

GECAC UNION CITY SENIOR CENTER

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Open Mon. through Thurs. 9 a.m. to 3p.m.

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NOVEMBER 2026 Newsletter

UPCOMING PARTIES

Thanksgiving Party—We will be celebrating Thanksgiving on Tuesday, November 10th, with entertainment by DJ Mark Morris. Cost is $5.00 and goes up to $7.00 after the deadline. Reservations are due Thursday, October 29th, and need to be made in the office.

Christmas Party—We will be celebrating Christmas on Wednesday, December 9th, Entertainment by Bill Beggs Band. Cost is $5.00 and goes up to $7.00 after the deadline. Reservations are due December 1st, and need to be made in the office.

****Please note– these parties are for members only.**

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UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

November	3rd	Center Closed for Election Day
	10th	Thanksgiving Party
	26th	Center Closed "Thanksgiving Day"
December	9th	Christmas Party
	24th	Center Closed for "Christmas"
	31st	Center Closed for "New Years"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



11th	Ken Calfo
	John Jackson
12th	Ron Chesley
21st	Pat Kusiak
22nd	Earl Spencer
25th	Yvonne Stauffer
	Jane Drager
26th	Joycelyn Liebel
27th	Sophie Lillie
	Sarah Shamburg
	Ann Rosthauser
28th	Cindy Ross

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

12th	Ernie & Laura Hanes
14th	Steve & Linda Zielinski

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary please let us know so we can add you to our list!

COLD & FLU SEASON

Please stay home if you are not feeling well. We don't want to unintentionally spread sickness to others.

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REMINDER

During the winter months...if the Union City School District is closed or has a two hour delay due to inclement weather the Senior Center will be closed. Stay tuned to our local TV channels for any future closings posted at the bottom of your TV screen.

GECAC's Medicare Minute

2027 Out-of-Pocket Costs

Out-of-Pocket costs can include:

- A monthly premium - what you pay to maintain coverage.
- Deductible - the amount you may pay before your insurance starts to cover certain services.
- Co-payments and Coinsurance - depending on plan benefit structures, you may have a share in the cost of services, tests, and medications.
- Maximum Out-of-Pocket (MOOP) - Medicare Advantage plans have an annual limit on what you could pay out-of-pocket. The Maximum allowed in 2027 is $9,850, although some plans may have options for lower limits.

There are reported and projected changes for your 2027 Medicare Out-of-Pocket costs . While there are several, here are a few to note and watch for:

- The part D maximum annual deductible will be $700 and the Annual out-of-pocket limit for covered drugs will go up to $2,400.
- The part B premium is projected to go up to $209.50, and the deductible is projected to go up to $292. Actual costs should be announced by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid within the next month or so.

If your income / resources are limited, you may be eligible to receive help:

- Extra Help can help reduce Part D premiums, deductibles, and copayments.
- Medicare Savings Program (Medicare Buy-In) may help pay for Part B premiums.
- Medicaid may provide additional help with health care costs.
- Senior Center staff will provide income and resource limits charts by request, and explain how to apply.

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

SHIP
State Health Insurance Assistance Program
Navigating Medicare

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PA MEDI Counselors can help you learn about Medicare, Preventative 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

WHAT IS LEHEAP?

Liheap is a Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program that helps eligible familes pay their heating bills. This program is a grant and you do not have to repay it.

To receive help you need to apply between November 2, 2026 and April 23, 2027. You need to meet the income guidelines for household income.

1 Person $23,940 2 Person $32,460

For each additional person add $8,520.

To apply, you will need the names of people in your household, dates of birth for each, Social Security numbers and proof of income for all household members and a recent heating bill. You can apply online at www.dhs.pa.gov/COMPASS. Applications are also available at the Senior Center.

After your application is processed, you will receive a written notice that will tell you if you qualify. If eligible, it will tell you the amount of your grant.

If you believe you are in a heating crisis, contact your local county assistance office.

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Directions

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1-9. If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.

GECAC community Action
GREATER ERIE COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE
Helping People. Changing Lives.

The GECAC Union City Senior Center, Operated by Greater Erie Community Action Committee (GECAC), Area Agency On Aging, is funded in part by the PA Department of Aging.

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Menu & Activities



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
2 **STUFFED CABBAGE** 9:00 Fitness 10:00 Crochet 11:30 Bonanza Bingo 12:30 Bingo	**3**  **CENTER CLOSED ELECTION DAY**	**4** **PULLED PORK** 9:00 Fitness 9:30 Poker 12:30 Bingo	**5** **CHICKEN SALAD** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi
9 **STUFFED PEPPER** 9:00 Fitness 10:00 Crochet 11:30 Bonanza Bingo 12:30 Bingo	**10** **THANKSGIVING PARTY** **Entertainment by DJ Mark Morris**	**11** **SWEET & SOUR MEATBALLS** 9:00 Fitness 9:30 Poker 12:30 Bingo	**12** **HAM** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi 11:00 Trivia
16 **CHICKEN & BISCUIT** 9:00 Fitness 10:00 Crochet 11:30 Bonanza Bingo 12:30 Bingo	**17** **SAUSAGE SANDWICH** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi 10:00 Bible Study 11:00 AEA Exercise 12:30 Crafts	**18** **SALISBURY STEAK** 9:00 Fitness 9:30 Poker 12:30 Bingo	**19** **CHICKEN CORDON BLEU** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi
23 **TACO SALAD** 9:00 Fitness 10:00 Crochet 11:30 Bonanza Bingo 12:30 Bingo	**24** **BEEF STEW** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi 10:00 Bible Study 11:00 AEA Exercise 11:00 Life Speaker 12:30 Crafts	**25** **OX ROAST** 9:00 Fitness 9:30 Poker 12:30 Bingo	**26** **CENTER CLOSED HAPPY THANKSGIVING** 
30 **MEATBALL SUB** 9:00 Fitness 10:00 Crochet 11:30 Bonanza Bingo 12:30 Bingo	**1** **PARM CRUSTED CHICKEN** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi 10:00 Bible Study 11:00 AEA Exercise 12:30 Crafts	**2** **GOULASH** 9:00 Fitness 9:30 Poker 12:30 Bingo	**3** **KIELBASA CABBAGE & NOODLE CASSEROLE** 9:00 Line Dance 10:00 Tai Chi

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE
THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING