

FANFARE



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PRESIDENT'S POST

AFAN now has a new caterer! Her name is Karen Graves. She catered for us last February and March. Her food was delicious, timely and well-presented.

The Board always listens to your concerns, suggestions and ideas. If you ever have any questions, please feel free to contact me or any board member.

Our annual FanFair will be in November. If you would like to participate as a vendor, please contact Beth Martin. (See information on page 3.) I look forward to FanFair every year for small gifts or baked goods.

We have many new members this year. If a new member is sitting near you, please introduce yourself and get to know her. When I first joined 8 years ago, it meant a lot when a member walked up and introduced herself.

See you October 9th.

Suellen Denton, President

OCTOBER 9, 2025

Athens Community Center

Victoria Ellwood, Speaker

Athens Conservancy

5:30 registration/Dinner at 6:00

Athens Conservancy is a nonprofit land trust that preserves wild and scenic places for people to explore and enjoy, protects water quality, and maintains healthy, resilient ecosystems that support native biodiversity and help counteract the cause of climate change. The Conservancy's lands in Athens County and surrounding areas are mostly forested and include ridge tops, stream bottoms, dramatic rock formations and beautiful vistas.



Garden Salad/Bread

Braised Pork/Vegetarian Gnocchi

Squash Apple Bake

Pumpkin Cupcakes

*****Served by our new caterer Karen Graves*****

Lunch Bunch for table decorations

\$15 for meal or \$5 program only

**You MUST register by contacting
Becky Austin (216-978-8752) or**

rebeccadaustin@gmail.com

by 6:00 pm on October 5

Specify Pork or Gnocchi when registering

October Birthdays

Cindy Parker	October 1
Susan D. Robinette	October 2
Charlotte Benz	October 5
Ann Mulligan	October 5
Martha Sloan	October 6
Antia Johnson	October 8
Berry Dilley	October 10
Deborah Hepworth	October 13
Ann Brown	October 14
Anita Mulpas	October 14
Ione Phillips	October 14
Arlene Baasel	October 16
Peggy Martin	October 17
Carol Wolf	October 17
Davie Griffin	October 19
Janice Krebs	October 22
Carolynn Orr	October 23
Janet Golenberg	October 24
Tammy Keith	October 24
Laura Ballinger	October 29

SPECIAL EVENT

When: Thursday, October 23, 2025

Where: *Ash Cave Walk*

Time: Meet 9:45 at Athens
Community Center (under
the solar panels); leave at
10:00 for walk

Leave 11:30 for lunch at Hocking
Hills Lodge

Sign Up: Carol Meek at skimeek@yahoo.com
740-707-6250



ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS!!

WHAT: *Newcomer Coffee*

WHEN: *Thursday, October 16*

TIME: *4:30—5:30 pm*

WHERE: *Athens Community Center,
room near the kitchen*

WHY: *Meet other newcomers and
fellow AFAN members for food and
fun. You are encouraged to bring the friend
who invited you to come to AFAN.*

RSVP: Mindy Brudno mindybrud@gmail.com.

518-238-8776

If you know someone who would appreciate a card for illness, birthday, sympathy, or just thinking of you, please contact Marguerite Kostival, Correspondence Chair at: kostivam@ohio.edu or call her at 740-591-2329.

September cards were sent to:

Lorraine Neuser

Thinking of You

Judy Billups

Thinking of You

Lynda Bentley

Sympathy



The Morning Book Club starts off the new AFAN year with a delicious pot luck.



FanFair

11/13/25

FanFair is coming in November. This event showcases our members' handmade creations and will provide you with the opportunity to buy locally made items for your holiday shopping. This is also a great way for members to showcase their handmade art, crafts and/or food without the cost of reserving a spot. The tables are provided for you. If you are a returning vendor or a first-timer, there are two easy steps to follow: 1. Make sure you have paid this year's dues. 2. Contact Beth Martin to reserve a space. bethamartin2@gmail.com or text **740-590-4972**.

The History and Antiquing group visited Chillicothe recently viewing Thomas Worthington's Adena Mansion.



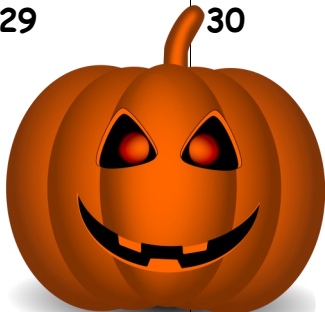
DID YOU SEE OUR NEWLY UPDATED FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE PAGES?

You can send pictures for inclusion on Facebook to Julie Finlay: jafinlay@gmail.com

The website has updated info including the newsletters and Interest Groups. Check it out!

See info on top of 1st page.

OCTOBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Bridge Buddies 1:00-4:00 pm	2 Ransom Euchre 12:30 pm Women Who W(h)ine 5:00-7:00 pm	3 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm	4
5 Reservations due for Fall Reception by 6 pm WITH CHOICE OF MAIN DISH (see page 1)	6 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	7 Helpful Packers 10:00 am 1st Tuesday Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm	8 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Quilting 10:00-12:00 pm	9 AFAN General Meeting 5:30 pm Registration	10 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm	11
12 	13 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	14 Majors & Minors Bridge 10:00 am Afternoon Book Club 1:00-3:00 pm	15 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Bridge Buddies 1:00-4:00 pm Wednesday Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm Non-Fiction Book Club 6:30-8:00	16 Morning Book Club 10:00 am Ransom Euchre 12:30 pm AFAN Board 3:00 pm NEWCOMER COFFEE 4:30	17 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm	18 Gourmet 6:00 pm
19 Reservations due for Special Event (see page 2)	20 Albany Book & Coffee 10:00-11:30 am Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	21 Tuesday Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm	22 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Duplicate Bridge 12:30 pm	23 Special Event 9:45 am	24 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm	25 
26	27 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	28 Majors & Minors Bridge 10:00 am Needlework 1:00-3:00 pm	29 30 		31 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm Final Friday Euchre 2:00-5:00 pm	