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FREEZER ARRIVES!!

From Below The Tower



The Senior Center funding comes from many different sources and used for our many programs. The Meals on Wheels (MOW) program which is also referred to as Home Delivered Meals (HDM) costs approximately \$11 to prepare, pack and deliver to our clients. Along with a \$5.00 per meal stipend that

Patty Evansco



Through the efforts of Illinois Senator Chris Belt and Illinois State Representative LaToya Greenwood a new commercial kitchen freezer was purchased for the Millstadt Senior Center. This freezer will be used to accommodate the extra weekend meals that are now being offered to our Meals on Wheels clients. THANK YOU to our representatives for supporting the Millstadt Township constituents.



we receive from the Department of Aging, we ask for a \$5 contribution from our clients to help defray the cost. Donations, fundraisers, and memorials help to cover the remaining balance. Last year we delivered 19,600 meals; this is \$19,600 in additional funding we must raise to cover home delivered meal costs. A client is not required to pay \$5; this is only a suggested amount and by no means do we want you to pay for meals instead of prescriptions, gas, rent, utilities, or other necessities. No one will be denied a meal no matter what they are able to pay.

To receive government funding from the Department of Aging for home delivery, we must submit a referral sheet for every applicant. Each applicant will need to be assessed by the Southern Illinois Visiting Nurses Association (SIVNA). Pertinent information required for this assessment is date of birth and social security number. Since the pandemic, the Visiting Nurses are contacting each client by phone. This may change to home visits in the future. These interviews are extremely important and affect whether we receive funding. Questions refer to your physical, social, and emotional wellbeing. If I need to call and ask for your social security number, please be assured that I do everything in my power to preserve the privacy of your social security number (these files are kept locked). I appreciate your cooperation in helping me get everyone approved for these meals, which enables us to receive the funding we need to continue. At the present time, we have 104 Meals on Wheels clients. I still need approval for 64 of these clients. If you receive meals and would like to call me with your social security number, that would be wonderful! I appreciate your help in assisting me in this matter. Happy Easter! Patty



Patty visits Bill Anderson at Freeburg Care Center.

Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation

We can never thank our volunteers enough who deliver Meals on Wheels and braved the cold, snow, and rainy spring days to deliver hot meals and a smile

to seniors in the Millstadt, Freeburg and Smithton area.

If you are interested in volunteering for a very rewarding experience, contact Patty at 476-3731, and tell her you'd like to help deliver MOWS.

If you would like to support the local MOWS program in another way, forward your donation to the SMBF, Post Office Box 41, Millstadt, IL 62260. Donations are used to purchase serving dishes and supplies needed to deliver the meals. Thank-you to all our donators

Community Kindness

Community Kindness of Belleville has been a faithful supporter of the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Meals on Wheels program for several years. The grant money from Community Kindness helps the foundations purchase the disposable serving dishes used for the Meals on Wheels Program. As with many items, the cost of these containers has also increased.

Thank-you Community Kindness for your support.



Donnal Gaulrapp along with her granddaughters & Charlie Todd arrive to deliver meals on their Thursday routes.





Director Patty Evanso accepts a donation check from Julie Dengler from her and her husband Gary. Thanks Julie & Gary!

14th Annual Millstadt Cross Walk



The 14th Annual Millstadt Community Cross Walk will be held on Good Friday, April 15th at Noon.

The purpose of the Cross Walk is to lift up the saving work that Jesus Christ performed on the cross for all who believe in Him, by bringing the Christians of Millstadt together to carry a wooden cross through our

community. At each location, one of the phrases that Jesus Christ spoke from the Cross (His last 7 words) will be stated, with a brief explanation, thought and prayer. The Cross Walk is approximately 1.7 miles.

The Cross Walk is organized annually by Pastor Darrell Weber.

For further information about the Good Friday Cross Walk, please contact Rev. Darrell Weber at 618-476-1778 or zion@zionmillstadt.com.

Aging Mastery Program

AgeSmart awarded a Grant to offer the Aging Mastery Program at Millstadt Township Senior Services! We are currently recruiting 30 Millstadt, Smithton, Freeburg and local residents age 55+ to participate in a 10-week educational FREE program. The goal of the program is to empower older adults to make and maintain small but impactful changes in their health behaviors. The training sessions will explore navigating longer lives, physical activity, sleep, healthy eating and hydration, financial fitness, medication management, advanced planning, healthy relationships, falls prevention, and community engagement! Participants will earn points for positive actions and rewards and... who doesn't like prizes??? Come to our AGING MASTERY PROGRAM Lighter Fare Luncheon-informational session on Tuesday, June 7th at 12:00pm.

Date: Tuesdays Jun 14th–Aug 16th Time: 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Ten sessions Location: Millstadt township Senior Services 102 South Jefferson, Millstadt IL R.S.V.P. Required: 618-476-3731

"ParTners" Bingo THURSDAY, April 14th

8:30 a.m. Choose a partner and join us for "Partner Bingo" (2 players per team). If you win, your partner wins. Partner Bingo will be played at 8:45, cards will cost .50c each for 4 games. Will play as many sets as time allows.





Carol and Lawrence Osick get ready to deliver meals!



Happy Trails!

Richard & Michelle Rist celebrate on their last day of volunteering at the Senior Center before their move to Nebraska.

National Volunteer Week

National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to recognize the impact of volunteer service and the

power of volunteers to tackle society's greatest challenges, to build stronger communities and be a force that transforms the world. Each year, we shine a light on the people and causes that inspire us to serve, recognizing and thanking volunteers who lend their time,



talent, and voice to make a difference in their communities.

