Millstadt, IL Don't Miss Out On This Opportunity To Enjoy CHRIST

**Volunteers Blood Pressure** David Koch Center **Carrie Kwentus Cassidy Vollmer Corn-Hole/Panera** Ronald "Fuzzy" Eckert Driver Charlie Todd Kitchen **Bob Louis** Betty Schranz Charlie Worden **Collen Costello** Columbia DeLong **Carol Trever Darlene Sandheinrich Doris Chaput** Fern Sieber Frances Dickneite **Helen Conley** Kathy Krauth Lil Tracy Linda Hoepfinger Lucille Reese Norma Burlesman **Ralph Schneider** Shirley Rinck Toni Schneider **Bertha Rodgers** Master Gardener Marti Gibson **Meals on Wheels** Allen Analla Bob Borkowski **Carol Osick Charlie Mueth Cheryl Mueth Cindy Bertelsman Darlene Slovinski Debbie Mertz** 

Gary Huwer Jeannette Corv JoAnn Pisel Joe Burch Karen Witte Larry Osick Linda Kilhoffer Lindy Knysak Lois Potter Marge Watchel Marilyn Borkowski Marsha Davis Marylou Peter Nancy Kostelac **Ruth Morton** Sandra Muskopf Susan Sager **Cheryl Pierpoint** John Morton Nancy Burk Peggy MaKriakow Newsletter Don Mueller Jerry Schmitz **Newsletter/Bullentin** Board Kathy Schaefer Office Janet Mueller Jeannie Colbert Marlou Eckert MaryAnne Conrad Orville Mueller Mary Heberer Panera Jamie Bereitschaft Recycling Bert Hucke **Thrift Store** Eileen Doerr Mike Odonnell

#### SENIOR NEWS

## THANKS FOR OUR DONORS

**Doris Adams. Christmas Decorations** Pat Schaefer, Christmas Decorations Bob & Barb Louis. New Cushions for Rockers Bob Englebretson, Cups, Lemonade, Dawn **Debbie Steppig, Thrift Store Items Richard Chadeayne**, In Memory of Barbara Chadeayne Fults Mary Ann Conrad, Coffee Cups **Michele Mehrtens, Donation** Susan Sager, Donation **Robert & Janice Roenicke**, In Memory of Vera Diedrich James & Royanne Touchette, In Memory of Vera Diedrich Steven & Debra Craig, In Memory of Vera Diedrich Fred & Ruth Fritzinger, In Memory of Vera Diedrich Randy & Donna Eckert, In Memory of Vara Diedrich The Gloria Boehm Family. In Memory of Vera Diedrich Gary & Kathy, Diedrich SHIP Donation Janet Paucketat, In Memory of Vera Diedrich Alice Carolyn Eilers, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Stephen Houston, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Myrtle Weis, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Dean & Ann Seib, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Franklin & Shirleen Simek, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Helen Weible, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Mark & Lauri Weis, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Shirley Baltz, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Suzanne Keiser, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Joyce Mauren, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Mike & Sherry Weis, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Bill & Carol Albert, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Joni Poplin, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Charlton Sturm, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Kermit & Suzie Mueller, In **Memory of Shirley Bertelsman** Judy Stark, In Memory of Shirley Bertelsman Susan Weible, Jewelry for Big Ole Bag & Jewelry Sale Vianne and Mac McDaniels, Quilt Supplies Kenny Harris, Thrift Store Item Freeburg Township Meals on Wheels Program Don Elkins, Reminisce Magazine Scott & Becky Courtney, Roll of Stamps Marlene & Gene Herrmann, Newletter Sponsor **Dale Hines, SHIP Donation** Dorothy Edmondson, (2) Baby Quilt Tops Dorothy Edmondson, (3) Christmas Pillowcases Barbara Goudey, (2) Poinsettias **St. Clement Community Foundation** Grant for Meals on Wheels Nancy Carpenter Silver, Napkin ring holders

### Senior Talk Available On Internet

The Village of Millstadt web site has a variety of information available including the most recent copy of the Senior Talk newsletter, scheduled events for the Village, and copies of the Senior Menu and Activity sheet. Type in the following internet address, www.villageofmillstadt.org.

This should bring up the main page of the Village's web site, on the left side of the screen click on Community Center/Senior Center. On the next page, click on the latest edition of Senior Talk which will include the menu and activity sheet for the month.

