STROM CENTER NEWS

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We're Thinking CHRISTMAS

And SANTA FOR SENIORS

Strom Center and Security Savings Bank are partnering again for a very special holiday program.... "Santa for Seniors". The Christmas Tree located at Security Savings Bank (220 East Broadway) will have Santa cut -outs with the code names of a senior, his / her approximate age, and a wish list of items adding up to approximately \$20. Persons are asked to take the Santa tag off the tree, have it noted by Security Savings staff persons, shop for the senior, return the present wrapped with the Santa tag affixed to it by Thursday, December 15th. The presents will be delivered right before Christmas to many happy and deserving seniors. Applications are available beginning November 2nd. If you know a senior who would benefit from this program...someone who lives alone or will be alone over the holidays, has very little family and/or otherwise contact. would experiencing hard times at Christmas, or an adult disabled person, please call Strom (734-5677). Cut-off date for applications is Friday, December 2nd. Also, for the persons who take Santa tags off the tree to purchase gifts, it would be extremely helpful to either

bundle all items together or put them all in one bag making it much easier to sort and deliver.

Recap:

- Applications available November 2nd
- Applications end December 2nd
- Gifts due back with tags affixed by Thursday, December 15th

We want to again thank Security Savings Bank President Stan Jenks along with his staff for enthusiastically joining in this effort!

MEDICARE D ENROLLMENTS...GOING STRONG!

Strom staff are keeping VERY busy this year meeting with clients, reviewing Medicare D plans and enrolling persons in plans which best meet their needs. Even though there are fewer plans from which to chose, there are some which are proving to save persons a great deal of money. number of yellow Medication Forms have been turned in thus far and staff are making their way through those and setting up appointments. If you have turned your form in but have not yet been called, please be patient...we will get to you. We are scheduling some evening and Saturday appointments so that everyone will be seen. However, if you have not yet turned in your Medication Form, please do so ASAP...we are already scheduling into mid November and our projected cut-off date is November 30th. Because we also complete Medicaid applications, as well as meeting other client requests, we have to work the Medicare D appointments in with all other appointments.

Note from Darlene Cox, Special Events Coordinator

Our recent Potluck dinner was fun as usual. The food was delicious and we had a good variety. Fifteen persons attended and all enjoyed the afternoon, playing Bingo. (And everyone won something, which made everyone happy!) It is always nice to get together and visit and have fun.

Thank you to Donna Smock who asked the noon meal blessing.

The next Strom potluck will be held on Saturday, December 31st. Because New Years Day (when we normally have a potluck) is on Sunday, we will have instead our potluck at noon on New Years Eve. More about that in our next *Strom Center News*!

THANK YOU!!... to the Wednesday Quilters Club which meets weekly at Heritage U.P. Church in Monmouth. We are so very grateful for the generosity you have shown Strom Center for many years... creating beautiful lap blankets and quilted throws to be given annually to our Santa for Seniors program. We also very much appreciate the recent generous monetary donation to Strom which will be used for Emergency Services throughout the year. In presenting the donation, the Wednesday Quilters Club stated that they recognized "the vast amount of good Strom does for the seniors of this area." (Strom appreciates the many sewing / quilting projects you create throughout the year to bring in money for those in need; it has impacted many lives in our area.) Thank you!

NOVEMBER TRIAD MEETING SCHEDULED

Warren County Triad will meet on Thursday, November 10th at 1 PM. We are fortunate to have a representative from the Citizens Utility Board as our guest speaker. The Citizens Utility Board (CUB) is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization that represents the interests of residential-utility customers of Illinois. This should be a very informative meeting, which you don't want to miss.

As always, persons are asked to bring mailings, or information on cold calls that request money and or personal information. We will also be sharing the most recent scams in the state.

A big Thank You to Anne Liby who has agreed to act as our "Records Keeper". She will be taking notes at our meetings from now on to keep for review. That should also be a great asset in setting up future meetings & topics. Thanks, Anne!

Again, hope to see everyone on the 10th!

Reminder...Strom Center will be closed on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th in observance of Thanksgiving..there will be no programs, appointments or meetings that day.

Hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving!!



Just a Reminder...

Strom Center will be closed on Friday, November 11th in observance of **Veterans Day.** To ALL of the Veterans in our area we give you our thanks for your sacrifices and know that you are ALL appreciated!!



FROM TS MANAGER, CRYSTAL VANSKIKE

THRIFT SHOP NEWS.....

Our FIRST ANNUAL PARKING LOT SALE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!! Thank you to all of the volunteers and community for such great support. The Winners of the bicycles donated by the River of Life Church were Wendy Brown and Anne Miller. Congratulations to both and Thank You to the River of Life Church.

Our Thrift Shop is forever moving forward to better assist our customers. We have started a "New" clothes rack and in November will be spotlighting Blankets and Crocheted Afghans, twin through king sizes for \$1 each and comforters twin through kings sizes will sell for \$2 each. Each month a new item will be spotlighted at special sale prices.

