

Serving The Millstadt Area Since 1983

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Handy Feed Changes Owners After 61 Years In Business



In the summer of 1956, Irvin "Bud" Paule and his cousin Earl Hammel formed a partnership and purchased the old Noser Milling Company from the William Noser estate and re-opened it September 22, 1956

under the name of Handy Feed and Grain Co. Both Bud and Earl has passed since then and Bud's son Jerry continued to run it the next 21 years and now has sold to James "Jim" Helfrich. It will be operated under the name of Millstadt Milling and Feed Co LLC. Jerry hopes that after 61 years our loyal customers will continue to patronize Jim and Melissa and their family in doing business with the new entity.

Little Free Library

Thanks to many helpers the Millstadt "Little Free Library" is open for business. There have many several people seen using it daily. They are leaving newer and older editions of books. There is also a mix of children and adult books.

Millstadt Township Highway Commissioner Stanley Jarvis came to the rescue in digging the hole and putting the post in concrete. Then Fuzzy Eckert and Jim Bereitschaft stopped by and offered help and advice. Then Charlie Worden made sure it was secured to the pole. Thank you everyone for all work in getting project going.



(L-R) Stanley Jarvis, Fuzzy Eckert (behind library) and Jim Bereitchaft.

Township Highway
Commissioner Stanley
Jarvis secures the
mounting bracket to the
library.

From Below The Tower



Patty Evansco

Is it really possible? Can it be September already? The Millstadt Homecoming is upon us this weekend. We are very excited to be in the parade again this year with our new mini-van. Things have been really moving around here. We had our first Illinois Department of

Transportation Audit this week.

The auditor was here about 5 hours but I'm pleased to announce that we received very good reviews and our agency is in compliant with Illinois Department of Transportation requirements.

We had many visitors this month including Kristy Sisk from Cedarleaf with an Ice Cream Sundae bar for everyone. Then the Millstadt School Teachers came and played bingo and brought lots of prizes. Tonya from Garden Place brought Bingo and her mystery Bingo bag prizes that everyone loves. Meg Wessel came and played Bean Bag Toss and had lots of nice things also. Just a month of gifts for everyone! Then to wrap up things Frank Heiligenstein came and talked about our favorite subject of "taxes". He gave some very good information of how we can get them reduced. We also squeezed in a trip to the Bistro in Red Bud for dinner and everyone had a good time there.

Check out the calendar in the is newsletter because we have bus trips planned every week, be sure to get a seat for one or two or all. I have to go I still have 104 Thank You notes to write for all your generosity we are grateful for.

Happy September!!!!



Millstadt Consolidated Community School Teachers Treat Seniors to Bingo

Satty

Nicole Wilson, Julie Laing The Seniors here at Millstadt love to play Bingo! The

Millstadt Consolidated Community School teachers came to the Senior Center on August 8th and helped with lunch and played Bingo. They brought all the prizes and helped with the games.

Senior Center Rock Painting

On Friday, August 4, while Director Patty Evansco headed down to Moore Asphalt to find some good rocks to paint and Belleville West National Honors Society volunteers Austin Valerius, Abby Hobbs, and Addison Hanusek gathered a few of the ladies at the senior center to paint rocks that will eventually be placed around the center later in the month. Fern, who is looking outstanding for 93 years old, painted a bright red rock with big eyes and a lovely smile to brighten anyone's day. On the other side of the table, Betty was creating a marvelous fish for an under the sea approach on the rock painting. It wasn't hard to see how much fun the ladies were having by the smiles and laughs coming from the craft table. Rock painting was a hit with all these good-looking rocks! Thankyou Moore Asphalt and Cindy Moore for helping us find good rocks.



The "Rock Painters" show off their work.





Belleville West National Honors Society volunteers Austin Valerius, Abby Hobbs, and Addison Hanusek help (L-R) Betty Stark, Dot Edmison and Fern Seiber paint their rocks.

Do you want to spread kindness? Well, now you can and it's as simple as hiding a rock!

The latest craze of painting rocks and hiding them has hit the Millstadt area. It's known as Millstadt Rocks, and the goal is to promote random acts of kindness to unsuspecting recipients.

Local Facebook groups in Millstadt have formed and already have hundreds of members painting rocks and placing them in public places like local parks and outside of businesses.

It's like a game of "Hide and Seek" but with painted rocks

Many of the rocks have inspirational messages painted on them, others are colorful. The rocks are meant to brighten someone's day.

Once found, some people post where they found the rock and then rehide it.

We have found many rocks at the Senior Center and there were families and kids stopping to hid rocks everyday the other week. We also have hid some that we painted.



