

FANFARE



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PRESIDENT'S POST

It's fall, y'all! Well maybe not by calendar yet, but in my mind, it is! I'm ready for football, leaves 🍁 changing colors, pumpkins 🎃, cooler weather, and meeting/seeing wonderful AFAN friends!

I'll be back with you again soon...so in the meantime, drink a cup of apple cider and soak up some fall beauty!

Deborah Hepworth

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2026

Nick Tepe

Director, Athens County

Public Libraries

5:30 registration (NOT before please)

Dinner at 6:00

Holy Family Center

Behind Christ the King Church

Enter 140 Mill Street Park in the lot

Exit 75 Stewart Street

*****Beef, Chicken, & Vegetarian Chili*****

Fixings for the Chili

Sides Desserts Drinks (including coffee!)

Final Friday Euchre for table decorations

*****PLEASE specify Vegetarian when registering*****

\$15 for meal or \$5 program only

You MUST register by 6 pm Sunday, October 4

Email Sharon Gillogly sharongillogly78@gmail.com

Or call 740-331-9925

IF YOU CANCEL AFTER THE DEADLINE OR DON'T COME AFTER REGISTERING, YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE MEAL



October Birthdays

<i>Cindy Parker</i>	<i>October 1</i>
<i>Charlotte Benz</i>	<i>October 5</i>
<i>Ann Mulligan</i>	<i>October 5</i>
<i>Martha Sloan</i>	<i>October 6</i>
<i>Antia Johnson</i>	<i>October 8</i>
<i>Judy Lapp</i>	<i>October 9</i>
<i>Linda Schirmer</i>	<i>October 9</i>
<i>Berry Dilley</i>	<i>October 10</i>
<i>Deborah Hepworth</i>	<i>October 13</i>
<i>Anita Mulpas</i>	<i>October 14</i>
<i>Susan Phillips</i>	<i>October 15</i>
<i>Arlene Baasel</i>	<i>October 16</i>
<i>Peggy Martin</i>	<i>October 17</i>
<i>Carol Wolf</i>	<i>October 17</i>
<i>Davie Griffin</i>	<i>October 19</i>
<i>Janice Krebs</i>	<i>October 22</i>
<i>Janet Golenberg</i>	<i>October 24</i>
<i>Tammy Keith</i>	<i>October 24</i>
<i>Laura Ballinger</i>	<i>October 29</i>
<i>Frances Snyder</i>	<i>October 30</i>
<i>Marion Barnes</i>	<i>October 31</i>

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.

August/September cards were sent to:

<i>Sandra Nesbitt</i>	<i>Sympathy</i>
<i>Trudy Montle</i>	<i>Get Well</i>
<i>Patsy Dearing</i>	<i>Get Well</i>

SPECIAL EVENT

When: Thursday, October 22, 2026

Where: *Hocking Hills Garment Center*

17645 Bank St. Buchtel, OH

Where/Time: Meet behind McDonalds in The Plains to leave **by 9:30 am**

Fee: \$6.50

Sign Up: Email Carol Stoessel

billstoessel6@gmail.com or call

330-554-9118

(include your email, phone number and if you are able to drive.)

Brunch: Gigi's The Plains

The center is housed in a 150 year old decommissioned church. The center partners with brands seeking high quality production.

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS!!

WHAT: *Newcomer Reception*

WHEN: *Wednesday, October 21, 2026*

TIME: *4:30—5:30 pm*

WHERE: *Holy Family Center behind Christ the King Church, 75 Stewart St.*

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 518-238-8776

mindybrud@gmail.com

FanFair

11/12/26

FanFair is the program event on November 12, where talented AFAN members sell what they create. Whether it be a food item or arts & crafts, we all have the opportunity to buy local and support one another, as well as do some holiday gift shopping. Vending is free to current paid members and includes a table. If you're a returning vendor or a first-timer, this is the time to reserve your spot! Bring your talent to the table and contact Phyllis with questions or to reserve a space; text or call [740-816-8016](tel:740-816-8016) or email phyllis.wallacatania@gmail.com

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The History Group went to the Barber Museum in Canal Winchester. They enjoyed the tour and history lesson.



ABC shares and celebrates books along with their coffee at Threefold Roasters in Albany.



Quilt Group and their pillowcases for My Sister's Place.



CONGRATULATIONS to Judy Scott who 'Won Back Her Dues' by paying dues before August 31.

OCTOBER 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
***WED, Oct. 21 AFAN Board 3:00 pm Newcomer Reception 4:30 pm	**Hikers **Walkers **Final Tuesday Euchre new groups	**Dominoes new group **Bower Babes Formerly 1st Tuesday Euchre		1 Ransom Euchre 12:30 pm Women Who W(h)ine 5:00-7:00 pm	2	3
4 Reservations due for Fall Reception by 6 pm (see page 1)	5 **Walkers 9:30 am Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	6 **Dominoes 10:15 am—12:30 pm **Bower Babes Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm	7 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Bridge Buddies 1:00-4:00 pm	8 AFAN General Meeting 5:30 pm Registration	9	10 Gourmet 6:00 pm?
11 	12 **Walkers 9:30 am Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	13 Majors & Minors Bridge 10:00 am	14 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Quilting 10:00 am - 12:00 pm	15 Morning Book Club 10:00 am Ransom Euchre 12:30 pm	16	17 Gourmet 6:00 pm?
18 Reservations due for Special Event (see page 2)	19 **Hikers **Walkers 9:30 am Albany Book & Coffee 10:00-11:30 am Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	20 Afternoon Book Club 1:00-3:00 pm Tuesday Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm	21 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 pm ***	22 Special Event 9:30 am leave The Plains	23	24
25	26 **Walkers 9:30 am Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm	27 Majors & Minors Bridge 10:00 am Needlework 1:00-3:00 pm **Final Tuesday Euchre 2:00—4:00 pm	28 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Duplicate Bridge 12:30 pm	29	30 Final Friday Euchre 2:00-5:00 pm	31 Clocks fall back 