

Senior Talk

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SMBF 2020 Raises Funds For MOWS

On October 17, for the sixth year a raffle was held to benefit the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation. The raffle made \$13,240 for the Millstadt, Freeburg and Smithton area Meals on Wheels program. This fund raiser replaces the annual October Trivia event. See the following article for the raffle winners. Thanks to everyone who bought raffle tickets. Donations to the SMBF may be sent to Post Office Box 41, Millstadt, Illinois.

SMBF 2020 Raffle Winners

On October 17, for the sixth year a raffle was held to benefit the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation. The following names were drawn:

First Prize: \$500.00 Southwest Airline Voucher, Olivia Peifer, Waterloo

Second Prize: 50" HDTV, Delores Dang, Freeburg Third Prize: Lottery Tree, Karla Lippert, Smithton Fourth Prize: \$100.00 Dining-out gift cards; Chuck Blanquart, Belleville.

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets. All proceeds from the raffle sales will be used to support the Meals on Wheels program in the Millstadt, Freeburg and Smithton areas.

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COVID-19 Report For 62260

The Illinois Department of Public Health reported that as of October 26, a total of 1930 were tested for Covid-19 and 170 confirmed cases were reported. This report is for zip code 62260 with a population estimated at 7,290.



From Below The Tower



Patty Evansco

I had an interesting month. How about you?

The leaves are changing and are very beautiful.

I have been cleaning up the yard lately and planted yellow mums in my front yard. You know, that was a big gardening chore for me!

Janet Pauketat will celebrate her 90th birthday on Tuesday, November 24th!

Due to current circumstances, friends and family are holding a card shower to wish her a happy birthday and many more happy, healthy birthdays. Anyone who would like to participate may send a card by mail to 1131 Mann Road, Millstadt, IL 62260.

A few days ago, I pulled up to the garage in the usual manner and hit the garage door opener. While waiting the required moments before I drove inside, a bird fluttered in front of the windshield and into the garage!

I got out of the car and tried to shoo the bird out of the garage. I left the garage door open and walked toward the house. I was very careful as I did not want him to get in the house, because then I would have had real problems!

After going in, I kept wondering if the bird left the garage. After three or four trips to look out my window into the garage, I realized that the bird was terrified and maybe was thinking the garage light was outside. He just kept going toward it thinking it was "freedom". It was beginning to get dark, and I knew I was not going to be able to chase this bird out of my garage if it was light in the garage and dark outside. By this time, I had become familiar with the bird. It was a brown bird with feathers. He looked at me in the strangest way, almost like he was trying to tell me something. I kept banging things and even honked my horn a few times, I turned on the radio and he just kept fluttering to stay in the air making circles around the garage. I was becoming so frustrated and just wanted him out of my garage! I think I have watched the movie, "The Birds" way too many times. I was hoping he would get tired and just collapse, but not this guy! Finally, he landed on the work counter next to the window. I stared at him and he stared back at me for a few minutes. The bird was probably regretting the minute he flew into my garage, and so was I! I had one more idea. What if I turned on the outside lights and turned off the inside lights? Maybe he would go out toward the light. This poor bird had somehow ended up trapped with this crazed woman! I kept staring at him as I eased my way over to the light switch behind him. I gently flipped off the inside lights, paused, and hit the switch for outside lights. He looked at me and flew right out that garage door! Life is strange! Happy Thanksgiving!

Satty

Paula Burch Donation



Recently retired Paula Burch has followed in her husband Joe's footsteps. She has begun delivering Meals on Wheels. Her partner has been Millie Koudelka. All our volunteers truly enjoy visiting with the Meals on Wheels clients on their routes. Paula recently presented the Senior Center with a donation.

Attention Residents Of St. Clair County Age 60 Or Older

AgeSmart Community Resources and Southwestern II Visiting Nurse Association are teaming up to Keep you Healthy! Nurses from SIVNA can help you manage conditions like high blood pressure, diabetes, and many others by providing needed tools such as a scale to weigh yourself, a blood pressure monitor, medication planner, etc., as well as answer your questions and provide tips to help you manage your health so you can be the best possible you. All services and tools provided through the Metro East Community Wellness program are completely free to participants. If you would like to know more call SIVNA Monday thru Friday 8-4 at 618-444-2936.

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Mary Eckert Retires

The Millstadt Library had a small, intimate get-together Oct. 3 to celebrate the retirement of Head Librarian and long-time Director, Mary Eckert.

The Millstadt Library, librarians and board members wanted to celebrate the achievements Mary has made during the



many years she has dedicated to the Millstadt Library and local Community.

Mary's service began before the library even opened in the 1960s and steadfastly continued through the current year as she helped lead a team of devoted volunteers begin what we now know as our library. As part of the Library Committee for the Civic Club, she aided in finding possible locations and allocating the materials her community needed the most. She tirelessly helped to fundraise, advocate and run a library in a community that had never seen one before. Between the years of 1964 and 1969, Mary was part of a team that donated more than 6,000 hours, raised more than \$16,000 through the Civic Club and donations, purchased more than \$12,000 in books and furniture and furnished more than 6,000 volumes for patrons.

Mary served as Millstadt Library Director from 1982 until 2019 and presided over many cultural and technological changes during that time. These included shifting from a humble beginning that included card catalog and operating mostly through donations, to becoming a public library in the 1980s and having digital collections, new technology and databases. The one guiding force throughout the Millstadt Library's history has been Mary's willingness and ability to ensure the library would always serve the community at the highest level. She has laid a foundation of excellence and left a lasting impact on librarianship through her fierce dedication to the library she helped to create, the knowledge she has shared with its patrons and the community she continues to serve.

During safer and healthier times, we hope to have a larger celebration open to the public for Mary and all those who have helped create the library and shaped it to what it is today. Until then, on behalf of the Millstadt Library, librarians and board members, we would like to again thank Mary Eckert for her decades of work and dedication. None of this could have been possible without her.

10th Annual Bag & Jewelry Sale

On October 16, the 10th annual Big ole Bag and Jewelry Sale was held at the Liederkranz Park. A breezy day in the park, but a lot of happy shoppers left with some real bargains.



Donations of gently used purses and jewelry were collected at the Community Center during the past year and the end result was adding \$1,000 to the Meals on Wheels program for Millstadt Township. Thank-you to all our donators and shoppers for helping make this event a success! Volunteers at the event were: Jamie Bereitschaft, Eileen Doerr, Marlou Eckert, Charlene and Otto Faulbaum, Trudy Famula, Stan Jarvis, Debbie and Don Mertz, Janet Mueller and Karen Witte.

Brighton Purse Raffle Winner Announced

Congratulations Linda Weingarten! Linda was the lucky winner of this beautiful Brighton Kodiak Metallic Hobo Pebbled Leather Shoulder Bag with Flower Zip Pull. The Big Ole Bag and Jewelry Sale and Purse Raffle had



combined proceeds of \$1,000! We are happy to announce this is nearly twice what we had expected to make. We would like to thank the individuals who donated items for sale and to Marsha Baltz for the fantastic raffle prize.



The Operation Food Search Food Rescue with Program partners Schnucks (and Dierbergs) distribute food that is nutritious and edible but no longer able to be sold. Thanks to both Operation Food



Search and the Belleville West Schnucks for our weekly Bread and Bakery Items that the Senior Center receives on Tuesdays and Thursdays! Total monetary value of the donations we received during the month of September was \$870.00! Thank You Schnucks!!

Veterans Day Display

November 11th is the day chosen to honor military veterans nationwide. At the Senior Center, we have created a Wall of Honor



with pictures of our local display which will be located at the front of the Senior Center. Thank

you to everyone who submitted a photo or Veteran information. To all our Veterans, God Bless you and Thank You! We will be forever grateful for your sacrifice to our great country!

COVID-19 Information

The Illinois COVID-19 Hotline number is 800-889-3931. The TTY number is 888-232-6348. Additional information can be found on the Illinois Department of Health web page or CORONAVIRUS.ILLINOIS.GOV.

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 is \$30/year and also makes a great gift.

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Day End Dough Nation

What do Sandy Dressler Sanders, Beth Kwentus, Marlou Eckert, Jamie Bereitschaft, Charlie Todd, Marsha Davis, Patti French, Michelle Hucke, and Dave Albers have in common?



Each of them volunteer a particular Tuesday evening to

collect bread donations at either the Telegraph Road or Belleville Crossing Panera on behalf of the Sandra M Bereitschaft Foundation. The bread is delivered to the Millstadt Senior Center and distributed through the Meals on Wheels program for local seniors.

At the end of each day, Panera donates their unsold bread and bakery items to non-profit organizations to be distributed within their local communities. Many other churches and organizations throughout the community also participate in receiving the donations and visit Panera on other nights of the week to collect bread as they are scheduled.

We are very grateful for the Day-End Dough-Nation program at Panera Bread. We receive nearly \$1,000 per month in bread/bakery donations! Thanks to Panera Bread and to our Panera volunteers!

Santa For Seniors

Garden Place Senior Living is once again sponsoring their "Santa for Seniors" gift giving program.

The gifts are important items that one would not normally receive. These are things like new clothing, undergarments and toiletry items that are often difficult for seniors with mobility issues to come by on their own. It is not always a case of inability to afford these items (although this can be true as well) it is often simply a logistical issue – having no one who can go to the store and purchase these items.

If you would like to be included in this project, please fill out the bottom of the sheet that will be brought with your meal then return to your Meals on Wheels volunteer and Santa will put you on his "list".

Beat The Social Distancing Blues... Let's Play Meals On Wheels Bingo!

Each day you will receive 12 BINGO numbers that have been drawn at the Senior Center. Match the numbers to the numbers



on your card daily. When you have a coverall, give the card to your Meals on Wheels driver and the next day your gift will arrive. New cards will be delivered each week.

You may use your pen or pencil to mark the numbers because this is a disposal card and will only be used for 1 game.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Thursday, Nov., 12, 2020

LiHeap provides a one-time Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program yearly benefit to low-income households for winter heating bills. An overdue bill or disconnect notice is not required, nor do you have to own your own home or pay energy bills directly to be eligible for assistance. LIHEAP is administered by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

It is a federal program that provides utility bill assistance to those individuals who meet the income guidelines. Additional funding for the program has been provided under the federal CARES Act passed by Congress earlier this month to address the economic hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

AgeSmart staff will be at the Millstadt Township Senior Center on Thursday, October 22, 2020 taking application. They will be wearing masks and gloves for handling your paperwork. Each client will be required to **wear a mask** for their appointment. This is not optional, and if you are not wearing a mask, you will have to reschedule your appointment for another time. Additionally, each client will have copies of their required paperwork made in advance of their appointment. Please know that we are implementing these measures to keep both our staff and participates safe as possible during this time.

The items you will need to have copied with you will be:

- A current valid Illinois ID or driver's license for all household members-if they do not have one of these two, they can contact our office for other acceptable forms of ID
- 2. A Social Security card for all household members
- 3. The most recent power bill or bills (gas, electric, propane, etc.)
- 4. Proof of income for the last 30 days for all household members (If you have any questions about what proof of income is needed, please have them contact me prior to their appointment)
- 5. Rent receipt, lease agreement, or rent statement

As you can see, the list is smaller than in past years. A positive change is that there is no priority period. Any household that meets the income requirements will be eligible to apply from the start date of the program. Lastly, and probably the most important change, is the income limit. The LIHEAP program has increased the income limit from 150% of poverty level to 200% of poverty level. This means that individuals that did not qualify in years past might be eligible this year. The income by household size breaks down as follows:

Household size	30 day Income Limit
1	\$2127
2	\$2873
3	\$3620
4	\$4367

AgeSmart will only be coming once a month with two staff members in order that they may complete 2 applications per hour. Call for an appointment today at (618) 476-3731.



Flu Shots Given At Millstadt **Township Senior Services**

On Friday morning, October 9th, Walgreens Crossing manager Chad and Pharmacist Nire came to Millstadt. They were able to give 70 flu shots to local seniors. Masks were required, and everyone complied. Earlier this week, the news reported on the upcoming flu season. Experts say with COVID-19 cases growing, we could see what is called a "twindemic". The best way to slow this down is to get a flu shot.

According to the CDC, only 48% of adults here in the US actually get a flu shot.

Special Thanks to

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Aluminum Cans

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



Birthday Card Shower For 90th Birthday

Millstadt resident Janet Pauketat will mark a milestone soon. Her daughter, Cindy Walker is

hoping to make it extra special.

