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Jan. 21 — Center closed in observance of Martin **Luther King Day**

Jan. 24 — 50's & 60's dance with Jim Fizer

Jan. 25 — World Walker







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Above: Members of the Sewing Club display the pillowcase dresses they decorated. They are joined by ADS Director Elaine Brown, at left, and Program Aide Pam Scott who leads the group.

Club sews up projects, friendships

LBD Welcome Center Sewing Club members continue stitching their way through fun and colorful projects for themselves as well as for others.

For several months the sewing club has created Christmas wreaths and stockings and added buttons, lace and other trimmings pillowcase dresses. Local churches and The Welcome Center are partners for this project. One church makes the dresses, the sewing club adds accessories, and another church coordinates distribution to young needy girls in Haiti. The first shipment of dresses were finished in the fall and members are busy embellishing dresses that will be ready to send in February.

Sewing club members say they enjoy spending time sewing with each other. It also makes them feel good knowing they are able to help out with the pillowcase dress community service project. They are eagerly awaiting their next sewing project. Program Aide Pam Scott coordinates the sewing club.

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Room Leader Margie admires the paper cup tower built by Barb and Danny.

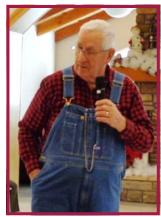


Program Aide Nicole plays a game of Yahtzee with Margie.



Rabbi Rachel explains Jewish traditions to her Welcome Center audience. Her program was one of many cultural programs regularly featured at the center.





Go fish!

Welcome Center customers cast out their lines during a recent "fishing tournament". The activity coincides with the monthly visit from the "Ole Fisherman" (CSS board member, columnist and outdoorsman George Rooks).





Happy Birthday . . . to January's birthday VIPs: (from left), Ruth, Dee, Harvey, Anna, Wanda, Cecil, Eva, and Program Aides LeeAnn (standing), and Nicole.

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Picture Perfect ...



Kenny Ashcraft, vice president of the Grassy Run Historical Arts Committee, shares historical knowledge of the settling of the Ohio Valley with LBD Welcome Center customers through song and stories. Besides being a songwriter/musician, Kenny enjoys trekking the countryside, including the Appalachian Trail. Kenny also brought a photo display of his journeys.



Program Aide Julia and Student Intern Karen help June and Rita select jewelry during the Welcome Center's recent "Sharing" cultural program. Participants learned about the purpose of a "Sharing", a centuries-old annual Woodland Indian event where everyone in the village gathered in the fall to "share" their surplus of crops, furs, household items and other essential items. These items helped them survive the long, harsh winter. Items on the Welcome Center's sharing tables included personal care items, jewelry and holiday trinkets and decorations.



All of us at the LBD Welcome Center are excited with our new publication, *Here's the*



Scoop!. The newsletter is mostly the result of our customers' families and caregivers response to our agency's recent

survey. Many of you stated you appreciated our monthly calendar, but would like to know more details about what a day at the Welcome Center socially offers its customers.

A lot of fun things happen here daily, and we feel a monthly newsletter will help us share what the Welcome Center is all about with you, our customers' family members and caregivers.

— Elaine

Editor's note



As activities specialist for the LBD Welcome Center I am always looking for new crafts, activities and entertainment ideas. Donations of craft supplies also are appreciated. If you have an idea, want to donate supplies, or would like to be a Welcome Center entertainer/volunteer, please call me at 536-4072. I look forward to talking to you.

— Sharon

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Welcome Center Flashback ... Christmas 2012



Members of the first-grade handbell choir from Summerside Elementary School perform for Welcome Center customers and staff during the holiday season. Because there is no music program at the school, the handbell choir is supervised by teacher and parent volunteers and funded by grants.

The Society of Doll Collectors of Greater Cincinnati presented a Christmas program featuring dozens of holiday figures. Bill (seated in background in photo below) and his wife, Carol, (at left) are members of the group. President Martha, at right, donated more than \$700 dolls for door prizes and is pictured in the top photo giving one to Shirley.









Above: Ginny (left) and Barb proudly display their holiday sewing projects. Below from left: Edith, Cleatus, Nancy and Theresa add finishing touches to their handcrafted items.





Students from Dance, Etc. in Milford presented a holiday-oriented dance program. Performers included the granddaughter of the coordinator of the agency's Caregiver Support group which meets monthly at the LBD Welcome Center.

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