National Volunteer Week was established in 1974 and has grown exponentially each year, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week. Today, as people strive to lead lives that reflect their values, the expression of civic life has evolved. Whether online, at the office, or the local food bank; whether with a vote, a voice, or a wallet – doing good comes in many forms, and we recognize and celebrate them all.

Chair Yoga In The Park Returns

April not only brings rain showers and daffodils blooming, but it also brings the return of chair Yoga at the pavilion across

from the Millstadt School on Tuesday, April 19, at 10:00 am. An excellent class for seniors and beginners. Class will be held each Tuesday, weather permitting, same time, same place. Bring your own folding chair and a smile. If you need more info contact Joyce Hermann at 618-980-2278.



New Cart

Randy and Cheryl Pierpoint deliver a hand cart which they donated to the Senior Center!



4165 Floraville Rd (6 miles south of Millstadt – 1 mile north of Paderborn)

Serving Drive Thru Carry Outs 10:30AM – 2:30PM (or until we run out)

MENU: SAUSAGE DINNER \$13.00 (3 pieces) SAUSAGE (whole hog recipe) MASHED POTATOS AND GRAVY SAUERKRAUT GREEN BEANS APPLESAUCE HORSERADISH (available upon request)

160Z HAM HOCKS \$2.00 EXTRA SAUSAGE LINKS 3 FOR \$5.00

CONCORDIA UCC MONTHLY "BREAD & BLESSING" MEAL 2nd Thursday of Every Month, 4PM-6PM

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY R.S.V.P. Necessary, Please Call 618-476-3377 By the Tuesday previous to the meal 7600 State Route 163, Belleville No Charge for Meal

(Free will offerings are humbly accepted)

Thank You Freeburg Students

Freeburg High School juniors Carson Ott(L) and Caleb Weber(R) volunteered at Millstadt



Township Senior Services during March. They helped unload the meals and together packed 150 meals which were served in the dining room and/or taken out for Meals on Wheels. They also enjoyed visiting with the seniors helping to set up and cleaning up the dining room. Last year we served 2,432 meals to 43 Freeburg residents. If you are someone you care about would like to receive Meals on Wheels, please contact Millstadt Senior Center at (618) 476-3731.

Day End Dough Nation

Panera Bread thru its Day-End Dough-Nation Program shares their unsold bread and bakery products for food distribution with non-profit organizations to be distributed within their local communities. Our Volunteers at the Millstadt Senior Center 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 and the Millstadt Food Pantry. We are very grateful for the Day-End Dough-Nation program at Panera Bread. The total amount of bread/ bakery donations for the year 2021 was \$53,898.75! *Thanks to Panera Bread!*

Congregate Dining

We invite you to enjoy a deliciously prepared lunch. The suggested donation for the



meal is \$5.00, however each person is responsible for determining what he/she can contribute as a suggested contribution. Persons under 60 years of age are required to pay the full cost of the meal (\$11.50). No one will be denied a meal due to lack of donation.

Millstadt Township

Senior Services is open: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Lunch is served at 12:00 Noon)



Congratulations Millstadt Bowler 300 Game

Many people have a hard time scoring a single strike when bowling, much less



hitting strikes in succession. However, Rick Coleman found a way to do this reliably. During his stream, he scored strike after strike in Wii Sports Bowling. You can raise the Wii Remote and swing it in a specific way, which increases your chances for a strike. Coleman's strategy worked to get him 12 strikes in a row or a perfect 300 game!

Millstadt seniors are proving video games are not just for kids!

The Millstadt Township Senior Services Wii Bowling League meets every Wednesday morning. They have a league and play individually against each other. Before the pandemic they played teams which they hope to resume back to a team league this fall. Everyone is invited to participate; you can join by coming to Senior Center on Wednesdays by 9:00 am.



Millstadt Senior Center's Wed. morning Bowling League participants. Front row Lil, Dorothy and Janet. Back row Rick, Norma, Barb, Scott & Thelma.

Barb Louis Receives The Dot Edmondson Award

At the monthly Bowling Awards, Barb Louis was chosen to receive the "Dot Edmondson" award. Dot passed away in March and was a charter bowler in the Wii Bowling League at Millstadt Senior Center.



Dot was the Secretary and kept all the handicaps and scores in order. Barb and Dot were longtime friends and Barb encouraged Dot to become involved in the bowling league. Dot will be deeply missed but through her fellow bowlers she will live on through the weekly bowling sessions.



The annual Trivia event for the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation will be held on October 15, 2022 at St. James Parish. Please reserve this date on your calendar.

Millstadt Red Helpsave Cross Blood Drive Schedule

May 4, 2022 July 6, 2022 Sep. 7, 2022 Nov. 16, 2022 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. James 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. James 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm St. James 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm V.F.W.



MILLSTADT TOWNSHIP SENIOR SERVICES



QUILT RAFFLE June 17, 2022 At Senior Center

1st Prize - Handmade Queen Size Quilt 2nd Prize - Porch Swing 3rd Prize - Handmade Baby Quilt

TICKETS \$100 6 FOR \$500

Available at the Center

Many tickets are being sold for our Quilt A Rama drawing on Dec. 23, 2021. The Quilt tops are Handmade and Hand Quilted Queen Sized Pieced Quilts.

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Farmers Market

Wake Up!! The Millstadt Township Farmers Market will be open for business **starting Friday**, **May 13th!** As always, no vendor fees! Get ready to sell or shop at this community event. We will still be located at the Millstadt V.F.W. Event Center, Fridays 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Support the V.F.W. at their Friday Fish Fry!