Cindy is asking for the public's help in sending 90 birthday cards to her to mark her birthday. Janet was born on November 24th. If you'd like to help, you can send a card to: Janet's Birthday, 1131 Mann Road, Millstadt, IL 62260





The Village of Millstadt is looking for a school crossing guard. Times are approximately 7:30-8:15 in the morning, and 3:00-3:45 in the afternoon on school days. A perfect job for a retiree or someone who has some extra free time. Those interested should pick up an application at Millstadt Village Hall, 111 W. Laurel St., during regular business hours.

Calling All Mask Makers

Would you like to help the Senior Center help the Millstadt Community? Well here is your chance. If you would like' to sew

homemade masks, we could surely use them. We have 2 groups that can use your help.

First, we would like to give each of our seniors a mask so they are protected at the store, doctor's office and other places where they could be exposed.

Second, on behalf of the Senior Center we would like to give a homemade mask to the workers at our local businesses in Millstadt that have worked hard these past weeks. The masks would protect the proprietors as well as their clients.

We have lots of material at the Center and would be willing to let you pick out the mask pattern you would like to use. Please call me and I will set up appointment for you to pick up. Thank you all very much for making our community

How blessed we are to live in such a giving community.

Smithton Meals

We will have packaged meals available for pick up at Smithton Senior Center on Tuesdays from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon. If you are 60 years of age or older and would like to reserve a meal, Please Call (618) 476-3731. Menus will be available. Anyone over 60 is eligible to pick up meal at Millstadt center any day of the week.







COVID-19 put a stop to Millstadt Township Senior Services activities for months, but on Thursday, October 8th it was game on – just from a different location.

We purchased a megaphone and paper Bingo cards. Board President Charlie Todd was the Bingo caller and set the place for the Liederkranz Parking Lot. The idea was if you had Bingo, you would honk your horn and volunteers would come running with a prize. However on the 8th the weather was really nice so everyone brought a lawn chair, sat 6 feet apart and wore their masks. It was lots of fun, and we had many great prizes.

A lot of seniors have not been out in weeks, so this was something fun for them to do safely. The pandemic hit the seniors the hardest, so they must be the most isolated and be the most careful.

But these seniors are not letting COVID keep them from their BINGO

We will hold another Parking Lot Bingo on Thursday, November 12th from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm at Liederkranz Parking Lot. We hope to see you there!

Dates to Remember

November 11, Veterans' Day.

November 18, Mickey Mouse Birthday.

November 26, Thanksgiving, Senior Center closed.

November 27, Senior Center Closed

November 27, Lighted Parade.

Cross Blood Drive Schedule

November 2, 2020 January 6, 2021 March 10, 2021 May 5, 2021 July 7, 2021



3:30 pm - 8:00 pm VFW 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. James

Urgent Need Volunteers!



Millstadt Senior Services
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VILLAGE OF MILLSTADT

SEPTEMBER 28, 2020

Mike Capell, Ray Famula, Mike French, Al Lehr, and Mark Todd. Trustee Randy Burk was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Ray Famula to approve the September 14th minutes. Mike Capell 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. SEWER: All the bills of the bills. Lehr stated he talked with Brian. He has been pressing sludge and doing general maintenance. He also had to replace a part on the digestor pump. STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Mayor Todd stated there was an amendment to the West Laurel Contract. Work is now only going to be done on the 600 block instead of including the 700 block. Mike Capell made a motion to approve the amendment as presented. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mayor Todd added that the Community Development Block Grant for the project is for \$70,000 and the project will not be starting until spring 2021. Mayor Todd stated the VFW has requested to hold their annual Poppy Day collection in October. Mike Capell made a motion to allow the VFW to distribute poppies and accept donations at the 4-way on Friday, October 23rd from 3pm until 6pm and Saturday, October 24th from 8am until noon. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. ANNEXATIONS: Mike French stated he talked to the resident on Veterans Drive and they will be bringing in the annexation agreement sometime this week. PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated general maintenance is being done at the parks. Mayor Todd stated he shot grades on Diamond 1. They will be put into GSI so that he will have more information on what needs to be done to fix the drainage issue. COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated the Senior Center has been serving between 150 and 200 meals a day. They have rescheduled the Big Ol' Bag and Jewelry Sale for Friday, October 16th at Liederkranz Park. They will also be having Parking Lot Bingo on Thursday, October 8th from 1pm until 2pm. Ray stated there will be flu shots available at the Senior Center on Friday, October 9 th. Touchless faucets and toilets have been installed. Director Patty Evansco applied for and received a \$4,500 grant. PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20th.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Police Department – Police Chief Alan Hucke stated applications for a police officer are due Friday, October 23rd. Emergency Service and Disaster Agency – Mike Capell asked if there was an update on the siren. Scott Baltz stated he is looking into extending or adding a siren. OLD BUSINESS: Betty Keller Timmer gave the Board an update of the efforts of the Friends of the Water Tower. Mrs. Timmer stated it had been 17 months since the last update. They raised \$31,000 from March 1, 2019 to February 29, 2020. Then Covid-19 happened. They had to cancel multiple events but still managed to raise more than \$18,000 from donations. They now have a total of \$159,500 raised. People can also select them when using Amazon Smile. Mrs. Timmer asked the Board for a year's extension on the five year milestone since they lost a year of fundraising. Ray Famula asked if they had received a recent bid. Mrs. Timmer answered no but the last estimate was for \$170,000. Ray asked if they were going to get another bid. Mrs. Timmer answered they are considering it. Mark Todd asked when they would start fundraising if they received the extension. Mrs. Timmer answered they were thinking spring 2021. Mark stated he would like to see them get a new bid and come up with a time frame. Mike French clarified that the extension is for the five year milestone but the lease is still for ten years total. Mike French made a motion to extend the Friends of the Water Tower's first milestone until January 4, 2022. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Timmer stated that when they signed for five years, they paid \$1.00; she asked if they needed to pay again. Mayor Todd answered no. Mayor Todd stated IDOT had issues with the ramps on the new sidewalk in front of Trinity Lutheran Church. He just received a letter from IDOT stating they are now satisfied with the ramps after they were fixed. NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated this winter they will be looking at creating a contract for the diamond rentals for practices and for games. Mayor Todd stated he received a verbal request to change the time of the liquor license. He told them there needed to be a written request. He has not received one yet. Mayor Todd stated they are looking for bids for trimming the trees and limbs at Liederkranz Park. They are also looking at replacing the dead trees. Mayor Todd stated there have been written complaints and calls about the oil and chipped roads. Because it has been so dry, the roads have been dusty. They used to use the slag from Granite City Steel but since they aren't running, they aren't producing slag. The rock that replaced it didn't soak up the oil. Mayor Todd stated another round of small business grants are out. Mayor Todd is working with Senator Durbin's office to get help for the VFW. He is waiting on a contract. TREASURER'S REPORT: Tracy Holmes stated that the Treasurer's Report had been submitted. Ray Famula made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Al Lehr seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. CLERK'S REPORT: Tracy Holmes stated that the Clerk's Report had been submitted. Ray Famula made a motion to approve the Clerk's Report. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

