

FANFARE



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PRESIDENT'S POST

Greetings:

I hope everyone has had a good summer, traveling and enjoying family.

It is now time to be thinking about our annual Fall Reception, which will be on September 11. This is the time to sign up for your Interest Groups, meet new members and say hello to old friends. Registration will begin at 5:30. The Interest Group Chairs will be allowed to eat first; this will enable them to be free to answer questions while taking your information for their group. Our Interest Groups are the heart of AFAN.

If you have not paid your dues yet, please remember to pay them. Dues must be paid by September 30 to be included in the directory.

See you on September 11th! We are going to have a great year.

Suellen Denton

AFAN President

FALL RECEPTION

SEPTEMBER 11

Athens Community Center

5:30 registration

It's our kick-off meeting

Sign up for Interest Groups

Door Prizes

Join or renew

your membership!

MENU/COST

Finger Foods

\$5 per member

NO cost for newcomers

**You MUST register by contacting
Becky Austin (216-978-8752) or
rebeccadaustin@gmail.com**

By 6 pm Sunday, September 7

September Birthdays

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| Sue Poarch | September 2 |
| Linda Rothman | September 2 |
| Sheila Mark | September 3 |
| Brenda Ruth | September 3 |
| Diana Hobden | September 5 |
| Judith Roman | September 6 |
| Christina Newman | September 7 |
| Betty Thompson | September 7 |
| Donna Thompson | September 9 |
| Maureen Wootton | September 13 |
| Jane Denbow | September 14 |
| Lynne Genter | September 14 |
| Jane Wayner | September 16 |
| Jennifer Adams | September 23 |
| Julie Finlay | September 27 |
| Edna Frost | September 27 |
| Nancy Schell | September 28 |
| Neva Kemplin | September 30 |

Get your dues in soon. Please renew by September 30 to be in the directory. The membership form is attached or print it out from our website (see front page.) Each newsletter costs over \$1.60 to print and mail, thus the \$10 surcharge. Contact Janis Tysko, editor, via email: janis.tysko@gmail.com or call 740-475-9055 for questions.

SPECIAL EVENT

When: **Thursday, September 25**

Where: *Triple Nickel (Chesterhill-Morgan County) for lunch
Chesterhill Produce Auction*

Time: **Meet 12:45** at Athens Community Center (under the solar panels); leave at **1:00** for 1:45 lunch
4:00 Chesterhill Produce Auction chesterhillproduceauction.com

Sign Up: **Carol Stoessel 330-554-9118**
billstoessel6@gmail.com

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.

July/August cards were sent to:

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <i>Kristie Riffle</i> | <i>Thinking of You</i> |
| <i>April Holmes</i> | <i>Thinking of You/Get Well</i> |
| <i>Ellen Goldsberry</i> | <i>Thinking of You</i> |
| <i>Anita Mulpas</i> | <i>Thinking of You</i> |
| <i>Teresa Trout</i> | <i>Thinking of You</i> |
| <i>Dawn Harmon</i> | <i>Get Well</i> |



Women Who W(h)ine

August 2025

At Andrea Moser's home

Everyone is really sad because this might have been the **LAST WWW** because there will be **NO** chair to lead the group.

BUT NOW

Everyone is happy because we have new Co-Chairs.

Be on the lookout throughout this newsletter to find out who!!!

Thanks for stepping up.



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**.

DID YOU SEE OUR NEWLY UPDATED FACEBOOK PAGE?

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

Get on Facebook and search for Athens Friends and Newcomers



Lunch Bunch met at Frida's Modern Mexican restaurant for delicious food in July.

