

## **Club 55 Senior Center**

**By Club 55 Senior Center Correspondent Carol Burrows**

I was thinking about Valentine's Day and how much the tradition has changed since I was a student in the one room country school that my siblings and I attended. Our school had all grades 1-8 in the same room...yes it was small. There were two other girls in my class. Any holiday was an event to celebrate, as there was no internet, cell phones, or instant communication as there is now. We decorated the classroom that we all shared and made our valentine boxes at home using cereal boxes or shoeboxes if we were lucky enough to have one, and then brought them to school to hold the cards that we received. The teacher always reminded us that if we wanted to bring cards that we were to bring them for everyone. Teachers knew about inclusion and diversity even back 70 years ago.

Our cards were made and decorated at home from doilies and paper or whatever we had. Sometimes the paste we used needed to be 'reglued' as it dried out and the papers came apart. It was an event as anticipated as the Super Bowl for us! I once had a neighbor tell me that she didn't know why I went to the bother of decorating my house for each holiday or season as I just needed to take it down and redo it. Maybe my childhood influenced my enjoyment of each special day or maybe it was that I spent many years sharing that feeling with students in my classroom. I believe that as we become the older generation, we should share our experiences of the past, so it is not lost.

Some new things have been added to the calendar of events for Club 55. You can stay up to date by going on the website and checking for them at

<https://www.lakemills.k12.wi.us/recreation/calendar-of-events-club.cfm>

Mondays are busy so we are alternating weeks for movie time. On Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> the schedule will be 10:00 am Pickleball in the gym and Bunco and Mah-jongg will be held at 1:00 in Club 55 Senior Center. Movies will return on Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00...stay tuned for updates.

Good news for our Greeting card group. I found some Spring and Easter stamps while on my round of thrift stores. We can stay ahead of each season and make

whatever cards we need. We have had such great donations of supplies for all of our needs for creating beautiful personalized cards. Thanks to John we now have a variety of envelopes in colors and sizes...come in and join us...Thursdays at 10:45.

The Bia Meal for Wednesday, February 23 is Scalloped Potatoes and Ham, Fresh Veggies, Dessert. Your order must be in by Friday, February 18, and can be made by going to the website <https://www.lakemills.k12.wi.us/recreation/bia-meal-program.cfm> You can also stop in at Club 55 and fill out a meal form (and check out our room) or call 920-728-2176. Meals are \$12 which includes tax and are usually portions enough for more than one meal. Bia delivers our meals ready-to-reheat at 2:30 on Wednesdays. Pick up is in Club 55 at RLAC. We all love having our meals delivered on Wednesdays and not thinking about what to have for supper.

The next Foot Care with Deb is scheduled for Wednesday, March 9. Make your appointment by calling Club 55 at 920-728-2176. Bring your own towel, \$15.