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Millstadt Township Senior Services To Provide Phone Reassurance To Seniors

Recent studies show that loneliness and isolation are leading contributors decline, both mentally and seniors. physically, in As one study conducted by the University of California,



San Francisco found, those age 60 and older who reported feeling lonely saw a 45 percent increase in their risk of death, while isolated respondents had a 59 percent greater risk of mental and physical decline than their more social counterparts.

Millstadt Senior Center will begin offering a program that will provide critical socialization services, enabling seniors to remain in their own homes for as long as possible.

We will be calling anywhere from 2-7 days a week 365 days a year from the hours of 8 and 5. We will also try to add home visits to many of the seniors in the program.

If you are interested in volunteering or want to sign up to receive the service please contact Patty Evansco at (618) 476-3731.

Tributes and Memorials

The beginning of the year is a great time to honor a loved one, colleague or client. Tribute and memorial gifts may be made to Millstadt Township Senior Services by calling (618) 476-3731 or by mailing a check made payable to Millstadt Township Senior Services, 102 South Jefferson Street, Millstadt, IL 62260.

Quilt Raffle Winners

Congratulations and Thank You to all who purchased a ticket

1st Place Quilt 2nd Place **Baby Quilt** Toaster Oven Teresa Barbier

Allen Analla **Don Ortmann**

From Below The Tower



Patty Evansco

Christmas is over for another year and it's 2020! I hope you had a memorable Christmas and I really appreciate your Christmas gifts and for thinking of me. What was your favorite present? I must have been a good girl this year, Santa brought me very nice gifts under my tree including a new coffee pot, a Freeburg Midget sweatshirt,

special Yankee candle and a new mixer.

Have you made any resolutions or changes you want to make? Of course, I made my annual resolution to lose weight, exercise and eat healthier food. Change is often much harder than it looks. Many good intentions fall away very soon. I think the challenge is to keep trying rather than give up.

My goal at work is to get the newsletter out by the 2nd of each month. Wow! You are probably thinking that would be a miracle. I do really try hard to make it happen, but I'm easily side-tracked when someone needs my help. I promise to do better and work harder to make this happen in 2020.

This year I would like to challenge you to try to learn something new and test your brain regularly. The Center offers different types of interest groups, sports, activities and trips.

We are starting a new Telephone Reassurance program, if you would like to help or want to be added to the call list, please let me know.

All in all, I look forward to hearing about any new adventures and challenges you have planned for 2020. Please stop by my office and share how this challenge exposed you to something new.

Remember if you really care about your friends, take the time to ask them "How are things going?"

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! From the Director

Save The Date

February 8, 2020, Annual Sandra M. Bereitschaft Dinner at Mertz's Ford.

Sister Cities Select Youth for 2020 Youth Ambassador Exchange

Five youth have been selected to participate in The 2020 Millstadt Sister Cities Youth Ambassador exchange program with Gross- Bieberau Germany. The youth are Chloe Brown, Sydni Juhas, Shannan Riley, Will Weckand Zach Wagner.

Proceeds from the annual Weihnachtsfest are used to support the annual youth exchange program. Five youth from Germany will also visit with the families from Millstadt later this summer.

Smart Ways to Help the Sandra M Bereitschaft Foundation Meals on Wheels

SMB Makes Year-End Giving Easy

- 1. Make a New Year Gift Make a difference and donate to our Annual Campaign
- 2. Get Your Gift Matched Find out if your employer has a Matching Gift Program
- Become a Meal Sponsor Our monthly giving program enables you to donate on a recurring basis.
- 4. IRA Charitable Rollover Taxpayers age 70 ½ or older may transfer up to \$100,000 annually from their IRA accounts directly to the Sandra M Bereitschaft Foundation without first having to recognize the distribution as income.
- 5. Donate Stock Make a bigger impact by donating securities including stock, bonds, and mutual funds directly to SMB. You can deduct the full market value of your stock, saving income taxes and capital gains on appreciations.

Big Ole Bag And Jewelry Sale



Mark your calendar now. The two-day sale is set for Friday evening, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, 2020. Donations of purses and jewelry may be made at the Community Center. This is the perfect time to clean closets and drawers to make room for

your Christmas gifts. This is always a popular event and all the funds raised are donated to support your Millstadt Senior Center.

Sandra M Bereitschaft Foundation



Annual Dinner At Mertz Motors February 8, 2020

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!

Weihnachtsfest Raffle Winners

Following are the raffle prize winners at the December 8, 2019 Weihnachtsfest:

First prize, Laura Texter of Freeburg, \$250.00; 2nd prize, Alyssa Riley of Millstadt, \$100.00

Schubert's Smokehouse certificate donated by Elle Heiligenstein/Creason Funeral Services; 3rd prize, Joedy Souder, Channellock Shop Vac, donated by Lee's Home Center; 4th prize, Katherina Weygandt, Millstadt, \$75.00 Ott's Fish Stand and Tavern certificate; 5th prize, Conny Beatty, Millstadt, \$50.00 Schubert's Smokehouse certificate donated by David Kossina; 6th prize, Joseph Early, Millstadt, Liter stein with \$25.00 gift card donated by Hofbräuhaus.

Congratulations to all the raffle winners. Thank-you to everyone who helped make the 25thAnnual Weihnachtsfest a success. The Weihnachtsfest helps support the annual Youth Ambassador exchange with our Sister City Gross-Bieberau.

How Does Someone Feel When You Tell Them They Look Tired?

If someone is yawning frequently, then it's reasonable to conclude that he or she is sleepy. It's fine, mostly, to say, "You seem tired." (I say "mostly"

because even if he or she is tired and you had reason to believe that, there might be a better way to ask.) But when you conclude that someone looks tired, you're going based off his or her physical appearance. Maybe his facial color seems a little off, or maybe she seems like she has bags under her eyes. These are generally considered to be unattractive things. Although your intentions might be showing concern and care, you're signaling that the person's physical characteristics are not attractive that day. That is a mildly hurtful thing; it's calling her a little bit ugly and making her self-conscious. It's better to just avoid such a comment. Even if you are basing this on the person's actions, it can still be annoying. If it happens frequently, it makes a person have to be hyperaware of how he or she is coming across.

There's a person I know who does this regularly. If I answer the phone and don't sound sufficiently "bubbly," she'll say: "Is everything OK? You seem kind of down." This happens about 30 percent of the time, immediately after I answer the phone. I've learned to fake a bubbly tone when I answer the phone for her just to avoid this question. She means well, but it's annoying.

If you really want to inquire about the person, it's better to ask in an open-ended way: "How are things?" This doesn't pass any judgement on his or her emotional state or physical appearance. And if the person is actually in an upbeat mood, it gives him or her the opportunity to talk about this, instead of having to justify *No, really, I'm fine*.



James Clemens and Paul Braner give St. Nikolaus a ride to the 2019 Weihnachtsfest.

Poinsettias, Coffee and Cookies

On Tuesday, December 10th nine ladies in their Christmas red boarded the Senior Bus and headed out to Millstadt Greenhouse where they were greeted by the friendly faces of Ruth and Bonnie. Ruth guided them through the beautiful display of red, white, pink, burgundy and assorted bi-colored poinsettias, both large and small. Each senior received a small poinsettia. Everyone then got back on the bus and they went to Lee's Home Center. The Vogel sisters and brothers treated everyone to free cookies and coffee. After checking out the decorations and sale items at Lee's they came back to the Senior Center to await their Chicken and Dumpling lunch. Thank you, Millstadt Greenhouse and Lee's Home Center, for such a fun morning!



(L-R) Jean Siegfried, Lil Tracy, Thelma Short, Norma Burleson, Barbara Kwenitz, Betty Schranz, Glenda Skidis, Lucille Reese and Pat Morris.

Did you Know?

Poinsettias were so named in the United States in honor of Joel Roberts Poinsett (botanist, physician and the first U. S. Ambassador to Mexico). While in Mexico and with an interest in botany, he scouted the countryside in search of new plant species. And, in 1828 he found a beautiful shrub with large red flowers growing alongside a country road. He took cuttings from the plant and propagated them in his greenhouse in Charleston, South Carolina. Poinsett had an outstanding career as a congressman and ambassador, but his greatest contribution to society was the introduction of the poinsettia into this country.

Sandra M. Bereitschaft Fundraiser

Join us on Tuesdays at the Millpond Brewery to support the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation Meals on Wheels program and our local Brewery, Millpond. A percentage of beer sales on Tuesdays will be donated to the Foundation.

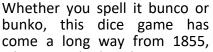
A special event will on Tuesday, January 28 with the Mayor Mike Todd donating chili, dessert will be provided by Millstadt IGA and cheese bread will be donated by Breadeaux Pizza. Proceeds from these events are used by the SMFB to purchase meal containers for the MOWS program.

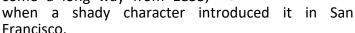
Millstadt Township Senior Center Meals On Wheels Monthly Birthday Drawing

Every month, anyone with a birthday that month who also receives Meals On Wheels will automatically be entered into a drawing held on the last day of the month!

The winner will receive a \$20 Gift Card to the Millstadt IGA

Bunco Fun





In those days, separating citizens from their money was the goal — not playing for innocuous prizes. In the early 1900s, the game became so popular that every large city had a bunco parlor. Then it fell out of favor, only to return in a big way during Prohibition. By then, bunco was associated with scams, swindling

and confidence games. In fact, the detectives who raided the gambling parlors in speak-easies were known as the "Bunco Squad."

But there is nothing unsavory about the game these days. Its popularity grew again in the 1980s; now, just about every church, sorority and senior citizens group has a bunco night, which is described as fun, fun, fun. **Millstadt Township Senior Services** will hold **Bunco on Thursday, March 19, 2020**. Mark your calendars, the event will be held at St. James Parish Center located at 405 West Madison, Millstadt. Equally important is the food, and we will have a buffet of desserts that always includes something chocolaty. There will be prizes for everyone. Games start at 7:00

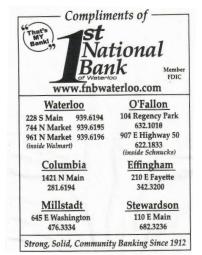
There will be prizes for everyone. Games start at 7:00 p.m. Hope you can make it. If you have any questions, call (618) 476-3731.