# Thursday Quilters



(L-R) Joann Clemens, Pat Morris, Carolyn Theis, Lois Potter, Doris Adams, Teresa Barbier and Pat Schaefer



# Bus Rider Reminder

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



# Village Board Meeting

#### October 8, 2018

Report on Water: Al Lehr stated Scott Baltz informed him of work in the new Water Tower to begin October 15. Mayor Todd asked if anyone would inspect the inside of the tower. Scott has a number of divers to inspect the inside. They would have liked to drain the tower, however, the last time it was drained it caused an issue with water pressure in the Village.

Report on Equipment: New Ford maintenance truck from Mertz's should be delivered in the next few weeks. New police car is having special equipment installed and should be delivered to Mertz in about three weeks.

Cable Services: Village has received a letter from Spectrum that receiver prices and the surcharge will increase in prices. Spectrum customers will receive a letter informing them of the increase.

Old Business: Mayor Todd stated Randy Burke will be meeting with residents on Laurel Street that had some complaints.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Bag & Jewelry Sale

Time to clean out your closets and collect your gently used purses and jewelry to be donated for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Big ole Bag and Jewelry Sale. The sale will be held on April 26, 27, 2019 at the Community Center.



Donations of all purses and jewelry are accepted at the Community

Center. All proceeds from the sales benefit the Millstadt Senior Center. Thank-you for helping us make this event a success!

**Township Supervisor** Denise Blaha Village Mayor Michael Todd Director Patty Evansco **Nutrition Staff** Sandy Sanders Transportation (Drivers) Ed Luecking **Executive Board** Charlie Todd, President Ronald Eckert Al Lehr Mark Todd Ray Famula George Blaha **Advisory Council Members** John Baltz Carol Osick Darleen Sandheinrich Don Ortmann Kathy Schaefer Lillian Tracy Jerry Schmitz Pat Morris **Rich Brune** Barb Greene Editors Patty Evansco Marlou Eckert Don Mueller Janet Mueller Jerry Schmitz Judy Jacobs

Township Senior Services 102 South Jefferson St., Millstadt, IL 62260 Phone No. 618-476-3731

#### Fax No. 618-476-3921 email seniorce@htc.net 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** 

# **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

### "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.



News Release

SOCIAL SECURITY Emma and Liam Top Social Security's Most Popular Baby Names for 2017 Liam is Number One for the First Time, Michael out of Top 10

Emma and Liam are America's most popular baby

names for 2017. This marks the first time Liam has bested the boys, beating Noah for the top spot, and the fourth straight year for Emma. Liam first crawled into the top 10 in 2012 and has been reaching for the highest honor ever since. In other huge baby name news, Michael has been bumped from the top 10 for the first time since World War II, landing at number 12 this year. Emily also fell out of the top 10 for the first time since 1990. There are several new names in the top 10-Amelia and Evelyn make the list--Amelia for the first time since 1915. These traditional names show parents are keeping up the trend of naming daughters after grandmothers. Logan and Oliver are new for the boys, both making their first appearance on the list.

Here are the top 10 boys and girls names for 2017: Boys: 1) Liam Girls: 1) En

1) Liam	Girls: 1) Emma	
2) Noah	2) Olivia	
3) William	3) Ava	
4) James	4) Isabella	
5) Logan	5) Sophia	
6) Benjamin	6) Mia	
7) Mason	7) Charlotte	
8) Elijah	8) Amelia	
9) Oliver	9) Evelyn	
10) Jacob	10) Abigail	

For all the top baby names of 2017, and to find where your own name ranks, go to Social Security's website, www.socialsecurity.gov.

Acting Commissioner Nancy A. Berryhill encourages everyone to visit the agency's website to enjoy the baby names list and create a *my* Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount. *my* Social Security is a personalized online account that people can use beginning in their working years and continuing through to the time they receive Social Security benefits.

Social Security beneficiaries can have instant access to their benefit verification letter, payment history, and complete earnings record by establishing a *my* Social Security account. Beneficiaries also can change their address, start or change direct deposit information, and print a replacement SSA-1099 online. People receiving benefits can request a replacement Medicare card online.

Individuals age 18 and older who are not receiving benefits can also sign up for a *my* Social Security account to get their personalized online *Social Security Statement*. The online *Statement* provides workers with secure and convenient access to their Social Security earnings and benefit information, and estimates of future benefits they can use to plan for their retirement.