Bag Tournament Results

03/03/2022

- 1. Evelyn Weber/Norma Burleson
- 2. Thelma Short/Dorlene Sandheinrich
- 3. Ralph Schneider/Lucille Reece
- 4. Shirley Rinck/Dorothy Bagsby
- 5. Doris Chaput/Toni Schneider
- 6. Barb Knewitz/Lil Tracy

03/10/2022

- 1. Barb Knewitz/Evelyn Weber
- 2. Lucille Reece/Doris Chaput
- 3. Dorothy Bagsby/Norma Burleson
- 4. Ralph Schneider/Thelma Short

03/17/2022

- 1. Darlene Sandheinrich/Ralph Schneider
- 2. Barb Knewitz/Norma Burleson
- 3. Dorothy Bagsby/Evelyn Weber
- 4. Thelma Short/Lucille Reece
- 5. Doris Chaput/Lil Tracy

03/24/2022

- 1. Toni Schneider/Lucille Reece
- 2. Scott Raitt/Barb Knewitz
- 3. Dorothy Bagsby/Darlene Sandheinrich
- 4. Norma Burleson/Ralph Schneider



Millstadt HOMETOWN PROUD

625 East Washington Millstadt, Illinois 62260 (618) 476–3161





Senior Center attendees wait for Bingo to start.

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| | 3/2/2022 | 3/9/2022 | 3/16/2022 | 3/23/2022 | 3/30/2022 | Total for Month |
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| Rick | 686 | 726 | 763 | 741 | 678 | 719 1st Place |
| Thelma | 579 | 767 | 627 | 644 | 675 | 658 2nd Place |
| Janet | 731 | 600 | 643 | 641 | 646 | 652 3rd Place |
| Norma | 577 | 583 | 661 | 647 | 627 | 619 4th Place |
| Dorothy | 576 | | | 567 | | 572 5th Place |
| Barb | 505 | 603 | 532 | 558 | 510 | 542 6th Place |
| Lil | 478 | | | 524 | 463 | 488 7th Place |
| Scott | | | | | 404 | 404 8th Place |
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Quilter Gives Back!

The one thing that I have learned about quilters in my tenure at the Senior Center is that they have incredibly generous hearts and love to share their abilities with others.

Marlene Bruehl passed away in March but left many quilts to remember her by to the Millstadt Senior Center. Some of the quilts were handmade by Marlene and there are also vintage quilts in the collection, which would be a treasure to be on any bed. Marlene was a quiet, but very elegant lady. Many did not know that she had such a talent for sewing and quilting. The power of quilts to comfort is a universal feeling. Quilters enjoy sharing their stitching secrets.



Judy Sutter and Judy Jacobs look over the quilts that were donated to the Senior Center from Marlene Bruehl.





New Athens, IL **Thursday, April 21st** 4:00 PM Call Center For Reservations 618-476-3731





Deb Curtis and Mike Heise from 1st National Bank of Waterloo came to sponsor Bingo at the Senior Center!

Vote Yes for Millstadt Library Dares You to Take the Pledge to Vote Yes

When was the last time you took a stand for something? Something you really had a passion for and believed in so strongly? Do you remember? Believe it or not, taking a stand for something doesn't always have to be a life-altering situation. Most of the time, it just means doing the right thing. And in the case of voting Yes for the Millstadt Library, the right thing to do is to vote yes on June 28.

Thursday, April 7, is Take Action for Libraries Day - and we can't think of a better day for you to take action for your Millstadt Library. This is the same library that has hosted over hundreds of programs for you and your families, circulated thousands of items for your education and entertainment and saved you and your family more than \$466 million in 2021 alone!

- One key aspect of libraries is equal access.
- 100% of public libraries offer access to the Internet
- 98% of public libraries offer free Wifi
- 90% help patrons with basic Internet skills.
- 97% help people complete online government forms
- 9 out of 10 libraries offer access to e-books
- Did you know your library does every single one of those things?

(Bertot, J.C., Real, B., Lee, J., McDermott, A.J., & Jaeger, P.T. (201). 2014 Digital Inclusion Survey: Findings and Results. College Park, MD: Information Policy & Access Center, University of Maryland College Park.)

So how do you take action?

We are asking everyone to take the pledge to Vote Yes on June 28 for the Millstadt Library.

- Visit our website

www.voteyesformillstadtlibrary.nationbuilder.com, to learn more and sign up - Like and share our Facebook page @VoteYesforMillstadtLibrary

Grab a friend or two and Volunteer with us by emailing us at voteyesformillstadtlibrary@gmail.com.

Remember, sharing is caring. Tell your neighbors and tell them often because we're not just building a new library. We're building for tomorrow, today.

NATIONAL ★ 🛧 LIBRARY WEEK

APRIL 3-9. 2022

CONNECT WITH YOUR LIBRARY



Doris Adams displays her homemade Spring Centerpieces that she made for the Senior Center. Beautiful!



Connect with YOUR Library this National Library Week!

It's National Library Week!

That means it's our week at the library to celebrate all the great things libraries do for us, our community and for you. We'll be celebrating every day by posting online, having fun events in the library and hosting our own Library Spirit Week! This year's theme is "Connect with your Library," and we think that honorary chair, actress Molly Shannon, put it in the best way possible, "Libraries are places where communities connect-to things like broadband, computers, programs and classes, books, movies, video games, and more. But most importantly, libraries connect us to each other."

We know that you're aware by now of our grant deadline and the reliance of that grant on our annexation referendum to build a new library. But do you know what happens if the referendum doesn't pass?

Simply put, if we can't get behind this much-needed community project and unite with our neighbors to pass this referendum to improve and expand future library services for our community, there's no new library in 2023. This is because Millstadt forfeits \$1.2 million back to the State of Illinois - and that means an additional \$1.2 million to raise in the upcoming years. Services and resources will also only be available for everyone currently living within the library district, or those within the Village of Millstadt.

