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November/December 2008

FUND RAISING OPPORTUNITIES

Help your center by participating in the following fundraisers.

AVON FUNDRAISER

Stop by and pick up an Avon Book.
Many great gifts for Christmas!

**We will be taking orders thru
November 3rd**

HOLIDAY PIE SALE

Don't slave over a hot oven this Holiday Season. Get your Holiday Pies from us. All you have to do is pop them in the oven! Delivery before Thanksgiving & Christmas

**Pumpkin, Pecan, Blueberry,
Apple and Peach
10 inch pie \$10.00**

The Center is closed on the following dates:
November 4, 27 & 28 December 24, 25, 31 and January 1st

WORKING THROUGH THE MEDICARE MAZE

Libby Feck, Director and Jeannie Witschger, Service Coordinator have recently been certified as Volunteer Counselors through Ohio's Insurance Information Program.

Libby and Jeannie are available, by appointment, to help you through the Medicare Programs: Part A, B, C & Medicare Part D.

Medicare can be complicated. People of all ages can call to get information for themselves or their parents, grandparents and other older family and friends who are covered by Medicare. Call 474-3100 for an appointment.

MEDICARE ENROLLMENT PERIOD

Any person with Medicare can enroll in a drug plan (Medicare Part D) or change plans from November 15th through December 31st.

Enrollment in or disenrollment from Medicare Advantage plans is permitted only during open enrollment November 15-December 31 each year and once from Jan 1-March 31. To disenroll from a Medicare Advantage plan contact your local Social Security office for a disenrollment form to return to Original Medicare. No disenrollment form is needed if you switch from one Advantage plan to another.

Questions? Call 474-3100 and ask for Libby or Jeannie

Volunteer Talk.....by Ginny Hunter, Meals on Wheels Volunteer

I was delivering Meals on Wheels one day when a very nice client asked if I would put eye drops in her eyes. I confidently said "Certainly" taking up the little bottle of eye drops. How hard can that be? Well, I missed. Both eyes. Eventually I made a bull's eye on both sides, but her face as well as her eyes was medicated by that time. I'm sure she was sorry she asked. Years later I underwent cataract surgery and discovered how hard it is to get the eye drop into the eye on the first try. But volunteers need to go forward undaunted by flubs, mistakes and sometimes criticism.. If the job is worth doing, said I, you gotta keep smiling and try, try again. MOW volunteering is a heartwarming experience and satisfying because those jobs really help shut-ins. Just ask any of the clients. I am a founding member of the Walking Club, now in its 12th year and since the beginning I have made the schedule of parks and kept a membership roster. In spring, summer and fall we walk every Wednesday in various nearby parks. We love to tell new walkers there is a \$25 registration fee. But no one yet has fallen for that. The other little thing I do is write Volunteer Talk for this newsletter. Writing small articles usually comes easy for me because I am a retired reporter for the late, lamented Cincinnati Post and was also a stringer for Time Magazine. I am widowed, have three children and two grandchildren. Six of us Hunters live in Anderson Township.

No increase in Medicare Part B premiums for 2009

For the first time since the year 2000, there will not be an increase in Medicare Part B premiums. The premium will remain \$96.40 for 2009. Medicare Part B covers physician services, home health and the purchase of certain medical equipment.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS APPLICATION 2008-2009

The Ohio Department of Development offers several programs to help low-income Ohioans pay their utility bills and improve the energy efficiency of their homes. With this form, you may apply for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Winter Crisis Program (WCP), Summer Crisis Program (SCP), Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) and Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP).

HEAP-federally funded program to assist eligible individuals with winter heating bills.

PIPP-special payment plan that requires eligible customers to pay a portion of their household income each month to maintain utility service.

HWAP-program that reduces the energy use of qualified households.

To apply for one of the mentioned programs call the Center at 474-3100 for an application.

Book Club

The Book Club meets the third Thursday of each month at the Anderson Senior Center.

Nov. 20, 2008 1:00p.m.

One Special Summer by Jackie Kennedy Onassis

December 18, 2008 1:00 p.m.

Your favorite Night Before Christmas

Interested in serving your community?

The Exchange Club of Eastern Hills meets for breakfast every Friday morning from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM at the Anderson Senior Center to socialize and hear an interesting speaker. Exchange Club is a national service organization consisting of involved men and women who join together to serve their communities. Three(3) principal areas of involvement are Americanism, youth and community service. The major focus on a national basis is assisting in the prevention of child abuse. For more information or to arrange to attend a meeting contact Chi Bulger at 513-369-1323 or chi.bulger@cbre.com.