WISH BOOKS

They are in the mail!!! Here they come . . . Spiegel, Alden's, Penney's, Sears & Roebuck, Montgomery Ward! Paging through. Selecting a dress and boots from each. Then, the parents are ready to place an order. I know what I want from THAT book.

How children chuckled at my stories about the wonders of wishing and ordering through the mail. The children believed THAT was an older woman's fairy tale. Until NOW!

Once again doorbells ring and packages arrive. Soon, children ask: "What is a mall?" Tall tales? No. What goes around comes around. Now those familiar books no longer create longing, the thrill of hope, the expectation. However, the promise of good things persists — Go On-Line! Order! Keep faith. By Judy Jacobs

Filling Time #7

We have been "running the alphabet" for several games. FYI: last month was diseases. X could have been xeroderma pigmentosa and Z could have been Zenker's diverticulum. Now, we might as well continue with another alphabet game.

Word (1) parts (1) are (1) syllables (3). You know, the sound bites we speak in the preceding (3) parentheses(4) which followed each word. So from A to Z, write a FOUR syllable word for each letter of the alphabet. A – ammonia; B – ballerina; C - cutaneous; D -! Dictionaries can help. Ready. Set. GO! By Judy Jacobs

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.

DO YOU NEED HELP?

The Millstadt Senior Center is here to provide essential services. If

you are a senior in need: Call 618-476-3731

- Weekly check in calls`
- Fresh produce
- Grocery shopping
- Face Masks
- Free puzzles & books
- Tech assistance with ZOOM, Facebook

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 Dec 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.



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!



Calling All **Quilters**

Welcome **Back** Quilters - We are taking a first step



in moving back to the way it used to be at Millstadt Senior Center. Open quilting will be available at the Center on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. We will be able to have 5 people at a time and you must have a reservation. Quilters will sit alone on each side of the guilt at least 6 feet apart. The extra guilter will be able to sit 6 feet from the guilt and thread and sanitize needles or rotate in as needed. Everyone must wear a mask and sanitize hands often. The shifts will be 9:00 am - 10:30 am and 10:30 - 12:00. Your help in quilting will be greatly appreciated. Call Patty at (618) 476-3731 to schedule your quilting time.

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WISH LIST

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Crossword Puzzle Books
Books — Forever Postage Stamps
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(\$5-comparable to Bunco Prizes)
Clorox Spray — Clorox Wipes
Plastic Forks, Spoons and Knives
Ziploc Bags (Quart/Gallon)
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Face Masks For Home Delivery Vol. & Clients Latex Gloves For Kitchen Workers (L & XL) Industrial Size Aluminum Foil & Plastic Wrap 8 ½ x 11 Colored Copy Paper

MILLSTADT TOWNSHIP SENIOR SERVICES



QUILT RAFFLE Dec. 18, 2020

At Senior Center

1. Prize - Handmade Queen Size Quilt

2. Prize - Handmade Baby Quilt

3rd Prize - \$25 Gift Card to IGA

TICKETS

\$**1**00

6 FOR **5**00

Available at the Center

Many tickets are being sold for our Quilt A Rama drawing on Dec. 18, 2020. The Quilt tops are Handmade and Hand Quilted Queen Sized Pieced Quilts.

Masks Donation

Pearly Guyer and her daughter donate homemade masks to the Senior Center.
Thanks Pearly!



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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BIBLE TALK

Join us for Bible Study

Jesus said, "Teach them everything that I have commanded you," (Matthew 13:19)

Jesus wants us to dig into His Word. But how deep does He want us to go? Well He said "everything". He doesn't want us to stay on the surface, but to go done to the very depths.

For by going to the depths, we can bring forth the riches of the Bible, and use it for our lives. Paul puts it this way in Rom. 11:33, "O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!"

This reminds me of a story I read about a 3rd generation farm family. The mother was talking to her son, Nathan, saying, "All those years while your grandparents lived here they hardly made a living on this farm, yet there was great wealth under their feet. It wasn't discovered until someone dug deep." She emphasized those last two words, "dug deep." She continued, "Son, there is also wealth in the Word of God, but you will never find it unless you dig deep." So to be taught everything Jesus commanded, you

So to be taught everything Jesus commanded, you need to get into His Word, the Bible. And I suggest that you pick a Bible that will make it easier and more meaningful for you.

Not that different Bibles and translations have different messages. But some translations, or even paraphrases, make it easier to understand. And some Bibles have added sections to help you understand it more.

The right kind of Bible, is age appropriate, is written in language that you can understand, and contains helps and commentaries to explain the hard and different things you will read.

In addition, join a Bible study with a few other people. Once the Coronavirus restrictions are lifted the Bible Studies at the Millstadt Senior Center, led by Mrs. Pat Morris, will resume. And check with your church are with the churches in your community for other Bible Studies. Asking questions and contributing your thoughts and prayers will encourage and inspire all who attend. And as time goes by, you'll be learning more and more, and applying it with your family, friends and neighbors.

If you do these things you will fulfill 2 Peter 3:18 in your own life, "But grow continually in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Blessings to you in Jesus' Name;

Pastor Darrell Weber – Zion Evangelical Church

Tributes And Memorials

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.

Book Of The Month

"Girl in the Mirror" by Rose Carlyle

What if you had a twin sister...and she had the perfect life? In this psychological thriller, twins Iris and Summer look exactly alike. But Summer has always been the shinier star, and when she dies in a freak boating accident, Iris wastes no time slipping into her life (and her marriage). Cue greed, lust, secrets, and serious suspense. Count us in.

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What's In Your Shopping Cart?