The Unstoppable Octogenarians: 80-Year-Olds Are Still In The Prime Of Life

IS IT just me, or does being 80 years old suddenly look like quite a lot of fun? ... From now on, instead of pretending to be younger than their years they will be boasting about the great shape they are in at their



Row(L-R)Betty Schranz, Betty Stark, Burleson, Ralph Schneider

2nd Row (L-R) Pat Schaefer, Pat Morris and Elmer Sandheinrich

So what is the secret to enjoying life at 80? A sense of humor? There's no getting away from it, 80 is here and they folks look mighty good. They are joined by many famous people this year turning 80 that include: Pope Francis, Dustin Hoffman, Nicholson, Anthony Hopkins, Jane Fonda, Marlo Thomas, Morgan Freeman, Vanessa Redgrave, Warren Beatty, Robert Redford and Dyan Cannon to name a few.

Millstadt Village Board Meeting July 10, 2017

The Library Board has purchased land next to the Millstadt Consolidated School Primary Center. The Village Board approved the land acquisition for the Library. (approximately 3 acres of property from June E. Hankammer-Grebing)

Motion approved for the Lighted Parade, street closure, on Friday, November 24, 2017.

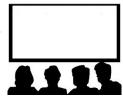
Millstadt Village Board Meeting August 14, 2017

Motion made and approved to hire Scott Baltz as maintenance supervisor, upon his acceptance.

Ralph Bowley, Mark Todd, Ray Famula, Mike French and Al Lehr voted for motion; Kurt Pellmann voted present.

Movie in the Park

On Friday, September 15, get your lawn chairs packed with blankets and snacks for the children and head to the Village Park to see "The Secret Life of Pets". The movie will



start at dusk, approximately 8:30 pm, by the Tuffy Mueth Field. Let's thank and support the following sponsors for Movie in the Park: Breadeaux Pizza, Christ Church-Millstadt Campus, Millstadt Commercial Club, Millstadt IGA, Smokin K's BBQ & More, and Tax Solutions, Etc.



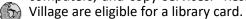
Are you celebrating a Special Birthday or Anniversary or have a Special Announcement? Please send us a photo and information. Our

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



MILLSTADT LIBRARY

The Millstadt Library in addition to books, offers audio books, videos, large print books, computers, and copy services. Residents of the



Contact the Millstadt Library at 476-1887, if you





An informal Bible study will be offered at the Millstadt Senior Center, on the 2nd and 4th



Monday at 10:00 am.

This Is A Non-Denominational Study And All Are Welcome, Regardless Of Religious Background,

And There Is No Cost



No Job Is Too Small"

MCS Class Of 1957 Reunion



Cook, Carol Mueller Knoebel, Carole Byrd Wolz Standing: Dan Duncan, Judith Vollmer Jacobs, Tom Amos, Darlene Alberter Slovinski, Joyce Miller Ehr, Barbara Simmonds Heil, June Bangert Huch, Theoma Hermerding Gaertner, Anita Bense Thomas, Kenneth Mueller and Dianne Muskopf Mehrmann The MCS Class of 1957 celebrated the 60th Anniversary of their graduation with lunch and stories

Seated: Linda Cox Roschnafsy, Mary Elaine McDaniel

on August 12th. A 1997 float sign made by classmate Dennis Hamann guided out of towners to the festivities at the Village Senior Center. Twenty-two of the original first graders graduated.

Classmates seemed to enjoy visiting during appetizers and lunch while discussing the answers to the 60 question grade school Trivia Quiz (to stimulate memories). One classmate could no longer wear his class ring—lost too much weight, another remarked that if our hair kept losing color, we would soon all be "blondes." A former cheerleader led the group in a sports "cheer"—wearing a fancy, blue lace dress reminiscent of our graduation dresses. On display were three albums of MCS '57 memorabilia/snapshots and a towel and t-shirt from previous reunions.

The day wrapped up with a re-run of slides depicting each grade and many activities. These were originally shown at the 25th Reunion in June 1982. Next year— August again!

Millstadt Farmers Market

It's not too late to enjoy some local produce from the Millstadt Farmers Market, every Friday from 3:00-6:00 at the VFW parking lot in Millstadt.



Freshly popped kettle corn is also available at the Market along with jewelry and other collectibles.

Enjoy some homemade canned pickles, locally raised peppers, potatoes and

sweet potatoes. Meet the local farmers and truck farmers who raise the produce that goes directly from their farm to your table.

The Millstadt Food Pantry is

also looking for donations of breakfast and lunch items for back to school needs. Please consider a donation of pancake mix, pancake syrup, cereal, peanut butter and canned meats. Donations may be dropped-off at the Millstadt Village Hall. Thank-you for all your donations.



DO YOU HAVE CONCERNS about falling?

Dine In or Carry Out



Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A MATTER OF BALANCE is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels.

This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.

YOU WILL LEARN TO:

- view falls as controllable
- set goals for increasing activity
- make changes to reduce fall risks at home
- exercise to increase strength and balance

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- anyone concerned about falls
- anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength
- anyone who has fallen in the
- anyone who has restricted activities because of falling



Millstadt Senior Center 102 South Jefferson Millstadt, IL 62260

9:30 am - 11:30 am Starts: Friday, September 8th Ends: Monday. October 2nd

Classes are held twice a week on Monday's and Friday's for 4 weeks for 2 hours each.

For more information please call: Ashley at 618-222-2561

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concerns

A Matter of Balance Lay Leader Model
Recognized for Innovation and Quality in Healthcare and Aging, 2006, American Society on Aging,
A Matter of Balance Lay Leader Model was developed by a grant from the Administration on Aging (#90AM2780)

Reifschneider's Fund Raiser For SMBF

On July 26, Reifschneider's Grill and Grape in Freeburg sponsored a fund raiser for the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation for Meals on Wheels. With the support of many diners from Millstadt, Freeburg and the local area we raised \$300.00. With the support of the community fund raisers, like this one, help keep the Meals on Wheels program operating 5 days a week 52 weeks a year. The suggested price of \$4.50 per meal covers only a small portion of the actual price of each meal. The Millstadt Senior Center is fortunate to have the support of the Community and the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation to continue the MOWS program and make this meal program an affordable option for the seniors in the community.

Thank-you Reifschneider's in Freeburg for sponsoring this fund raising event.

MILLSTADT TOWNSHIP



QUILT RAFFLE December 22, 2017

At Senior Center

1. Prize - Handmade Queen Size Quilt

2. prize - Christmas Tree Skirt

3. prize - Handmade Baby Quilt

TICKETS

100 6 FOR \$500

Available at the Center

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



Front Row (L-R) Karen Witte, Julie Laing, Elaine Wieler, Janet Switzer, Gwen Scheibel, Carol Arehart, Nicole Wilson

Back Row (L-R) Stacy Belosi, Matt Belosi, Nancy Glaeser



Elaine Weiler watches her "row".

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



Let's Take A Ride Over The Bridge In Our New Bus And Stop For Ice Cream At Oberweis' Day



Mary Ann Noerper and Carol Gamblin enjoying their "Sundaes"



Alan Analla enjoying his "Annual Banana Split"



(L-R) Columbia Delong, Doris Chaput, Betty Schranz and Pat Morris.

Millstadt VFW Post 7980

618-476-1180 CLUBROOM HOURS

Monday & Thursday 6:30pm - ?

Tuesday-Wednesday-Friday 11am - ?

KITCHEN HOURS

Monday-Closed - Taco Tuesday 11am- 8pm Wednesday 11am- 4pm

Fried Chicken Buffet 4 - 8pm-2nd and 4th Wednesday only Thursday Closed - Fish Fry Friday 11- 8pm

The Post is available to schedule meetings/events throughout the week & weekends – call or message us on Facebook, our Event Coordinator, Brandy Redwine would be happy to assist you

Chamber of Commerce Awards \$1,000 Scholarships

Ethan Lamos and Eli Tiemann have each been awarded a scholarship for \$1,000 from the Millstadt Chamber of Commerce.

Ethan is the son of Matthew and Kristine Lamos and a graduate of Belleville West. Ethan plans to attend the University of Illinois and major in education.

Eli is the son of Scott and Kim Tiemann and a graduate of Belleville West. He plans to attend the Georgia Institute of Technology. He plans to improve the lives of people by using his love and skill in building computers.



Trivia Night For Sandra M Bereitschaft Foundation

Jeopardy fan? Quizzo enthusiast? Come test your trivia skills at St James Parish Center on **Saturday**, **October 21**, **2017**! Questions will be general knowledge -- so anyone can be an expert. Bring a team or make new friends. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place teams!

Open to adults 16 and older. Limit 8. For Reservations call Patty at 618-476-3731 or email seniorce@htc.net Raffle tickets available from Senior Center or Foundation Board Members.

Sandra M. Bereitschaft Meals on Wheels Foundation \$500 3 For \$1000

First Prize: \$500.00 Southwest Airline Voucher

Second Prize: 50" HDTV
Third Prize: Hand made Quilt
Fourth Prize: Lottery Tree

Fifth Prize: \$100 Value Taste of Millstadt Gift Cards
The drawing will take place at the Sandra M Bereitschaft
Meals on Wheels Trivia Night Fundraiser on

Saturday, October 21, 2017

Homecoming Parade 2017

Labor week-end, September 2 and 3 will again be the time for the Homecoming Millstadt annual including two parades, food and refreshments. The theme for the 2017 parade is "Game Shows", the Gong Show anyone? Parade times



are Saturday, September 2 at 5:00 pm and Sunday, September 3 at 5:00 pm. Contact Brent Summerfield at 618-980-7475 with questions regarding floats or to make a donation to support the bands playing at the park following the parade. The Commercial Club will supply paper material for floats. See the Commercial Club web site for more information on floats and participating in the parade.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) St. Louis Area Foodbank supplemental food source for

seniors age 60 and older who fall within 130% of the federal poverty guidelines—seniors may participate in this program while also receiving food assistance via food pantries, meals on wheels, and/or SNAP (food stamps). The Foodbank partners with an organization that elects to administer the CSFP boxes to qualified seniors. Millstadt Township Senior Services would receive a once a month free delivery of free boxes to be distributed to the seniors signed up for the program; each box contains about 16 shelf stable items, plus cheese. The program does require some administrative work including, application sign up and verification of seniors, maintenance of sign-in sheets, and re-certification of participants that may be conducted verbally every 6 months.

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

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

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

Aluminum Cans

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



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.

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

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Seniors At Millstadt Senior Center Enjoy Ice Cream Sundaes And A Visit From Cedarhurst Assisted Living And Memory Care

August 11, 2017

It's always a good time for ice cream! On the afternoon of August 11, 2017, Kristi Sisk of Cedarhurst Assisted Living and Memory Care had the exciting opportunity to serve local seniors ice cream at Millstadt Senior Center. Cedarhurst donated the ice cream and toppings for the event, and Kristi had the pleasure of creating beautiful ice cream sundaes.

The ice cream social was a huge success. The seniors had their choice of three different flavors of ice cream, along with all the fixings including whipped cream, fruit, nuts, and of course, maraschino cherries. After the first round of ice cream, the seniors weren't ready for the fun to end. Several went back for seconds and thirds and all had a great time getting to know each other.

Millstadt Township Board Meeting July 5, 2017

One General Assistance Case -\$245.00 Township will co-sponsor band in Homecoming parade for \$250.00.

Millstadt Red HelPcave **Cross Blood** Drive Schedule



September 7, 2017 November 9, 2017 January 11, 2018 March 8, 2018 May 10, 2018 July 12, 2018

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



GARDENERS WANTED

please

Spring is here and for those of with gardens

consider planting an extra row or some extra plants to help our local people have fresh vegetables available. The Community Center porch tables will be available for extra produce to share with our seniors and anyone needing fresh produce. St. Vincent De Paul is sponsoring this extra produce program and ensuring the extra lettuce, radishes, peppers and tomatoes are shared with those in need.

Save the Dates!

October 21, 2017, Trivia at St. James Parish for the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation for the Neals on Wheels program.

February 10, 2018, Annual Sandra M.

Bereitschaft Dinner at Mertz's Ford.

Senior Talk Available on Internet

The Village of Millstadt web site has a variety of information available including the most recent copy of the Senior Talk newsletter, scheduled events for the Village, and copies of the Senior Menu and Activity sheet. Type in the following internet address, www.villageofmillstadt.org. This should bring up the main page of the Village's web site, on the left side of the screen click on Community Center/Senior Center. On the next page, click on the latest edition of Senior Talk which will include the menu and activity sheet for the month.

WRITER'S GUIDELINE

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

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

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

We Can Recycle



Since January 1, 2017 Alan Analla and Darleen Slovinski have taken 491 lbs of cans for recycling receiving a total of \$178.33.

In 2016 we collected 1,137 lbs of aluminum cans. Last year we were able to provide prizes for

the Christmas Raffle, Hot Dog Roast and prizes, buy lots of Bingo prizes and ice. We are very grateful to Darleen and Alan for their hard work in being able to provide us with the "extras" we would not be able to afford. Keep drinking and saving those cans. This is fantastic!!! Thank you

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Senior Transportation Program

Need a Ride to the Doctor, Bank
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The Senior Center Offers the Only Form of Public
Transportation for the Community
his Service is Available for Persons 60 Years an

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

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

This Partially Covers the Actual Transportation Costs of \$5.95

For Each Time It Is Provided

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

DID YOU SIGN IN?

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

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Millstadt Sister Cities Organization 17th Annual Youth Ambassadors Exchange

After spending a month in Millstadt's Sister City, Gross-Bieberau, Germany, Millstadt Youth Ambassadors, Elizabeth Doerr, Sarah Glaeser, Maxwell Juhas, Samuel Rosenkranz and Joseph Watson, and their families hosted German students, Miriam Büchler, Katharina Hechler, Philipp Kraus, and Nele Lehmann.

Millstadt Village Trustee Ray Famula, Millstadt Sister Cities Board members and host families welcomed the German students on July 25. Breadeaux Pizza generously contributed a variety of pizza pies for the reception at the Community Center. The students received gifts including swimming pool passes contributed by the Village of Millstadt and specially designed tee -shirts to commemorate the Exchange from their host families. Gift certificates and coupons were donated by Happy Days Ice Cream Shop, Bel-Air Bowl, Tina Doerr for Coca-Cola, Lincoln Theatre, McDonald's/Burris Management, Skyview Drive-In, St. Louis City Museum, and Wacky Warriors Paintball. Illinois Senator Paul Schimpf arranged courtesy admissions to the Lincoln Presidential Museum in Springfield. Harrisonville Telephone Company supported the Exchange with a financial contribution.

