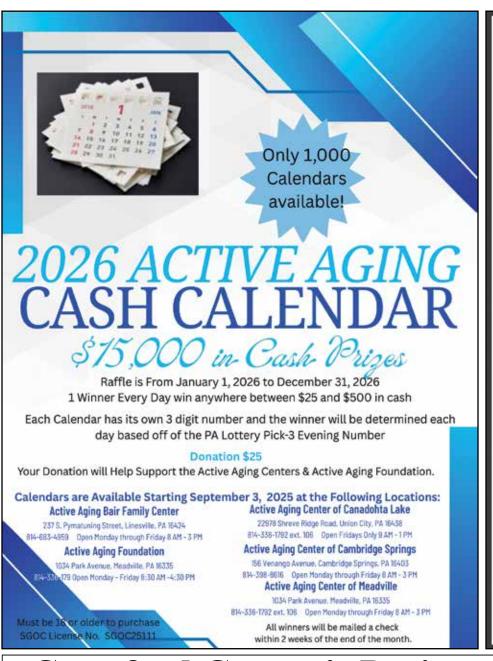
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Christmas Party BINGO

Wednesday, December 17, 2025 Doors & Admission Line Opens at 4:00 PM Games Begin at 6:30 PM

Christmas Gift for All Players

Game Payouts:

\$100 on Singles & \$150 on Doubles

4 Guaranteed Jackpot Games: 1 - \$1,100, 1 - \$500, 1 - \$400, 1 - \$300

1 Additional Extra Game Sold On the Floor Only Count Down Game that will pay anywhere from a "Winner-Take-All" or can "countdown" to a 50/50 payout game.

<u>Tickets On Sale Monday, October 20th</u>

\$50* Play as Many Cards as You Want

*5 for \$5 Jugs are Included in Your Admission Packet Price Free Christmas Dinner for all Advance Ticket Holders (Advance Tickets Must be Purchased by December 15th at 12PM). If the game is not Sold Out, Tickets will be available at the door but dinner may not be available.

> Special Mystery Christmas Gift drawing from all claimed admission packet tickets every 15 minutes starting at 5:00PM thru 6:15PM



Community Center of Crawford County

Tickets Available Starting October 20, 2025 Monday through Friday 9AM to 4 PM

in person at 1034 Park Ave in Meadville or by phone at 814-336-1792

Reserved Seats Noted on the Ticket Stub & Available Upon Request at the Time of Purchase Seat Reservation Requests must be made no later than December 10, 2025

Bingo Proceeds Benefit the Programs and Services Offered through Active Aging, Inc.

Crawford County's Designated Area Agency on Aging **PURPOSE**



1034 Park Avenue, Meadville, Pennsylvania 16335 (814) 336-1792 or 1-800-321-7705 Fax (814) 336-1705

The purpose of Active Aging Inc. is to develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive, coordinated and supportive human services system for older persons aged 60 years and older in Crawford County. Please call 814-336-1792 or 1-800-321-7705 or email aainc@activeaging.org for more information.



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From the Director's Desk. December 2025

Merry Christmas! November brought us the dreaded time change and our first real snowfall, which is also dreaded by many. Not by me, though. I love the snow. What I wasn't really happy about was that my Jeep was in the garage and I had to drive my car, which is not ideal for that kind of weather. Instead of going to the gym that morning, I got my morning workout by shoveling the snow at the end of the driveway, which I would normally just drive over. Although I didn't mind doing a little shoveling. We also had the opportunity to go pheasant hunting over the last month. My youngest Lab, Conall, is now three, and this was his first year hunting without one of his mentors. Abraham is 14 and can't walk well enough to hunt anymore. It was tough leaving him at home on opening day. It broke my heart, and I made sure to give him some extra love and attention when I got home.

For the first time in as long as I can remember, I won't be hosting our family Thanksgiving. My niece asked if I minded if she took over the task, and I was happy to relinquish it. It certainly should make the whole thing easier. For me, anyway!

Active Aging, in collaboration with the Kiwanis Club of Meadville, will be packing bags of fruit and treats to distribute to our home-delivered meal recipients for Christmas. It is an annual tradition, compliments of the Kiwanis, who not only provide funding, but also help with the packing. Many of the older adults who receive our meals are homebound and often miss out on celebrations they can't attend. This is a nice way of ensuring they receive a little Christmas cheer, too. If you get the chance, please keep your actively aging neighbors in mind over the holidays. I'm sure they would enjoy a visit or a Christmas card. Wishing you all a very safe and happy holiday season. Krista Geer

Services and Programs we offer are:

Senior Center Services

- Nutritious Noon-Time Meals
- Educational Programs
- Socialization & Recreation
- PrimeTime Health/ Wellness
- Activities
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Life-Long Learning
- Outreach/Information Lunches
- Transportation
- County-wide Picnics, Dances, and Parties
- Large-Print Library
- Travel Opportunities

In-Home Services

- Care Management / Assessments
- Family Caregiver Support Program
- Home Delivered Meals
- In-Home Care
- Nursing Home Pre-Admission Assessments
- Personal Assistance
- Personal Care / Home Support

 *These are examples of services
 available, and is not an all inclusive
 listing. Contact us for more
 information.

