

Pickawillany Social Committee Report

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Good evening! We hosted two really fun events in August--the 70s party and the annual cookout. Thanks to Lynda Nelson, the 70s theme was carried throughout the evening on August 10, including karaoke with all 70s music and special frozen concoctions by bartender and former resident Jeff Hall. Attendees brought an appetizer to share. Lynda really knocked this one out of the park! She put a tremendous amount of time and effort into the decorations and the technical, electronic portion of the event...the karaoke! It was really fun to see most of the residents come in their 70s garb!

The annual cookout on August 24 included herb chicken, brats and hot dogs by special grillmasters Fred Hoetzel and Don Schlaechter, with fabulous side dishes provided by our own residents. We also raffled one fun giveaway to an adult and one to a child. We had live entertainment by guitarist Tim Concannon, and everyone enjoyed his music, whit and his charm. Just about every attendee stayed to paint rocks, and I personally have to admit that it was very fun. Becky Hartge, Laurie Gang and Susie Blank helped immensely with this event...thank you! We were very pleased to have Ronier come, as we had invited the maintenance crew to join us.

We've moved the New Resident get-together to Sunday, September 22, 5PM, and we will hope to have a board member or two on hand...please come! To this end, I will need a very up-to-date new resident listing to make sure we don't miss any new residents from the last several months. Thanks Kathi and/or Hildegard for this list.

Our last Bingo will be Sunday, September 8, 7PM. We have one Chi Thai gift certificate to give away, a cash prize to every child, and ice cream for all! Please come...this is a fun 45 minutes on a Sunday evening!

We are in the midst of planning a get together at the clubhouse on Saturday, October 5, 7PM to watch the Buckeyes first evening game. We are working to obtain a projector to put up the game's image just outside the clubhouse. We'll provide brats and ask residents to bring side dishes. We are hopeful to have Jeff Hall return as our beloved Woody Hayes and provide a pep talk! We might also have a winter picnic or pull together a chilli cook-off sometime, but these are TBD. The Game Nights will be held again the first and third Friday of each month, starting in November. Lynda Nelson and Laurie Gang will be hosting these events.

The social committee generated proceeds of \$1,550 this year, and have approximately \$370 left in the kitty.

Again, the committee is open to any ideas to get more residents to attend our fun events. We even opened most of these events and bingo to Chippewill residents and had only little success in attracting them to our events. I know I've voiced this suggestion before, but could we consider having an active Facebook presence? Our younger residents (under 40) like this media for information and I believe it would create some excitement in the community when we post pictures and discuss our events and projects around Pickawillany. The current Facebook site has already provided admin rights to Hildegard and will not allow anyone to post comments without admin

approval. I'm always talking up the committee's events when I'm out and about walking around the grounds, and I'm always amazed that most of the residents I come in contact with have no idea about the event I'm inquiring about, despite the info in Turtle Talk, our website, the flyer distributed to every door and our sign located at Blue Jacket and Little Turtle way. Please help!

Respectfully submitted, Darlene Slater Lynda Nelson Co-Chairs - Social Committee