The German youth became better acquainted with their host families during a progressive dinner on July 26. On August 11 - 13, the German and Millstadt youth were treated to a trip to Chicago where they toured the Museum of Science and Industry, Millennium Park, Shedd Aquarium, Field Museum, Grant Park, Willis Tower, and Chicago Art Institute. They sampled Chicago deep-dish pizza, shopped on the "Magnificent Mile" and watched fireworks at Navy Pier.

Lt. Alan Hucke of the Millstadt Police Department and Officer Gary Craig with his K-9 partner, Pako, of the Cahokia Police Department provided a demonstration at the Millstadt Police Department. The students visited area tourist attractions, sampled American fast food and attended Belleville West High School as cultural observers with their Millstadt exchange partners. Experiencing the August 21, 2017 solar eclipse was a highlight of the German students' visit.

The German youth and their host families were honored guests at a BBQ given by Millstadt Sister Cities' members on August 23 where they shared stories about their favorite and most memorable experiences during the exchange visit.

Applications for the 2018 Youth Ambassadors Exchange are currently being accepted. For information, send an email to millstadtyouthambassadors@gmail.com or call Becky Watson at

618/604-5830.

Lt. Alan Hucke of the Millstadt Police Department and Officer Gary Craig with his K-9 partner, Pako, of the Cahokia Police Department





Millstadt Sister Cities President Linda Lehr (left) and Millstadt Village Trustee Ray Famula (right)



Maxwell Juhas, Miriam Büchler, Joe Watson, Katharina Heckler, Nele Lehmann, Sarah Glaeser, Philipp Kraus, Elle Doerr and Sam Rosenkranz



With "Sue" at the Field Museum in Chicago



Nele Lehmann, Miriam Büchler, Katharina Hechler, Exchange Chair Becky Watson, Elle Doerr, Joe Watson, Sarah Glaeser, Philipp Kraus, Sam Rosenkranz and Maxwell Juhas



1st row; Host families: Troy Keiser, Becky Watson, Nancy Glaeser, Dan Doerr, Tina Doerr, Adam Rosenkranz, Kara Rosenkranz, Traci Juhas, Kevin Juhas and Sydnee Juhas

2nd row; German students: Katharina Heckler, Nele Lehmann, Philipp Kraus, and Miriam Büchler

3rd row; Millstadt students: Joe Watson, Sarah Glaeser, Elle Doerr, Sam Rosenkranz and Maxwell Juhas

Farmers Market Coupon

Starting July 10, \$25 coupons will be available for use between July 10 and Oct. 31 for purchases from an eligible vendor (red and white signs).

To qualify for the coupon, you must:

Be 60 years or older

Meet income guidelines (available at the market) To receive these coupons, go to the market of your choice with your ID and be ready to complete the application. You will then receive the coupons to use at the following markets.

Belleville Old Town Market, corner of 1st and Main, Saturdays, 7:30 a.m.-noon

Swansea Farmers Market, 2801 N. Illinois (Rural King parking lot), Thursdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

East Side PHD, 638 N. 20th St., East St. Louis, Thursdays, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Fairview Heights, location TBA

Call AgeSmart Community Resources at 618-222-2561

Free Amplified Phones

The Illinois Telecommunication Access Corporation is a program that provides a FREE amplified telephone to people who are hard of hearing, late deafened, deaf, deaf-blind, or speech disabled.

Eligibility requirements for an ITAC amplified phone:

Legal Illinois resident

Any age/any income

Certified by a Licensed Family Physician or audiologist

GREAT NEWS! RECENT NEW CHANGES NOW ALLOW FOR A NEW AMPLIFIED PHONE:

Once every three years

Those with cellphones are now eligible for a free amplifier

For information to receive a free amplified phone, call 618-234-4410, ext. 7024 or 7012.

Land of Lincoln Legal Services

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

Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to noon • By appointment only Call 618-234-4410, ext. 7033 to make an appointment

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Mondays • 9 a.m. to noon • By appointment only Call 618-234-4410, ext. 7033 to make an appointment Information and assistance with claims to the Department of Veterans Affairs or benefits such as pension benefits (veterans & widows), service connected compensation, GI home loans, educational benefits, discharge upgrades and any other benefits sought by the veteran or family from the DVA.

Millstadt Township News

Thank you! At the Aug 5th recycling, Food Drive and Shred Day Zion Church's Z Team Volunteers Don Mehrtens, Bill Bourn and Bill Albert along with all the Township Officials and Bert Hucke, collected 1.91 tons of material that will not go to a landfill.

Food and donations were delivered to the Food Pantry and were very much appreciated!

And thank you to State Representative Latoya Greenwood for helping and providing the Shred It truck, with the assistance of Barbara Greenwood, Jalyn King and Ryan Gougis.

2,000 lbs. of documents were shredded. It was a very busy and successful morning.

Millstadt Township, in conjunction with the Millstadt Fire Dept., is providing, free of charge, reflective house number signs.