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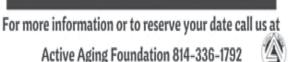
- "Echo" Newsletter
- Information & Referral
 - PA MEDI Insurance Counseling
 - PACE (Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly)
 - Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program
- Older Adult Protective Services
- Ombudsman
- Voter Registration
- SHARE Housing

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(814) 398-8616

Tami Boylan cambsc@activeaging.org

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(Fridays only)

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(814)336-1792 or 1-800-321-7705 - Fax (814)336-1705

The Lew Davies Community Building 1034 Park Ave., Meadville • Center Manager: Patty Flaherty and Ashley McLallen

Follow us on Facebook at The Active Aging Center of Meadville **December**

Join us for our '12 Days of Christmas' countdown to our Christmas Celebration. Each day will feature a special Christmas activity fostering holiday cheer. See '12 Days of Christmas Flyer'

- 12/1 11AM Day 1 Christmas Word Scrambles
- 12/2 11AM Day 2 Christmas Trivia
- 12/3 Day 3 Christmas Word Searches
- 12:10PM Elizabeth Van Cise local historical fiction author of Forever Free presents the history of Pithole & The Oil Industry
- **8-9AM Day 4 Pancake Breakfast.** 2 pancakes, 2 sausage links (while supplies last) and cup of coffee or tea... Your donation is welcome and appreciated! All proceeds benefit the Meadville Center.
- 12/8 11AM Day 5 Christmas Dingbat Puzzles

By 10AM: Reservation & payment due (\$10) for 12/18's Christmas Celebration and Meal of Roast Beef with Stuffing, Mashed Redskin Potatoes, Candied Carrots, Dinner Roll and Pie

- 12/9 11AM Day 6 Christmas Pictionary
- 12/10 10:30AM Day 7 Christmas Food Auction scrumptious home-made (or store bought) cookies, cakes, breads or other great eats are up for auction. All proceeds benefit the Meadville Center.
- 12/11 11AM Day 8 Christmas Music Puzzles
- 12/12 12PM Center closes. Lunch served at 11AM
- 12/15 11AM Day 9 Christmas '5 Second Game'
- **12/16 11AMDay 10 Christmas SINGO** a fun, musical twist on Bingo with Abbey from Home Instead.
- 12/17 11AM Day 11 Reindeer Game
- 12/18 Day 12 Christmas Celebration Meal! See 12/8 for details.
- 12/24 & 12/25 Happy Holidays! Center's Closed

JANUARY 2026 SAVE THE DATE(S):

Walk with Ease: Six-week walking program beginning 1/12/26, 3 times a week. See Flyer for more details.

POSSIBLE EVENTS - STAY TUNED:

• Dance • Trip to Yahn Planetarium • Dinner & Local Theatre Show

The Meadville Center is open weekdays from 8AM until 3PM. – unless otherwise indicated All monies shown are a suggested donation. Call to schedule your card groups/table games; \$1/person. Call Patty/Ashley with any questions at 814-336-1792 ext. 106.

EVERY DAY: Library; Exercise Machines (treadmills, recumbent bike, stationary bikes, elliptical, weight-machine); \$1; No machine use during Yoga. Pool Table/Ping-Pong Table; no fee (call to reserve).

MONDAY

9:00AM	Healthy Steps in Motion; \$1
10:00AM	Bingo ; .50/card for 10 games & .25/card for coverall
10:00AM	Yoga: \$3

11:00AM Tai Chi; \$1

1:00PM Veteran's Committee Meeting: (1st Monday of March-November)

TUESDAY

9:00AM Healthy Steps in Motion; \$1
10:00AM Watercolor Painting Class; \$1
10:00AM Cardio Exercise Program; \$1
11:00AM Yoga; \$3
12:30PM BUNCO- dice game – 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month; \$1

1:30PM Chi Kung; \$1

2:00PM Diabetes Support Group - 2nd Tuesday each month; no fee

5:00PM Classic Cardio; \$3 WEDNESDAY Center Closed 12/24

9:00AM Pickle Ball Court; (closed until Spring)
9:00AM Healthy Steps in Motion; \$1

10:00AM Yoga; \$3 11:00AM Tai Chi; \$1 1:00PM Quilting Group; no fee

4:00PM Yoga; \$3 THURSDAY Center Closed 12/25

9:00AM Healthy Steps in Motion; \$1 10:00AM Line Dancing; \$1

10:00AM Cardio Exercise Program; \$1 10:00AM Book Club, last Thursday of the month; \$1 11:00AM Chair Fitness; \$1

1:00PM Knitting Group; no fee 4:45PM Cardio Yoga Combo Class; \$3

FRIDAY

9:00AM Healthy Steps in Motion; \$1

10:00AM Bingo; .50/card for 10 games & .25/card for coverall

10:30AM Yoga; \$3

*Please call to verify date change; if activity falls on 'Center Closed' date. Tune in to COOL 101.7 to hear the Centers' updates from Center Director, Tami Boylan. Check out our Facebook page, Active Aging Center Meadville (Canadohta included with Meadville).

CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS CENTER

156 Venango Ave., Cambridge Springs Center Manager: Tami Boylan 398-8616

Follow us on Facebook at The Active Aging Center of Cambridge Springs

December

- 12/1 10:00AM-3:00PM Wreath Pick Up Day
- 12/4 10:30AM Cookie Decorating Activity w/ Tami & Hayleigh
- 12/5 10:00AM Christmas Lunch Reservations Due
- 12/8 10:00AM Leave for Trip to Kraynak's. Reservations Required.
- 12/9 10:10AM 1st Grade Pen Pals Visit
- 12/11 10:30AM SINGO w/ Erin
- **12/12 12:00PM** Center Closes
- 12/16 8:00AM-3:00PM Cookie Sale Pick Up Day
- 12/18 11:45AM Christmas Lunch. Reservations Required.
- 12/23 8:00AM-3:00PM Wear Your Christmas Sweater Day
- 12/24 Center is Closed
- 12/25 Center is Closed

Tuesday: 10:00AM Chair Yoga

9:00 AM HSIM Exercise Class 10:00AM Games/ Dominos

Wednesday: 9:30AM Euchre Cards - reservations needed

Thursday: 9:00AM HSIM Exercise Class

10:00AM Games/ Dominos 10:00AM-3PM Woodcarving

Friday: 9:30AM Euchre Cards- reservations needed

1:30PM Gentle Yoga

Exercise Equipment/ Gym Available Monday – Friday 8:00AM-3:00PM Ukuleles Available to play daily 8:00AM- 3:00PM

Meal Reservations needed two days in advance 814-398-8616

Lunch served at 11:45 daily

CANADOHTA CENTER

Center Manager: Patty Flaherty 814-336-1792

Follow us on Facebook at The Active Aging Center of Meadville **December**

EACH FRIDAY 9:00-9:30 WILL DO LIGHT EXERCISES (HEALTHY STEPS)

12/5 10AM Home Instead runs SINGO – a fun, musical twist to Bingo

Reservation & payment due for 12/19 Christmas Celebration & Meal of Roast Beef with Stuffing, Mashed Redskin Potatoes, Candied Carrots, Dinner Roll & Pie.