The Covid-19 pandemic has certainly brought changes to

items we are purchasing when we are shopping in person, on line, or at the store pick-up lanes. It's not just toilet paper, masks and disinfectant wipes, but robot vacuum cleaners and Barbie Dolls. Motor homes are also a big seller, but not something you'll put in your shopping cart.

First, we are buying anything from face masks to disinfectant wipes to potentially slow down the spread of the Covid. We are also spending on items that make living during the pandemic more comfortable and manageable. The robot vacuum also substitutes for a fun cat toy. After several months of stay home vacations, pets and vacuums can be entertaining.

If the cat and robot vacuum no longer entertain the younger set, it's time to go back in time and check out the 2020 version of Barbie dolls. Not since 2003 have so many Barbies left the store shelves.

For Winnebago the RV manufacturer, revenue is up 40 percent in the June-August quarter. Lots of people were packing up the kids and Barbie and venturing out to National and State parks.

Purchases of children's toys and home cleaning items are expected to stay strong over the holiday season, but concerns over the economy and higher jobless rates could cause sales to decline.

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Illinois Secretary Of State News

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White on Tuesday announced that the expiration date for valid driver's licenses held by Illinois drivers who are 75 years of age or older has been extended for a period of one year past the licenses' current 2020 expiration date.

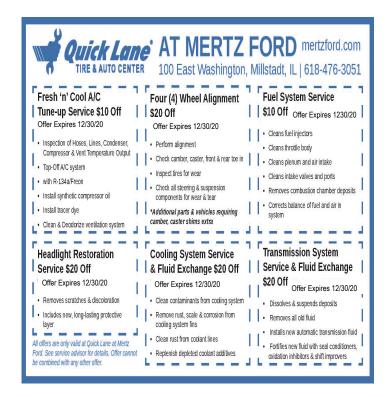
As a result, drivers age 75 and older with a 2020 driver's license expiration date do not need to visit a facility to renew their driver's license until shortly before their birthday in 2021.

Letters are being sent to drivers that qualify for this extension. The letter should be kept with the qualifying driver as further proof of the one-year extension. In addition, driving records on the Secretary of State's computer system have been updated to show the new 2021 expiration dates for qualified drivers, and law enforcement agencies both state and nationwide have been notified of the extended expiration dates.

White is reminding all other drivers that expiration dates for driver's licenses/ID cards and license plate stickers have been extended until Nov. 1, 2020. As a result, expired documents will remain valid until Nov. 1 so customers under age 75 do not need to rush into Driver Services facilities, especially during hot weather.

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.



Tips to Avoid a Cyberattack

More of our daily life activities involve working, educating and shopping online. Chances of a cyberattack increase with these additional activities. Criminals go where there is opportunity to find birth year, vacation plans, names and addresses from online activities. Follow these tips to help keep your information secure.

SHOPPING ONLINE: Never select "remember my password," and don't check the box to save your credit card information.

Log out of sites before you leave them. Important: Closing a browser window is not the same as logging out.

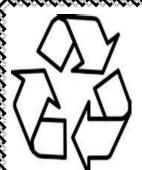
Look for https:// in the web address. The "s" after the http indicates the site is secure.

Smithton Library News

The Smithton Library offers Notary Services by appointment only. Please call 618-233-8057 to schedule an appointment.

Community Center & ? Park Pavilions Rental

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



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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.

How Do You Get A New Medicare Card?

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.



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2020 Turkey Day

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Sunday , 15 November 2020

Don't know what restrictions we'll have in November, but we are going to do everything possible to keep the tradition going strong!



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Telephone Assurance (27hours)

Jack Kramer

Smithton (33hours)

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Thrift Store (141 hours)

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Newsletter (80 hours)

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Zion Evangelical Church Annual Wurstmarkt

Saturday, November 14 3:00 - 6:00 PM PrePaid CARRYOUTS ONLY



Dinner will include:
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Green Beans, Applesauce and Dessert
Price: \$11

All orders must be paid and submitted by Monday, November 9th

Make checks payable to Zion Evangelical Church and send to: Zion Evangelical Church, 117 West White Street, Millstadt, IL 62260

place order form and check in black deposit box outside the Church rear entrance.

Orders must be picked up between 3:00 and 6:00 PM

Please use the alley on the North side of Church; give the attendant your name and your order will be delivered to your car.

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Number of Dinners (\$11	each)
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Potatoes

A Girl Potato and Boy Potato had eyes for each other, And finally they got married, and had a little sweet potato, which they called "Yam."

Of course, they wanted the best for Yam.

When it was time, they told her about the facts of life.

They warned her about going out and getting half-baked, so she wouldn't get accidentally mashed, and get a bad name for herself like 'Hot Potato,' and end up with a bunch of Tater Tots.

Yam said not to worry, no Spud would get her into the sack and make a rotten potato out of her!

But on the other hand she wouldn't stay home and become a Couch Potato either.

She would get plenty of exercise so as not to be skinny like her Shoestring Cousins.

When she went off to Europe , Mr. And Mrs. Potato told Yam to watch out for the hard-boiled guys from Ireland, and the greasy guys from France called the French Fries.

And when she went out West, to watch out for the Indians so she wouldn't get scalloped.

Yam said she would stay on the straight and narrow and wouldn't associate with those high class Yukon Golds, or the ones from the other side of the tracks who advertise their trade on all the trucks that say, "Frito Lay."

Mr. And Mrs. Potato sent Yam to Idaho P.U. (that's Potato University) so that when she graduated she'd really be in the Chips.

But in spite of all they did for her, one day Yam came home and announced she was going to marry Tom Brokaw.

Tom Brokaw!

Mr And Mrs. Potato were very upset.

They told Yam she couldn't possibly marry Tom Brokaw because he's just......

Are you ready for this?

Are you sure? OK!

Here it is!

He's just a

COMMONTATER

Chair Yoga Experience

A chair Yoga experience will be offered by Joyce Hermann, at Zion Evangelical Church, 117 West White, Millstadt

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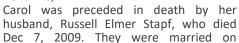
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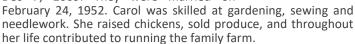
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Carol M. Stapf

Carol Margaret (Waelti) Stapf, 93 years old, of Millstadt, IL, passed away peacefully on Monday, October 19, 2020, at the Oak Hill Care Center, in Waterloo, IL. She was born February 10, 1927, in Belleville, IL.