Whether it's been a long time since you've been in, we see you all the time or you've never visited us at all, we're asking you to connect with your local library April 3-9 this National Library Week. Help support those who strived to create a library, help support your current librarians working hard to bring your community resources and events and help support your library of tomorrow.



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| SPIRIT THEME: | Team up for libraries! Wear your favorite team (i.e. sports, superhero) shirt! | S |
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| LIBRARY ACTIVITY: | Take a picture in front of our READ poster! | Ļ |
| SOCIAL MEDIA | Share your READ pic and tag us @MillstadtLibrary! Comment about what your library means to you. | |
| ACTIVITY: | what your library means to you. | A |

MONDAY APRIL 4

THURSDAY APRIL 7

| ΤΑΚΕ | ACTION FOR LIBRARIES DAY |
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| | Lit for Literacy! Wear Book/Library inspired clothing! |
| THEME: | Ask for some new |
| CTIVITY: | nana chem out to your heighbors. |
| SOCIAL MEDIA | Share our FAQ/New Building pages with your firends and family and mark your calendars for June 28! |
| CTIVITY: | mark your calendars for June 28! |

NATL LIBRARY WORKERS' DAY PIRIT Tip your hat in thanks! Wear a fun hat. HEME: IBRARY Come in to your library just to say CTIVITY: "hi" or ask your librarians about their Come in to your library just to say job! SOCIAL Comment on the day's post about how a librarian has helped you. MEDIA TIVITY:

FRIDAY APRIL 8

Fun in the sun! Think flip flops, floaties, sunglasses and Hawaiian SPIRIT THEME: shirts.

LIBRARY Check out, read, or learn about what ACTIVITY: is going on with all of those banned books lately.

SOCIAL MEDIA ACTIVITY: Libraries Report.

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| IT ME: | Calling all characters! Dress up as a favorite book or movie character. |
| ARY /ITY: | Check out something besides a book! - Audio book, eBook, VG, CD, DVD Bonus join us for Story Time at 11 am |
| IAL | Get caught reading! Book, eBook, |
| DIA Vity: | Get caught reading! Book, eBook, Magazine - take a pic and tag us @MillstadtLibrary! |
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SATURDAY APRIL 9

| SPIRIT THEME: | Be a kid again! Wear something that makes you feel young at heart. |
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| LIBRARY ACTIVITY: | No matter your age, do yourself a favor and check out some children's books! |
| SOCIAL MEDIA ACTIVITY: | Comment on the day's post your favorite children's book or movie! |

Dates to Remember

April 12, Millstadt Twp. Annual Meeting, 6:00 pm.

April 16, Easter BBQ, Millstadt Union Fire Dept.

April 17, Easter

- April 19, Chair Yoga in the Park. 10:00 am.
- April 22, Earth Day, smell a rose.
- May 4, Blood Drive, St. James 3:00-8:00.
- June 6, BUNCO, St. James



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.



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The Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer Spring Luncheon Thursday, May 19, 2022 12:00 noon Sponsored by Zion's Sisters in Faith, Millstadt 117 West White Street, Millstadt, IL 62260 Basket Boutique Quilt Raffle Entertainment Delicious Picnic Lunch Featuring fried 👋 dessert and drink \$12/person (paid at door) Please make reservations by May 13 Call the Church office at 618-476-1778 with the names of those attending *************** Aging Mastery Program[®] National Council on Aging Lifelong Adventure **Aging Mastery Program**[®] Join the adventure for FREE!



Freeburg Library will be running the Aging Mastery Program®!

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By participating in this program, you will:

- Make and maintain small but impactful changes in your health behaviors, financial well-being, and enrichment in later life.
- Get incentives and rewards for taking small steps that can improve your well-being.
- Meet new friends, provide support and encouragement to your peers, and become more involved in your community.

The program is FREE, but spaces are limited. Sign up now! The program runs:Wednesdays, FEB 2-APR 6 from 10:00AM - 3:00PM



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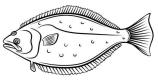
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What the Halibut?

Fish weren't biting and you're looking for another way to prepare a white fish during Lent? Prepare a vegetable and salad and you have an easy, quick meal.

Ingredients: ¼ cup soft butter, ¼ cup mayonnaise ½ cup grated Parmesan Cheese

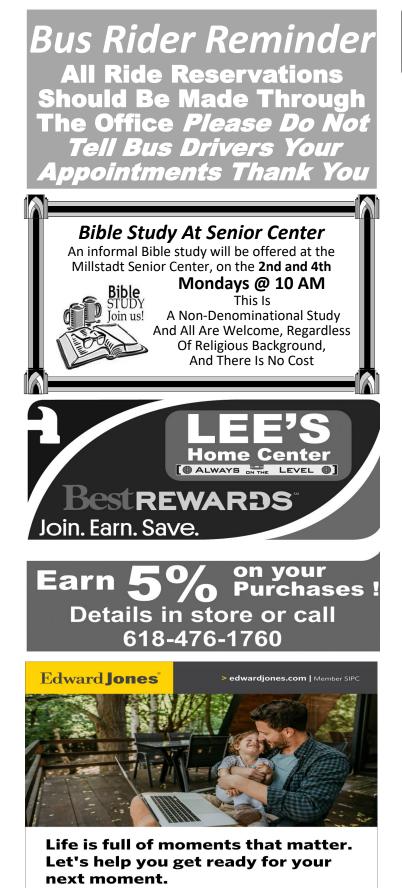
2 Tbsp. chopped green onion 4-6 gloves garlic, crushed Dash of Tabasco Salt and Pepper to taste ½ lemon, juiced



4 Halibut fillets about 1 inch thick

Instructions: 450 degrees. Season the halibut with salt, pepper and a squeeze of lemon juice. Place fillets in a baking dish. Bake for 6 minutes.

Mix the topping ingredients, butter, mayonnaise, cheese, onion, garlic and tabasco together. Remove halibut from oven and spread Parmesan mixture over top and sides of fish. Turn oven to broil and cook for 2-3 minutes, until the tops are lightly browned. Serve immediately with vegetable and salad.



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HE LIVES!

In Paul's letter to the saints of the church at Ephesus, he describes God's plan for redeeming the world through Christ. "For it is by GRACE you have been saved, through FAITH - not by works, so that one can boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:8-10.

There is some controversy as to how many mission journeys Paul traveled. Some say three, others four and still others say more. We will settle on three and an uncompleted forth. St Luke recorded the first mission trip in Acts 13 and 14. Today, we will study Acts 15, which deals more with controversy than travel. The reluctance of the Jews to share their God with the Gentiles and whether Gentiles obey the Jewish laws. (Acts15:1-5).

After much discussion during the meeting of the Council at Jerusalem, Peter stood and declared: "God who knows the heart, showed he accepted them (Gentiles) by giving the Holy Spirit to them, just as he did to us. He made no distinction between us and them, for he purified their hearts by faith. We believe it is through the Grace of our Lord Jesus we are saved, just as they are." (Acts 15:6-9,11). The assembly is silent when Paul and Barnabas speak. When they finish, James stands and declares: "The words of the prophets are in agreement with this, as it is written."

NOTE: The prophecy is found in Amos 9:11-12. "In that day, I will restore David's fallen tent." (Israel will fall). The fulfillment is found in Acts 15:16-18. "After this I will return and rebuild David's fallen tent". (God sent his only son, born from the house of David).

Indeed, Jesus came ("I will return") and with him he brought a new covenant for all God's people, The New Testament. Good news for ALL God's people.

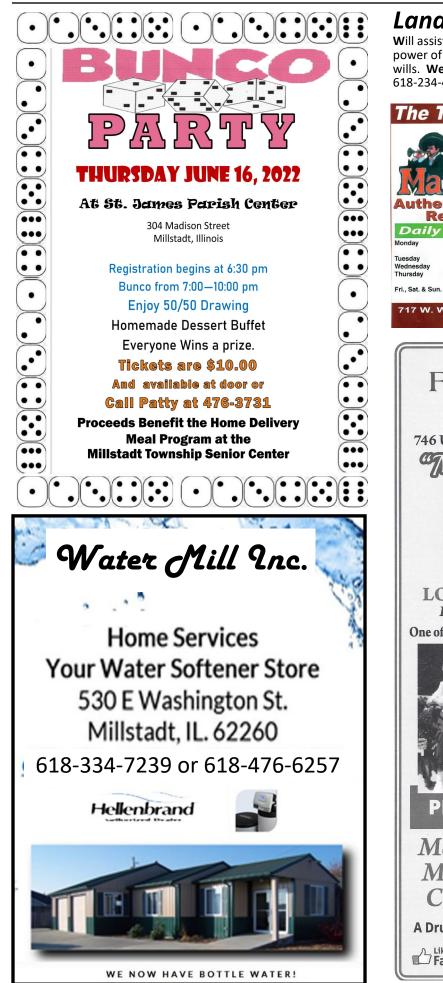
To complete Acts 15, we learn a new controversy arose between Paul and Barnabas and they parted company. Paul and his new companions, Silas and Judas (also known as Barabbas) depart with the Council's letter to the Gentile believers. (Acts 15:19-41). Definitely a part of God's plan for Paul. In Chapter 16, we will be introduced to Timothy. At the end of life, Paul will pass the "Mantle of Ministry" to this young man.

"We can look back on Jesus, the proof of God's love, even though we may never get an answer to our "Why" questions. Good Friday demonstrates that God has not abandon us to our pain. The evils and sufferings that affect our lives are so real and so significant to God that he willed to share them and endure them himself. Easter Sunday shows that in the end, suffering will not triumph." Anon.

HE LIVES!

May the peace of Christ be with you now and always. *Blessings, Pat Morris*

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SENIOR NEWS



Fabric Grab Coming



The Millstadt Senior Center is planning a new fundraiser and your invited to participate,

donate and help. Call your neighbors, fellow crafters and sewers to sift through all their fabric scraps, used sewing machines, unfinished quilts, and other supplies they would like to donate to our sale. We will sort everything and set out on folding tables in our building at 102 South Jefferson Street, on Saturday, August 27 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.



The Operation Food Search Food Rescue Program partners with Schnucks (and Dierbergs) to 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



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Village of Millstadt

February 28, 2022

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, Mark Todd, and Dustin Trankle. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A motion was made by Ray Famula to approve the February 14th minutes. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS: Mike Capell unanimously. stated he reviewed the bills. Mike Capell made a motion to pay the bills. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. PERSONNEL: Mike Capell stated there would be an Executive Session for police and pool Personnel after Citizens Comments. PUBLIC WORKS: SEWER: Dustin Trankle stated a resident on West White Street and South Tyler had a sewer issue, but it was quickly resolved. STREETS, ALLEYS, AND SIDEWALKS: Randy Burk stated the grant application for the CDBG grant to be used on the 200 block of East Laurel Street is due by Thursday, March 10th. Scott Baltz stated he received an email from Dana at TWM about continuing to use the grant money for the 700 block of West Laurel Street. Mayor Todd stated that block is tricky because the curb and gutter is only needed on one side. Randy added the crown on the road is also high which would have to be worked on. He asked if there was money earmarked for that project? Tracy Holmes stated she thought the Village received money, but it was not that much to also work on the road. Mayor Todd asked Scott to call Village Engineer James Barganier to get more information. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Mike French stated Ordinance 1250 is for case A48 for Dennis Cooper. It is to change the zoning at 820 South Mulberry Street from R2 to Industrial. The Zoning Board recommended approval. Mike French made a motion to accept Ordinance 1250 as presented. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mike French stated Resolution 22-01 is a Council Resolution of Support to apply for the 2022 Community Development Block Grant from St. Clair County. It is for sidewalk improvements on the 200 block of East Laurel Street. Mike French made a motion to approve Resolution 22-01 as presented. Dustin Trankle seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

PARKS, POOL AND RECREATION: Mark Todd stated Scott Baltz got a bid to stripe a pickleball court on the tennis court. Mark will have the information for the Board at the next meeting. Randy Burk asked if there will also be new nets. Mark answered he was told they could use the tennis nets which is

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what they use in Belleville. Mayor Todd stated he talked with Scott and DMS to do more dirt work on Field 1; Tuffy Mueth Field is too wet. If the weather cooperated, they would try to work on Field 1 on March 3rd or 4th.

COMMUNITY CENTER: Ray Famula stated the Senior Center recently received a new freezer but due to the increase in participants they are now running out of space. Senator Christopher Belt and State Representative LaToya Greenwood were able to provide them with a new commercial freezer that should arrive soon. The Senior Center received shelf stable meals to give out for the Seniors to have food in the event they can't leave their homes. The Sandra M. Bereitschaft dinner was a success and very well attended. Senior Night for March 14th has already sold out. The next Senior Center Board meeting will be Tuesday, March 15th. Mike French asked if Patty still needed a laptop and printer. Ray answered she hadn't mentioned it, but he will ask.

PLANNING COMMISSION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mike French stated the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 15th, dependent on the agenda.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER: Adam Romero stated the Zoning Board recommended approving the new zoning maps. There were about nine changes in total as well as changing the color scheme and enlarging the central grid. Mike French made a motion to approve the 2022 Zoning Maps as presented. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated Police Chief Alan Hucke and Adam Romero have started taking the new business licenses to current businesses this week. Any new business will have to have a license to open as well. Adam added they are getting information from the current businesses to update the Police and Fire departments. Mayor Todd stated the wells were drilled at the maintenance shed. There will be someone from the EPA coming to look at them March 10th and 11th.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Todd stated he is looking into a grant for solar power at the sewer plant. He and Randy Burk met with a company about a year ago but did not hear back from them. The electric bill for the sewer plant last month was \$8,000 so alternative energy could be very helpful. There is also available ground at the sewer plant for the solar panels. Tracy Holmes added the grant is specifically for wastewater facilities.

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. Mike Capell seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Tracy reminded the department heads and committee chairs that they need to begin working on items for the new budget year.

CLERK'S REPORT: Tracy Holmes stated that the Clerk's Report had been submitted. RandyBurk made a motion to approve the Clerk's Report. Mike French seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike Capell made a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel for police and pool.Randy Burk seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike French made a motion to close Executive Session. Ray Famula seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mike Capell made a motion to hire Jennifer Haas as the pool manager for 2022. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mike Capell made a motion to give Mayor Todd authority to sign the contract with the Police Department once Village Attorney Brian Flynn reviews it. Mark Todd seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. SENIOR NEWS



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"Schedule time each day to stay in touch with family, friends, and neighbors in person, by email, social media, voice call, or text. Talk with people you trust and share your feelings."

TIP 2. STAY CONNECTED

"Use communication technologies such as video chat, smart speakers, or even companion robots to help keep you engaged and connected. If you're not tech-savvy, sign up for an online or in-person class at your local public library or community center to help you learn."

TIP 3. STAY MOVING

"Stay physically active and include group exercise, such as joining a walking club or working out with a friend. Adults should aim for at least 150 minutes (2 1/2 hours) of activity a week that makes you breathe hard."





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Mon. & Fri. @ 10:00 am. (Instructor: Joyce Herrmann) Yoga can be a great way to/ exercise the aging body. In this gentle

yoga class, students use a chair & Joyce helps to modify positions for comfort & concerns. Please call 618-476-3731 to first-time register! No Charge! During the month of April, FRIDAY yoga will be held at Zion Church.





Family members of Viola Frank make a donation to the Millstadt Senior Center in her honor.

TRANSPORTATION NOTICE

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



Norman Simmonds

Norman H. Simmonds, affectionately known as Stormin' Norman, of Millstadt, Illinois, entered into everlasting life on March 18, 2022 with his three sons at his side. Norman was born to Clifford and Delores Simmonds in Belleville, Illinois on December 6, 1939.

He is survived by his loving wife of 62

years, Shirley, nee Schaller, Simmonds, and his sons, Michael (Jamie) Simmonds, Doug (Kelly) Simmonds, and David Simmonds, and five loving grandchildren, Amanda (Ryan) Wolff, Lauren, Emily, Nick and Hannah (fiance Zack Stancil) and dear great-grandson Nolan Ryan Wolff; dear brother Ronald (Betty) Simmonds and sister, Betty Ann MacAdoo and many nieces and nephews.

Norman was preceded in death by his parents; his mother-in-law Alma Schaller, two brothers in-law, Walter Schaller and Harold MacAdoo, and sister-in-law Doris Schaller.

Norman was a proud Teamster and Machinist Union member. He was employed by Metro East Automobile dealerships in the Parts Dept and as a Parts Manager. After 30 plus years working in automotive parts, he then began his long-awaited second career as an over the road and local truck driver.

He followed NASCAR and open wheel racing throughout his life and enjoyed attending both college and professional football, including his son, Michael's, games. He looked forward to yearly snowbird vacations and loved the family RV trips, which provided a lifetime of fun filled memories.

Hoffen Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. A Celebration of Life will be held at future date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Millstadt Senior Center or a charity of the donor's choice.

Smithton Meals

We will serve meals 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 Monday thru Friday.

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Dorothy Stevenson

Dorothy F. Stevenson, nee Wood, 88, of New Athens, IL, born Wednesday, November 29, 1933, in Paragould, AR, passed away Saturday, March 12, 2022 at

her residence in New Athens, IL. Dorothy worked as the owner and operator for Sleepy Hollow Motel in Belleville. She was a member of Faith Baptist Church in Freeburg IL, Job's Daughters International – Belleville #24, Past Worthy Commander True Kindred, and Member of Broad Hollow Grange #1806.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles R. Stevenson; parents, Clarence Earl and Amy May Wood; brother Sammie E. Wood; son, Chas R. Stevenson and granddaughter, Donnielle Boyle

Surviving are her daughter, Donna K. Boyle (Michael Cummings) of New Athens, IL; grandchildren Aimee Fletcher, Joseph (Michelle)Stevenson, Sarah Hudgeons, Mary Boyle, Ricky (Nikki) Cummings, Nicholas Cummings, Andrew (Rosie) Cummings, Megan Cummings, Cody Cummings, Nina (Rick) Cummings,; seventeen great grandchildren and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Job's Daughters International – Belleville #24 or Faith Baptist Church of Freeburg, IL.

Arrangements were handled by Kurrus Funeral Home, Belleville.



"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, Breadeoux Pizza & Schuberts From Millstadt "The Center is a Great Place to Enjoy Yourself Through Fellowship & Celebrations With 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**.

Josephine Williams

Josephine L. Williams, nee Vlahek, 95, of Cahokia, Illinois, born February 12, 1927, in East St. Louis, Illinois, died Friday, March 18, 2022 at her residence surrounded by her loving family.

Josephine was a retired seamstress from Mary Mason Dress Factory in St. Louis, MO. She was a member of the V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary and the Moose Lodge 4, both of East St. Louis, IL. She continued her love of sewing her entire life. She loved being "The Sewing Lady" of Cahokia.



However, one of her greatest joys was her Mickey and Minnie collection that is rivaled by none. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dewey Williams; her parents, Tony and Stella, nee Zurowski, Vlahek; a sister, Rose Drake; a son-in-law, Walt Eugea: a daughter, Patty Sue Williams; a grandson, John Williams; a great granddaughter, Cheyenne Eugea; her brothers-in-law, Everett Drake and Hugh Redman; and a sister-in-law, Sandy Vlahek.

Surviving are her children, Carren Eugea and Ronald (Bonnie) Williams; her grandchildren, Jim Eugea, Scott, and Shawn (Melissa) Alexander, and Cameron and Reece Williams; great grandchildren, Joshua (Carmen), Cortney, and Austin Eugea, Kaleb Alexander, Hayden O'Malley. Kolby Eugea, and Hadlee O'Malley; her great great grandchildren, Scarlett Rutledge, Anya Ford, and Skylar and Sabrina Rutledge;; a sister, Delores Redman; and a brother, Tony Vlahek. She was also a dear aunt, cousin, and friend. Josephine's family would like to thank the people from BJC Hospice for the care and support that they gave to her and her family.

Memorials may be made in the form of Masses to Holy Family Catholic Church or to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements were handled by Braun Funeral Home, Cahokia.

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



Billy Brauer Dot Edmondson Mary Lou Galle Norman Simmonds Dorothy Stevenson Marcella Waelts Josephine Williams

Billy Brauer

Billy D. Brauer, 87, of Smithton, IL, formerly of Belleville, IL, born August 24, 1934, in Belleville, IL, died Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at Mercy Hospice South – de Greeff Hospice House, St. Louis, MO. Bill was a loving husband of 66 years, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He graduated from Belleville West High School where he ran track;



finishing first in state high hurdles. Prior to Covid, the graduating class met for monthly lunches; Bill helped coordinate a number of reunions. He spent the majority of his career in retail, starting with Kaufmanns Grocery. When he first married his high school sweetheart, Betty Baechle, he worked at the A&P Grocery, Gasen's/Super X Drug Store, the Rust Construction Company and as a bus driver for St. Clair Associated Vocational Enterprises (SAVE). Bill also did bookkeeping for Brunsmann Heating and Cooling.

Known as "Bingo Bill," he was an active bingo caller for: PSOP, Saint Teresa Catholic Church in Belleville, the C K &L of I in Belleville, Saint John the Baptist, and the Smithton Senior Center.

He was an active blood/platelet donor for decades. He was active in a variety of parish organizations at both Saint Teresa and Saint John the Baptist, including men's club, Knights of Columbus, and former trustee of St. Teresa. He was a former member and past president of the Little Knights football club in Belleville where he also announced games.

In retirement, he and Betty managed reservations for the Smithton Senior Center. Bill was Santa for his grandchildren and great grandchildren, the Smithton Firemen, PSOP, the Senior Center, Mayor Kern's annual toy drive, and a variety of family and friends. In 2013, he was awarded the Hall of Fame Award for a lifetime of outstanding service to the community of Smithton.

Bill was preceded in death by a son, Bruce A. Brauer; his parents, George and Lillian, nee Felts, Brauer; seven brothers, and three sisters.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Betty J., nee Baechle, Brauer, whom he married on April 23, 1955; a daughter, Brenda (Michael) Dinges of Arnold, MO; two sons, Robert (Judy) Brauer of Belleville, IL, and Bradley (Linda) Brauer of St. Louis, MO; six grandchildren, Ryan Brauer of Belleville, IL, Casey (Steve Faust) of St. Louis, MO, Aaron (Casey) Brauer of O'Fallon, IL, Drew Dinges (Jared Earnhart) of St Louis, MO, Austin (Caitlin) Brauer of Fenton, MO, and Anne Catherine Brauer of Ballwin, MO; six great grandchildren, James, Morgan, Abigail, and Brody Brauer, and Genevieve and Amelia Faust; a sister, Marilyn Ackerman of Swansea, IL; three sisters-in-law, Dorothy Brauer of St. Joseph, MO, Carol Brauer of Belleville, IL, and Sue Frazier of St. Louis MO; many nieces and nephews; and many friends.