- 12/11 Thursday Viewing Historical Speaker Series on YouTube Lake Canadohta Historical Society Page
- **12/19 Christmas Celebration-**Word Scrambles, Word Searches, Dingbat Puzzles and Trivia. See 12/5 for Meal details
- 12/23 Tuesday More Christmas fun and games: Christmas Music Puzzles, '5 Second Game' and Reindeer Game.
- 12/26 Friday Merry Christmas! Center Closed

Please Contact Patty Flaherty, Manager, Canadohta Center @ 814-336-1792x106 on Tuesday prior to pre-register for a Friday lunch with us.

THE BAIR FAMILY CENTER

237 South Pymatuning Street, Linesville 683-4959 Center Manager: Ginger Thomas

December HAPPENINGS

12PM LUNCH 'N LEARN: HOME INSTEAD LEADS SINGO

12/5 Christmas Party Reservations Due: \$12 per person

12/6 Tractor Parade (will have food for sale & be a warming center)

Cookie Order Due: \$6 a dozen

12/11 12PM LUNCH 'N LEARN: Life – NWPA (Jeopardy)

12/17 Pack Christmas Cookies

12/4

12/17 BINGO Today (No Bingo on Thursday)

12/18 Christmas Cookie Pick-up

12/18 CHRISTMAS PARTY (Live Music: Dan Hogan)

12/19 Nails w/ Kathy (suggested Donation \$2)

12/24-12/25 CENTER WILL BE CLOSED IN HONOR OF CHRISTMAS

TITUSVILLE SENIOR CENTER

714 E. Main St., Titusville

Center Manager: Ashley Thompson 827-9134 • www.goseniors.org

December

- 12/1 12:45PM Pinochle Party
- 12/2 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- 12/3 12:45PM Bingo
- 12/4 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- **12/5 9:00AM** Breakfast
- 12/5 10:00AM Creator's Cove Make A Gift Day!
- 12/8 12:45PM Pinochle Party
- 12/9 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- 12/9 Christmas Card Day Spread some Cheer!
- 12/10 12:45PM Christmas Bingo
- 12/11 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- 12/12 11:00AM Ugly Sweater Holiday Party!
- 12/15 12:45PM Pinochle Party
 - Chocolate Covered Anything Day
- 12/16 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- **12/17 12:45PM** Brown Bag Bingo
- 12/18 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- 12/19 11:00AM Blood Pressure Screenings 12:00PM Birthday Luncheon
 - 12:45PM Senior Council
- 12:45PW Senior Council
- 12/22 11:00AM Secret Santa Gift Exchange12/22 12:45PM Speed Bingo we go fast!
- 12/23 12:45PM Cookie Decorating with Adagio
- 12/24 9:00AM Donuts, Cookies & Coffee
- 12/24 9:30AM Rise & Shine Pinochle
- 12/25 & 12/26 CLOSED: Merry Christmas!
- **12/29 12:45PM** Pinochle Party
- 12/30 10:30AM Healthy Steps in Motion
- 12/30 Crossword Puzzle Day
- **12/31 10:00AM** Early Bird BINGO
- 12/31 11:45AM New Years NOON Countdown
- 1/1/26 CLOSED: Happy New Year!
- 1/2/26 9:00AM Breakfast
 - 9:30AM Pinochle Party

* Indicates pre-registration is required. **Calendar subject to change. To verify, check our website, www.goseniors.org, find us on Facebook, or pick up a newsletter at The Center.

Titusville Senior Center has been a place for those in our area to gather, socialize, connect, and find a sense of belonging since 1959. We serve those aged 60/older, hosting a variety of activities to ensure there's something for everyone! Some of our activities include Bingo, exercise class, art lessons, craft/sewing groups, trivia challenges, card tournaments, lifelong learning classes & speakers, dances, trips, various group games and so much more! For those who may not prefer large group activities, we have space available for independent or small group activities and projects. In addition to scheduled activities – our game room, craft room, puzzle table, communication lab, lending library, TV room, massage chair, porch sitting area, coffee counter and snack bar are open during normal business hours.

Lunch is served daily at noon for a suggested \$3 donation. Each meal includes an entree, vegetable, bread, and fruit or dessert. Our menu is planned by registered dietitians & nutritionists to ensure maximum nutrition and complies with government regulations and wellness policies. Reservations required TWO business days in advance by calling (814) 827-9134 or sending an email to goseniors@zoominternet.net.

Located at Burgess Park in Titusville, we are open weekdays $9 \, \text{AM} - 3 \, \text{PM}$. Drop by or visit www.goseniors.org to view our newsletter, full calendar of events, and menu - or find us on Facebook! Our mission is to assure that older adults remain active, independent, healthy and involved in our community. Don't forget to get your tickets for our Monthly $50/50 \, \text{Raffle}$ while you're here, which is open to the public. See you soon!

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH
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ON FRIDAY, DEC. 12TH



Do you have extra space in your home? Would you like some companionship or assistance with living expenses?

The SHARE program may be just what you need!

Shared Housing and Resource Exchange (SHARE) is an affordable housing choice that brings together homeowners who want to share their home with home seekers who have an option to assist with living expenses, help around the house, or a combination of both.

SHARE is available here, in Crawford County!

Reach out to the Professional Housing Counselor today.

