

GECAC CORRY SENIOR CENTER

APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER

25 S FIRST AVE., CORRY, PA 16407 (814)664-2477

OPEN TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

Rachael Price, Senior Center Director Valeri Raymond, Senior Center Assistant

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1ST BIBLE STUDY @ 10:30 AM
- 3RD CLOSED: GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY
- 7TH BIBLE STUDY @ 10:30 AM
- 8TH SPEAKER: ADAGIO @ 11 AM Nutrition
- 10TH SPEAKER: Life NWPA @ 10:30 AM
Wildflower Seed Bombs craft
- 14TH BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING
@ 10:30AM
- 15TH SPRINGTIME PARTY
BIBLE STUDY @ 10:30 AM
BIRTHDAYS
- 16TH COOKIE CLASS 12:30 - 2:30 PM
- 21ST BIBLE STUDY @ 10:30 AM
- 23RD COOKIE CLASS 12:30 - 2:30 PM
- 29TH SPEAKER: @ 10:30 AM Lifestyle
Behaviors that prevent diabetes

April

BIRTHDAYS

- 4/2 Sharon Lesh
- 4/3 Norma Cochrane
- 4/8 Mary Burrows (98 years)
Laura Savko
- 4/16 Nancy Vandercoy
- 4/21 Linda Kysor
- 4/23 Lucy Nelson (95 years)
Gail Vanderhoof
- 4/24 Dave Roth
- 4/25 Terri Dobson
Rhonda Roberts

JOIN US FOR BIRTHDAY CAKE !

**** UPCOMING PARTY DATES ****

- APR 15 SPRINGTIME Party COST: \$5.00
Reservations Due by WED., APR. 8TH
- MAY 06 MOTHER'S DAY Party COST: \$5.00
Reservations Due by WED., APR. 29TH
- JUN 10 FATHER'S DAY Party COST: \$5.00
Reservations Due by WED., JUN. 3RD

ALL PARTY RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY THE DATE GIVEN
FOR EACH PARTY!! NO EXCEPTIONS!!

GECAC'S Inclement Weather Protocol for CLOSINGS

IF THE CORRY AREA SCHOOL
DISTRICT HAS A 2-HOUR DELAY OR
CLOSES SCHOOL, THE GECAC
SENIOR CENTER WILL BE CLOSED.

ALL CLOSINGS WILL BE SHOWN ON
OUR LOCAL TV STATIONS AND OUR
FACEBOOK GROUP "GECAC CORRY
SR CTR"



APRIL CALENDAR & MENU

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

TUE		WED		THUR		FRI	
31	PORK ROAST 9:00 CARDS	1	STUFFED CHICKEN 9:00 CARDS 10:30 BIBLE STUDY 12:30 BINGO	2	CHEESEBURGER 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	3	CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY EASTER HOLIDAY
7	OVEN FRIED CHICKEN 9:00 CARDS 10:30 BIBLE STUDY	8	MEATLOAF 9:00 CARDS 11:00 SPEAKER 12:30 BINGO	9	CHICKEN & NOODLES 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	10	STUFFED PEPPERS 9:00 CARDS 10:30 SPEAKER 12:30 BINGO
14	COMBO SUB 9:00 CARDS 10:30 BP SCREENING	15	BREADED COD SPRINGTIME PARTY 10:30 BIBLE STUDY 12:30 BINGO BIRTHDAYS	16	HAM 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE 12:30-2:30 COOKIE CLASS (Full)	17	MEATBALL SUB 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO
21	BEEF STEW 9:00 CARDS 10:30 BIBLE STUDY	22	SALISBURY STEAK 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO	23	CHICKEN CORDON BLEU 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE 12:30-2:30 COOKIE CLASS (not full)	24	EGG SALAD 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO
28	SAUSAGE SUB 9:00 CARDS	29	OX ROAST 9:00 CARDS 10:30 SPEAKER 12:30 BINGO	30	STUFFED CABBAGE 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	1	TUNA SALAD 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO

Hospital Admission Vs. Observation

When staying over in a hospital, there is a difference between being admitted and being under observation. Admitted means inpatient and your Part A hospital coverage is billed. You pay a \$1,736 per event deductible (period), then \$0 for 60 days. When you stay over for observation, you have an outpatient status, and your Part B is billed. The observation status often results in higher out-of-pocket expenses because you pay for individual services.

If you find yourself staying over in a hospital and are there for more than 24 hours, the hospital must provide you with a Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice (MOON). This notice will explain why you are considered outpatient. You can stay over multiple days and still be outpatient and under observation.

You can be proactive and ask if you are being admitted, or under observation. If under observation, you can ask more questions about that status and potentially have it changed if applicable.

PA MEDI Counselors can help you learn about Medicare, Preventive Services, understand and enroll in your plan of choice, appeal Medicare decisions, and more. Help is available to low income Medicare recipients through the Medicare Savings Program and Extra Help Low Income Subsidy program to help pay for your Part B premium and prescription costs.

For help in understanding your options, contact your local PA MEDI Office for More Information

GECAC Erie Area Agency on Aging * 814-459-4581 Ext. 400



Pennsylvania
Medicare Education
and Decision Insight



PA MEDI, available through your local Area Agency on Aging, offers free, confidential, unbiased, and easy-to-understand information to Medicare-eligible individuals, their families, and caregivers.

PA MEDI empowers seniors and people with disabilities to make informed decisions about Medicare health insurance.



Pennsylvania
Department of Aging



State Health Insurance
Assistance Program
Navigating Medicare



VOLUNTEER DRIVERS FOR HOME DELIVERED MEALS NEEDED:

Through our Meals on Wheels Program, volunteers deliver nutritious, home-cooked meals to seniors across Erie County--many of whom live alone, face food insecurity or struggle with social isolation. Erie County has ten food deserts, seven in the City of Erie, leaving over 22,000 residents without easy access to healthy food. Additionally, 37% of seniors live alone, increasing their risk for malnutrition, health complications and loneliness. Volunteering with GECAC, you do more than deliver a meal-- you provide a daily visit, a warm smile and a watchful eye that can detect early health risks, prevent hospitalizations, and improve overall well-being. Last year alone, our volunteers delivered 25,889 meals, served 130 seniors and contributed over 1,750 hours of service--touching lives in ways that extend far beyond nutrition.



COMMUNITY PHONE NUMBERS

GECAC AAA OFFICE:
(814)459-4581
AAA TOLL FREE: (800)769-2436
AFTER HOURS (CRISIS LINE)
Day (814)451-4581 Ext 400
Evening (814) 451-1520
PACE-PACENET: (800)225-7223
ERIE CO VETERAN'S AFFAIRS:
(800)274-8387
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMIN:
(877)405-3543
AGENCY WEBSITE:
www.gecac.org
PA AGING WEBSITE:
www.aging.pa.gov

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

LUNCH IS SERVED @ NOON
FOR SENIORS 60 YRS & OLDER.
MEALS ARE \$2.00 CONTRIBUTION
PLEASE MAKE YOUR MEAL
RESERVATIONS
2 WEEKS IN ADVANCE
PARTIES WILL BE \$5.00, UNLESS
STATED OTHERWISE

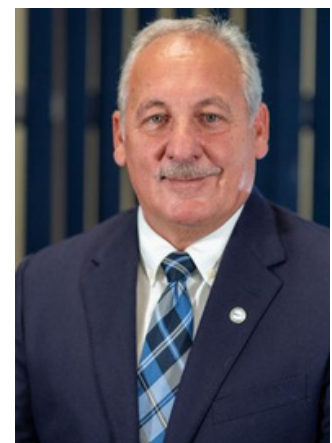
BINGO IS PLAYED ON
WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS @
12:30. We have LOTS OF FUN,
so come join us!!!

TAI CHI EXERCISE CLASS ON
THURSDAYS @ 11:00
LET'S BE HEALTHY!!

The GECAC Corry Senior Center, operated by Greater Erie Community Action Committee(GECAC), Area Agency on Aging, is funded in part by the Department of Aging.



Dr. Benjamin Wilson
CEO



Ray Maholtz
AAA Division Manager

How do our contributions and fundraising dollars help our center?

Meal Contributions help to off-set the cost of the center meals. On average, the actual cost of the meal is over \$9.00. Meal contributions also help to maintain the building, maintain and/or replace a stove, a refrigerator or a freezer, if necessary. These dollars are vital to maintaining the Center and its daily operations.

Booster Contributions and Fundraising Dollars help to pay for our parties, entertainment, snacks and more. They also help to pay for programming opportunities, like exercise, craft classes, computer usage, and again, more. These dollars are vital to your programming options and enjoyment of the Center.

Contributions and Fundraisers are all voluntary; however, please continue to support your Center by whatever means you are able.

The Centers and their services mean so much, to so many and your support goes a long way towards helping your Center continue to offer programming and services.



WI-FI is available FREE TO OUR SENIORS!!
Prior to using the WI-FI, members will need to
sign the GECAC POLICY AGREEMENT .
Please see RACHAEL OR VALERI FOR
ASSISTANCE.



JOIN OUR FACEBOOK GROUP!!!

You can find us through the Group Search.

Type in “**GECAC CORRY SR CTR**” and ask to join. There are a few questions to answer and you’ll need to agree to the Group rules, but it’s easy and it’s for your protection.

We will be posting our newsletters, upcoming events and hopefully, soon, getting some other virtual activities for you to be able to participate. Talk with other current and active members and perhaps meet some of the new members that have joined us.

GREAT RESOURCES:

GECAC has a website!! Check out www.gecac.org to see all that we do to help the community!



Pennsylvania 211: Get Connected. Get Help.™

What is 211 used for in PA?

Every day, clients contact 211 to access free and confidential information. If you need to connect with resources in your community, but don't know where to look, PA 211 is a great place to start. Our specialists will listen to your needs, and give you information on programs in your community that might be able to help.

Visit www.pa211.org to explore programs available in your community by categories such as financial assistance, housing, and food.

LIHEAP: Need help with heating bills?
LIHEAP can help. Call 1(877) 443-2743
or visit www.LIHEAPhelps.com to sign up!



SNAP/EBT (food stamps) can make online purchases and have delivered to their home, as per attached and same information below.

Resources For Online SNAP Purchases

In Pennsylvania, residents who receive SNAP/EBT are now able to buy SNAP eligible foods and drinks online through Walmart and Amazon. These benefits can also be used to buy plants and seeds to grow food at home. This is a great way to get the food if you live in a food desert or are unable to make it to the nearest grocery stores.