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Tues – Garbage

Wed – Recycles & Greens

Hayden and Assoc: 489-4890 (Emergencies, too) Aluminum cans at office shed

PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE FUN OF IT!

## <u>World War II</u> <u>& Korean War</u> <u>Veterans</u>



Last season we honored World War II and Korean War veterans who live in Mobile Manor. Thank you again for your service. Also, we apologize for missing two heroes who we would like to recognize now, Charlie Kimes and Paul White. Charlie served during WW II and Paul during Korea. Both of them, as are the others, very modest about what they did for us. We thank and salute you all.



## <u>Condolences</u>

To the famílíes and fríends of:

#### Tessie Mattison Leroy Wikert





Mobile Manor Social Club Meeting December 4, 2012, 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

Mobile Manor Community Meeting December 6, 2012 2:30 p.m. Please make every effort to attend. The maintenance fee for 2012 is \$27.31 per month. The fee for 2013 will be \$28.13 per month.





<u>Dec./Early</u> Jan. Events

- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Decorate ínsíde Communíty Center-9:30 a.m.
- Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> Melody & Dick Fightmaster Open House-6 p.m.
- Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> Chrístmas Luncheon @ Banana Joe's-Noon \$16
- Dec. 14/15<sup>th</sup> Holíday Bake Sale-9 a.m. to noon
- Dec. 15th Chílí Dog Shuffle-Noon \$3
- Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> Decorate for Christmas Dance-Afternoon
- Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dance-7:30 p.m. Donation appreciated
- Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> Chrístmas Parade and Carolíng-4 p.m. (Maybe?)
- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> Lumínaríes-5 p.m.
- Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner Potluck-5 p.m. \$5
- Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> Decorate for New Year's Eve Dance-Morníng
- Dec. 31st New Year's Eve Dance-8 p.m. \$10
- Jan. 1st Pork Dínner-5 p.m.
- Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> Mídwest Pancake Breakfast-9 a.m. \$5



Please join us in welcoming the following to the Mobile Manor community:

#### **Patricia Raleigh**

## <u>"The Way We Were"</u>



One evening a grandson was talking to his grandmother and asked, "How old are you Grandma?"

The grandmother replied, "Well, let me thínk a mínute, I was born before televísion, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, contact lenses, Frísbees, and the pill. There were no credit cards, laser beams, or ball-point pens. Pantyhose, air conditioners, dishwashers, and clothes dryers had not been invented. Space travel was only in Flash Gordon comic books. Computer dating, dual careers, daycare centers, group therapy, McDonald's, instant coffee, FM radios, tape decks, CDs, electric typewriters, yogurt, or guys wearing earrings were unheard of. We thought fast food was eating half a biscuit while running to catch the school bus. Having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins. Time-sharing meant time the family spent together. We listened to Big Bands, Jack Benny, and the Presídent's speeches on our radíos. 'Made in Japan' meant it was junk. We had 5 & 10-cent stores where you could actually buy things for 5 and 10 cents. A níckel got you an íce-cream cone, a

phone call, a streetcar ríde, a Pepsí, or enough stamps to mail 1 letter and 2 postcards. The minimum wage was 30¢/hr., a new car cost \$1100, gas was 19¢/gal., a house was \$6950, bread was 9¢/loaf, and mílk was 60¢/gal. "Grass" was mowed, "coke" was a cold drínk, "pot" was something your mother cooked in, "rock music" was your grandmother's lullaby, "hardware" was a store, and "software" wasn't a word. So, how old do you thínk I am?" (Grandma is 70 years old)

Thanks to Bonnie Gilliland & **Ronnie Harvey** for hosting Coffee & Donuts in Nov. Harold 8 a.m. saturdays & Lona Kinder will host in Dec., Maureen & Jim Huff in Jan., and Rusty & Margaret Campigotto in March. We still need hosts for February.

35 people enjoyed the culinary efforts of Cordon Bleu Master Chef Bob Gilliland in



the Community Center on Thanksgiving Day. Thanks to Bob and his assistants: Vel Martin, Ronnie Harvey, Sandy Gilliland, Bob Edmunds, Margaret & Rusty Campigotto, and Lona & Harold Kinder.

> MMSC donated \$100 to the American Red Cross **Red Cross for Hurrícane**

Sandy relief. Olive Thompson graciously matched it. Please consider helping.

Thanks to Judy Griffith for faithfully delivering the newsletter each month. Vel Martin will take over in December.





Thanks to Paul LaCourse for leading the Garden Club. **Denise Gregoire** is the new leader.



### <u>"Heads Up"</u>

**Melodie & Dick Fightmas-**

**ter** are spreading the Christmas cheer again this year by inviting one and all to their open house at 321 Lantern Lane at 6 p.m. on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. There's no need to bring anything, but finger food is OK, if you must.

Don't forget the Christmas Luncheon on Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>. The deadline to signup (Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>) is fast approaching.

Bake, bake, bake!!! Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> is the day to bring your baked goods to the Community Center for sale on the 14<sup>th</sup>. If there's enough, we may have to extend the sale to the 15<sup>th</sup> like last year.

Volunteers are needed to help decorate for the Chrístmas Dance on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

If there's interest and a leader, there will be a Christmas parade and caroling at 4 p.m. on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Can we do better líghtíng lumínaríes thís year? Yes!! Chrístmas Eve @ 5 p.m.

**Ronnie Harvey** is hosting the Christmas Dinner Potluck again this year. Please contact her to help.

Volunteers are needed to help decorate for the New Year's Eve Dance.

The New Year's Day Pork Dínner at 5 p.m. will be prepared by Cordon Bleu Master Chef **Bob Gilliland**.

We need a host for the Mídwest Pancake Breakfast on Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>. Líne dancíng starts ín January.

Besides raffling a 3-wheeler as announced last month, we also will be raffling another 40-42" flat-screen HD-TV. The



drawing for the former will be Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> at the Spaghetti Dinner and the latter's drawing will be March 7<sup>th</sup> at the season's final Community Meeting. Tickets are 1/\$5 or 3/\$10.



<u>"It's a Funny Lífe"</u> I moved to Delaware, OH,

35 years ago thís month.

That's roughly half of my life in Delaware. It is home to 30,000 people and is the county seat for one of the 10 fastest growing counties in the USA. It's best known for 3 things: 1.) It's the birthplace of the 19th President, Rutherford B. Hayes. A gas station occupies the site, but there's a nice plaque. 2.) The Little Brown Jug, the most prestigious 3-year-old pacing race in North America, is held annually on the 3rd Thursday of September at the Delaware County Fairgrounds. 3.) Ohio Wesleyan University. Notable alumni include Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks, First Lady Lucy Webb Hayes, author and theologian Norman Vincent Peale, baseball executive Branch Rickey, Nobel Laureate Frank Sherwood Rowland, and CBS News correspondent, Byron Pitts. I love Delaware. It's a great place to live. Exciting things still happen there. For instance, Delaware is also the home of the Strand Theater which opened in April, 1916, and is the tenth longest continuously operating movie theater in the United States. After a recent renovation this is what appeared on the Marquee:



Grand Opening New Restroom

#### How excíting is that?

(Note: The editor of *Mobile Manor Monthly* encourages feedback and input regarding the newsletter. Be it criticism or praise, corrections or new topics, please let me know. I can be reached at 543-5708, 740-972-9445, or <u>timburch22@gmail.com</u>.)