The Christmas Room is now open and items will be added daily. Come check out what we have!

Note from Carol....Crystal did a *FANTASTIC* job of planning, organizing and overseeing the Parking Lot Sale. She had some terrific staff and volunteers who worked endlessly to make it the success it was! The proceeds from the Parking Lot Sale will provide a big boost to the programs benefitting seniors and the disabled. Thanks You, Crystal and all others who helped and shoppers, too!



Pictured Above: Thrift Shop Manager Crystal Vanskike (front center) and Staff and Volunteers who worked at the Parking Lot Sale



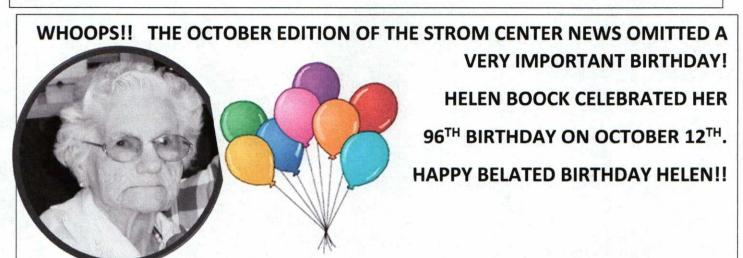
Above, one of the areas of the Parking Lot Sale....

More pictures of the Parking Lot Sale on next page!

More Snapshots from our 1st ANNUAL THRIFT SHOP PARKING LOT SALE



DUE TO LIMITED SPACE, BOB ANDERSON'S "CAMEO" ARTICLE WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THIS MONTH'S STROM CENTER NEWS. HOWEVER IT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER ...



OUT AND ABOUT THE COMMUNITY.....

THE FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH WILL BE HOSTING:

THE ANNUAL CHILI AND OYSTER STEW SUPPER

WHERE: FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH 116 SO. B STREET, MONMOUTH

WHEN: SUNDAY NOVERMBER 13TH, 2016 5-7 PM

CHILI OR OYSTER STEW, VEGGIES, DESSERT, DRINK

FREE WILL DONATION

FREE...RULES OF THE ROAD REVIEW COURSE

WHERE: WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

WHEN TUES. NOVEMBER 15, 1:30-3:30 PM

FOR INFORMATION CALL THE LIBRARY AT 309 734 3166



Don't Forget...to join in all THREE Raffles at Strom.

- Patti Schwass's two beautiful Swedish woven throws (pictured left)
- Donna Gilberts beautiful large crocheted throw (shown in last months StromCenter News)
- All of these gorgeous throws are currently on display in our Main Area. Tickets may be purchased at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Winners will be drawn at our Annual Christmas Party in December. Winners need not be present to win.

STROM CENTER'S

HENDERSON COUNTY NEWS

MEDICARE D UPDATE:

Yellow Medication Forms are still coming in, allowing our staff to review plans with you to see which prescription drug plans will save you the most money. If you haven't yet turned in your form, please do so as soon as possible. Even if you are on Extra Help or Medicaid, you may be paying more than what you need to pay if you are not one the plan which covers your medications at the best rate. Call either the Monmouth Strom Center office at 309 734 5677 or the Gladstone office at 309 627 2812 and ask for either Kathy Ferrenburg or Erica Little.

Welcome Erica!! Strom Center welcomes ERICA LITTLE to our Henderson County senior site. Erica has already jumped in to the Medicare enrollment season. She is meeting with clients at the Gladstone Henderson CountyHealth Department where our office is located. Erica will be assisting with a wide range of services, including applications for various programs and outreach. Many already are familiar with Erica through the Henderson County Health Department where she is currently working as well as working for Strom Center. She is already proving to be quite an asset! Welcome Erica!

Reminder...Strom Center's offices at Henderson County Health Department will be closed on the following days: Tuesdsay, November 8th: Election Day, Friday, November 11th: Veterans Day

Thursday and Friday, November 24th and 25th in observance of Thanksgiving.

Henderson County Seniors! Be sure to put your answers in the container outside the Strom office for the monthly **Mind Explorers Quiz** found in our Strom Center News! The prize is a gift card from an area store.