Contact the Fire Dept. at 476-1234 for details to acquire a sign. Limited quantity is available.

Need to get rid of an old TV:

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

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

Fees will apply depending on size. Between \$5-\$25 Ralph Schneider found another place to take an old TV,

Monroe County Recycling Center, 901 Illinois Ave, Waterloo, IL.

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

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Bus Rider Reminder

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

Large item recycling at Millstadt Township

We Do Not Accept Televisions and Computer



Monitors **Thank You Supervisor Denise Blaha**



Watermelon Salad

3 cups watermelon cut in 2-inch chunks
1 cup crumbled feta cheese
Coarsely ground black pepper to taste
½ teaspoon red pepper flakes-optional
Combine ingredients in bowl, add black pepper to taste. Red pepper maybe added for more zest.

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 \$100.00 donation to the Sandra M. Bereitschaft Foundation, Meals on Wheels program and receive a free one year subscription to Senior Talk. A subscription to the newsletter also makes a great birthday gift.

Dominoes & Rummy Club



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While Shopping At Millstadt IGA
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TAX ASSESSMENT APPEAL TIME

By Frank X. Heiligenstein

Area residents should start thinking about their tax assessments as the window to file a complaint is now open at least through most of July and August. Complaints about assessments may be filed by property owners. The Board of Review holds a hearing and determines whether or not the assessment should be raised or lowered. To determine if property is assessed fairly, the property owner must know the property's fair market value, assessed value, and the average percentage of market value at which similar neighboring properties are assessed (i.e., the assessment level). The assessment may be unfair if the property's assessed value is

Not 33 1/3 percent of its fair market value Not at the same level as comparable properties in the area; or

Based on inaccurate information, such as an incorrect measurement of a lot or building. Before filing a written complaint – A copy of the property record card for all real estate parcels is on file at the county office. The property record card shows the property's assessed value and how that assessed value was calculated. Assessment records maintained in the assessor's office are public information. Property owners have the right to inspect records for their properties and any other parcel of property. This inspection is subject to reasonable regulations established by local officials. Before filing a written complaint with the Board of Review, the property owner may meet with the chief county assessment officer to learn how the property was assessed. The assessor could explain the calculations on the property record card and the property owner may take the opportunity to tell the assessment official about any errors regarding the property's description (e.g., errors in dimensions of living space, number of bathrooms, the property's condition).

Keep in mind that once the tax bill is received, it is generally too late to file a complaint for a given year's assessment.

The County assessor require a written complaint form and may have rules regarding hearings and evidence. Filing a written complaint with the Board of Review – Contact the Board of Review for specific information including deadlines, complaint forms, evidence, rules of practice, etc.

Property owners may represent themselves or have an attorney represent them at the hearing. The claim of unfair assessment must be supported; this generally requires substantial evidence related to the property's assessment.

SHIP Corner

Millstadt Township Senior Center SENIOR HEA is a sponsoring agency for Senior Health Insurance Program help



and we recently received our 2017 updated Manual. During the coming months I will be sharing with you some information that I feel is important and informational.

Organization and Administration of the SHIP Program: SHIP was initiated in July of 1988 by the Illinois Department of Insurance in response to the needs of Illinois' senior citizens regarding their health insurance. In April of 2013, under Executive Order by the Governor, SHIP was transferred to the Illinois Department on Aging.

The organizational structure of SHIP consists of:

- The Illinois Department on Aging, which provides initial training, continuing education and ongoing support of SHIP counselors;
- The sponsoring organization (Millstadt Township Senior Services), which provides coordinators, office space and office support services;
- The coordinator (Patty Evansco), who is responsible for the administrative aspects of the SHIP program, which include publicizing SHIP services, recruiting scheduling counseling sessions volunteers, responding to counselors' needs; and
- Counselor Patty Evansco meets with clients individually to provide objective information about health insurance, advocacy assistance, or referral if appropriate.

The state is divided geographically into four separate SHIP regions: Cook County, Northern Illinois, Central Illinois and Southern Illinois. Within each region, counselors are organized in to units that serve a specific geographic area, usually designated by counties.



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Pick A Peck of Pumpkins



Illinois grows more pumpkins than any other state, and though most of those are used for processing, think pumpkin for pies and decorating. You will find plenty of pumpkins from local farmers and Farmers

Markets for carving and decorating. Watch for pumpkin recipes next month in the Newsletter.

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Jack Kramer

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September Van Trips

September 5 Wal-Mart at Waterloo 9:00 am September 12 Dollar Tree at Columbia and McDonalds for Breakfast 8:30 am September 19 Aldi's Swansea 9:00 am September 26 Target 9:00 am September 27 Wayward Way – Freeburg 4:30 pm Call the Senior Center to register for the trips at (618)

476-3731. Trip schedule may be subject to change.

Dates to Remember

September 2, Millstadt Homecoming parade at 5:00 pm.

September 3, Millstadt Homecoming parade at 5:00 pm.