Part Time Drivers Needed

Millstadt Senior Center is looking for responsible, courteous, clean, non-smoker, helpful and safe drivers. If you would be interested or know of someone that would like working in a low stress part time job, please contact Patty Evansco at (618) 476-3731.

1st National Bank of Waterloo

Thank you 1st National Bank of Waterloo for supplying dinner napkins for our dining room every day.



Millstadt Red HelPcave Cross Blood Drive Schedule

March 12, 2020 May 7, 2020 July 9, 2020 **September 10, 2020** November 5, 2020

3:30 pm - 8:00 pm MCS 3:00 am - 8:00 pm St James 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St James 3:30 pm - 8:00 pm MCS 3:30 pm - 8:00 pm MCS

Bag **Tournaments** Results



December 5, 2019

1st Carol Terveer/Norma Burleson

2nd Thelma Short/Toni Schneider

3rd Larry Hucke/Ralph Schneider

December 12, 2019

1st Barb Kwentiz/Norma Burleson

2nd Don Jelinek/Toni Schneider

3rd Ralph Schneider/Darlene Slovinski

December 19, 2019

1st Carol Terveer/Norma Buleson

2nd Barbara Kwentiz/Evelyn Weber

3rd Ron Jelinek/Lorene Steel

December 26, 2019

1st Ralph Schneider/Ron Jelinek

2nd Barbara Kwentiz/Thelma Short

3rd Norma Burleson/Carol Terveer



Betty Schranz and her grandchildren volunteers Kerrigan Wenge and Nathan Staake.

Aluminum Cans

Donate Your Aluminum Cans To The Senior Center Contact

Patty Evansco at 476-3731



Age Smart has required that all volunteers for the Millstadt Community Center undergo a background check, this is a condition of the Grant that is received by the Center. These checks are done to protect not only our clients but our volunteers and employees as well.

Please provide copies of your drivers license by January 31. If you do not have a printer at home the Center will be happy to make a copy for you.

The Background checks will be completed by the Millstadt Police Department.



SIGN UP FOR COMPUTER TUTORING AT THE SENIOR CENTER

BRING YOUR IPAD, IPHONE, ANDROID DEVICE OR LAPTOP AND LEARN THE BASICS. EACH SESSION WILL BE GEARED TOWARD STUDENTS' INTERESTS AND ABILITIES. NEXT SESSION:

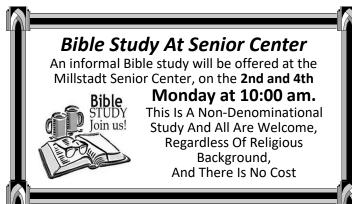
FRIDAY, JAN. 24

BEGINNING AT 10:00AM
SIGN UP FOR A 30 MINUTE
PRIVATE LESSON AT THE SENIOR
CENTER.



Subscription to Senior Talk

Tired of fighting the lines at local businesses for the latest copy of Senior Talk? To have a copy delivered to your mailbox for the next year, make a \$500.00 donation to the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation, Meals on Wheels program and receive a free one year subscription to Senior Talk. A subscription to the newsletter also makes a great birthday gift.



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

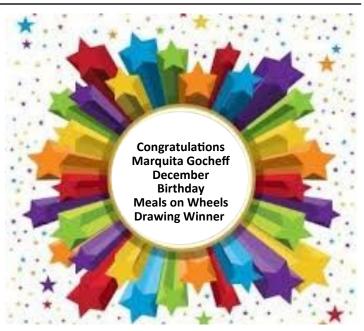
This Service is Available for Persons 60 Years and Older and Their Caregivers

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









Janet Switzer delivering Meals on Wheels Gifts.



Allan Analla warms up with his Quilt Raffle prize.

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Millpond Brewery East Washington -Millstadt



Free Chili Supper

Dessert Donated By Millstadt IGA
Cheese Bread Donated By Breadeaux Pizza
Chili Donated By Mayor Mike Todd
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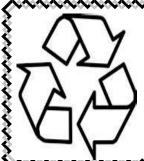
Details in store or call
618-476-1760



Charlene Faulbaum and Otto Faulbaum Shoveling Snow.

Cyber Seniors

Sessions with Mike Capell continue the 4th Friday of each month. Our next session will be January 24, 2020 at 10:00.



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A Healthy Snack

I think I have found my go to "healthy snack". They are yogurt covered pretzels. There are only 19 calories in 1 yogurt covered pretzel. I read that yogurt may help burn fat and promote weight loss. Researchers found that obese adults who ate three servings of fat-free yogurt a day as part of a reduced-calorie diet lost 22% more weight and 61% more body fat than those who simply cut calories. Yogurt is also a calcium-rich food.

Volunteer Opportunity

If you would like to volunteer to help as a meal site server or dishwasher at the Senior Center any day from 11:30-1:00 p.m. please contact Patty at (618) 476-3731.