They work to screen and match people who have extra space in their homes with people seeking an affordable living situation.

Contact Housing Coordinator for Crawford County Gwen Smith at 814-336-1792 ext 165

Resources available to Pennsylvanians in need of support:

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Nacional de Prevención del Suicidio:

1-888-628-9454

Crisis Text Line: Text "PA" to 741-741

Veteran Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990

Get Help Now Hotline (for substance use disorders):

1-800-662-4357

Pennsylvania Sexual Assault Helpline:

1-888-772-7227

National Domestic Violence Helpline:

1-800-799-7233

Active Aging accepts donations of unopened incontinent supplies, including pads, pull-ups or underpads. Active Aging will also accept donations of nutritional supplements unless out of date.

Donations can be dropped off Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM at 1034 Park Ave. in Meadville.

We are also able to pick up if needed, call to schedule.

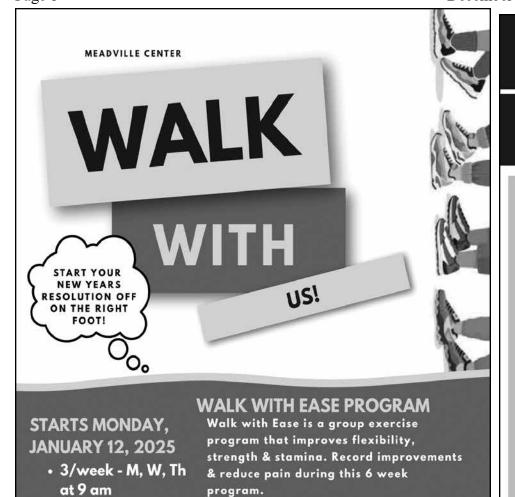
If you or anyone you know over the age of 60 requires supplies and are unable to afford them, please call 814-336-1792 for assistance.

Active Aging would like to thank the following individuals, along with several anonymous individuals, for donating medical supplies and equipment for our consumers.

Sandra Cotherman, Bill Gebahart, Cheryl Hudson, Shayna Morrison, Jackie Palmer, Marjori Persichini, Julie Roth, Howard Schroder, Catherine Volk, Wesbury Help at Home,

Your donations are appreciated

Thank you for supporting the older adults of Crawford County!



QUESTIONS OR TO SIGN-UP CALL PATTY/ASHLEY 814-336-1792 EXT. 106

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- Understand what services are covered under Medicare Parts A and B and your Medicare Summary Notice
- Understand your Medicare Prescription Drug (Part D) benefit
- Make informed choices about Medicare coverage options, Medigap policies and Medicare Advantage Plans
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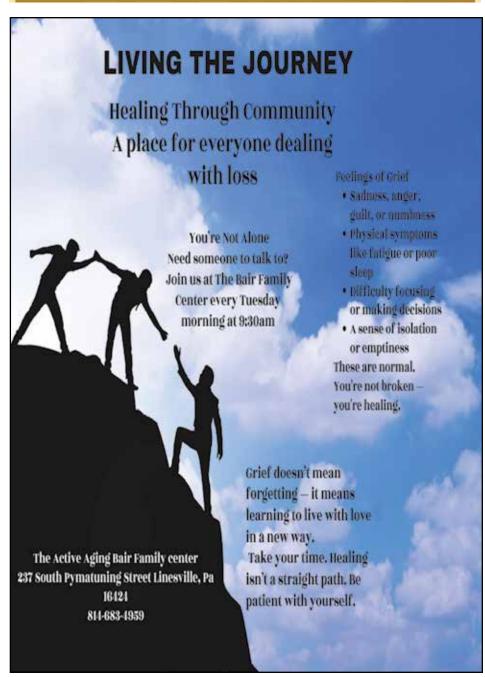


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	One time "Welcome to Medicare" Preventive Visit—within the first 12 months you have Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance)		
	Yearly "Wellness" Visit—get this visit 12 months after your "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit or 12 months after your Part B effective date		
	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening		
	Alcohol Misuse Screening and Counseling		
	Bone Mass Measurement (Bone Density Test)		
	Cardiovascular Disease (Behavorial Therapy)		
	Cardiovascular Screenings (cholesterol, lipids, triglycerides)		
	Colorectal Cancer Screenings		
	Depression Screening		
	Diabetes Screening		









DECEMBER 2025

WEDNESDAY

Roasted Honey Garlic

Pulled Pork

1/2c Steamed Broccoli

1/2c White Rice

Crawford County Active Aging

FRIDAY

Liver & Onions

MONDAY

4oz Sloppy Joe 1/2c Country Greens 1/2c Sweet Potato Bites Hamburger Bun Oatmeal Cream Pie Margarine

General Tso's Chicken 1/2c White Rice 1/2c Garlic Broccoli 1/2c Mandarin Oranges Cookie

1

8

22

Cheeseburger 1/2c Tator Tots 1/2c Baked Pineapple 1/2c Coleslaw Hamburger Bun

TUESDAY

1/2c Haluski

1/2c California Blend Vegetables

1/2c Applesauce

Hot Dog Bun

Margarine

3oz Kielbasa with 1oz Kraut **2**

9

1/2c Blushed Fruit Dinner Roll Margarine Creamy Chicken Tortellini 10

(3oz Chicken, 1/2c Tortellini) 1/2c Green Beans 1/2c Spiced Fruit Whole Wheat Bread Margarine

THURSDAY

Turkey Chef Salad (2oz Turkey, 1oz Cheddar, over 1c Mixed Greens w/ Tomato) 1c Vegetable Soup 1 Whole Wheat Bread 1 Piece Cake

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS 11 3oz Salisbury Steak with 2oz Gravy 1/2c Whipped Potatoes 1/2c Peas Dinner Roll Birthday Cake Margarine

1/2c Garlic Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Carrots White Bread Pudding

Margarine

3oz Chicken Salad Croissant 2 1/2c 3 Bean Salad 1/2c Mandarine Oranges Cookie

CENTERS CLOSING AT NOON

15 3oz Sliced Ham with 1oz Pineapple Sauce 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Green Peas Dinner Roll Cookie

3oz Pot Roast w/ 2oz Gravy 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Coin Carrots 1 Italian Bread 1/2c Apple Crisp Margarine

3oz Chicken Cutlet with 29 2oz Country White Gravy 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Brussel Sprouts Wheat Bread Blushed Fruit

Chicken Philly Sandwich 16 1c Cream of Spinach Soup 1/2c Coleslaw Hoagie Roll Pudding Margarine

Meatball Sub (3 Meatballs) w/ 1oz Mozzarella Cheese 1c Loaded Potato Soup 1/2c Side Salad w/ Dressing Hot Dog Bun Fresh Fruit

Grilled Chicken Salad 30 (2oz Grilled Chicken, 1oz Cheese) 1c Lettuce, 2oz Tomato 1c Broccoli Soup Breadstick 1/2c Fruited Gelatin Margarine

17 4oz Shrimp Scampi 1/2c Creamy Pasta 1/2c Lemon Pepper Broccoli Breadstick Fresh Fruit

CLOSED

NEW YEARS EVE!

3oz Pulled Pork w/ 2oz Sauerkraut

1/2c Parsley Potatoes

1/2c Greens

Dinner Roll

Cake w/ Frosting

Margarine

Margarine

24

CHRISTMAS DINNER 18 3oz Roast Beef w/ Gravy

2oz Stuffing 1/2c Mashed Redskin Potatoes 1/2c Candied Carrots 1 Dinner Roll Pie

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

25

French Dip Sandwich 19 w/ 2oz Au Jus 2oz Beef, 1oz Mozzarella Cheese 1/2c Garlic Parsley Potatoes 1/2c Green Beans 1/2c Mandarin Oranges Hoagie Bun & Margarine

4oz Sweet & Sour Pulled Pork 26 1/2c White Rice 1/2c Broccoli and Cauliflower Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit Margarine





*menu subject to change based oń availability

MEDICARE QUESTIONS?

Come learn the basics of Medicare!

We are holding a 1-hour informational seminar where we will discuss Medicare Parts A,B,C, and D as well as Medicare Supplements, Advantage Plans and Prescription Drug Plans.

Thursday, December 11th 6:30-7:30 PM **Active Aging Center** Meadville, PA



Presented by

Mary Shaffer



Call today to reserve your space 814-382-8686

*Not a sales meeting, no obligation for attending.

We do not offer every plan available in your area. Currently we represent 8 organizations which offer 80 products in your area. Please contact Medicare.gov, 1-800-MEDICARE, or your local State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) to get information on all of your options.



Christmas Dinner Thurs. Dec. 14th

Active Aging Center of Cambridge Springs

\$ 9.00 Donation

Reservations needed by Dec. 5th

For more into or for reservations call 398-8616

Menu: ROAST BEEF W/ GRAVY, STUFFING, MASHED REDSKIN POTATOES, CANDIED CARROTS, DINNER ROLL, PIE







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TRIP TO KRAYNAKS



DECEMBER 8TH

- ❖ Meet at The Cambridge Springs Active Aging Center@10AM
- Arrive at Kraynak's around 11AM
- Take your time and enjoy everything Kaynak's has to offer:
 - o View Various Decoration Displays
 - Wander through the Greenhouse to See Different Plants
 - o Purchase Items to Take Home if You Wish
- Leave Kraynak's at 1PM to go to Lunch at Golden Corral
 - Estimated Cost for Lunch: \$15.00
- Head Back to The Center at 2:15PM
- ***Please remember when buying items that you must carry your items on & off the bus. Items must be able to sit on the floor by your feet or on your lap for the duration of the trip***

To RSVP CALL: 814-398-8616 by: 11/26/25 at 10AM

\$13.00 due at the time of reservation



PACE / PACENET

Started in 1984, the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly (PACE) Program helps older persons living in Pennsylvania to pay their prescription expenses. PACENET is the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Needs Enhancement Tier. This program has been created to assist older Pennsylvanians, whose incomes are slightly higher than the PACE income limits, with the cost of their prescription drugs.

Eligibility Information:

PACE requirements:

- 65 years of age or older.
- A resident of Pennsylvania for at least 90 days prior to the date of appli-
- Ineligible for pharmaceutical benefits under medical assistance.
- Total income for last year for a single person must be less than \$14,500.
- Total income for last year for a married couple must be less than \$17,700. Once an application is approved, an enrollee is responsible for \$6 copayment for generic drugs or a \$9 copayment for brand name drugs for each prescription reimbursed by PACE.

PACENET requirements:

- 65 years of age or older.
- A resident of Pennsylvania for at least 90 days prior to the date of appli-
- Ineligible for pharmaceutical benefits under medical assistance.
- Total income for a single person from last year must be between \$14,500
- Total income for a married couple last year must be between \$17,701 to \$41,500.

PACENET December have a monthly drug plan premium to pay at the pharmacy, which will be cumulative if not met each month. Once that monthly drug premium has been met, PACENET has an \$8 copayment for generic drugs and a \$15 copayment for brand name drugs. Your out-ofpocket costs to you are computed by the PACE program.

To use your PACE/PACENET card: Take your card and prescription to any drugstore that accepts PACE. Always keep your card with you. Do not leave your card at the drugstore. Do not mail your card to a mail-order pharmacy.

You December not use your card to purchase drugs out of the state or to mail drugs out of the state. You can use your card ONLY while you are in Pennsylvania.

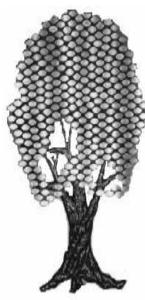
Can I have other medical insurance or prescription coverage and still apply for PACE/PACENET?

