

## JEFFERSON COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING

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### **Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program applications are now available!**

**AM I ELIGIBLE?** The program benefits income-eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older.

### **ELECTRONIC PTRR FILING**

Pennsylvanians may electronically submit their Property Tax/Rent Rebate program applications. Visit [mypath.pa.gov](http://mypath.pa.gov) to access the Department of Revenue's electronic filing portal. Claimants who submit their applications electronically will have the benefit of automatic calculators and other userfriendly features that are not available when filing a paper application. MyPATH is safe, secure and more efficient.

Go to the department's website at:

[www.revenue.pa.gov/mypathinformation](http://www.revenue.pa.gov/mypathinformation) to learn more about our electronic services.

Property Tax/Rent Rebate application assistance is available at no cost from the Jefferson County Area Agencies on Aging, senior centers, and state legislators' offices.

**Please call JCAAA at 814-849-3096 for assistance at the main office in**

**Brookville or your local senior center.**



# FREE Income Tax Preparation



[www.jccap.org](http://www.jccap.org)

## **Individuals who earn \$58,000 or less may qualify for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program.**

Please bring these items to the VITA site when you have your tax return prepared:

- Proof of identification (photo ID)
- Social Security Cards for you, your spouse, and dependents, or a Social Security Number verification letter issued by the Social Security Administration
- Birth dates for you, your spouse, and dependents claimed on the tax return
- Wage and earning statements (Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R) from all employers
- Interest and dividend statements (Form 1099)
- A copy of last year's federal and state returns, if available
- Proof of bank account routing numbers and account numbers for Direct Deposit, such as a blank check (deposit slip is NOT recommended)
- Total paid for daycare and the daycare provider's tax identification number the provider's Social Security Number or the provider's business Employer Identification Number
- Tuition Statements (1099-T) and Student Loan Interest Statements (1098-E)
- Form 1095 A, Affordable Health Care Statement (If you purchased health insurance from the Marketplace) or 1095 B or C Health Care Statement from your employer
- Letter 6419 providing the amount of Child Tax Credit payments disbursed in 2021
- Letter 6475 containing the total amount of the third Economic Impact Payment and any Plus-Up Payments received

**To file a married, joint tax return electronically, both individuals on the return must be present to sign.**

**Community Action  
Clarion  
Community Action  
Punxsutawney**

**814-226-4785 x 107**

**Brockwayville Depot - Brockway  
The Heritage House - Brookville  
The Foundry - Reynoldsville**

**814-849-3096**

Feeling the  
pain of  
completing  
your 2021  
Income  
Taxes?

Community  
Action, Inc.  
offers  
**FREE**  
income tax  
preparation.

**Call to  
schedule an  
appointment!**



**AmeriCorps  
Seniors**

# FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION!

**\*\*Tax Preparation begins in February!\*\***

## We Will Prepare

- Wages, salaries, etc. (Form W-2)
- Interest Income (Form 1099-INT)
- Dividends Received (Form 1099-DIV)
- State Tax Refunds (Form 1099-G)
- Unemployment Benefits (Form 1099-G)
- IRA Distributions (Form 1099-R)
- Pension Income (Form 1099-R, RRB-1099, CSA-1099)
- Social Security Benefits (SSA-1099)
- Simple Capital Gain/Loss (Form 1099-B)
- Self-employment Income (Form 1099-MISC) *limited*
- Gambling Winnings (Form W-2G)
- Cancellation of Debt (Form 1099-C) *limited*
- Health Savings Accounts (Form 1099-SA) *limited*
- Itemized Deductions *limited*
- Education Credits (Form 1098-T)
- Child Tax Credit
- Earned Income Credit

## We Will Not Prepare

- Schedule C with losses
- Complicated & Advanced Schedule D (capital gains and losses)
- Form SS-5 (request for Social Security Number)
- Form 8606 (non-deductible IRA)
- Form 8615 (minor's investment income)
- Form SS-8 (determination of worker status or purposes of federal employment taxes and income tax withholding)
- Rental Income

Please see a  
professional preparer  
for assistance with  
complicated returns.

**CALL TODAY**

**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!**

For an appointment in:  
Clarion or Punxsutawney  
**814-226-4785, ext. 107**

For an appointment in:  
Brockway, Brookville, or Reynoldsville  
**814-849-3096**

Please leave a clear, detailed message. Your call  
will be returned in the order it was received.

**Please only leave one message!**

## MONDAY

### Clarion Community Action

30 A S Sheridan Road  
Clarion, PA 16214

### The Heritage House

4 Sylvania Street  
Brookville, PA 15825

## TUESDAY

### Punxsutawney Community Action

105 Grace Way  
Punxsutawney, PA 15767

### The Foundry

45 W Main Street  
Reynoldsville, PA 15851

## WEDNESDAY

### Clarion Community Action

30 A S Sheridan Road  
Clarion, PA 16214

## THURSDAY

### Brockwayville Depot

425 Alexander Street  
Brockway, PA 15824

IRS VITA/TCE return preparation sites are operated by certified volunteers. Site operating hours and services offered may be limited. In addition, by law, some sites provide priority services to seniors. Please be advised that you may not be immediately served. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.



Jefferson County  
Senior Center Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>*Menu subject to change*</b> <b>Supply Chain issues may result in different menu items</b>	1 Pot Roast w/ Gravy 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Coin Carrots Italian Bread Cookie	2 <b>Ash Wednesday</b> Crab Cake Slider 1/2c Parmesan Noodles 1/2c Baked Beans Dinner Roll 1/2c Mandarin Oranges	3 Egg Omelet w/ Cheese 1 Sausage Patty 1/2c Breakfast Potatoes Wheat English Muffin w/ Jelly Fresh Fruit	4 Vegetable Lasagna Topped w/ Cream Sauce 1c Tossed Salad w/ Dressing Garlic Breadstick Cherry Chip Cake w/ Topping
7 Salisbury Steak w/ Gravy 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Coleslaw Wheat Bread 1/2c Sliced Pears	8 Hot Dog 2oz Sauerkraut 1/2c Cheesy Potatoes Hot Dog Roll 1/2c Sliced Apples	9 Baked Cabbage Roll w/ 2oz Tomato Sauce 1/2c Garlic Whipped Potatoes 1/2c Carrots Dinner Roll Fresh Fruit	10 Sloppy Joe 1/2c Bowtie Pasta 1c Tossed Salad Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit	11 Tuna Salad Sandwich w/ Lettuce & Tomato 1/2c Potato Salad 1/2c Beets 2 Wheat Bread 1/2c Sliced Peaches
14 Roasted Pork w/ Apples 1/2c Whipped Potatoes w/ Chives 1/2c Mixed Vegetables Mini Biscuit w/ Apple Butter Fresh Fruit	15 Roast Beef & Dumplings 1/2c Creamy Coleslaw WG Buttermilk Biscuit 1/2c Cinnamon Applesauce	16 Roasted Turkey w/ Gravy 1/2 Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Mixed Vegetables Wheat Bread Cookie	17 <b>Happy St. Patrick's Day!</b> 3/4c Corned Beef & Cabbage 1/2c Whipped Potatoes w/ Chives 1/2c Green Beans Dinner Roll 1/2c Pistachio Pudding	18 Salmon Cake w/ White Wine Cream Sauce 1/2c White Rice 1/2c Broccoli Wheat Bread 1/2c Mixed Fruit
21 Taco Salad 1/2c Spanish Rice 1/2c Corn & Black Bean Salad Nacho Chips 1/2c Pineapple Delight	22 Stuffed Pepper w/ Tomato Sauce 1/2c Garlic Whipped Potatoes 1/2c Coin Carrots White Bread Fresh Fruit	23 Orange Glazed Pork Loin 1/2c Vegetable Rice Pilaf 1/2c Cauliflower 1/2c Sliced Apples	24 Crispy Chicken Salad 1c Mixed Greens w/ Diced Chix Bacon Bits, Cheddar, 1/2 Egg 1c Vegetable Soup w/ Crackers	25 Potato Crusted Fish 1/2c Macaroni & Cheese 1/2c Stewed Tomatoes Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit
28 Baked Meatloaf w/ Gravy Baked Potato w/ Margarine 1/2c Green Beans White Bread 1/2c Sliced Peaches	29 Chicken Marsala w/ 2oz Sauce 1/2c Rice Pilaf 1/2c Broccoli & Cauliflower Blend Wheat Bread 1/2c Mixed Fruit	30 Pineapple Glazed Ham 1/2c Whipped Sweet Potatoes 1/2c Peas & Carrots Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit	31 Hawaiian Pork Chop 1/2c Blended Rice Pilaf 1/2c Island Blend Vegetables Strawberry Shortcake	<b>RESERVATIONS REQUIRED with 24 Hour Notice.</b> <b>Centers NOT open on weekends to take reservations for Monday.</b> 



### Funny News Story from 2021

**A Belgian Farmer Moved A Stone — And Accidentally Redrew Belgium's Border With France**

The Erquelinnes border stone sat in place for more than 200 years before a farmer moved it to make way for his tractor.



In 1820, France and Belgium literally set their border in stone, placing 300-pound markers in the ground delineating the boundary. But this year one of these border stones was accidentally moved in Belgium's favor — sparking a minor international incident.

The kerfuffle spread far and wide in May 2022 and began with a harmless farmer in the Belgian town of Erquelinnes. Naively moving the 300-pound historic monument out of the way of his tractor, the man had unwittingly expanded Belgium's territory by 10,000 square feet.