Thank you to the following people who donated to ASC in August , September & October

AAA Allied Group Inc., Carmela Martin, Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church, Donna Duncan, Marjorie Neely Trust, Barbara Castellani, Kathleen Redmond, Anderson Hills Woman's Club, Anderson Ragtime Band

November and December Trips & Events (Sign-up early so there is no risk of cancellation)

Monday, November 3

Pre-Election Day Event

Cincinnati Heritage Programs presents Cincinnati and the Presidents. Cincinnati shares an interesting history with some of our presidents. Learn the up close, personal, and humorous side of the lives of William Henry Harrison, Ulysses S. Grant, Rutherford B. Hayes, and William Howard Taft.

Date: 11/3/08

Time: 10:30

Cost: \$5.00 includes lunch after program.

Register by: 10/27.

Tuesday, November 4 CENTER CLOSED

Election Day--Don't forget to vote.

Wednesday, November 5

Monthly Birthday Party

Cyndie Stayton is back for a fun game of *Name that Tune*.

Time:10:30

Lunch 11:30

Cost: Free for November birthdays. For all others lunch is a suggested donation of 2.50.

Free birthday cake for all!

RSVP by November 3

Friday, November 7

Woodland Mound Nature Show

Naturalist John Camarosti will visit the center bringing a corn snake, box turtle and screech owl. He will also delight us with other natural artifacts and a focus on the fall season.

Time: 10:30-11:30

Cost: None (plan to stay for lunch)

RSVP by November 5

Tuesday, November 11

Veterans Day Program

Join us to commemorate our current and fallen heroes. Wear your military hats or uniforms; share your stories with your friends at ASC. Presentation of Colors by Post 484

Time: 10:15-11:00 Tom Linneman WWII Army Veteran POW will tell stories of his division capture and experiences

11:00 St. Veronica's 3rd graders present Patriotic Musical Program

11:30 Prayer by Reverend Robert Lovell WWII Paratrooper-Army

11:30: Lunch

12:15 Rocky Peebles WWII Air Force Veteran and Pilot shares colorful, humorous stories of his wartime experiences.

Cost: \$5 members \$7 non-members

Reservations by: 11/4.

Friday, November 14

Shopping Trip to Kenwood Town Center

Get some Holiday shopping done and enjoy the many stores Kenwood Town Center has to offer. Choose from restaurants or food court for lunch.

Date: 11/14

Departure time: 9:30

Depart Kenwood: 2:30

Estimated return to ASC: 3:00

Cost:\$8.00 suggested transportation donation.

Monday, November 17

Vial of Life Program

presented by the Anderson Township Fire Department. This free 30 minute presentation is informational,informative and could save your life.

Time:10:45

Cost: none but you are always invited to stay for lunch at a suggested donation of \$2.50

Reservations please by: November 7

Tuesday, November 18

Let's go to the Movies

Trip to Danbury Cinema in Eastgate. Come to the center for lunch then we are off to the show. Choose from movies available at the cinema. Leaving Center at approximately 1:00 Return after the show.

Cost :\$5.00 suggested transportation donation (Movie ticket: \$1.75 (pay to Danbury)

Reservations by: 11/11

Wednesday, November 19 Trip to "LaComedia Miracle on 34th Street" LaComedia Dinner theater

presents a touching musical version of this holiday classic. Fill your heart with the Christmas spirit with this fun day out. Travel in style to Springboro aboard a luxury Croswell motor coach. Treat yourself, and tell your friends, too. Let's all go see the show...

Departure:10:00

Approximate return: 4:00

Cost: \$45.00 includes motor coach transportation, lunch buffet, and the show.

Reservations taken until tickets are gone!

Friday, November 21

Sing-along with Jeannie

10:30 a.m. Dining Room

Monday, November 24

Investment Advice

Worried about your 401K or other investments during this economic crisis? Center friend, Samuel Salyer will be here to quiet your fears and answer your questions.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Cost: none

RSVP: by 11/20

Tuesday, November 25

Thanksgiving Celebration and Pet Entertainment

Join us for our annual Thanksgiving Feast at Anderson Senior Center. Gather with friends and lets give thanks for all our blessing of 2008. After lunch we will be entertained by amazing pet tricks.