NOVEMBER 2016 Jamieson Community Center Senior Nutrition

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
1% MILK SERVED AT ALL MEALS	BBQ Rib Patty Corn Green Bean Casserole Apricots Bun	2 Baked Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Salad Tomatoes Garlic Bread Jello w/ Bananas	Chili w/ Meat Beans Tomatoes Carrot Sticks Pears Corn Bread	Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy California Veggies Peaches Wheat Bread	
Goulash w/ Meat Green Beans Stewed Tomatoes Macaroni Noodles Pumpkin Bar	BBQ Chicken Coleslaw Corn Wild Rice Tropical Fruit	Ham Steak Scalloped Potatoes Carrots Peach Cobbler Wheat Roll	Beef and Noodles Mashed Potatoes Creamed Asparagus Orange	Cod Filets Baked Potato Broccoli w/ Cheese Plums Wheat Bread	
Pork Roast w/ Gravy Mixed Veggies Broccoli Salad Apricots Wheat Bread	Shepard's Pie Mashed Potatoes Mixed Veggies Baked Apples Biscuit	Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Cauliflower & Broccoli Chocolate Cake Wheat Roll	Chicken Alfredo Normandy Veggies Salad Pasta Orange	Meatball Sandwich Vegetable Soup Spinach Bake Banana Sub Roll	
21 Cheesy Hamburger Casserole Peas & Carrots Rice Applesauce	22 Chicken Enchilada Casserole Corn w/ Black Beans Shredded Lettuce Corn Tortillas Tropical Fruit	Green Bean Casserole Mashed Potatoes Sweet Potatoes Stuffing Pumpkin Pie	²⁴ CLOSED	²⁵ CLOSED	
Mac' n Cheese w/ Ham Normandy Veggies Peas Plums	29 Italian Chicken Au Gratin Potatoes Salad Apricots Wheat Bread	Tenderloin Baked Beans Broccoli & Cauliflower Banana Bun		POTATO BAR OPTION AVAILABLE DAILY	

Lunch is served at 11:30 at these locations: **Community Senior Citizens of Stronghurst** (Mondays) 309-299-5301 Faith Bible Church in Oquawka (Tuesday - Friday) 309-299-5301 **Kirkwood Senior Center** 309-768-2146 Roseville Senior Center 309-426-2277 **Strom Center** 309-734-5677

Reservations must be made by 12:30 PM the day BEFORE you want to eat. Please call the site you will attend.

Home-delivered meals are available for seniors meeting eligibility requirements. CALL 309-734-4251

Non-Discrimination Policy Jamieson Community Center does not discriminate in admission to programs or treatment of employment in programs or activities in compliance with the Illinois Human Rights Act; the U.S. Civil Rights Act; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Employment Act; and the U.S. and Illinois Constitutions. If you feel you have been discriminated against, you have a right to file a complaint with the Illinois Department on Aging. For information, call 800-252-8966 (Voice and TDD) or contact Programs and Services Manager at Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging at 800-322-1051.

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MIND EXPLORER

'Mind Explorers' is a monthly feature of STROM CENTER NEWS

Answer the questions and turn them in or mail them in by the 20th of the month.

Newsletter. (In case of a tie, the winner will be drawn). This month's quiz is "It's All in November!" with a difficult-o-meter rating of 6.5+.....!!!



1. What was the name of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America?

2.	What President declared Thanksgiving a national holiday in November 1863?				
3.	What is always held on the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November?				
4.	What is the official United States public holiday, observed annually on November 11?				
5.	The 1 st day of the Christmas shopping season which is the day after Thanksgiving is called				
6.	What is the birthstone for November?				
7.	What ends each first Sunday of November?				
8.	Unscramble the letters to find a favorite Thanksgiving menu item (2 words): AMAZEDSLGY:				
9.	For her church's Thanksgiving meal, Ann is estimating how many cookies to bake. If 48 adults are given 2 cookies each and 60 children are given one each how many dozens of cookies are needed?				
10	To be elected to the office of President of the U.S. how old must a candidate be?				

Answers to the Previous Mind Explorer (Winner is named on Recognition Page!)

- 1. My best friend is Barney and my wife is Wilma. My name is: FRED FLINTSTONE
- 2. I'm a friendly, working-class, disheveled police detective of Italian descent, whose trademarks include wearing a rumpled, beige raincoat over my suit, and smoking a cigar. Who am I? LT. COLOMBO
- 3. My catch phrase is "Eh... What's up, doc?" and you'll catch me chomping on my favorite vegetable. Who am I? BUGS BUNNY
- 4. As the 37th U.S. President, my face has become one of the all-time favorite masks for Halloweeners. Who am I? RICHARD NIXON
- 5. I have a sidekick named Robin who helps me solve many crimes, but his face is not nearly as popular as mine at Halloween. Who am I? BATMAN
- 6. I am the secret identity of Don Diego de la Vega, who helps the common people against tyranny. Who am I? ZORRO
- 7. As a First Lady, my fashion trends, especially the "pillbox hat" were followed by millions of women. My face was also a favorite mask for many girls. Who am I? JACKIE KENNEDY
- 8. Unscramble the letters for a favorite Halloween activity: BINGOBEARSLAPFOB: BOBBING FOR APPLES
- 9. Bob is reading a book about ghosts. On Day # 1, he read 20 pages, on the 2nd day he read 1 more page than day # 1, on the 3rd day he read 1 more page than day # 2. If he keeps reading at this rate, what page will he be on on Day # 11? 245
- 10. I'm a loyal, innocent, imaginative and good-natured beagle who is prone to imagining fantasy lives, including being a college student known as "Joe Cool". Who am I? SNOOPY