He had no idea the Erquelinnes border stone had been placed there following the defeat of Napoleon or served as a geopolitical marker. Nor had he anticipated the international fiasco his actions would spawn after a local history buff noticed the alteration — and the French caught wind of it.

"I fully trust my Belgian counterpart who did what was necessary with the farmer," said Aurélie Welonek, the French mayor of Bousignies-sur-Roc, whose small commune was directly affected by the move. "We asked him to move the stone back, and should he not cooperate, then the Ministry of Foreign Affairs would get involved."

Fortunately, authorities on both sides of the border found the incident more amusing than a brazen act of hostility. And the farmer complied with their requests to return the stone to its original location.

"We should be able to avoid a new border war," Welonek joked.

### Birding Through the Seasons - March

The longer day length, increasing since December 22, along with the increasing warmth of the sun as it rises higher each day above the horizon, begins to free ponds and lakes from their bounds of ice. This increase in day length and warmth also begins to foster nesting urges in permanent residents, those birds that remain in the state year round, such as crows, starlings, and cardinals. The thawing of water on rivers and lakes brings an increase in waterfowl, marking a peak in migration for most species by mid-March.

In addition to waterfowl, other birds are migrating back to Pennsylvania in this month. More woodcocks have arrived in early March, adding to the early arrivals in February. The chorus of spring peepers and wood frogs often accompany the call of the woodcock by the month's end. A few early raptors such as the Northern Harrier and Red-tailed Hawk are also beginning to migrate through in mid-March searching for fields with rodents. Robins are widespread and abundant by the second or third week, starting to establish territories. The arrival of robins, to many people, is one of the first signs of the coming spring. Robins begin singing in earnest in March.

One of the most iconic signs of spring is the return of the backyard Eastern Phoebe, wagging its tail and searching for flying insects as soon as they are available. Another insect-eating migrant, the nest box-using Tree Swallow also often arrive in early March and will seek out "bluebird boxes" for overnight roost sites. Bird houses for Eastern Bluebirds, Tree Swallows, Purple Martins, House Wrens, and other cavity-nesting songbirds should be up by now.

Hardy birds that breed in northern Canada begin to leave, including the Rough-legged Hawk, Short-eared Owl, Rusty Blackbird, and Snow Bunting. Huge flocks of Common Grackles, Red-winged Blackbirds, and Brown-headed Cowbirds blacken the trees and fields by mid-month.

Great-horned Owls can have young in their nest by the end of March. As ice melts and spring warm regains control, lakes and ponds may be alive with life. Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area provides unprecedented activity. Many other game lands offer great opportunities for birdwatching as the lakes, ponds, swamps, and meadows thaw out an allow birds to forage.





Brockwayville Depot Center  
Address: 425 Alexander Street  
Brockway, PA 15824  
Coordinator: Cheryl Moore  
Phone: 814-265-1719  
Email: depot@jcaaa.org

Welcome March!

Please remember to make your lunch reservation the day before for both dine-in and take-out.

March 8: Bacon & Egg Breakfast 7:30-9:30 suggested donation 2.50

March 14: Birthday Celebration with lunch

March 17: Happy St. Patrick's Day! Follow the gold at lunchtime to see how Lucky you are!!

Grocery Bingo at 6:00 pm on March 17th.

Still looking for volunteers to help deliver meals in Brockway and Falls Creek. Just one hour per week and you can brighten an older adults day!

Taking reservations for Bus Trip to Seneca Alleghany on April 9th.

Cost is \$35.00 , for more info call 814-265-1719

Healthy Steps for Older Adults Class will be held on May 3rd. Limited space sign up early! 814-265-1719.

*Pictured: Chris Repiscak and Bud Neubert delivering meals. By the way Bud is 100 years old!*







Brookville Heritage House Center  
 Address: 4 Sylvania Street,  
 Brookville, PA 15825  
 Coordinator: Tammy Miller  
 Phone: 814-849-3391  
 Email: heritage@jcaaa.org

March is officially here, and we have some fun things coming up as well as some great activities to look forward to in the coming months. I will admit I am looking forward to Spring and warmer weather along with the sunshine that goes with it and no more ice. In March we have some fun things planned a Game Day, a Smart Phone Technical Class with a Verizon Support Representative, Our Monthly Card Making Class, an AARP Smart Driver Safety Course, and other fun projects.

Our regular activities will be taking place this month as well: Bingo, scrabble, wood carving, healthy steps in motion, chair yoga, and I am hoping to pick Tai Chi up again soon too and will keep you posted. Coming up soon we are going to be planting some flowers and an herb garden and hopefully having another themed Bingo, like our Fruit Basket Bingo that we had in February.