Memorials may be made to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church or School, Smithton, IL, or to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements were handled by Renner Funeral Home.



Call Don at (618) 406-9207 for rental information

Dot Edmondson

Dorothy Jean Edmondson, nee Tauchert, age 81 of Millstadt, died March 15, 2022 at Garden Place of Millstadt.

Dorothy grew up in Cahokia, the oldest of three children to Gilbert and Viola, nee Loewe, Tauchert. She married her high school sweetheart Kenneth. He soon joined

the Army, and they were transferred to Frankfurt, Germany. After a few relocations, they moved back to Cahokia, and later Festus, before retiring to Olive Branch, Ill., where they loved living in the house on the lake. Ken and Dorothy enjoyed camping, fish fries, Cardinals football and baseball, bowling, swing dancing, living life to the fullest, and their Christian faith was an important part of their lives together.

Dorothy had a long and rewarding career with the former Boatmen's Bank as a loan officer, retiring in 1996. She enjoyed Sunday school, Church services, embroidery, reading, attending the Millstadt Senior Center, her Grandchildren, and travelling to Florida and Branson.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kenneth A. Edmondson; granddaughter Victoria Wolken, nee Edmondson; and poodle Binky.

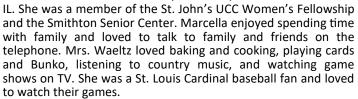
Survivors include her son Kenneth G. (Christine) Edmondson, and daughter Debbie Norris; grandchildren Max, Sam, Christina, and Levi Edmondson, and Philip and Alex Norris; and sisters Peggy (George) Mokriakow and Sandy (Jim) Quain.

Memorial donations are suggested to Millstadt Senior Center. Arrangements were handled by Hoffen Funeral Home, Millstadt.

Marcella Waeltz

Marcella K. Waeltz, nee Bernhardt, 96, of Smithton, IL, born July 16, 1925, in O'Fallon, IL, died Sunday, February 27, 2022, at her residence.

Mrs. Waeltz was previously employed by Smithton Grade School, Ralston Purina Corporation, and was a former Avon representative. She was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ, Smithton,



She was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years. Orville T. Waeltz, whom she married on January 7, 1943, and who died on October 14, 2001; her parents, Henry and Albertina, nee Schildknecht, Bernhardt; three brothers, Lavern Bernhardt, Donald (Jean) Bernhardt, and Delmar (Laverna) Bernhardt; and many brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law.

Surviving are two sons, Gary Waeltz (Marlene Leard, special friend), and Mark (Barbara) Waeltz; a daughter, Gayle (Bruce) Robbins; eight grandchildren, Kristy (Bruce Jones) Waeltz Holland, Amy (Chris) Judd, Michelle Waeltz, Melissa Waeltz (Shane Cole, Special Friend), Jennifer Waeltz, Ryan (Brooke Wildman, Fiancée) Wambergue, Lindsay (Austin) McRaven, and Brian (Rebekah) Wallace; 13 great-grandchildren, Lily, Jane, Liam, Owen, Orion, Caela, Calista, Landyn, Lucas, Rory, Kyla, Xander and Rand; and a dear friend of the family, Jean Waeltz.

The family would like to give special thanks to the staff of BJC Home Healthcare and Heartland Hospice for their care and support.

Memorials may be made to St. John's United Church of Christ or to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements were handled by Renner Funeral Home, Belleville, IL.

Mary Lou Galle

Mary Lou Galle, 89, of Millstadt, IL passed away at Memorial Hospital in Belleville on Wednesday March 2, 2022. She was born on April 3, 1932, in East St. Louis, IL to Martin and Lucille Drennan, nee St. John, and they precede her in death. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Stephen Galle, her sons Stephen Galle and Robert "Bobby" Galle, her sister Betty Schroeder and her



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brother, John Drennan. Mary Lou grew up in East St. Louis, IL and graduated from Dupo High School. She moved to Millstadt where she raised her family. Mary Lou worked as a telephone operator for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company her entire career. She was an active member of St. James Catholic Church in Millstadt and the St. James Society of St. Vincent de Paul as well as the St. James Ladies Sodality. In her spare time, she enjoyed meeting with the Dupo Lunch Bunch, traveling, going to craft shows, watching the Chicago Cubs and loved being on the go. She was a very charitable person and practiced gratitude for all the blessings of her life. Her greatest joy was spending time with her family, and she will be deeply missed by all those who knew and loved her.

Left to cherish her memory are her children; Kim (Rick) Johnston, Mary Lynne (Joel) Mueth, David Galle, her siblings; Joe (Cathy) Drennan, David (Sandy) Drennan, Katherine (Galen) Adams, Christine (Wayne) Reuss, Nancy Steele, her sister-in-law; Marjorie Galle, her grandchildren; Chris (Kristi) Johnston, Sarah (Austin) Foutch, Heather (Abram) Bearth, Nicole Hupka, Jenny (Adam) Miear, Tara (Ryan) Radake, Jared Mueth (Stephanie), Megan (Tyler) Kleinschmidt and eleven great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, extended family and beloved friends.

Memorial Contributions may be made to St. James Society of St. Vincent de Paul or St. James Church.

Arrangements handled by Hoffen Funeral Home, Millstadt, IL.



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.

Your Help in This Matter is Greatly Appreciated