Mary Margaret Kron, a national equestrian champion will visit with her talented dogs. Lilly the wonder dog, and Daisy the high jumping whippet will perform jumps and play soccer too. Don't miss the fun.

Time:11:30 lunch, show 12:30

Cost: \$4.00 guests: \$5.00

reservations by:11/19

November 27 & 28 CENTER CLOSED
for Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

Wednesday, December 3

Birthday Party

Celebrate your birthday with live music, and your ASC friends.

Time:10:30

Lunch:11:30

Cost: none for members with December birthdays for lunch all others \$2.50 suggested donation for lunch.

Free Cake and ice cream for all!

Reservations by: 11/26

Friday, December 5

Historic Metamora Christmas Walk

Don't miss the magic! The holiday spirit is alive and irresistible in Metamora as it transforms into a winter wonderland with thousands of lights and luminaries. This evening trip is a must for those who enjoy unique shopping and quaint towns. After a delicious dinner at Historic Sherman House, stroll the streets and experience the old world charm the city has to offer. Arrive in comfort and style in a Crowell Luxury Motor coach.

Departure: 4:00 A SC

Approximate return time:10:30

Cost:\$62.00

Reservation Deadline:11/5

Trip includes: motor coach transportation, Dinner at Sherman House, tax & tip. (If you don't drive at night, ASC will provide transportation from the Center to your home)

Monday, December 8

Forest-Aires Christmas Concert and luncheon

Come enjoy the beautiful voices of the Forest-Aires women's chorus who sing in three-part-harmony. Let the music put you in the holiday mood. This years' program will feature Christmas music in various styles, traditional, jazzy, European and Caribbean.

Concert Time: 10:30

Luncheon: 11:45

Cost: \$7 members, \$9 guests

Reservation deadline:12/1

Friday, December 12

Nutcracker Ballet Arnoff Center

The Cincinnati Ballet performs the classic holiday ballet. The dazzling costumes and music of Tchaikovsky are a fabulous sight to behold. This is a special day-out at a value price. Treat yourself and join your friends from ASC.

Departure time: 9:30

Ballet: 10:30-12:30

Lunch to follow; special location will be revealed later.

Cost: \$20.00 Members, \$25.00 guests Includes ballet, and transportation

Bring \$ for lunch

Registration by: 12/5

Tuesday, December 16

Christmas Afternoon Tea at The Promont

Step back in time with Victorian ambience, precise service and elegant presentations.

Located in Historic Milford The Promont Mansion will be decorated in grand holiday splendor. This will be an excellent way to spend an afternoon, enjoy a light lunch and special holiday treats.

Departure time: 11:30

Tea:12-2

Approximate return time: 2:30

Cost:\$25 members, \$30 non-members

RSPV no later than: 12/5

Thursday, December 18

Annual Ragtime Band Christmas Show and Luncheon

The Ragtime band will be sure to entertain you with their unique songs, skits and music. Laugh and sing as we celebrate the season. Lunch, surprises and Santa too are all included in the program. Sign up soon and bring your friends and family to share the fun.

Time:11:00

Lunch:11:30

Santa and show to follow

Cost:\$4 members, \$6 guests

Reservations: 12/11

Friday December 19

Sing-a-long with Jeannie

Time: 10:30 Dining Room

Monday, December 22

Monday Movie Madness

Featuring White Christmas

There is nothing better than Bing and Bob and Rosemary to brighten your day. Join us for this holiday classic film. As we christen our new TV. We hope to make this a regular monthly feature, showing classics as well as newer movies

also. (But they sure don't make them like they used to!)

Time:12:30

Cost: none or (\$1 for popcorn and movie treats) or BYOP

Tuesday, December 30

New Years Eve Eve Lunch and Dance

Join us as we bid good bye to 2008 and ring in 2009 with a noon years eve bash at ASC. Ron Newtons Band features a quintet. They provide live dance music to Tommy Dorsey, Glen Miller and all the great old standards. Count down toast

(with sparkling cider) at noon. Swing, Cha Cha and Samba into the new year, no better place than here.

Time: 11:00-1:30

Cost: \$8 members,\$10 guests

Reservations by: 12/23

DECEMBER 24, 25 & 26 CENTER CLOSED for Christmas Holiday

DECEMBER 31st and JANUARY 1st CENTER CLOSED for New Year's Holiday

CENTER OPEN on January 2nd.

Computer Classes

Monday	10:00 am - 12:00 noon	(11/17) Basic
Monday	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Basic
Tuesday	10:00 am - 12:00 noon	Greeting Cards
Tuesday	1:00 - 3:00 pm	(11/17) Intermediate Basic
Wednesday	10:00 AM - 12:00 noon	Spreadsheets
Wednesday	1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Word Processing
Wednesday	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Intermediate Basic
Thursday	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Use a Computer Lab (Current Students and Computer Club members)
Friday	9:00 am-11:00 am	Internet Basics & Email
Friday	11:15 am-1:00 pm	Digital Photo Basics

Classes begin November 10, 2008

Classes run for five weeks, one class per week, at the Anderson SC Computer Learning Center, located in the Anderson Senior Center and each class is two hours long. The next classes start the week of January 5, 2009. \$60.00 for each five week class, less a \$20.00 discount for all Anderson Senior Center members.

Greeting Cards Class – Plus \$25 for the Software which is yours to keep.

(All ages over 18 welcome)

Crafters

The Anderson Senior Center crafters meet Tuesday mornings 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. The group is seeking more participants; so if making crafts is something you enjoy, join the group on Tuesdays.

Buy It In Anderson Book

The Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce is selling the “Buy it in Anderson” coupon books for \$25. The books contain more than \$3,500 in savings, \$50 of FUNd money that spends like cash and more than \$150 in free offers.

The Books are available for purchase at the Senior Center.

Walking Club

The season of rotating through the various parks will end Nov. 28 and after that, the walkers will meet at Julifs at 9:30 a.m. each Wednesday if the weather is not too bad.

Nov. 7 Withrow Nature Preserve
Nov. 14 Woodland Mound Park
Nov. 21 Veterans Park, Anderson
Nov. 28 Withrow Nature Preserve
Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26 Julifs Park

Weekly Activities

Check out the Activity Calendar on pages 4 & 8. The Anderson Senior Center has a variety of activities held weekly. Call to inquire about any of the activities.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the families of our friends Bob Rumke, Marion Bomkamp and Marge Whitney. They will live on in our hearts forever!

Cincinnati Bell Lifeline Program

Lifeline is designed to assist qualifying consumers with their telephone services needs. These programs provide special discounts when obtaining service and provide a monthly service discount as well. Programs are available for new and existing customers of Cincinnati Bell. To receive an application, please call 513/565-5433.

Get in the Christmas Spirit

Get your tickets soon for La Comedia’s Miracle on 34th Street on November 19th. Experience the “miracle of Christmas” through this heartwarming play. Leave the Center on Croswell Motor Coach at 10:00 a.m. and return approximately 4:00 p.m. Cost: \$45.00 includes transportation, play and lunch

Let us do the driving and join us as we travel to Metamora, Indiana for an evening of holiday fun. Metamora transforms into a winter wonderland! Have dinner at the Sherman House and then visit the shops on the lighted street. Ride in luxury in a Croswell Motor Coach.

Leave the center at 4:00 p.m. and return approximately 10:30 (If you don't drive at night and need transportation, ASC will take you home!) Cost: \$62.00 for transportation and dinner.

Rent the Center

Need a place for those family get-togethers? The Anderson Senior Center is available for rent in the evenings and weekends. Call 474-3100 for rental information.

Center closing

Please listen to the radio and television if there is bad weather. If the **FOREST HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CLOSED THE SENIOR CENTER WILL ALSO BE CLOSED.**

Wii Games starting in January

Through the generosity of our members and friends, we have a new television and Wii game. If you are interested in participating in a Wii game (bowling, golf, tennis, etc.) call Claire O'Connell, Activity Coordinator at 474-3100.

Interested in learning Excel

Are you interested in learning Excel? We may have the opportunity to begin an evening Excel Class that would meet once per week for 2 hours for 2 consecutive weeks. If interested, please call Sarah at 474-3100.

Senior Center Web-site

Don't forget to checkout the Anderson Senior Center website at www.andersontownshipseniorcenter.com.

Lunch

Anderson Senior Center serves a hot nutritious lunch daily from 11:30-12:30 for a suggested donation of \$2.50 for anyone 60 years of age or older.

Saturday, November 1st

Turn back your clocks when you go to bed