

The JACKSONIAN



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News for and about Jackson-area Retirees

SOLD OUT!

Gilberts Chocolates Tour – Lunch at Steve's Ranch & Euchre July 15th

Gilberts Chocolates Factory Tour begin Tuesday at 10:00.

Tour includes information about how chocolate is made, the history of Gilbert Chocolates, and an opportunity to watch our chocolate creation artists at work!

Location: 233 N. Jackson Street, Downtown Jackson.

Tour Time: 10:00am Limited to first 30 at 10:00am. **TOUR IS SOLD OUT!**

We are NOT accepting any further reservations!

You can still attend the Lunch and/or attend Euchre by contacting Fallon.

Lunch Steve's Ranch: 311 Louis Glick - 11:00 – 11:15 (ordering from their menu)

Euchre: When lunch is over until 2:00pm


Deadline for Just Euchre & Lunch: Friday July 11th. Email Fallon at fallonsstar@gmail.com

Kiple Open at Burr Oak Golf Course – August 20th


Mark your calendars and secure your spot for an unforgettable day on the greens!

The Jacksonians are thrilled to invite you to our Annual Golf Outing at the beautiful Burr Oak Golf Course.


 **Date:** August 20, 2025  **Location:** 3491 North Parma Road, Parma

 **Schedule:** **8:00 AM:** Registration kicks off with coffee and donuts in the Clubhouse. Meet and greet with Bob Smith & Ken Rudolph, who will provide all the day's details.


9:00 AM: Shot-gun start – let the games begin!


 **Cost:** **\$35** for 2025 Jacksonian members and **\$37** for Non-members

What's Included: 9 holes of golf A cart and delicious lunch featuring Brats, Pulled Pork, Mac & Cheese, Beans & Water.

 **Just Lunch:** Not a golfer? No problem! Join us for lunch only at **\$12**.

 **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded after lunch!

 **Questions?** Contact Bob Smith at 517-917-4123 or Ken at 517-782-1057.

 **Deadline:** Make sure to send in your paid reservations by Friday, August 8th.

Don't miss out on this fantastic event – it's the perfect opportunity to enjoy a day of golf, great food, and camaraderie. See you there!



Jacksonians Trail Bicyclist – Mike Wade

Biking season has kicked off once again, and if you're eager to join Mike and his crew for some exciting rides along the Falling Water Trail, don't hesitate to reach out! You can contact Mike at 517-763-4807 or drop him an email at mrpawade@gmail.com. Remember, the weather plays a crucial role in planning these biking adventures, so stay tuned for updates and get ready to pedal away!

The Falling Water Trail is designed to accommodate bikers of all skill levels, from beginners to seasoned cyclists. Whether you're just starting out or looking for a challenging ride, you'll find sections of the trail that suit your pace and experience. Mike and his crew are always welcoming and supportive, making it a great opportunity to enjoy biking in a friendly and inclusive environment.

Euchre & Lunch held Monthly – Fallon Walker

Euchre & Lunch at Knights Steakhouse at 2125 Horton Road

Date: August 5th

Time: 11:00am - 3:30pm **Lunch** at 11:00. You are welcome to join us for just lunch.

RSVP by emailing Fallon Walker at: fallonsstar@gmail.com or call 517-812-3806

Come join us for a friendly game of Euchre and Lunch! Beginners to advance welcome!



June 24th – Jacksonians Board Meeting 10:00 am

July 15th – Tour of Gilberts Chocolates, Lunch & Euchre 10am tour begins

August 5th – Euchre & Lunch at Knights Steakhouse 11am

August 20th – Kiple Open at Burr Oak Golf Course

October 15th – Oktoberfest at Chateau Aeronautique Winery & Brewery

(if you wish to attend a board meeting by phone in call Joann at 517-740-0293)

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Anniversary



Paul (ret. 2000) and Sharon McEnany
63rd Wedding Anniversary



CE Parnall Road – Auditorium
Tuesday, July 15, 2025
9:00am to 2:45 pm
To Schedule your appointment Log onto
RedCross Blood.org (sponsor code consumers) or
Call 10800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767.
All presenting donors will receive one free ticket to
Cedar Point, while supplies last.