September 4, Labor Day, Senior Center Closed.

September 15, Movie in the Park, Tuffy Mueth field approximately 8:30 pm.

September 17, Millstadt Biathlon.

September 21, Bunco at St. James Parish Center starting at 7:00 pm.

2nd Annual

For the Millstadt Food Pantry

Sat., Sept. 9

8am – 2pm
Four Way Stop in Millstadt
Across from Circle K
Non-perishable items OR
Monetary Donations

Last year We Collected 2000 Non-perishable Items And \$1,350 In Monetary Donations!

Any Questions, Contact Amanda Wegner at (618) 363-9290 or (618) 476-7533

Community Center & Park Pavilions Rental

If you are looking for a place to have a graduation, 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.



RECYCLING

8 AM TO 10 AM

1st SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

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Three Stooges Produce Bring Tomato Joy

Recently members of "Three Stooges Produce" stopped by with a tomato donation for the Senior Center. The tomatoes were beautiful and everyone loved them. We were able to use them in the dining room, Meals on Wheels and they even took a few home with them. Members of the growers include (L-R) Mark Linnemann, Bob Chastain (not able to be here for picture) and Roger Guebert.





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

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

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

Please be sure to sign up, shop and add "Sandra Marie Bereitschaft Foundation" as your designated charity. Thank you. http://smile.amazon.com





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We Live Here. We Care Here.

OUT TO DINNER

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2017 **Wayward Way Freeburg** Leaving Millstadt at 4:30 pm

RSVP (618) 476-3731 to reserve a seat





Join Us For **Ring Toss**

4th Monday Of Month 10:00 am **Sponsored By** Millstadt Pharmacy

During The Month Of August

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Our Volunteers Donated **839** Hours To **The Millstadt Senior Center**

If Paid at Minimum Wage, the Dollar Value Would be \$6,926

THANK YOU

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

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

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PORCH SALE

Millstadt Senior Center September 3

8:00 am - 1:00 pm



Blood Pressure David Koch

Kitchen

Barb Louis Ralph Schneider Norma Burlesman Toni Schneider Linda Hoepfinger Columbia DeLong Darlene Sandheinrich Shirley Rinck **Doris Chaput** Frances Dickneite **Betty Stark** Fern Seiber

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St. Clair County Board Member



St Clair County Board member Frank Heiligenstein visited the Millstadt Senior Center on Wednesday, August 30 to talk about taxes, budgets and assessments. Everyone was very interested and had many questions and stories.

THANKS FOR OUR DONORS

Lucille Reese (Bingo Prizes) Jerry & Mary Alice Schmitz (Cups) Richard & Dorothy Feazel (Dawn) **Dianne Haas** (Kitchen Supplies and Forks) **Dennis Fleming** (Handmade Wallets and Phone Case) Rosemary Mathews (Kitchen Supplies) **Ken Frierdich** (Lots of Warm Krispie Crème Doughnuts) Moore Asphalt (Rocks for Rock Painting) **Gary & Debbie Helfrich** (Snacks, Tissue and Hand Soap) MaryAnne Conrad (Sweet n Low) **Dorothy Edmondson (Bingo Prizes) Ed Luecking (Donation) Annette Liddell (Donation)** St James (Soda for Bunco) Joyce Waller (Bunco) **Dwight and Joan Godsy (Donation)** Elmer & Darleen Sandheinrich (Kitchen Supplies)



HOPE Christian Church will be in the Dupo/Columbia/Millstadt/Red Bud/Waterloo/Valmeyer areas on:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

from 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

As a senior, do you have a project that you need help with? In-door or Out-door Cleaning/Painting/Yard Work/Shopping/Handyman Work/Organizing
To schedule a project, call Carol Turnquist at 618-939-9089.

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RECYCLING PROGRAM

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

Make a Contribution

There are many ways to contribute to Millstadt Senior Center:

Gifts by Cash or Check

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

Memorial Gifts and Bequests

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

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

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

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

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



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

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And 708 Mental Health Board

Meets Monthly Third Monday of each Month 10 to 11:30 am

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

618-222-2561 or 800-326-3221

"Seniors Come First" Services Available

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

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

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

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

Social Security Announces New Online Service for Replacement Social Security Cards in Illinois Available to People through a my Social Security Account

The Social Security Administration introduced the expansion of online services for residents of Illinois available through its my Social Security portal at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount. Nancy A. Berryhill, Acting Commissioner of Social Security, announced that residents of Illinois can use the portal for many replacement Social Security number (SSN) card requests. This will allow people to replace their SSN card from the comfort of their home or office, without the need to travel to a Social Security office.

"I'm pleased to offer the residents of Illinois the added convenience of replacing a Social Security card through the my Social Security portal," Acting Commissioner Berryhill said. "We will continue to work on innovative initiatives to provide people with safe, secure and convenient options for doing business with us online or in person."