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Dates to Remember

Monday, January 20, 2020 - Crafts with Carol Wednesday, January 22, 2020 - Out to Eat at JV's (Waterloo, IL)

Friday, January 24, 2020 - Computer/Tech Help 10:00 am

Tuesday, January 28, 2020 - Community Free Chili Supper (Millpond)

Saturday, February 08, 2020 - SMB Dinner at Mertz **Saturday, February 29, 2020** - Senior Center Annual BBQ Fundraiser

Tuesday, March 17, 2020 - Center closed for Election

Thursday, March 19, 2020 - Bunco held at St James **Saturday, April 11, 2020** - Porch Sale

Friday, April 24, 2020 - Big Ole Bag and Jewelry Sale Saturday, April 25, 2020 - Big Ole Bag and Jewelry Sale

Bus Rider Reminder

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



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Income Tax Preparation Assistance Available

Income tax preparation will be available at the Senior Center starting February 6th for low and middle income seniors 60 and older. Volunteers, trained at an IRS certified program sponsored by AARP, will provide tax assistance by appointment.



Complex returns will be referred to private tax preparers.

While there is no fee for this service, donations to the Millstadt Senior Center are gratefully accepted. Call Millstadt Township Senior Services at 618-476-3731 starting January 2, 2020. This service is available on Thursdays by appointment.



Are You a Family Caregiver Caring for an Older Adult? You May Qualify for Financial Assistance. This Program is For you If you are:

- A caregiver over age 18.
- AND provide in-home care to individuals who are 60 years old or under 60 with Alzheimer's disease or related disorder.

Eligible caregivers are provided with funds to help meet needs that are essential to provide care for the older person.

Allowable expenses include:

Home modifications, adaptive equipment, transportation, adult day care, etc.

Funding is limited. Priority is given to the individuals with greatest economic and social need.



To learn more, please call 618-222-2561.

Visit our website www.AgeSmart.org to learn about other programs and services that help you Age Well Your Way!



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Your total income last year must be less than

- \$27,610 for a 1 person household (yourself only);
- \$36,635 for a 2 person household (yourself and your spouse, or yourself and one Qualified Additional Resident); or
- \$45,657 for a 3 person household (yourself, your spouse and one Qualified Additional Resident, or yourself and two Qualified Additional Residents).

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

Penny Wise Thrift Store

It's just the right time to think Halloween costumes and what better way to find some low cost, creative ideas than the one local thrift store.



A variety of clothing This Photo by Unknown Author is licensed under CC BY-SA

and decorative items are available to make a unique costume. The price is always right, free will donation for the items selected. The Thrift Store is also open the third Wednesday of the month, from 6:00-7:30. The store is also open from 9:00-2:00, Monday thru Friday.



Clorox Spring Cleaner
Small Dessert Plates
Postage Stamps
All Occasion Cards
Lemonade (Sams)
Puzzles (500 pieces)
Trivia Game for Wii
Ziploc Quart and Gallon Bags
(Meals on Wheels)

TRANSPORTATION NOTICE

Effective January 1, 2020

Due to the increased usage of the Senior Transportation Service and drive time, we will be doing Doctor appointments as follows:

*Belleville Doctors will be done on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:00 am to 11:00 am

*Shiloh/O'Fallon Doctors will be done on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 am to 10:30 am

Please schedule future appointments accordingly.

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.

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Your Subscription Expiration Date**

Newsletters now available in the Little Library located in front of Millstadt Township Senior Services at the Community Center.



If you misplace or lose your Medicare Card, please do not fret. The Millstadt Senior Center can have a replacement Medicare



card on its way to you within 5 minutes. This is a very easy and simple task and we are glad to help you with it. Call (618) 476-3731 if you have any questions.

Boy Scout Troop 622 All You Care to Eat Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast

Sunday, February 23, 2020

7:30 AM to 11:30 AM

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Little Free Library

How do you get to know a community or neighborhood? Walk around, eat at the local restaurants, visit the ice cream shop. One more way to get a glimpse of the people who live



there: Visit its Little Free Library to see which books the residents put in the library to share and inspire. The nonprofit, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, has libraries in 91 countries and has shared 120 million books since its inception. Visit Millstadt's own Little Free Library at 102 S. Jefferson Street, in front of the Millstadt Community Center, and discover another side of the people who live here.

Millstadt Township News

Dec 7 Recycling: Thank you to the volunteers from Knights of Columbus, Dan Ellegood, Larry Schaefer, Greg Rakers, Dan Gerteisen and Austin Gerteisen. Also participating Bert Hucke, Township Officials Stanley Jarvis, Don Traiteur, George Blaha, Jim Palovick and Denise Blaha for helping to collect 1.50 tons of material.

Recycling is held the first Saturday of the month from 8:00-10:00 am at the Road District Bldg. rain or shine.

Note: Recycle items need to be clean or it can contaminate the load.

Large item recycling

Currently there is a TV's dumped off, these are not allowed.

The service will be cancelled if the abuse continues.

10th Annual Bag & Jewelry Sale

Time to clean out your closets and collect your gently used purses and jewelry to be donated for the 10th annual Big ole Bag and Jewelry Sale. The sale will be held on April 24, 25, 2020 at the Community Center.