Carol is survived by daughter, Elaine Rich (husband, Gene) of Silver Spring, MD, and son, Gary Stapf (wife, Madonna) of Millstadt.

Grandchildren are Michael Stapf (wife, Hillary) of Millstadt, Matthew Stapf of Columbia, Edward Rich of Rockville, MD, and Patrick Rich (wife, Emily) of Warwick, RI.Great-grandchildren are Tatum, Taylor, Logan, and Hudson Stapf.

All services will be private. Interment will take place at Valhalla Gardens of Memory in Belleville, IL.

Carol was a member of Concordia United Church of Christ. Memorials may be made to the church or to donor's choice.

Cleve J. Jany

Cleve J. Jany, 86 years old, of Paderborn, IL, passed away on October 19, 2020. He was born September 18, 1934, in Chester, IL. He was married to Delores, nee Herschbach, Jany, who survives him. They were married on October 19, 1957, in Granite City, IL. Cleve was retired after 20 yrs of service in the U.S. Air Force. He was also



retired from the Defense Mapping Agency, St. Louis, MO. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Paderborn, IL. He enjoyed coin and stamp collecting, metal detecting and fishing Also surviving are his daughters, Michelle (Dwight) Ruhmann of Burksville, IL, Suzanne (Jerry) Castens of Smithton, IL, and Cathy (Gary) Varnell of Kearney, MO; grandchildren, Paul Jany, Ashley Reeves, Nicholas O'Saben, Brendan O'Saben, Casey Vollmer, Alex O'Saben, Jacob Varnell, Benjamin Varnell; great-grandchildren, Riley and Colby; sisters, Norma Saxton, and Faye Parker; brother, Merle (Barb) Jany: sisters-in-law, Jackie Jany, Diane Jany, and Diane Boschert, along with other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his son, Michael Jany; parents, Constantine and Alma, nee Davitz, Jany; brothers, Russell, Earl, and Dana Jany; sisters, Genell Mueth and Nina Gerald; brothers-in-law, Ira Saxton, Dave Parker, Joe Mueth, and Joe Gerald. In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to: St.

Michael's Catholic Church, Paderborn, IL. For more information.



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Lavern W. Lang

Lavern W. Lang, 92 years, of Smithton, IL, passed away on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at St. Elizabeth Hospital, O Fallon, IL. He was born June 6, 1928, in Millstadt, IL. Lavern retired in 1989 as a rural mail carrier and retired from farming in 2017. He was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Floraville, Illinois, Illinois Rural Letter Carriers, past president Modern Woodman,



Smithton Turner Society, past president Floraville Community Grange, past president St. Clair County Pomona Grange, member of the Executive Committee of the Illinois State Grange, National Grange, former trustee for the Smithton Fire Protection District for many years, former Smithton Consolidated School Board member for many years. Lavern was an Army veteran serving during the Korean War, and on June 16, 2018 he had the distinct privilege of taking the Honor Flight to Washington DC.

Surviving his wife of 67 years, Lucille Lang, nee Ries, his children, Lynette (Don) Schaeffer, Lana Korte and Leon (Joan) Lang; his grandchildren, Justin (Christina) Schaeffer, Brandon (Tina) Lang, Jolene (John Jr.) McDonald, Brian (Andie) Lang and Becca (Matt) Aguayo; his great-grandchildren, Francesca Lang, Anthony Skodachek, Joseph Skodacheck, Bailey McDonald, Logan McDonald, William Boddy, Olivia Schaeffer, Lillian Schaeffer, Gage Lang, Brynn Lang, Felix Aguayo, and Katalina Aguayo; his sister, Myrt Metter; his sister-in-law, Delores Lang; he is also survived by nieces, nephews along with other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry G. and Edna, nee Luetzelschwab, Lang, his son-in-law, Jerry Korte; his brother, Harold Lang; and his sister, Vera Stumpf.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to: St. Paul U.C.C., in Floraville, IL., or the Illinois State Grange Scholarship Fund.. For more information, please access our website, www.leesmanfuneralhome.com. Leesman Funeral Home in Millstadt, IL., handled arrangements.

The Millstadt Senior Center Expresses Our Oeepest Sympathy To The Family. Friends and Loved Ones Of



Thomas & Magdalena Davenport Everett Haas Cleve J. Jany Jarvis Delores Kinzinger Lavern W. Lang Owen Masterson Mendy Mehrtens Robert Morris Edna Probst Elizabeth Snyder Carol M. Stapf James Touchette

Owen Masterson

Owen G. Masterson, 94, of Belleville, IL, born February 25, 1926, in St. Louis, MO, died Wednesday, September 30, 2020, in Belleville, IL.

Mr. Masterson was an engineer at Ameren U.E. for 40 years before his retirement. He received his BS Degree from Saint Louis University in 1951 and his MBA from the University of Illinois in 1978. Mr. Masterson



was a member of the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, the St. Louis Electrical Board of Trade, and the Dubore Society of Saint Louis University. He received a Mensa invitation and belonged to Pi Mu Epsilon, and the Honorary Math Fraternity. Mr. Masterson was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Centreville, IL, and the Crosier Society at the church. He was also a former member of the Belleville Kiwanis and a current member of the Fairview Heights Kiwanis. Mr. Masterson was a World War II United States Navy veteran.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Ethel C., nee Pour, Masterson, whom he married on November 11, 1952, and who died on June 10, 2015; a grandson, in infancy; his parents, Edward and Frances, nee Kettman, Masterson; six sisters, Adrain, Evelyn, Serena, Gloria (Fred) Bertelsman, Alice Deterding, and Helen (Ed) Schumm; and a brother, Edward (Helen) Masterson.

Surviving are his five sons, Daryl (Lisa Kreher) Masterson of Georgia, Michael Masterson of O'Fallon, IL, Richard (Peggy) Masterson of O'Fallon, IL, Roger (Lynda) Masterson of Belleville, IL, and Jim Masterson of Memphis, TN, two daughters, Judy (Dave) Mueth of Waterloo, IL, and Christine (Christopher) Burns of St. Peters, MO, 12 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a sister, Eveline Lee of Overland, MO; and nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to Belleville/Fairview Heights Kiwanis Club or to the charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.rennerfh.com.

Delores Kinzinger

Delores J. Kinzinger, 72, of Millstadt, IL, died September 30, 2020, in Belleville, IL. She was born July 3, 1948, in Red Bud, IL.

She is survived by her brother and sisters Richard (Mary) Kinzinger, Mary (Richard) Dambacher, and Alice (Richard) Betlach; nieces & nephews Carla (Greg) Schwehr, Rich (Liz Bethel) Kinzinger, Tammi (James



Landry) Peters, Jason Peters, Duane (Stacy) Dambacher, Tracy Green, and Amanda (Luke) Probst; 11 great nieces and great nephews; 2 great great nephews; numerous cousins and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents Helmut C. and Vivian (nee Cashion) Kinzinger; sister Betty Peters; and brother Walter Eugene Kinzinger in infancy.

Delores was a retired LPN for American Red Cross, loved spending time with her family and friends, and was an avid reader.

As an expression of sympathy the family prefers memorial contributions to: Family Wishes

Quernheim Funeral Home in Waterloo, IL. Pastor Patrick Poole officiating.



James Touchette

James C. (Pee Wee) Touchette of Millstadt, Illinois, left this earth on October 14th,2020 due to complications of surgery at the age of 72.

Jim is survived by his wife, Royann (nee Eckert) Touchette, his two children Patrick Touchette, Anne Touchette, sister Janet (Redmon) Eason, and many nieces and nephews.



He is preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Lucille Touchette, brother Jerry Touchette, and sister Josephine Touchette.

James was born on December 13, 1947 in Belleville, Illinois. A life long resident of Millstadt, Jim kept many close, lifelong friends that were very dear to him. He was a Vietnam Veteran, serving in the Army. He then worked for General Motors, retiring after 42 years of proud service,

A devoted father and husband, Jim loved spending time with his family on their farm. Over the years, he enjoyed many hunting and fishing trips with his best friends. Some of his greatest joys included getting coffee every morning with his friends, monthly breakfast with his fellow Veteran buddies, and taking his beloved dog, Marley to Rural King. He will be deeply missed by his friends, family, and anyone who had the pleasure to know him.

Donations may be made to Smile Train (smiletrain.org), an organization James was very passionate for and frequently donated to.

Jim will join his comrades and brothers at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery at a later date.

Edna Probst

Edna Alice Probst, 92, of Waterloo died on Oct. 2, 2020, in Waterloo. She was born Jan. 26, 1928, in Waterloo, daughter of the late Louis Heiken and Linda (nee Gasser) Heiken. She was a loving mother, grandmother, sister and wife. Edna was a dedicated member of St. Paul UCC



Church of Floraville where she taught Sunday School and was a member of the Women's Guild. Other community involvement included Modern Woodmen Camp 3829 where she served as the Assistant Junior Director, the St. Clair County Farm Bureau and various quilting groups. Edna's life centered around agriculture. She spent the majority of her life on a farm outside of Floraville, IL.

As a young girl she often helped her father milk cows, bale hay and work in the fields. Later in life, she spent her summers in her garden, growing a variety of fruits and vegetables. Most notably, cucumbers to make her famous salt pickles. Her passion for agriculture was something she passed down to everyone in her family.

She is survived by her sons Roy Kirleis and Jim (Jodie) Probst; sister Gladys (Calvin) Weldele, granddaughters Lisa (Chris) Mollet, Jessica (Payton) Meeks, Jennifer (Devin) Rice, Julia (fiancé, Ben Bardot) Probst; great-grandchildren Nathan and Zoe Mollet and Clara Meeks. Edna was preceded in death by her first husband Emil Kirleis Jr., her second husband Monroe (Jim) Probst, infant daughter Mary Probst, daughter Betty (nee Kirleis) Henson, granddaughter Cheryl Henson, grandson Lonnie Henson and sister-in-law Lillian Probst.

As an expression of sympathy, the family prefers memorial contributions to: St. Paul UCC of Floraville or Shriners Hospitals for Children. Internment will be in St. Paul UCC Cemetery in Floraville, IL. Leesman Funeral Home Millstadt, IL

Thomas & Magdalena Davenport

Magdalena Davenport, 81 years, of Millstadt, IL (formerly East Carondelet IL), passed away on October 2, 2020. She was born February 20, 1939 in Germany. She was married to Thomas F. Davenport,



who survived her only five days. They were married November 24, 1960.

Thomas Frederick Davenport, 86 years, of Millstadt, IL (formerly East Carondelet IL), passed away on October 7, 2020. He was born on December 7, 1933 in a log cabin in Donaldson, Arkansas. Tom and Magdalena shared a deep faith in our Lord, Jesus Christ, that was evident in their lives and sustained them through hard times and good times. Their love for each other an example to all who knew them.

Tom's third love in life, behind Christ and Magdalena, was playing his guitar and singing. Participating in many jam sessions and music groups throughout his life. Tom retired in 1998 from a manufacturing maintenance job.

Magdalena was well known for her culinary skills and she loved cooking for her family and friends. Magdalena retired from a 28 year floral design career at Dupo Florist.

Surviving are their children, Sharon (Cliff) McNames of Millstadt, IL and Fred Davenport of East Carondelet, IL. Grandchildren: Bernita (Lionel Spinks) Davenport; Frederick (Christina) Davenport; Phillip (Ruthie) Davenport; Daniel (Amanda) Davenport; Margaret (Brandon) Peterson, Abbie (Jeff) Brooks and Ashley (Micah) Carr. Great-grandchildren Connor, Hayleigh, Austyn, Madden, Samuel C, Dylan and Sam D.

Magdalena is survived by her brother, Peter Sax, of Germany. They are survived also by nieces and nephews, along with other relatives and many dear friends.

They were preceded in death by their daughter-in-law, Marilyn Davenport.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, James and Bessie (Margaret Ann Schales) Davenport; four sisters, Dorothy May Davenport (in infancy); Margretta Davenport (in infancy); Myrna Ray (Don) Asberry; and Alma Jean (Ken) Jones.

Magdalena was preceded in death by her parents, August and Magdalena (Fleischmann) Sax, and her sister, Hildegard (Gerhard) Hartmann.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be directed to the: Sandra M. Bereitschaft Meals on Wheels Foundation, 102 South Jefferson, Millstadt, IL 62260.

Elizabeth Snyder

Elizabeth Snyder July 3, 1929 - October 14, 2020 , Millstadt, Illinois - Elizabeth Opal Snyder, nee Allen, 91, of Millstadt, Illinois born July 3, 1929 passed away, Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at home surrounded by family. On Wednesday, Heaven's gates opened and Betty was reunited with her husband, son, daughter, parents and all family who passed before her. Heaven's



gates have now closed and Betty is home in the presence and glory of God.