Yes, However, PACE is the payor of last resort and will only cover prescription costs not covered by other medical insurance. You will be asked to provide information about your insurance coverage when you apply for PACE/PACENET, and you should inform your pharmacist of all your medical and prescription plans.

Is it possible to get help with completing the PACE/PACENET application?

Yes! Please call Active Aging, Inc. at (814) 336-1792 or 1-800-321-7705. An appointment can be scheduled for you





DO YOU HAVE **MEDICARE?**

Do you have questions about your coverage or current plan? Do you want to know if you are eligible to save money on your prescription drug costs and/or your Part B premium? The PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT Program can help!

What is PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT?

PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT is a free health insurance counseling program designed to help all Pennsylvanians with Medicare. PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION

You may qualify for financial assistance programs! PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT wants to make sure you and your friends who have Medicare know about the Extra Help and Medicare Savings Programs.

Extra Help

Can help lower your prescription drug co-payments and premium, and gives you extra times to switch your plan!

You may qualify if:

- If you are single and have total monthly income of less than \$1,976; and less than \$17,600 in resources
- If you are married and have a total monthly income of less than \$2,664; and less than \$35,130 in resource

*There are certain deductions taken for Extra Help. You may qualify even if you are above these

Medicare Savings Programs Can help you with the payment of your Part B premium!

You may qualify if:

- If you are single and have a total monthly income of less than \$1,781; and less than \$9,660 in resources
- If you are married and have a total monthly income of less than \$2,399; and less than \$14,470 in resources

*Medicare Savings Programs can possibly help with the payment of your Medicare Part A and Part B cost-sharing.

There are certain deductions taken for Medicare Savings Programs. You may qualify even if you are above these limits

How can the **PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT** Program help you?

PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE INSIGHT can help with:

- Medicare
- Medicare Prescription Drug Plans (Part D)
- Medicare Advantage **Plans**
- Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap)
- Plan Comparisons
- Medicaid
- Screening and applying for financial assistance programs
- Medicare Appeals

to the PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT Program in your area.

1-800-783-7067

PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT is a free service provided by the PA Department of Aging, and is funded in whole or part by grant number 2001PAMIAA-00







Updated information on 2025 eligibility for Programs available to help you with Medicare costs

Do you have Medicare and limited income and assets? You may qualify for one of the following programs to help you with Medicare costs.

Low Income Subsidy (Extra Help):

INCOME: less than \$23,715 single (\$1,976/month)

less than \$31,965 married (\$2,664/month)

ASSETS: less than \$17,600 single

less than \$35,130 couple

BENEFITS: low or no premium for Part D plan low copays for generic and brand-name drugs

Medicare Saving Program:

Monthly income \$1,781 individual Monthly income \$2,399 couple

ASSETS: \$9,660 individual or \$14,470 couple

BENEFIT: Pays your Medicare Part B premium

PACE/PACENET (resources not counted):

Must be 65 years of age, or older

Must be a Pennsylvania resident for at least 90 days prior to application Cannot be enrolled in benefits under Pennsylvania's Medicaid Program

PACE income: Single \$14,500 Married \$17,700 based on prior year income Married \$41,500 based on prior year income Single \$33,500

For more information, or for an appointment to receive assistance in completing an application, contact the PA MEDI Program at Active Aging, Inc., (814)336-1792 or 1-800-321-

The PA MEDI Program provides assistance to Medicare beneficiaries of any age.



We invite you to participate in our "Tree of Giving" program. This is an on-going and permanent gift program that gives you, as a donor, the discretion to honor someone's hard work or achievement; remember a special/personal event or anniversary; or as an everlasting memorial for a loved one, friend or community leader. The "Tree of Giv-The BEST time to ing" includes brass leaves and three different size plant a tree is 20 brass stones that can be engraved to your desire. years ago. The For additional information or to make an appointis Now. ~African ment with our Foundation Staff, please call (814) 336-1792 or 800-321-7705.

PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT Update

PENNSYLVANIA MEDICARE EDUCA- nursing facility or long-term care hospital). TION AND DECISION INSIGHT (PA • I'm released from jail. MEDI), the State Health Insurance Assistance You lose your current coverage Program for all Medicare beneficiaries resid- • I'm no longer eligible for Medicaid. ing in Pennsylvania. During Medicare's An- • I left coverage from my employer or union nual Open Enrollment, beneficiaries have the (including COBRA coverage). to their coverage for the upcoming year. At changes and is no longer creditable. Active Aging, Inc., the PA MEDI Program • I had drug coverage through a Medicare remains very busy all year. PA MEDI coun- Cost Plan and I left the plan. selors are available, by appointment, to give • I dropped my coverage in a Program of Medicare, assist with problems or questions plan. about current coverage, and to screen and as- You have a chance to get other coverage

are Special Enrollment Periods (SEP) for in- erage as good as Medicare prescription drug dividuals who December be eligible to make coverage (like TRICARE or VA coverage). a change to their current coverage. Below is a • I enrolled in a Program of All-inclusive Care list of examples for when a person December for the Elderly (PACE) plan. qualify for a SEP:

You change where you live

- plan's service area.
- plan's service area, but I have new plan op- tract. tions in my new location.
- the country.
- I just moved into, currently live in, or just Other special situations moved out of an institution (like a skilled • I'm eligible for both Medicare and Medic-

- opportunity to compare their current Medi- I involuntarily lose other drug coverage care Advantage Plan or Part D prescription that's as good as Medicare drug coverage drug plans and make any necessary changes (creditable coverage), or my other coverage
- information to individuals who are new to All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

- sist those eligible for Medicare cost-savings I have a chance to enroll in other coverage offered by my employer or union.
- Outside of Annual Open Enrollment, there I have or am enrolling in other drug cov-

Your plan changes its contract with Medicare

- Medicare takes an official action (called a • I moved to a new address that isn't in my "sanction") because of a problem with the plan that affects me.
- I moved to a new address that's still in my Medicare ends (terminates) my plan's con-
- I moved back to the U.S. after living outside Prescription Drug Plan, or Medicare Cost Plan's contract with Medicare isn't renewed.