Donations of gently used purses and jewelry are accepted at the Community



THANKS FOR OUR DONORS

Brenda Goudey (3 Poinsettias)
Kitchen Supplies

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Thelma Short

Gary and Debbie Helfrich

Betty McCombs

Beth & Rich Kwentus

Jim & Mary Heberer (Christmas Giveaway)

Diane Mehrmann (Sugar Free Cookies)

Beth & Rich Kwentus (Sugar Free Cookies & Ziploc Bags)

Gary & Debbie Helfrich (Bingo Prizes)

Bob & Barb Louis (Bingo Prizes)

Gary & Kathy Diedrich (Gift Card)

Bob & Nancy Brown (Betty Krupp Memorial)

Bert Hucke (Cecilia Helfrich Memorial)

Betty Keller Timmer (Lydia Keller Memorial)

Marilyn Beaston Memorials

Dawn Arns

Terry & Mary Borrenpohl

Susan Borrenpohl

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Special Thanks to
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Millstadt Baptist Church
St. James Catholic Church
St. Michaels Catholic Church
Trinity Lutheran Church
Zion Evangelical Church

For Your Continued Support

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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Millstadt Senior Center Meals Report December 2019

863 Congregate Meals

89 Congregate Meals (Smithton Center)

952 Total Congregate Meals

970 Meals on Wheels Delivered

383 Two Way Rides

53 Average Congregate Clients Per Day

54 Average Meals on Wheels Clients Per Day

\$3.07 Average Collected from Congregate

Diners

\$2.07 Average Collected from Meals on Wheels Clients

\$4.50 Suggested Donation

Community Center & Park Pavilions Rental

If you are looking for a place to have an an anniversary, baby, bridal or birthday party are consider renting the Millstadt Community conter or a pavilion at the park. Call the Village are Hall at 476-1514 for rental information.

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A pastor entered his donkey in a race and it won. The pastor was so pleased with the donkey that he entered it in the next race, and it won again.

The local newspaper read: PASTOR'S ASS OUT FRONT. The Bishop was so upset with this kind of publicity that he ordered the pastor not to enter the donkey in another race.

The next day, the local newspaper headline read: BISHOP SCRATCHES PASTOR'S ASS.

This was too much for the Bishop, so he ordered the pastor to get rid of the donkey. The pastor decided to give it to a nun in a nearby convent.

The local paper, hearing of the news, posted the following headline the next day: NUN HAS BEST ASS IN TOWN.

The Bishop fainted. He informed the nun that she would have to get rid of the donkey, so she sold it to a farmer for \$10.

The next day the paper read: NUN SELLS ASS FOR \$10. This was too much for the Bishop, so he ordered the nun to buy back the donkey and lead it to the plains where it could run wild.

The next day the headlines read: NUN ANNOUNCES HER ASS IS WILD AND FREE.

The Bishop was buried the next day.

The moral of the story is:

Being concerned about public opinion can bring you much grief and misery and even shorten your life. So be yourself and enjoy life. You'll be a lot happier and live longer

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. 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.



Village Of Millstadt Village Hall November 25, 2019 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mike Todd, with the following trustees answering to roll call: Randy Burk, Mike Capell, Ray Famula, Mike French, Al Lehr, and Mark Todd. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ray Famula made a motion to open the public hearing for annexing property to the Village. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The property is owned by Scott and Alyssa Feazel and is located on Beil Road. Stanley Jarvis asked if it would be contiguous to what is already annexed in the village. Mayor Todd answered yes. Mr. Jarvis stated that the Village would be responsible for that much more road then. Mayor Todd responded that the Township is still responsible for the streets on the other side of Beil Road. Ray Famula made a motion to close the public hearing. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Todd corrected the November 12th minutes to state that after the Executive Session the officer would be going to the Metro East Auto Task Force. A motion was made by Ray Famula to approve the amended November 12th minutes. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS: Mike Capell stated he reviewed the bills. Mike Capell made a motion to pay the bills. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mike Capell stated the Village needed to pay into the IPRF and ICRMT. Mayor Todd added it is for the Village's property insurance and workman's comp. Mike Capell made a motion to pay \$110,686 into the Illinois Public Risk Fund and the Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS:

SEWER: Al Lehr stated Brian has been doing regular maintenance and replaced the belts that broke.

REFUSE: Al Lehr stated recycling will be on Friday the week of November 25th due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk passed out the IDOT contract for the streetscape funding. It will be for \$245,150. It will be on the December 9th agenda to be voted on. Village Engineer Jim Barganier stated the contract has also been submitted to IDOT. Randy asked if he had any information about getting the easements. Jim answered he did not. Mayor Todd asked if the Village will match \$200,000. Randy answered yes but less can be spent because the project has been cut back from what was originally proposed. There will be a final estimate before the project goes out for bids. Jim added there will also be a design estimate included. Tracy Holmes asked if the engineering fees were included. Randy answered no.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE, AND EQUIPMENT: Scott Baltz stated Geissler has begun fixing the roofs of the pavilions. Three to four of them have already been re-shingled. They have been working as the weather permits. Scott added he has been keeping the insurance company updated.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Ordinance 1205 is the Feazel Annexation Agreement. It is for annexing the property owned by Scott and Alyssa Feazel off Beil Road. A public hearing was held at the beginning of the meeting. Mike French made a motion to approve Ordinance 1205 as presented. Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated general maintenance has been happening in the parks. He asked if there was any update on the rocket ship slide. Mayor Todd answered that the iron workers are going to look at it. Scott Baltz added that they need it taken down to look at it but there hasn't been a chance to get it down yet.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated the Senior Center Christmas Party will be held on Monday, December 23rd. The Center will be closed on December 24th and 25th. They will be open on New Year's Eve. The computer class that is offered at the Center is getting larger and has been very successful. 35 people signed up for heating and cooling assistance. December 10th will be a trip to Heimos Greenhouse. Also, on December 10th Millpond Brewery will have free appetizers and a percentage of their drink sales will be donated to the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated there would not be a Planning Commission meeting in December. The next meeting will be held in January.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Police Department – Police chief Ed Wilkerson stated their Annual Toy Drive began November 25th and will go through December 11th. Emergency Service and Disaster Agency - none Fire Department – none

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated the Lighted Parade will be held the Friday after Thanksgiving. It starts at Subway and ends at the VFW where there will be festivities. Mike French added that they are planning to hold it rain or shine.

