

DECEMBER 2025

GECAC NORTH EAST SENIOR CENTER

50 East Main Street, North East, PA 16428 (814) 725-5195

CENTER HOURS

*Tuesday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.*

*Lunch Served at
12:00 Noon
(\$2.00 Donation/person)*



Daily Lunches

GECAC provides lunches for Seniors 60 and older Tuesday through Friday at our Center. We serve promptly at 12:00 noon on those days. Meal Donation is \$2.00 per person per day. *This fee does not apply to special events.* We are asking that you sign up on the sheets near the front entrance two weeks in advance. This will help the kitchen staff plan better for our daily numbers. If you sign up and can't attend, please give us a call. Our preference is to have too many meal versus not enough. We order a few extra meals each day to cover for visitors. If you forget to sign up when you are at the Center, just give us a call and we will be glad to add you to the list.

How Do Donations and Fundraised Dollars Help Our Center

Meal Donations help to off-set the cost of meals. On average, the actual cost of the meal is over \$5.00. Meal donations also help maintain or replace equipment. These dollars are vital to maintaining the Center and its daily operations. Booster and Fundraiser Donations help pay for parties, entertainment, snacks and more. They also help pay for programming like exercise, craft classes, computer usage and more. These dollars are vital to your programming options and enjoyment of the Center. Donations and Fundraisers are all voluntary; however please continue to support your Center by whatever means you are able. The Center 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



Cooking class is being held December 9th at 1:00 p.m. Tammy Mason will be making a Mini Pumpkin Cheesecakes. Please sign up so we may plan accordingly. Cost: \$3.00/person.



GECAC's Inclement Weather Protocol

Remember that during the winter months, if the North East School District has a two hour delay, or, closes for the day; our Center will be Closed. Please Watch TV Stations (12, 24 or 35) to keep informed.

Please remember to bring an extra sweater during the winter to help keep you warm in the Center. Also, we would appreciate it, if you would bring an extra pair of shoes, or, slippers and remove your boots at the door. This will help keep our floors dry/safe during the winter months. *Thank you!*

CENTER CLOSINGS FOR DECEMBER/JANUARY

We will be closed starting December 24th and reopen on Tuesday, January 6th. Should there be an emergency, please call GECAC at 814-459-4581,

The GECAC North East Senior Center, Operated by Greater Erie Community Action Committee Area Agency on Aging, is funded in part by PA Dept. of Aging: Dr. Ben Wilson GECAC CEO, Ray Maholtz, AAA Division Manager.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Christmas party which will be held on Wednesday, December 10th at 10:30 a.m. here at the Center. Dan Hogan will entertain us with a variety of Christmas music. Food will be catered by St. Joe's Club. We will have baked chicken, ham, au gratin potatoes, fettuccini alfredo, green beans, toss salad rolls, dessert & drinks.

We will have a 50/50 raffle and Chinese auction. Tickets for both will cost \$1.00 for 3 tickets. BINGO will be played after lunch for prizes.

Cost for this event would have been \$35.00 per member, but our gift to you will make them \$20.00/person; as long as you have attended at least twelve times by the end of November. If you have not supported the Center during the past year the cost is \$35.00/person. Final day to get a Ticket is Tuesday, December 2nd.



REMINDER TO EVERYONE HANDICAP PARKING

Please leave the handicap parking spots for individuals who truly need them. This includes using the area near the grass next to the benches. We have several consumers that have difficulty walking into the building and may not have a HANDICAP placard for their vehicle, but need to park close to the door. Thank you for your co-operation!



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MEDICARE REMINDER

Phases of Part D coverage

The cost of your Medicare Part D-covered drugs may change throughout the year. If you notice that prices have changed, it may be because you are in a different phase of Part D coverage.

There are three different phases—or periods—of Part D coverage:

- **Deductible period:** Until you meet your Part D deductible, you will pay the full negotiated price for your covered prescription drugs. Once you have met the deductible, the plan will begin to cover the cost of your drugs. While deductibles can vary from plan to plan, no plan's deductible can be higher than \$590 in 2025, and some plans have no deductible.
- **Initial coverage period:** After you meet your deductible, your plan will help pay for your covered prescription drugs. Your plan will pay some of the cost, and you will pay a copayment or coinsurance. In 2025, the initial coverage period ends after you have accumulated \$2,000 in total drug costs. The out-of-pocket costs that help you reach the \$2,000 cap include:
 - Your deductible
 - What you paid during the initial coverage period
 - Amounts paid by others, including family members, most charities, and other persons on your behalf
 - Amounts paid by Extra Help, State Pharmaceutical Assistance Programs (SPAPs), AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, and the Indian Health Service
 - Some amounts paid by an enhanced Part D plan
 - Costs reimbursed by other insurance, like job-based insurance

Catastrophic Coverage: You enter catastrophic coverage after you reach \$2,000 in out-of-pocket costs for covered drugs. During this period, you pay \$0 for covered drugs.

Your Part D plan should keep track of how much money you have spent out of pocket for covered drugs and your progression through coverage periods—and this information should appear in your monthly statements.

Under certain circumstances, your plan can change the cost of your drugs during the plan year. Your plan is required to alert you if such changes are made. Your plan cannot change your deductible or premium during the plan year.



December Birthday's

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	10:00a Computer 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch 12:00p Bridge	9:30a Yoga 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch	10:00a Games 11:00a Tai Chi 12:00p Lunch 1:00p Bingo	9:30a Arthritis Exercise 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch	9:00 a.m. North East Crazy Quilters
8 6:30 pm North East in Bloom Meeting	10:00a Computer 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch 12:00p Bridge	10:30a.m. Christmas Party 	10:00a Games 11:00a Tai Chi 12:00p Lunch 12:30p Scrap- booking	9:30a Arthritis Exercise 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch	
15	10:00a Computer 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch 12:00p Bridge	9:30a Exercise Class/Cookie Exchange 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch	10:00a Games 11:00a Tai Chi 12:00p Lunch 1:00p Bingo	9:30a Arthritis Exercise 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch	9:00 a.m. North East Crazy Quilters
22	10:00a Computer 10:30a Games 12:00p Lunch 12:00p Bridge	<i>CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY (December 24th until 9:00am Janu- ary 6, 2026.) MERRY CHRISTMAS ONE AND ALL!</i>			
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GECAC NORTH EAST SENIOR CENTER DECEMBER 2025 MENU



Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Oven Fried Chicken Macaroni 'n' Cheese Brussel Sprouts Fruit Cup2	Country Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Florets Fruit Cup3	Chicken 'n' Noodles California Mixed Veggies Jell-O Cup4	Stuffed Peppers Brown Rice Tossed Salad Ice Cream5
Broccoli Soup Chicken Salad Pita Fruit Cup9	10:30 A.M. CHRISTMAS PARTY TICKET REQUIRED  10	Ham Diced Potatoes Broccoli Pudding Cup11	Meatball Sub Spinach Salad12
Beef Stew Sweet Potatoes Wax Beans Corn Muffin & Fruit Cup16	Salisbury Steak Diced Potatoes Peas Pudding Cup17	Chicken Cordon Bleu Broccoli Cookie18	Beef Ravioli Toss Salad Fruit Cup19
Sausage Sub w/Pepper & Onions Pork 'n' Beans23	 24	25	 26
<u>CENTER CLOSED</u> DECEMBER 24TH THROUGH JANUARY 5TH. WE WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY JANUARY 6TH. <i>MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR ONE AND ALL!</i>			
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