- I qualify for Extra Help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage.
- I'm enrolled in a State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program (SPAP) or lose SPAP eligibility. (This is PACE/PACENET in PA)
- I dropped a Medigap policy the first time I joined a Medicare Advantage Plan.
- I have a severe or disabling condition, and there's a Medicare Chronic Care Special Needs Plan (SNP) available that serves people with my condition.
- I'm enrolled in a Special Needs Plan (SNP) and no longer have a condition that qualifies as a special need that the plan serves.
- I joined a plan, or chose not to join a plan, due to an error by a federal employee.
- I wasn't properly told that my other private drug coverage wasn't as good as Medicare drug coverage (creditable coverage).
- I wasn't properly told that I was losing private drug coverage that was as good as Medicare drug coverage (creditable coverage).

These Special Enrollment Period situations have been adapted from www.medicare.gov; if you would like to learn more about special enrollment period situations, please visit www.medicare.gov or contact PA MEDI. For more information on PENNSYLVANIA • My Medicare Advantage Plan, Medicare MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECI-SION INSIGHT, or to schedule an appointment for assistance, please call Active Aging, Inc. at 814-336-1792 or 1-800-321-7705. Active Aging, Inc. is located at 1034 Park Ave., Meadville, Pa.

BINGO

Every Wednesday

No Bingo on December 24th & December 31st

Doors Open at 4:30 PM Games Begin at 6:30 PM

\$50 on Singles & \$100 on Doubles

With Over \$2,000 in Jackpots!

4 Guaranteed Jackpot Games: 1 - \$1,100, 1 - \$400, 1 - \$300 and 1 - \$250

2 Additional Extra Games Sold On the Floor Only:

The "Red, White & Blue" Triple Progress Early Bird Jackpot Game and the Count Down Game that will pay anywhere from a "Winner-Take-All" or can "countdown" to a 50/50 payout game.

Admission Prices

9 Card Admission Packets Start at \$25*

Extra Books Available at \$5 per Book

*5 for 5 Jugs are Included in Your Admission Packet Price.

Reserve Your Seat

The Bingo Seat Reservation Voicemail Box System is available from noon the day before bingo until noon the day of bingo and can be reached at 814-336-1792 Ext. 158. Reserved seats are on a "first called-first saved" basis and particular seat requests are honored when possible, but not guaranteed. Reserved seats are only held until 6 PM and are not required in order to play bingo – **Walk-Ins are always welcome!**

1st Friday of the Month

Doors Open at 4:30 PM

Games Begin at 6:30 PM

Addmission Packets \$30 Play as Many Cards as You Want, includes 5 for \$5 Jugs 4 Guaranteed Jackpots: 1 - \$1,000, 1 - \$200 and 2 - \$150

Community Center of Crawford County 1034 Park Ave. Meadville, PA 814-336-1792



Bingo Proceeds Benefit the Programs and Services Offered through Active Aging, Inc.

Are you worried a loved one needs more care?

When you come home for the holidays, you expect a time of family fellowship.

But the experience can change from joy to worry when you realize a loved one is declining at home.

If they are:

- Forgetful or not eating right
- Falling, weak or unstable
- Struggling with daily tasks or taking medications
- Unable to manage home maintenance and household chores
- Lonely or missing social opportunities
- Having difficulty getting to appointments and church
- Relying on family friends or neighbors

Give your family peace of mind this holiday season by calling 814-332-9009 and asking about Cribbs Residential Center, where we provide all the comforts of home and the service you need. We even offer winter and trial stays!



ESBURY Cribbs Residential Center · 31 Park Avenue · Meadville, PA 16335

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Be sure to like all the Active Aging pages to find out about the latest events & information!

Active Aging, Inc.

The Active Aging Center of Cambridge Springs
The Active Aging Bair Family Center (Linesville)
The Active Aging Center of Meadville
The Active Aging Foundation







PAWS (Pet Assistance and Wellness for Seniors) was established to help area seniors feed and care for their pets. Seniors on a fixed income often go without to care for their pets - even sharing their meals with them. PAWS provides pet food, flea & tick control, vaccine subsidies and assistance with veterinary care for area seniors who are enrolled in specific programs through Active Aging, Inc.

Your generosity will allow PAWS to provide more food and needed veterinary care to the pets of area seniors in need. If you'd like to help keep a senior's pet healthy, there are two ways in which you can donate.

To make a monetary donation for pet food, vaccines, flea & tick control and veterinary care

visit activeaging.org or mail checks to Active Aging Foundation, 1034 Park Avenue, Meadville, PA 16335



Did you pay PA Property Tax or Rent in 2024?

You December qualify for the 2024 PA Property Tax/Rent Rebate. Active Aging, Inc. has trained staff volunteers who can help you file if you meet the qualifications. For more information on the program details or to schedule an appointment for this free service, please call Active Aging, Inc. at 814-336-1792. New: File Your Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program Applications Online

Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program claimants now have the option to submit program applications online with the Department of Revenue's myPATH system. Filing online leads to fast processing, easy direct deposit options and automatic calculators that will help you apply for your rebate. Visit mypath.pa.gov to file your application.

This Month in History December

December 2, 1959- Dam collapses in France, killing 412.

December 3, 1967- First human heart transplant.

December 4, 1917- Psychiatrist reports on the phenomenon of shell shock.

December 6, 1884- Washington Monument is completed.

December 7, 1941- Pearl Harbor is bombed.

December 8, 1980- John Lennon is assassinated in New York City.

December 9, 1992- U.S. Marines storm Mogadishu, Somalia.

December 10, 1901- First Nobel Prizes are awarded.