D.A.R.E. College Scholarship

The Millstadt Police Department will be offering their 13th annual D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) College Scholarship. The winner of the scholarship will be awarded \$1,000 to be used for the upcoming school year. Applicants must be entering college in the fall of 2020. They must be a graduate of either Millstadt Consolidated School or St. James Catholic School in Millstadt. Applicants must also have a 3.0 high school grade point average, will be required to write a 500 – 750 word essay, submit three character references, and submit their official high school transcripts. Those interested can pick up an application at the police department, village hall, or check with their high school guidance counselor's office. Any questions should be directed to Lt. Alan Hucke at 476-7250, or ahucke@millstadtpolice.org.

Penny Wise Thrift Store

Stop by the second floor Thrift Store at the Community Center for Christmas ornaments, wreaths, Nutcrackers and decorative Santa's, 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 and no sales tax.



Frances Dickneite 125
Gloria Kettler 118
Jean Siegfried 69
Loren Steele 51



We Need More Rummy Players – Please Come And Join In At 9:00 am Weekdays.



Millstadt Township News

Dec 7 Recycling: Thank you to the volunteer from Millstadt Chamber of Commerce President Ashley Reeder. Also participating Bert Hucke, Township Officials Stanley Jarvis, Don Traiteur, George Blaha and Denise Blaha for helping to collect 1.84 tons of material.

Recycling is held the first Saturday of the month from 8:00-10:00 am at the Road District Bldg. rain or shine.

Note: Recycle items need to be clean or it can contaminate the load.

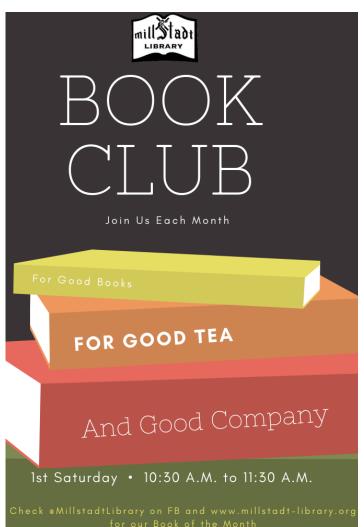
Large item recycling

Currently there are 3 TV's dumped off, these are not allowed.

The service will be cancelled if the abuse continues.

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. Copies of the Newsletter are also in there.



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

Notary Services Are Provided Free At The Senior Center

Canasta Corner



DECEMBERCANASTA GROUP SCORES

Barb Louis and Evelyn Lucy
Barb Louis and Thelma Short
Barb Louis and Norma Burleson
Norma Burleson and Evelyn Lucy
Dot Edmondson and Betty Schranz

1 Game

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WRITER'S GUIDELINES

One does not have to be a professional writer in order to submit articles to Senior Talk. All it takes is the desire to share your thoughts or feelings with the rest of us. Tell us about what matters to you. Share your his-tory, your fears, and your triumphs. There is a "Brag Corner," where you can tell others about your new car, or how your grandchild just graduated from Harvard, or about your prize-winning roses. Give us your recipe for deviled eggs or tell us how you stay married to the same person for 50 years!

It is best to keep the length of the article to no more than 500 words. We reserve the right to edit all materials. Be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number and email address, if you have one.

Articles can be dropped off at the center, mailed, or emailed to seniorce@htc.net



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.

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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 from, including Sandra 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

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

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Senior Talk Available at These Locations

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Freeburg Library Thank You For Providing This Service To Our Community

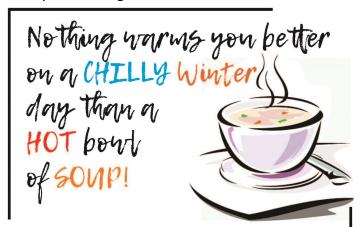
Inclement Winter Weather Policy

Senior Services will post cancellations on local television stations (Channel 2,4, and 5). A recording will also be listed on Senior Center telephone and postings on Facebook.

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.



Join The Friends of the Old Millstadt Water Tower for the

Winter Soup Supper

Thursday, January 23, 2020 4:30pm - 7:00pm Zion Evangelical Church 117 West White, Millstadt

ALL YOU CAN EAT for \$9.00 Children under 12 years \$5.00 includes 5 kinds of home-made soup & desserts. Coffee, tea & lemonade. Carry-outs Available!

Benefits the Old Water Tower

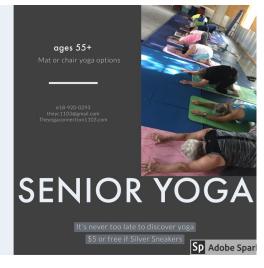
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Contact us to learn more.
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Freeburg, Millstadt,

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Volunteers

Meals on Wheels

Mike Capell Lilv Capell Lainey Capell Karen Witte Marilyn Borkowski Allen Analla Cindy Bertelsman Janet Switzer

Marsha Davis Marylou Peter **Ruth Morton** Cheryl Mueth

Judi Guenther Judy Richard Donna Schottel

Sandra Muskopf Darleen Slovinski

Doris Adams Randy Burk Susan Sager

Faye Schilling Fern Lunsford Jeannette Corv

Michelle Rist Richard Rist

Nancy Kostelac Elli Heiligenstein

Mandi Carrol Carol Osick

JoAnn Pisel Larry Osick

George Makriakow Peggy Makriakow John Morton

Cheryl Pierpoint

Kitchen

Helen Conley Kerrigan Wenge Nathan Staake Norma Burlesman Ralph Schneider Rich Kwentus

Beth Kwentus Carol Trever

Lil Tracv Loren Steele

Lucille Reese Frances Dickneite

Michelle Rist **Betty Schranz**

Richard Rist Rich McNally

Collen Costello

Evelyn Lucy Mike Walter

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Program Database Management Jean Colbert

Decorations/Bulletin Board

Kathy Schaefer Janet Mueller Nora Mueller Maggie Mueller

Thank You Notes

Mary Heberer

Telephone/Income Tax

Appointments Maryanne Conrad

Transportation Charlie Todd

Blood Pressures

David Koch

Thrift Store

Eileen Doeer Janet Mueller

Marlou Eckert Judi Jacobs

Panera Pickup

Marlou Eckert

Jamie Bereitschaft Charlie Todd

Deb Mertz Patti French

Recyling

Bert Hucke Alan Analla

Darleen Slovinski

Quilters

Rosemary Mathews Lois Potter

> **Judy Sutter** Pat Morris

Doris Adams Christy Lehr

JoAnn Clemens

Teresa Barbier Mary Alice Schmitz

Ruth Fritzinger Joann Pisel

Marlene Hermann Marlene Harzin

> **Beth Kwentus** Pat Schaeffer

MaryLou Kochmann

Jeannie Colbert Judi Jacobs

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Kathy Weygandt Dot Edmondson

During The Month Of Dec. Our Volunteers Donated 1,207 Hours To The Millstadt Senior Center If Paid at Minimum Wage, the Dollar Value Would be \$9,361 THANK YOU VERY MUCH This Program Would Not Be Possible Without Each Of You! For Your Dodication In The Court Of Contents Output Decrease of The Court Of Contents The Court Of Contents The Court Of Contents Decrease of The Contents

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

Please Stop By The Center To Sign Up Or See Patty In The Office

Millstadt Police Department

Millstadt Police took a burglary report at a storage unit on South Mulberry Street. The incident occurred between November 26 and December 6. Anyone with information should contact the Millstadt Police Department.

MILLSTADT VFW POST 7980

Fridays

Serving Cod, Cat Fish, Walleye, Shrimp,

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Urgent Need Volunteers!



Millstadt Senior Services is in need of volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers in rural

Millstadt areas! **Drivers are needed from** 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Deliver meals and a smile and also receive a delicious free meal on the day you deliver! Call Patty at (618) 476-3731

Jan. Birthdays

1 Glendene Burnett 7 Lvnn Gaas **Doris Calhoun Evelyn Edmiston Nancy Freeman** William Goetter **Mabel Hamilton** Janet Hollinberger 12 Linda Stoner **Mary Huffman** Marcella Klein **Celeste Krausz** Dorothy

Kunkelmann Linda Lanham **Linda Meyer Marlene Powers Fern Quirin** Lori Schaffer Marcella Waeltz **Nancy Yarber** 2 Shirley Baltz

Bobby Wheat 3 Gary Adams

Carlene **Baumheuter**

4 Donald Feazel

5 Linda Hoepfinger Roger Martin

6 Denise Ashton JoAnn Marlen

Doris Schwartz 8 Peter Caponi

Edward Schlattweiler

10 Albert Downs

11 Jan Woods

13 Frances Dickneite

16 Daniel Hulliung

18 Jean Colbert **Judy Hamilton Sharlene Hatzl Arlene Wickell**

19 Ralph Buehler **Charles Pruitt**

22 Edward Bronson

23 Doris Adams

25 Kathy Demond Elmer Hettenhausen

26 Mary Ann Sinclair

27 Fern Lunsford

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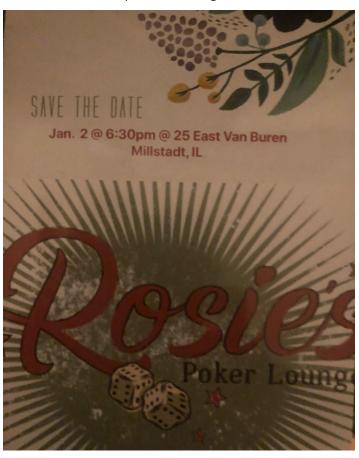
28 Lindy Knysak **Kenneth Mueller**

29 John McLaughlin Margie McLaughlin

31 Eileen Clark **Columbia DeLong** Steve Knysak **Kathleen Krauth**

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.



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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.





Director Patty Evansco telling Santa what the Senior Center wants for Christmas.

Christmas Party Fun



Over 50 at Christmas Party.



Zion Church Kitchen Band.

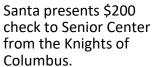




Pat and Dave Oelrich waiting for Christmas Party to begin and Santa's arrival.



Richard Chadeayne and Lil Tracy at Christmas Party.







Dotti Reickert accepting her attendance prize from Santa.

William Mertz

William "Bill" V. Mertz, 92 of Millstadt, IL passed away at Memorial Hospital in Belleville, IL on Tuesday December 24, 2019.

Born on February 27, 1927 in Belleville, IL, he was the son of William E. and Lydia Mertz, nee Baxmeyer and they precede him in death.

Bill was also preceded in death by his sister LaVerne Hauss and brother-in-law Al Hauss.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 68 years, Marian Mertz, nee Schuler of Millstadt, IL, formerly of Columbia, IL, his sons Larry (Maria) Mertz of Burr Ridge, IL and Don (Debbie) Mertz of Millstadt, IL; his grandchildren: Madeline Mertz of Keystone, CO, William Mertz of San Diego, CA and Christina Mertz of Denver, CO.

Bill proudly served his country during WWII in the US Navy. Upon returning from the war, he took over the management of Mertz Ford in Millstadt, IL from his father William E. Mertz who started the dealership in 1921.

Bill's ownership continued until 1994, when he retired.

Bill was a Mason, a member of the Millstadt Fire Department, a member of The Shriners, a charter member of the VFW Post 7980 in Millstadt and a member of the Millstadt Commercial Club.

In retirement Bill enjoyed traveling, especially to Florida. He also enjoyed fishing and most of all he loved spending quality time with his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Memorials may be made to The Millstadt VFW Post 7980 or Shriner's Children's Hospital.

Glenn A. Mehrtens

Glenn A. Mehrtens, 63, died December 21, 2019. Visitation will be December 27, 2019 from 4-8 pm at Leesman Funeral Home and December 28, 2019 from 10-11 am at Zion Evangelical Church, Millstadt, IL. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, December 28, 2019 at 11:00 am at Zion Evangelical Church, Millstadt, IL. Interment in the Freivogel Cemetery, Millstadt, IL. Leesman Funeral Home - Millstadt, IL

Jeri Shackelford

Jeri Lynn Shackelford, 54 of Millstadt, IL passed away at her home surrounded by her loving family on Thursday December 19, 2019.

The Millstadt
Senior Center
Expresses Our Deepest
Sympathy To The Family,
Friends and Loved Ones Of



Francesco Cimarolli Glenn A. Mehrtens William Mertz Christian R. Peter Jeri Shackelford

Christian R. Peter

Christian R. "Chris" Peter, 87 years of Millstadt, IL, passed away on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at Memorial Hospital, Belleville, IL.

He was born June 22, 1932, in Belleville, IL. Chris was a member Trinity Lutheran Church in Millstadt, IL.

Chris retired from Southwestern Bell as an electrical engineer. Chris earned his

Bachelors degree after attending 15 years of night school while working full time. Chris served in the United States Navy as a diesel mechanic aboard the USS Clamagore during the Korean War.

He was a member of VFW Post #7980 Millstadt, IL. where he was past commander and enjoyed working the fish fries.

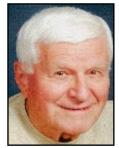
He was also past commander of District 14.

Surviving are his wife, Carolyn Peter, nee Blick, whom he married May 18, 1957, his daughter, Christi LaBruzzo, his son, Curt (Tracy) Peter, he is also survived by 4 grandchildren, Ashley (Ryan), Jackie, Erin and Emily, and 1 great grandson, Elijah, along with other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred & Leola, nee Mueller, Peter, his sister, Helen Schmisseur and his brother, Thomas Peter; his grandson, Evan. In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to Trinity Lutheran Church Millstadt, IL. or VFW Post #7980 Millstadt, IL.

Francesco Cimarolli

Francesco Edward Cimarolli, 96, of Freeburg, IL, born on September 6, 1923, in Belleville, IL, went to meet his Heavenly Father on November 26, 2019, at Dammert Center at Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, IL.

Ed, along with his brother Syl, owned and operated the London Shoe Shop at Edgemont, IL, before his retirement. They started the business on January 2, 1964. Ed was a United States Navy Veteran. He



served his country during World War II, spending most of his time in the Aleutian Islands, New Guinea, and the Pacific. Ed loved spending time with his two grandchildren and four great-granddaughters. He was an accomplished craftsman, always having a project to work on. Thursday's were reserved for his weekly homemade spaghetti dinner night for family and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Betty Jean Cimarolli who passed away on April 9, 1999; his parents, Angelo and Maria, nee Belli, Cimarolli; and a brother, Sylvio (Syl) Cimarolli.

Surviving are his daughter, Yolanda (Tony) Joynt of Millstadt, IL; a grandson, Coy (Lori) Mullenix; a granddaughter, Michelle (Angelo) Papachrisanthou; four great-granddaughters, Gabriella Papachrisanthou, Isabel Papachrisanthou, Mia Mullenix, and Ella Mullenix; and a brother, Lorenzo (Larry) Cimarolli.

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.