Contact our Sunshine Committee Chair Jan Riede (contact info on the sidebar) with information you'd like included in the Jacksonian: **Congratulations - Sympathy - Special Event - Wedding Anniversary** (*clarifying landmark anniversary dates: 25th - 50th - 55th - 60th and every year after 60*).


Annual Jacksonians Picnic held June 10th

The Jacksonians' annual picnic took place on June 10 at Clarklake Beach & Boat Club. Over 40 retirees attended, each bringing a delicious dish to share. The Jacksonians provided hot dog buns and chips. Despite the windy weather, everyone enjoyed the fantastic food and lively conversation. Unfortunately, the editor forgot to take pictures for the first time ever:> However, you can imagine hot dogs sizzling on the grill, expertly managed by grill-master and Jacksonian board president Joe Eckert. The buffet was a feast for the eyes, lined with salads, fruits, veggies, beans, and, of course, desserts. It was a delightful day by the lake in June. Special thanks to Event Chairmen Roberta Sexton and Sandy Leffler for their efforts in planning and setting up this annual event.

Jacksonians June 24th Board Meeting held at SOAR Restaurant in Jackson

The Jacksonians board held our monthly board meeting at SOAR Café' in Jackson. Suggestion was made by Jacksonian member, Cheryl Hoskins. SOAR is located on Mechanic Street, formerly Anna's. SOAR Café & Farms is a remarkable non-profit organization dedicated to providing healing, housing, and employment for women survivors of human trafficking, sexual abuse, and trauma. Michelle introduced us to this inspiring organization, highlighting its impactful work in empowering women one at a time. SOAR's efforts not only touch the lives of these women but also extend to their families and the broader community. To learn more about SOAR Café & Farms or to make monetary donations, visit their website at www.soarcafeandfarms.com. Donations of paper products can be dropped off at the café, and there are also volunteer opportunities available for those who wish to contribute to this noble cause.

INTEREST?



Possibility of Bus Trips with the JD Trippers

We are reaching out to gauge interest in attending events with JD Trippers. They currently have a "Shipshewana" trip scheduled for August 6th from 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM, with 25 seats still available. The cost is \$95.00, which includes the bus ride, flea market shopping, and lunch at the Blue Gate restaurant. Payments should be made directly to JD Trippers. For more information, visit www.jdtrippers.com or contact Debbie Chambers at 517-416-9531. Deadline for payment is July 23rd. To help us determine interest in these types of trips, please contact our events chair, Roberta Sexton, at robertasexton@comcast.net. We would love to hear if you are interested in future bus trips with JD Trippers or if you have any comments about past trips.

Registration Form - Kiple Open at Burr Oak Golf Course – August 20th

Team Contact Person _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

#1 Golfer _____ ☐ Jacksonian \$35 ☐ Non-Member \$37

#1 Golfer 9 hole handicap ____ or approx. 9 hole score _____

#2 Golfer _____ ☐ Jacksonian \$35 ☐ Non-Member \$37

#2 Golfer 9 hole handicap ____ or approx. 9 hole score _____

#3 Golfer _____ ☐ Jacksonian \$35 ☐ Non-Member \$37

#3 Golfer 9 hole handicap ____ or approx. 9 hole score _____

#4 Golfer _____ ☐ Jacksonian \$35 ☐ Non-Member \$37

#4 Golfer 9 hole handicap ____ or approx. 9 hole score _____

Coming just for lunch (not golfing) – Number attending lunch only (\$12 each) _____

Lunch Contact Person _____ Cell Phone _____

of Golfers _____ #Just Lunch _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____ C# _____ Date: _____

Paid Reservations deadline is Friday, August 8th.