December 12, 1980- Da Vinci notebook sells for over 5 million.

December 13, 2000- Al Gore concedes presidential election.

December 14, 1967- Blizzard ravages Navajo reservation.

December 15, 2001- Leaning Tower of Pisa reopens.

December 16, 1773- Sons of Liberty dump British Tea.

December 17, 1903- The first airplane flies.

December 18, 1865- Slavery abolished in America.

December 19, 1907- Pennsylvania miners perish in coal mine explosion.

December 20, 1963- Berlin Wall opened for the first time.

December 21, 1968- Apollo 8 departs for the moon's orbit.

December 22, 1956- First gorilla is born in captivity.

December 23, 1888- Van Gogh chops his ear off.

December 24, 1923- Coolidge lights the first national Christmas tree.

December 25, 1914- Just after midnight on Christmas morning, the majority of German troops engaged in World War I cease firing their guns and artillery and commence to sing Christmas carols.

December 26, 1966- The Fist Kwanzaa is celebrated.

December 27, 1932- Radio City Music Hall opens.

December 28, 1895- First commercial movie is screened.

December 29, 1890- U.S. Army massacres Indians at Wounded Knee.

December 30, 1922- The USSR is established.

December 31, 1999- Panama Canal is turned over to Panama.



VOTER REGISTRATION



Now available at your Local Senior Center or in your own home when you receive in-home services from Active Aging, Inc. As part of the "Motor Voter Law" passed in 1993, Area Agencies on Aging are now required to provide an opportunity for you to register to vote. If you need assistance in registering to vote, call us at (814) 336-1792

Veterans
Crisis Line
1-800-273-8255 PRESS O

IT'S YOUR CALL

Confidential help for Veterans and their families



The confidential Veterans Crisis Line, online chat, and text are available, and we are here for you.

Confidential chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net or text to 838255

REMINDER:

Elder Pennsylvanians
deserve honor and respect ...
not abuse. Stop Elder Abuse
in Crawford County.
Call Active Aging, Inc.
336-1792 or 1-800-321-7705

What is PA Link?

Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) exist nationwide. In Pennsylvania, ADRC is known as the Pennsylvania Link to Aging and Disability Resources, commonly known as the PA Link. It is designed to be a cross-age, cross-system network of local, regional, and state partner agencies that collaborate to help individuals who need home and community based services and supports. This coordinated network of partners allows a consumer to initiate contact with any PA Link partner and access information, assistance, and resources through a "no wrong door" approach, thereby minimizing consumer and provider duplication, reducing confusion, streamlining access, and creating much needed "safety nets".

PA Link partners represent a wide range of local human service and healthcare providers as well as community leaders, civic organizations, state agencies, and other groups such as consumer, advocacy, and faith organizations. PA Link partners strive to help the following populations, regardless of income: adults age 60+, individuals living with any type of disability, persons living with behavioral health or substance abuse issues, Veterans, and the caregivers and family members of these populations. The mission of the PA Link to Aging and Disability Resources is to assemble and strengthen an organized alliance of private and public community agencies to better support consumer wishes and empower them to understand, determine and effectively navigate their long term care service options, regardless of age, ability or income.

A toll-free statewide ADRC helpline is operated by trained staff who assist Pennsylvanians looking for information on long-term living services and supports. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday - 8:30am to 5pm (excluding holidays). #1-800-753-8827.

If you are interested in becoming a partner to the PA Link, or if you know of an agency that should be approached about becoming a PA Link partner, please contact Kathy Freeman, Lead Link Coordinator for Service Area 1, at information@activeaging.org.



We're Ready to Help Every Step of the Way!

Pennsylvania Link to Aging and Disability Resources

The Pennsylvania Link to Aging and Disability Resources is a program of the Pennsylvania Department of Aging. Commonly referred to as the PA Link, this network of local, state and federal partners works together to provide information on, and improved access to, long-term care services and supports to all Pennsylvanians regardless of age, ability or income.

PA Link partners in Crawford County can provide information and support in the following areas:

- Assistive Technology
- Caregiver Support
- •Care Transitions
- Disability Services
- •Drug and Alcohol Services
- •Emergency Contacts
- •Employment Services
- •Financial Assistance
- •Health and Nutrition
- •Health Insurance
- Home ModificationHousing Assistance
- •In-Home Services



- •Legal Aid
- •Lifespan Respite
- •Medical Services
- •Mental Health Services
- •Nursing Home Transition
- •Options Counseling
- •Protective Services
- •Support Groups
- •Transportation
- •Utilities and Fuel
- •Veterans Services

The Pennsylvania Link to Aging & Disability Resources Helpline: 1-800-753-8827

Reminder

All Active Aging Centers
are available every weekday
as a warm place and a hot meal for any
individual over the age of 60 years.

Please call your local center to find out about center closure or any activity cancellations.

Cambridge Springs Center (814) 398-8616 Meadville Center (814) 336-1792 ext. 106 Lakeland Valley Center (814) 683-4959

Open Fridays Only Canadohta Lake Center (814) 336-1792 ext. 106

Please use your best judgement in traveling during inclement weather.





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- RxLocal mobile app or website for refill requests
- Welcoming new & existing customers
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DON'T WANT TO DRIVE IN THE SNOW? LET US TAKE YOU WHERE YOU NEED TO GO!





CATA IS HERE TO HELP!

Seniors 65+ ride our fixed route services for FREE with a PA Senior Citizen Transit Card. CATA also offers door-to-door services through-out all of Crawford County.

Our buses are fully ADA compliant, clean, and operated by professional and courteous drivers. Seniors can ride from home to their local senior center for \$1.00 each way (if the center schedules) and \$2.00 each way if seniors schedule their own trips. All other trips for medical appointments, shopping, and recreation range between \$2-\$7 one way.

For scheduling, service and more information, call CATA 814-336-5600 or visit www.catabus.org for details.

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814-336-5600 TOLL FREE:







