



## **AGING AHEAD 45<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

### **AFFTON:**

Our center will be decorated with blue table cloths and is doing a hosted bingo by Aging Ahead and raffling off a crockpot with chili ingredients. Bingo is what brings more people in. We will also have a cake after lunch that will say Happy 45<sup>th</sup> Birthday Aging Ahead. If I can make it work, we will also do a trivia with all things 45.

### **ARNOLD:**

My 45<sup>th</sup> Aging Ahead Anniversary Celebration will be Friday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>.

I will be doing door prizes, freebies, blue and white table cloths along with blue and white bingo prizes, cake, confetti and all the fun stuff for a celebration.

### **BRIDGETON:**

Our celebration will be on Nov 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am here at Bridgeton. We have labels and will be making 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary water bottles. We will have cake and balloons.

### **DESOTO:**

We are going to decorate with blue and white table cloth and flowers. Going to have music with ice cream and cake.

### **FERGUSON:**

I will celebrate on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **HOUSE SPRINGS:**

Our 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary party will be on Friday November the 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm. We will be doing a "1973" theme party with cake, decorations, photo booth, fun facts and a few prizes. Will be inviting all of our volunteers and a few local representatives and of course anyone from the main office that would like to come is welcome.

### **LEMAY:**

The plan is:

A special day each week

- Week One = "*Memorable Moments*" Day ... sharing favorite memories/stories/photos about the center
- Week Two = "*Thanks To Our Sponsors*" ... sending thank-you notes signed by participants to our activity sponsors, organizations/individuals who \$\$ support our efforts
- Week Three = *Anniversary Party* on 11/15 with special recognition of our volunteers (\*times are approximate – volunteer recognition will either be 11:15 – 11:45 or immediately following lunch service. Lunch served at 11:45)
- Week Four = "*Gratitude Day, What We Appreciate About Our Center*" ... a continuation of our Gratitude Wall
- Week Five = "*Staff Appreciation*" on 11/29 – I will recognize each staff member and note their length of employment/accomplishments, etc. Participants will be encouraged to say something about each staff member (approx. 11:15 – 11:45)

## **O'FALLON**

We plan to have cake and ice cream on the 12<sup>th</sup> of November. One of our councilman plans to attend to help us celebrate.

## **SAINT CHARLES**

Our plan is to get a cake and punch with our entertainment on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. That's when we celebrate birthdays, so we figured we would throw *Aging Ahead's* birthday in with it J

## **SAINT CLAIR**

We are making towel puppies, the puppy tag saying Happy Anniversary 45<sup>th</sup> Aging Ahead.

We are including our HD clients, so they will be getting a puppy and cake. November 16<sup>th</sup>

We will have cake, snacks, story/share time, bingo, hand out our special 45<sup>th</sup> Aging Ahead puppies, will start about 10:15am

## **SAINT PETERS**

We are celebrating on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>. We will also be celebrating Thanksgiving. We will have approximately 125 people attending. Several of the aldermen will be here but the Mayor can't make it. We are having entertainment, trivia from 1973, some 45 themed decorations, suckers with tags that read "45 years later and we are still suckers for our seniors", cupcakes, and we are planning on taking a picture of everyone raising their champagne flutes filled with sparkling grape juice in a toast to Aging Ahead.

## **SULLIVAN:**

Our celebration is Monday, November 12. The Agency Anniversary party lands on the same day that the Center is recognizing Veteran's Day. Our support committee will be offering free meals to our Vets and spouses and serving homemade banana splits.

## **UNION:**

Here in Union we will celebrate our 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 11/13 with cake, ice cream, flowers and small prizes to give away. Thank-You

## **WASHINGTON:**

On Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> we are having a 45<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bingo Bash. The support committee is going to chip in as well, so we can have a BIGGER celebration. We'll put the new Aging Ahead stickers on all the prizes.

I'm going to have everyone fill out a short questionnaire on how long they have been involved with Aging Ahead, what services, volunteering etc. If they fill out it will enter them into a drawing for an extra prize. Sneaky way to get them to fill out!

## **WENTZVILLE:**

Wentzville will be doing a dual celebration on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. We will have our closing ceremony for our Senior Olympics along with the 45<sup>th</sup> celebration – this is also Wentzville's 45<sup>th</sup> year. The Mayor, several Alderman and our Firefighters will be at the center for the ceremony and celebration.

## **WEST COUNTY:**

West County is planning pizza party for lunch. Since the agency was founded in 1973. We are doing a 1973-word search puzzle, 1970's trivia with agency trivia category with prizes. We are sending out cards to Home delivery clients and for congregate to write a thank you note for a volunteer or how the agency has helped them. We would like to get 45 cards or more back to have to put on a special 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary wall. That's the Plan! Our date of celebration is Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.