

GECAC CORRY SENIOR CENTER

JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

25 FIRST AVENUE, 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

9TH BIRTHDAYS

13TH SINGO BINGO @ 10:30 AM

14TH CELLPHONE CLASS @ 10:30 AM

FREE PIZZA PARTY Sign up by JAN. 9TH to reserve your personal pizza

16TH SPEAKER: Nutrition @ 10:30 AM

21ST FREE CHILI & BAKED POTATO PARTY Sign up by JAN. 14TH to reserve your meal

**** UPCOMING PARTY DATES ****

FEB 11 VALENTINE'S DAY Party COST: \$5.00

Reservations Due by WED., FEB 4TH

MAR 17 ST. PATRICK' DAY Party COST: \$5.00

Reservations Due by TUES., MAR. 10TH

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!!



BIRTHDAYS

1-1 Paula Brown

1-3 Marilyn Rozelle

1-4 Valeri Raymond

1-5 Lynda McCracken

1-13 JoAn Lewis

1-19 Blanche Briggs

Ike Erdman

Linda Goff

1-20 Ginny Lindsey

JOIN US FOR BIRTHDAY CAKE !

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



JANUARY CALENDAR & MENU

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
6 PORK ROAST 9:00 CARDS	7 BAKED FISH 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO	8 CHEESEBURGER 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	9 CHICKEN ala KING 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO BIRTHDAYS
13 OVEN FRIED CHICKEN 9:00 CARDS 10:30 SINGO BINGO	14 PIZZA PARTY 9:00 CARDS 10:30 CELLPHONE CLASS 12:30 BINGO	15 CHICKEN & NOODLE 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	16 STUFFED PEPPERS 9:00 CARDS 10:30 NUTRITION 12:30 BINGO
20 CHICKEN SALAD 9:00 CARDS	21 FREE CHILI & BAKED POTATO 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO	22 HAM 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	23 MEATBALL SUB 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO
27 BEEF STEW 9:00 CARDS	28 SALISBURY STEAK 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO	29 CHICKEN CORDON BLEU 9:00 CARDS 11:00 EXERCISE	30 RAVIOLI 9:00 CARDS 12:30 BINGO
<p>***FREE PIZZA PARTY***</p> <p>JAN. 14TH FREE to Ctr. Members. Please sign up by JAN. 9TH and which personal pizza you would like.</p> <p>***FREE CHILI & BAKED POTATO***</p> <p>JAN. 21ST FREE to Ctr. Members. Please sign up by JAN. 14TH to reserved your meal.</p>			



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 THURSDAYS!
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, weather updates and some other activities for you to be able to participate in at the Senior Center. 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. From help with a utilities bill, to housing assistance, afterschool programs for kids, and more, **you can dial 211 or text your zip code to 898-211 to talk to a resource specialist**. 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 lived in a food desert or are unable to make it to the nearest grocery store.

MEDICARE MINUTE...



Medicare Advantage Plan Open Enrollment begins on January 1st and ends on March 31st. Must already be enrolled in a Medicare Advantage Plan to make changes during this period. See Rachael for an appointment to make changes.

- Switch to another Medicare Advantage Plan with or without drug coverage.
- Drop your Medicare Advantage Plan and go back to Original Medicare.
- Join a Medicare drug plan

Extra Help

If you have received a letter stating that your Extra Help from Social Security has been or will be terminated, you may have received this in error. This past November the Low-Income Subsidy (LIS) data cleanup by CMS caused some confusion. Not only were beneficiaries told they were losing the Extra Help, but some were also receiving bills for Part D plan premiums, deductibles and copays backdated to the LIS termination date.

We have received further information regarding Extra Help where individuals were retroactively terminated, resulting in letters and sometimes bills.

CMS has released a memo to all Part D plans. In summary, the memo advises:

- The beneficiary LIS retroactive dates are a **direct, unanticipated consequence of government data systems being out of sync**. CMS is working through a resolution process with SSA.

CMS requests MA organizations and Part D sponsors **pause any collection efforts and continue to administer the Part D benefit with LIS-level premiums and cost-sharing** with respect to the affected beneficiaries until further CMS guidance is available.

Ultimately, **impacted beneficiaries will be held harmless** for retroactive premium and cost-sharing payments. This means impacted beneficiaries **do not owe the balances listed in plan statements received**.

Contact your local PA MEDI counselor, Rachael Price @ 814-664-2477 to make an appointment.