Condolences may be expressed online

at www.valhallagardensandfuneralhome.com. Interment will be held privately in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri.

Robert Morris

Robert O. Morris passed away peacefully at the age of 76 on October 3, 2020 at his home in Millstadt, IL surrounded by his loving wife and family. He was born December 31, 1943 in Dallas, TX.

He met the love of his life Elaine, while serving in the US Air Force in Texas. He served 21 years with tours across the United



States, Vietnam and Guam. Following retirement from the Air Force, Bob continued serving as a communications contractor at Scott AFB, IL.

Surviving are his wife of 55 years, Elaine (Fast) Morris, his sons Lance (Candas) Morris and Trenton (Sharon) Morris, and daughters Audree (Jim) Payne and Robyn (Brad) McCrary, ten grandchildren and six great grandchildren, four sisters, and numerous brothers- and sisters-in-law, along with many relatives and friends

Preceding him in death was one son, Tyler Morris, his parents Russell and Mary (Gullion) Cogle, his brother Russell Cogle and two sisters, Nora Stulir and Kathy Maben, as well as other close relatives.

Bob was a member of Zion Evangelical Church in Millstadt and the Millstadt Senior Center. He was an umpire with Khoury League for thirty years. He enjoyed poker, fishing, and following the New York Yankees and Chicago Black Hawks.

Memorials may be made to Zion Evangelical Church in Millstadt, Millstadt Senior Center, or Millstadt EMS. Further information can be found at www.leesmanfuneralhome.com.

Joy Jarvis

Joy Janet Jarvis, 87 of Millstadt, Illinois passed away peacefully on Sunday October 4, 2020 in Carbondale, Illinois. Joy was born on May 3, 1933 in Princeton, Indiana to Roy and Mary Hickrod, nee Woods and they precede her in death.



Joy grew up in Princeton, Indiana and was

raised by her dear aunt Pearl Gage. She and her husband moved to Millstadt in the late 1950's when he began working for Chrysler Motors. Joy supported her family by working in the home. In her free time, she loved going out to eat, especially for fried chicken, bar-b-que and a few beers. She loved to relax with a good soap opera but most of all loved spending time with her friends and family. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

In addition to her parents, Joy was preceded in death by her dear husband, Harvey Edward Jarvis whom she married in Shawneetown, Illinois. She was also preceded in death by her brothers; Earl Cleveland, Max Hickrod, Jim Hickrod and her sister, Selma Howell.

Left to cherish her memory are her sons; Stanley (Chris) Jarvis of Millstadt, Illinois and Tony (Debbie) Jarvis, also of Millstadt, Illinois and her daughter, Kristi Jarvis of Columbia, Illinois; and her brother, Fred Gray of Las Vegas, Nevada. Her grandchildren; Jennifer (Rob) Goetz, Leslie (fiancé Don) Jarvis, T.J. (Marta) Jarvis, Haley Jarvis and Blake Jarvis all of Millstadt, Illinois and her great-grandchildren; Olivia and Abigail Goetz and Brody Jarvis.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Millstadt Senior Center, 102 S. Jefferson St., Millstadt, IL 62260 Per Joy's wishes, her body was cremated. The family will hold a celebration of life at a later date.

Mendy Mehrtens

Melinda "Mendy" Faye Mehrtens, 49 of Millstadt, Illinois passed away at her home on Friday October 2, 2020. Mendy was born on May 23, 1971 in Clovis, New Mexico to Alvin and Sharon Mehrtens, Jr., nee Branson of Millstadt, Illinois.





then attended Illinois College in Jacksonville, Illinois and studied political science. She was a beloved member of the Gamma Delta Sorority. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Illinois College in 1993. After graduation, she worked for the Transportation Security Administration and then as a correctional officer; later she began working with disabled adults, her true passion, and remained in this field for the rest of her career. Mendy was loved by many of those with whom she worked and truly made a difference by touching many lives. She had a big heart and was a devoted foster parent and animal lover. Most of all, Mendy enjoyed spending time with her friends and family and her dear pets.

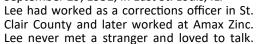
Mendy was preceded in death by her father, Alvin Mehrtens, Jr. and her grandparents; Joseph and Catherine Branson and Alvin and Elsa Mehrtens, Sr

Left to cherish her memory is her mother, Sharon Mehrtens of Millstadt, IL, her foster daughter, Roxy (Jeff) Hartmann and their daughter, Lola; her sister, Melanie (Tom) Schaltenbrand of O'Fallon, Illinois, Tom Theohar of Florissant, Missouri who was like a brother to her, her niece, Margaret Schaltenbrand of Seattle, Washington, her nephew, Samuel Schaltenbrand of Fayetteville, Illinois, her special nephew, Brendan Bueschel of Waterloo, Illinois, her great-niece, Clara Ruth Schaltenbrand and her great-nephew, Samuel Schaltenbrand, Jr both of Fayetteville, Illinois in addition to numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, extended family and beloved friends.

Inurnment will be held at a later date at Mt. Evergreen Cemetery in Millstadt, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either the Belleville Area Humane Society or Special Olympics.

Everett Haas

Everett Lee Haas, 68 years of Belleville, IL, passed away on Monday, October 12, 2020 at his residence in Belleville, IL. He was born September 29, 1952, in East St. Louis, IL.





He was a big supporter of St. Jude's. He had an incredible memory, remembering birth dates and anniversaries. He was a World War II historian and he served in the Marine Corps in North Carolina and Cuba.

The family would like to say a special thank you to the members of the Belleville police department for their friendship to Lee, their kindness and compassion and for their service to the community.

Surviving are three brothers, David (Suzanne) Haas, James (Marty) Haas and Richard (Sue) Haas, his sister, Barbara (Marcus) Teng, his nieces and nephews, Ryan (Emily) Haas, Beth (Jeff) Wilson, Claire Teng, Caroline Teng and Catherine Teng, his great nieces and great nephews, Caden and Maclayne Wilson & Amelia and Adrian Haas, along with other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George Pius and Lois Marie, nee O'Dell, Haas;

Graveside services were held with military honors at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, MO with Deacon Jim Law, officiating.