The agency is conducting a gradual roll out of this service; Illinois is one of the states, plus the District of Columbia, where this option is available. Throughout 2017, the agency will continue to expand the service option to other states. This service will mean shorter wait times for the public in the more than 1,200 Social Security offices across the country and allows staff more time to work with customers who have extensive service needs.

U.S. citizens age 18 or older and who are residents of Illinois can request a replacement SSN card online by creating a my Social Security account. In addition, they must have a U.S. domestic mailing address, not require a change to their record (such as a name change), and have a valid driver's license, or state identification card in some participating states.

my Social Security is a secure online hub for doing business with Social Security, and more than 31 million people have created an account. In addition to Illinois residents replacing their SSN card through the portal, current Social Security beneficiaries can manage their account—change an address, adjust direct deposit, obtain a benefit verification letter, or request a replacement SSA -1099. Medicare beneficiaries can request a replacement Medicare card without waiting for a replacement form in the mail. Account holders still in the workforce can verify their earnings history and obtain estimates of future benefits by looking at their Social Security Statement online.

For more information about this new online service, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber.

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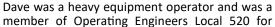
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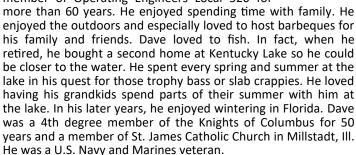
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Albert Downs Jr.

Albert D. "Dave" Downs Jr., 88, of Millstadt, Illinois, born January 10, 1929, in East St. Louis, Ill., died Saturday, August 12, 2017, surrounded by his family.





Dave was preceded in death by his loving wife of 42 years, Adelee J., nee Huck, Downs, whom he married on February 23, 1952; his brother, Frank Downs; and his parents, Albert D. and Mathilda M., nee Wuller, Downs.

Surviving are his wife, Mary M. "Margie" Downs, whom he married on December 26, 1998; three children, Linda M. (Steve) Chase of Peoria, Ill., Albert D. (Cathy) Downs III of Hardin, Ky. and Diane M. (Frank) Antoine of Conway, Ark.; seven grandchildren, Jennifer (Dale) Bader, Stephanie (Chris) Guariglia, Andrew Chase, Meghan Antoine, Michael (Cassie) Downs, Daniel (Taylor) Antoine and Joshua Antoine; eight great-grandchildren, Cheyenne Easley, Abby Chase, Addie Bader, Alex Bader, Josie Bader, Ciara Guariglia, Lydia Downs and Amelia Downs; two sisters, Barbara Miller of Belleville, Ill. and Sister Serena Downs, ASC of St. Louis, Mo.; two brothers, Charles (Marie Ann) Downs and Larry (Maryanne) Downs of Mesa, Ariz.; and many other loving relatives and friends.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude and special thanks to the staffs at Freeburg Care Center and Family Hospice for the special care they provided.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Family Hospice, National Parkinson Foundation, or the charity of the donor's choice. Condolences may be expressed online at www.kurrusfh.com.

Suzanne Purdy

Suzanne Y. Purdy, 80, of Millstadt, Ill, born, April 1, 1937 in East St. Louis, Ill., passed away on August 25, 2017 at Four Fountains Convalescent Center in Belleville, Ill.

Suzanne was a member of Zion Evangelical Church in Millstadt, III.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Lillian, nee Taylor, Dennis; and brothers, Pat Dennis and Ted Dennis.

Surviving are her husband, Jack Purdy Sr., of Millstadt, Ill.; her son, Jack (Becky) Purdy Jr. of Waterloo, Ill.; her daughter, Elizabeth (Larry) Branz of Middleburg, Fla., grandchildren, Tyler Branz, Nathan Branz, Kelsey Branz, and Gabrielle Purdy; as well as other relatives and friends.

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

Notary Services Are Provided Free At The Senior Center



At least 125 people of all ages, attended the Millstadt Library's Total Eclipse of the Sun Party, on August 21. The event drew out children, teens and adults of all ages Monday afternoon on the Library lawn.

The shadows started getting a little bit weaker has peak coverage time approached. The library offered complimentary snacks and refreshments along with FREE eclipse viewing glasses for the community.

Without the glasses it would appear as though nothing was happening, the sun a burning bright orb in the sky. Through a lens, however, viewers watched as the moon slowly passed by the sun, some even pointing out that if they stood very still they could see it moving past. Millstadt saw 100 percent of the sun as it eclipsed by the moon.

The traffic was heavy in the morning and afternoon from viewers that were traveling more south to see it. We seen the return traffic start in front of Senior Center at 2:00 and continued steady until 3:30 pm through the four way stop.

Scientists predict the next total solar eclipse visible in the United States will happen on April 8, 2024.



(L-R) Judy Kingston, Charlie Worden, Fern Sieber, Richard Chadeayne and John Kalbfleish watching as the moon moves over the sun.



Millstadt Library Staff member Sue Hucke served as Master of Ceremonies for the day. Thank you and great job Millstadt Librarians.

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