# Senior News

THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF SOMERSET COUNTY ● January 2024

Lets start this New year off by welcoming Jennifer Clark into the Administrative Position here at the Area Agency on Aging. A new job can be both exciting and nerve-wracking. We are thrilled to have you on board and look forward to seeing all the great things you will accomplish here!



My name is Jennifer Clark and I am the new Administrator here at the Area Agency on Aging of Somerset County. My family and I moved here from South Florida in 2018. I was a first grade teacher for 12 years there. I've been married to my husband for 17 years. We have twin boys that are turning 16 in the spring, and a 12, going on 13, year old daughter. I started at the agency almost 5 years ago as a care manager. While I was a care manager, I had the pleasure of visiting consumers in the Somerset area and surrounding areas to the north. I have been in the Deputy Administrator position since April. I am looking forward to continuing to advance the programs that we offer through the

AAA. One of my biggest goals is finding new and creative ways to increase the attendance at senior centers, along with having the community be more involved with helping to fundraise for the centers. My door is always open to listen to ideas and suggestions. I am looking forward to the exciting things the future holds for the Area Agency on Aging!

# A VISIT FROM SENATOR CASEY!



It was a pleasure to have Senator Casey join us at the Somerset Senior Center in October. He has always been an advocate for the seniors in our community. It is truly encouraging when government leaders take time out of their busy schedules to listen to the concerns and needs of our most experienced population. Our seniors reminded him of the rising cost of medications, healthcare and supplies, and the impact it has on them. Transportation options and the need for better access to telehealth visits, and house calls from physicians, were discussed. Senator Casey was attentive to the comments and concerns of all those who interacted with him. It is our hope that Senator Casey continues his important work on the Special Committee of Aging with our seniors, and their input, in mind when working on legislation.

# Make Lifesaving a Habit

# **National Blood Donor** Month



### 1 in 7 Patients

entering a hospital have a need for blood



## Less Than 10%

of Americans donate each year



# Less Than 20%

of blood donations come from millennials (age 20-34 years old)\*



#### More Than 34,000 Units

must be collected from volunteers every day

# One Donation

can save the lives of 3 people



January is the time to pay tribute to voluntary donors and encourage new donors to pledge to donate in 2020!



MAKE LIFESAVING A HABIT

#### January 2024 Center Activities

#### **BOSWELL AREA SENIOR CENTER**

332 Stonycreek Street Boswell, PA 15531

Center Operator: Melissa Ray **Phone: Mon:** (814) 629-9926 or Tues-Fri: (814) 479-2216 E-mail: mray@somersetaaa.org

**Hours of Operation:** Monday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM 8th 11:00 BINGO with

Merit For Via-Quest

12:00 VR with Tara From

Interim

15th CLOSED— Martin

Luther King Day

22nd National Polka Dot Day Wear your Polka Dots

12:00 Music with Tom &

Carolyn

29th National Puzzle Day

Help with the puzzle!

**WELCOME** 

2024

Exercise equipment, Wii games, pool table, puzzles, games, cards, volunopportu-**Teer** nities, Somerset County Bookmobile

Wi-Fi available

#### **CENTRAL CITY AREA SENIOR CENTER**

103 Sunshine Avenue Central City, PA 15926

Center Operator: Patrick Shaffer

Phone: (814) 754-5615

E-mail: pshaffer@somersetaaa.org

**Hours of Operation:** 

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Daily Activities: Wii, Exercise Machines, Volunteer Opportunities

Wi-Fi Available

5th 10:30 Tell me a Story or Joke Day

8th Birthday Lunch

8th 10:30 Music with Fast Eddie, Acoustic Classics

9th Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

10th Bobbie, UPMC Seminar

15th CLOSED, Martin Luther King Day

17th 10:30 Music with John Larimer

22nd 10:30 Play Trivia

24th Compliment Day

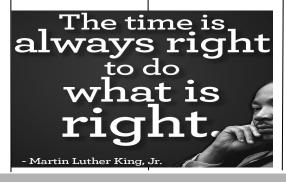
29th 10:30 Ceramics with The Makery

31st 10:30 Music with Denise Baldwin Monday & Wednesday: 10:30 Exercise Class

**Monday-Friday:** 

Bingo

**Bible Study Class:** 2nd Thursday of the month 6:00-8:00 pm



#### **CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SENIOR CENTER**

959 South Main Street Hollsopple, PA 15935

Center Operator: Melissa Ray Phone: (814) 479-2216

E-Mail: mrav@somersetaga.org

**Hours of Operation:** Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Daily Activities: Wii, Exercise Machines, Volunteer Opportunities

Wi-Fi Available

4th National Trivia Day 11:00 BINGO with Merit

11th VR with Tara from

Interim 12:00 Foot Nurse

Week Of the 16th is National Pizza Week

18th Pizza Party

19th National Annie Day Annie Movie with The CT Library

25th 12:00 Music with Tom & Carolyn

31st National Hot Chocolate Day Hot Chocolate Bar



#### Monday-Friday:

**Exercise Equipment** 9:00-2:00

Tues & Thurs:

10:00-11:00 Exercise Class

Thursday: 9:00 Quiltina

#### January 2024 Center Activities

#### **CONFLUENCE AREA SENIOR CENTER**

700 Reynolds Street Confluence, PA 15424

Center Operator: Christine Saylor Phone: (814) 395-5117 or

(814) 443-2681

E-mail: csaylor@somersetaaa.org

**Hours of Operation:** 

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Daily Activities: Wii, Exercise Machines, Volunteer Opportunities 1<sup>st</sup> Center Closed-Happy New Year

4th 10:30 National Trivia Day 10:30

5th 12:00 Music with John Larimer

8th Birthday Lunch

12<sup>th</sup> National Hot Tea Day-Try a New Flavor 15<sup>th</sup> Center Closed-Martin Luther King Jr. Day

16th 10:30 Blood Pressure w/Heartland Hospice 19th National Popcorn
Day-Bring in a
Flavoring/Topping
24th 10:30 Via-Quest
29th National Puzzle
Day-Come help with

Monday, Wednesday & Friday:
10:00 Exercise

Tuesday: 10:00 Theology class w/Pastor Dean

Everyday: 9:30 Wii Games 12:00 BINGO

#### **MEYERSDALE AREA SENIOR CENTER**

120 North Street Meyersdale, PA 15552

Center Operator: Julie Yinkey Phone: (814) 634-0713

E-Mail: jyinkey@somersetaaa.org

**Hours of Operation:** 

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Daily Activities: Wii, Exercise Machines, Volunteer Opportunities 1st Closed New Year's Day

2<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 Geri Fit

4th 10:00 Healthy Steps

8th Birthday Lunch

9<sup>th</sup> 10:00 Geri Fit

11th 9:30 BINGO

10:00 Healthy Steps 15<sup>th</sup> Closed-Martin Luther King Day

16th 9:30 BINGO

10:30 Interim Hospice Seminar & Activity

18th 9:30 BINGO

10:30 UPMC Hospice

Seminar & Activity 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 Geri Fit

24th PA MEDI by

the puzzle

**Appointment** 

25th 9:30 BINGO

Monday-Friday:

11:00 Bingo, Wii Games (Unless something else is scheduled)

#### **SOMERSET SENIOR CENTER**

1338 S Edgewood Avenue Somerset, PA 15501

Center Operator: Julie Yinkey Phone: (814) 445-7772 E-Mail: jyinkey@somersetaaa.org

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Daily Activities:** Wii, Exercise Machines, Volunteer Opportunities

Wi-Fi Available

1st Closed-New Year's Day

3<sup>rd</sup> 10:30 Music with John Larimer

4<sup>th</sup> 9:30 PA MEDI by Appointment

5th 12:00-1:00 On the Move Interviews for those who took the classes 8th 10:30 UPMC Hospice Seminar & Activity Birthday Lunch

10<sup>th</sup> 10:30 Sing Along

12<sup>th</sup> 12:20 Geri Fit

15<sup>th</sup> Closed Martin Luther King Day

19th 12:20 Geri Fit

24<sup>th</sup> 10:30 Interim Hospice Seminar & Activity

25th 10:30 Sing Along 26th 10:00 Geri Fit M-W-F

9:30 BINGO (Unless Something is scheduled.)

Tuesday & Thursday:

10:00 Prize Bingo (Unless Something is Scheduled)

Thursday: Brain
Puzzles after Lunch

#### **CENTER FOR LIFE**

700 Fifth Street, Suite 200 Windber, PA 15963

Center Operator: Christine Saylor E-mail: csaylor@somersetaaa.org

**Phone:** (814) 467-5912 or (814) 443-2681

**Hours of Operation:** 

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Daily Activities: Wii, Exercise Machines, Volunteer Opportunities

Wi-Fi Available

1st Center Closed-Happy New Year

4<sup>th</sup> 10:30 National Trivia Day

4th Craft

8<sup>th</sup> Birthday Lunch

9th 10:30 Music with John Larimer 12<sup>th</sup> National Hot Tea Day-Try a new flavor!

15<sup>th</sup> Center Closed-Martin Luther King Day

16th 10:30 Craft with Community Arts Center 18th Craft 19th 11:00 Blood Pressure w/Heartland Hospice

19<sup>th</sup> National Popcorn Day-Bring in a Flavoring/ Topping

29<sup>th</sup> National Puzzle Day -Come help with the puzzle Monday & Friday: 10:00 Strong Bones

Tuesday: 10:00-Body Strengthening Wednesday: 12:30 Bingo

Thursday: 10:00

Tai-Chi Eriday

Friday: 9:30 Chorus Monday, Wednesday & Friday: Pinochle Monday: 5:00 Tops T-W-TH: 6:00 P.M. Wii

Golfing & Bowling

#### January, 2024 Menu

CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 BBQ Chicken Brown Rice Pilaf Broccoli Florets Tropical Fruit Salad Oatmeal Cookie Milk	3 Roast Pork w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Fresh Banana Rye Bread w/Margarine Milk	4 Chicken Noodle Soup Egg Salad on Whole Grain White Bread Cucumber/Tomato Salad Diced Peaches Crackers Milk	Chile w/Cheese Mixed Green Salad w/Eggs Melon Fruit Salad Corn Muffin w/Margarine Milk
8 BIRTHDAY LUNCH Chicken Cordon Bleu Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Capri Vegetables Fresh Apple Chocolate Cake w/Icing Milk	9 Chopped Steak w/Gravy Parslied Red Potatoes Winter Blend Vegetables Apricot Halves Dinner Roll w/Margarine Milk	10 Macaroni & Cheese Stewed Tomatoes Three Bean Salad Diced Pears Milk	11 Baked Chicken w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Normandy Vegetables Quartered Fruit Salad Chocolate Chip Cookie Milk	12 Potato Crusted Cod Tartar Sauce Au Gratin Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Fruit Cocktail Wheat Roll w/Margarine Milk
CLOSED  MARTIN LUTHER KING  JR DAY	16 Porcupine Meatballs Seasoned Whole Mini Potatoes Green & Wax Beans Church Slaw Pineapple Tidbits Milk	17 Beef Rice Soup Chicken Salad on Whole Grain White Bread Pea & Carrot Salad Fresh Clementine Milk	18 Ham, Green Beans, & Potatoes Mixed Green Salad w/Cheese Baked Apples Cottage Cheese Milk	19 Cheese Omelet Sausage Links Fresh Orange Whole Grain Muffin V8 Juice Milk
<b>22</b> Chicken/Vegetable Alfredo over Noodles Peas & Carrots Diced Peaches Yogurt	23 Ham Loaf w/Pineapple Glaze Scalloped Potatoes Succotash Applesauce Rye Bread w/Margarine Milk	<b>24</b> Beef Pot Roast Mixed Green Salad w/Eggs Fruit Cocktail Wheat Bread w/Margarine Milk	25 Stuffed Chicken w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Normandy Vegetables Melon Fruit Salad Milk	<b>26</b> Spaghetti w/Meatballs Italian Blend Vegetables Citrus Salad Italian Bread w/Margarine Milk
29 Roast Pork w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Apricot Halves Milk	30 Chicken Pot Pie Mixed Green Salad w/Cheese Applesauce Wheat Dinner Roll w/Margarine Milk	31 Stuffed Cabbage Mashed Potatoes Winter Blend Vegetables Fresh Apple Blueberry Yogurt Milk		

So you can enjoy a relaxed and comfortable dining experience, reservations are recommended. <u>Please call the Center you plan on attending by 11:30 am the day before</u>. The menu is subject to change due to typographical errors or other unforeseen circumstances.



Do you know a senior that receives our meals? Wouldn't it be a great surprise for them to know someone has paid for their lunches for a week, month or year? If you would like to help your Mom, Dad, Aunt, Uncle, neighbor or friend, pay for their lunches. Just send it to us with their name and address and we can provide them with a note stating their lunches have been paid for a certain amount of time THANKS to YOU! If you would like to stay anonymous we can accommodate that also. During these trying times this would be a great way to let them know they aren't alone and they wouldn't have to worry about paying for their lunches. Our suggested donation is \$3.00 per meal, please consider sponsoring a senior for \$60.00 which will cover the cost of 20 meals.

The Federal Government, local funds and the Pennsylvania Lottery provide only a portion of the total cost. This is why we depend so much on donations. In order to continue and increase quality meal service, we need your help. We THANK YOU in advance for your understanding and generosity.

Any questions please call 814-443-2681.

Please send your donation to our office address at:

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