The agency began compiling the baby name list in 1997, with names dating back to 1880. At the time of a child's birth, parents supply the name to the agency when applying for a child's Social Security card, thus making Social Security America's source for the most popular baby names.

Each year, the list reveals the effect of pop-culture on naming trends. This year reality television seems to have influenced Mom and Dad.

Ensley was the fastest riser on the girls' list, moving 1,461 spots to number 965, from number 2,426 in 2016. Spring has sprung, and Wells (meaning "spring") had the biggest bloom in popularity for the boys, moving over 500 spots in 2017 from number 1,419 to 915. Perhaps his parents are fans of the hit TV show "The Bachelorette" where one of the popular contestants was named Wells. Does this mean more bachelors named Wells at future rose ceremonies?

In a clear nod to the popularity of the First Lady of the United States, new parents chose the name Melania at an increasing rate in 2017.

It looks like new parents are "Keeping up with the Kardashians" as the name Dream rose 840 spots in 2017. Fan or not, many people know Rob Kardashian and Angela White, aka Blac Chyna, named their daughter Dream in late 2016. For the boys, another fast riser was Nova, who may have gotten his popularity from all those Villanova Wildcats basketball fans naming their sons in celebration of the 2016 NCAA Men's Basketball Champions.

Please visit www.socialsecurity.gov to view the entire list.



1<sup>st</sup> Place Doris Chaput \$20 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Pat Morris \$15

# Oct. Birthday Drawing Ruth Morton

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Thank you Jeff and his staff for the delicious pastry donations every Tuesday and Friday mornings.

### Shirley Bertelsman

Shirley Mae Bertelsman, nee Sutter, 88, of Fairview Heights, III., formerly of Millstadt, III., born April 6, 1930, in Millstadt, III., passed away Saturday, November 3, 2018, at Charles Garden Senior Living in Fairview Heights, III. Shirley was a retired beautician and had previously worked at the Belleville Shoe



Factory. She was a member and past president of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce. She was a member of the VFW ladies auxiliary 1739 in Belleville, III., and the Moose Lodge in Swansea, III.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Milton Bertelsman; her parents, Elmer B. and Irma, nee Pfeil, Sutter; her four brothers, Elmer Sutter, Howard Sutter, Roland Sutter, and Benny Sutter; and her sister, Margie Schuchardt. Surviving are her son, Dennis (Irene) Bertelsman; her daughter, Susan (Paul) Weible; her four granddaughters, Tina <u>Smith</u>, Dena (Matt) Schmid, Heather (Justin) Reid, and Erica (Gregory) Uhrhan; her grandson, Chad (John Vazquez) Bertelsman; her ten great-grandchildren. She is also survived by nieces, and nephews, along with other relatives and friends. will follow at the Valhalla Gardens of Memory, Belleville, Illinois.

## David Fix

David Fix David Anthony Fix, Jr., 38, of Millstadt, IL, born September 15, 1980, in Belleville, IL, died Saturday, November 10, 2018, at his residence.

David was a security officer for Federal Protection Service/VT-SGI, St. Louis, MO. He was a United States Marine Corps combat veteran

who proudly served in the Battle of An Nasiriyah, and was part of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

David was a squared away Marine who lived by the phrase "Semper Fi."

He was a member of USGOA Local 20, St. Louis, MO, and the American Legion Millstadt Post 502.

He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Lyle and Neta Rapp; and a nephew, Andrew Meckfessel.

Surviving are his loving wife, Kendra M. Kostelac, whom he married October 3, 2015; his mother, Terry Deeke of Belleville, IL, his father, David A. Fix, Sr. of Channelview, TX; a sister, Kim (Kent) Meckfessel; his maternal grandparents, Roger and Vickie Deeke; his paternal grandparents, Donald and Marie Theresa Fix; a niece and nephew, Bryce and Macie Meckfessel; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, James and Nancy Kostelac; two brothers, John (Angela) Askew and Jeremy (Justine) Fix; his brother-in-law, Jamie Kostelac; many other aunts, uncles, family members, friends; and his special buddy, Tuffy. Memorials may be made to the family, in care of Kendra Kostelac.

### Debra Sisk

Debra Sisk, nee Leonard, born Nov. 19, 1951 in Wichita, Kansas left this life Nov. 5, 2018 in Millstadt, Illinois. Debi taught English at Columbia High School and Edwardsville High School as well as in East St. Louis. She was an adjunct at Southwestern Illinois College in Belleville, a



member of the DAR, and Lovejoy Library. She was smart, brash, generous, loving well-read, and funny. Her generosity was evident even after her passing as she gave the gift of life by being a tissue donor. She was preceded in death by her parents, John Leonard and Dixie Woodrum; her father and mother-in-law, Harold and Sally Sisk; a brother, Christopher Leonard; a sister, Stacey Weaver; and a son-in-law, Jason Schroder. Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Robert "Bob" Sisk; three daughters, Sonya (Josh) Marsh, Jennifer (John) Duncan, and Emily (Dave) Layman; eight grandchildren, Elizabeth and Mary Layman; Joel and Jenna Duncan; and Miranda, Nicholas, Keenan, and Charlie Marsh; friends Glenn and Sue Vollmer, and Taree McGee; and the thousands of students she taught and inspired.

The Millstadt Senior Center Expresses Our Deepest Sympathy To The Family,



Shirley Bertelsman Richard Egbert David Fix Debra Sisk Marvin Charles Schwartz

## Marvin Charles Schwartz

Marvin Charles Schwartz, 88, of Millstadt, Illinois, born December 26, 1929 in East St. Louis, Illinois, passed away Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at home surrounded by family.

Marvin proudly served his country in the United States Navy, serving on the U.S.S. Brush and the U.S.S Krishna during the Korean War. He was a lifetime member of the Millstadt VFW Post 7980 and was past Commander of the Millstadt American



Legion Post 502. He was the owner/operator of MC Schwartz Propane and MC Schwartz Inc. Fertilizer.

He worked as a sheet metal fabricator and was the owner operator of the family business Lehman Sheet Metal in East St. Louis and later owned Western Blowpipe and Sheet Metal in St Louis.

He was a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Millstadt, Illinois, where he also helped to construct the new church building. He was a member of the Ainad Shriner's of Southern Illinois and Emeth Lodge 1030.

He enjoyed many types of music and especially loved to dance the Polka. He loved to laugh and tell jokes and passed his love of cooking on to his children. He enjoyed teaching and molding the work ethic of his children and grandchildren. He was a loving father, grandfather and great grandfather. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Malburn and Margaret, nee Lehman, Schwartz; his son, Marvin Charles Schwartz Jr., in infancy; and his brother, Malburn Schwartz. Surviving to cherish his memory are his children, Daniel M. (Judy) Schwartz, Diana K. Schwartz, Brenda L. (Leo "Bud") Hoock, Malburn C. Schwartz, Brian S. (Jennifer) Schwartz, and Joshua M. Schwartz; his grandchildren, Ryan Schwartz, Danielle Schwartz, Ethan Schwartz, Seth Schwartz, Jacob (Kellie) Hoock, Jessica Hoock, Samantha Hoock, Trey Schwartz, Leigha Schwartz, and Wendy Schwartz; his four great-grandchildren, Nathan, Jack, Austin, and Colt; and many other relatives and friends.

### **Richard Egbert**

Richard Lee Egbert, 95 years old, of Millstadt, IL, passed away on Monday, November 5, 2018, at Red Bud Regional Hospital in Red Bud, IL. He was born December 1, 1922, in East St. Louis, Illinois. Richard was a member of the Concordia Church of Christ in Belleville,



IL. He served his country proudly in the United States Army, serving in World War II, as a combat engineer. He was a member of the VFW Post #7980 in Millstadt, IL, and the Masonic Lodge in East St. Louis, IL. He was employed for 40 years by Swift Packing Company in National City. Richard enjoyed gardening, fishing and attending his church regularly. He also enjoyed volunteering cutting and frying fish for the VFW for many years. His proudest accomplishments were his two sons. He was preceded in death by his wife of sixty years, Mary Jane Egbert; his parents, Leslie and Gleena, nee Uhles Egbert; four brothers, Leslie Egbert, Raymond Egbert, Tommy Egbert and Jim Egbert; and two siblings in infancy. Surviving are two sons, Robert (Kim) Egbert of Columbia, IL, and Richard (Toya) Egbert of Millstadt, IL; grandchildren, Angela Laskowski, Bonnie Egbert & Riley Egbert, Aaron Mouser & A.J. Mathis, and Tom Albers; great-grandchild, Grace and Griffen Laskowski, Tanner and Chase Mouser, Bailey and Timothy Albers, and Kaya Mathis; his brother, Jack Egbert; his sister, Emma Ruth Roethmeier; along with other relatives and friends. Interment will follow in Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights, IL.