September 2025

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm | 2 1st Tuesday Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm | 3 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Bridge Buddies 1:00-4:00 pm | 4 Ransom Euchre 12:30 pm | 5 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm | 6 |
| 7 Reservations due for Fall Reception by 6 pm (see page 1) | 8 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm | 9 Majors & Minors Bridge 10:00 am | 10 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Quilting 10:00-12:00 pm | 11 Fall Reception 5:30 pm | 12 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm | 13 |
| 14 | 15 Albany Book & Coffee 10:00-11:30 am Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm | 16 Afternoon Book Club 1:00-3:00 pm Tuesday Euchre 2:00-4:00 pm | 17 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 | 18 Morning Book Club 10:00 am Ransom Euchre 12:30 pm AFAN Board 3:00 pm | 19 History & Antiquing Meet 9:30 am Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm | 20 Gourmet 6:00 pm |
| 21 Reservations due for Special Event (see page 2) | 22 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm | 23 Majors & Minors Bridge 10:00 am Needlework 1:00-3:00 pm | 24 Pickleball 8:30-10:00 am Duplicate Bridge 12:30 pm | 25 Special Event 12:45 pm | 26 Bridge Sub Club ONLINE 1:00 pm Final Friday Euchre 2:00-5:00 pm | 27 |
| 28 | 29 Grand Slam Bridge 6:30-8:30 pm | 30 | | | | |

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| Book Club: Afternoon | Jane Denbow 740-590-2998 | 3rd Tuesday 1:00-3:00 pm The Plains Library |
| Book Club: Morning | Kay Taylor 740-707-8071 | 3rd Thursday 10:00 am University Estates Clubhouse |
| Book Club: Nonfiction | Shelton King-Chelberg 740-274-0746 | 3rd Wednesday 6:30-8:00 pm Athens Library |
| ABC (Albany Book & Coffee) | Susan Payne 740-698-6342 | 3rd Monday 10:00-11:30 am Threefold Roasters, Albany |
| Bridge Buddies | Carol Blue 740-591-5594 | 1st&3rd Wednesday 1:00-4:00 pm University Estates Clubhouse |
| Duplicate Bridge | Judy Kelly 740-698-0463 | 4th Wednesday 12:30 pm Place TBA |
| Grand Slam Bridge | Pam Goldsberry 740-707-3552 | Mondays 6:30-8:30 pm Market on State |
| Majors & Minors Bridge | Janice Krebs 740-541-0937 | 2nd & 4th Tuesday 10:00 am Wyngate Clubhouse |
| Bridge Sub Club | Greta Hanesworth 740-667-3258 Janet Golenberg 614-886-5215 | Fridays 1:00-3:00 pm ONLINE |
| Euchre on Ransom | Janice Krebs 740-541-0937 | 1st & 3rd Thursday 12:30-2:30 pm Place TBA |
| Final Friday Euchre | Sheila VanDyke 740-438-8195 | Last Friday of month 2:00-5:00 pm Wyngate Clubhouse or VanDyke's |
| First Tuesday Euchre | Sabra Robinson 740-541-3598 CHANGE of DATE/PLACE | 1st Tuesday 2:00-4:00 pm Place TBA |
| Tuesday Euchre | Nancy Dunham 813-310-0148 | 3rd Tuesday 2:00-4:00 pm |
| Wednesday Euchre | Cindy Parker 740-517-1303 | 3rd Wednesday 2:00-4:00 pm 8070 St. Rt. 56 (Cindy's home) |
| Gourmet | Christina Gibbons 740-797-2596 Shelton King-Chelberg 740-274-0746 | 3rd Saturday 6:00 pm Place TBA |
| Helpful Packers | Jane Newton 740-707-3735 NEW GROUP | TBA |
| History and Antiques | Judy Harmon 740-591-4338 Ann Mulligan 740-591-1505 | TBA |
| Lunch Bunch | Suellen Denton 678-630-2062 | TBA |
| Needlework | Sheila VanDyke 740-438-8195 | 4th Tuesday 1:00-3:00 pm The Plains Library |
| Origami | Anne Roberts 845-545-9227 | TBA |
| Pickleball | Cindy Royse 740-591-0860 | Wednesday 8:30-10:00 am Athens Community Center |
| Quilting | Sheila Mark 740-591-5973 Jane Newton 740-707-3735 | 2nd Wednesday 10:00-12:00 pm The Plains Library |
| Women Who W(h)ine | Mindy Brudno 518-238-8776 Stacia Stutzman 740-707-2078 | Every other 1st Thursday or Friday 5:00-7:00 pm Place TBA |

**2025-
2026**

**INTEREST
GROUPS
CHAIR**

**Jane
Newton**

740-707-3735