A couple of projects that we are currently working on are making cards, we are working on cards for ourselves, and holiday cards that we will be giving to the troops and nursing homes during the holidays this year. We will have a monthly card making class for this project, so we get enough made up by the time that we need them. We are also in the process of starting a Pen Pal program with the Jefferson Manor and I am hoping to get some participants from here at our center so that we can brighten someone's day with a nice card or just a note to say "Hello". Please let me know if you are interested in



AARP Smart Driver Safety Course

Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 1 pm

If you want lunch that day you have to RSVP 848-3391 24 hours in advance so we can have a lunch for you.

this program.

I think that sums everything up for now. Have a wonderful day and do not forget we serve a hot lunch Monday through Friday at 12 noon here at the Heritage House and all you have to do is let us know 24 hours in advance that you will be dining with us. If you are coming for an activity stay for lunch after the activity is over. If you have any questions or would like to reserve your lunch, give Tammy a call at 814-849-3391.

**\*\*Dates & Times are Subject to Change\*\***

*Photo: Groundhog cookie I made us for Groundhog day.*



## PUNXSUTAWNEY AREA SENIOR CENTER

Punxsutawney Area Center  
Address: 222 N. Findley Street  
Punxsutawney, PA 15767  
Coordinator: Debbie Long  
Phone: 814-938-8376  
Email: [punxy@jcaaa.org](mailto:punxy@jcaaa.org)

**Every Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 to 11** – Penny bingo. Occasionally a special bingo will be played, to be announced.

**Tuesday - March 1** – National Peanut butter day – serve treats containing peanut butter.

**Wednesday - March 2** – CRAFT DAY and nutrition presentation – 10 am – supplies will be provided. Please sign up. Sponsored by LIFE NWPA.

**Thursday, March 10 – 9:30 – 10** – begin seed planting project. Please sign up.

**Friday March 11** – March birthday celebration.

**Friday March 25** – ice cream day

Take out lunch served daily at 11:30

Dine in lunch served daily at noon

Please call a day ahead to reserve your lunch – 814-938-8376 or stop in to sign up.

The suggested donation for those age 60 and older is \$2.50; for those under 60 (caregivers, family members), the cost of a meal is \$4.00.

The meals arrive fresh daily and are delicious.



### VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED!

Punxsy area needs help with delivering meals to the elderly. They are distributed once a week on Tuesdays. The older adult will receive one box of 5 prepackaged meals. You simply pick up the boxes from the Senior Center and deliver to the individuals on the list. No experience necessary, directions will be given, mileage reimbursement.

*Photo: Folks enjoying their bingo.*





The Reynoldsville Foundry Center  
 Address: 45 West Main Street  
 Reynoldsville, PA 15851  
 Coordinators: Cheryl Hannah  
 Phone: 814-653-2522  
 Email: foundry@jcaaa.org

Hello from The Foundry! Come Join us for lunch! We are open daily Monday-Friday from 9 am to 2 pm  
 Please call the day before to reserve your lunch by calling 814-653-2522

Healthy Steps in Motion is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30-11:30am.

Jam Session every Monday afternoon from 1:00-3:00. A wide range of music is played! Come and sing along!

Bingo every Thursday from 9:30-11:30.

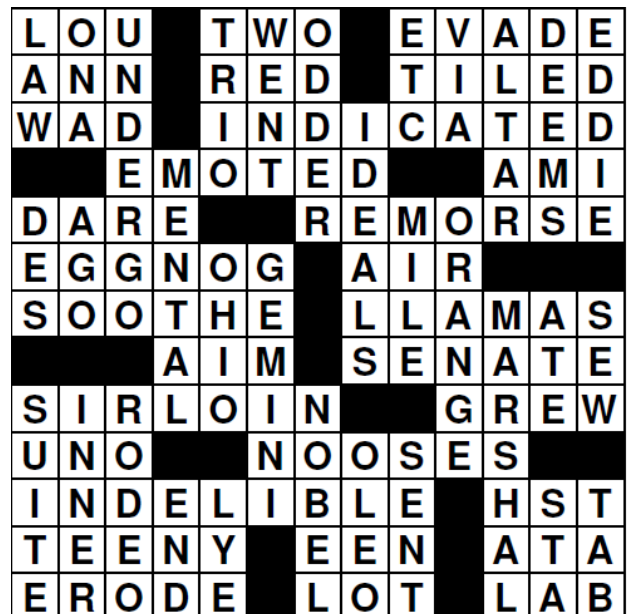
Every day – cards, games, puzzles, and dominoes!

ArtsPath class with Sandy Trimble starting April 19th. Participants will learn how to turn wool into a scarf. Class will run for 5 weeks every Tuesday and Thursday morning. Call to register for the class.

Tai Chi every Monday evening from 6-7pm. Class is FREE for seniors!

Craft Day with Helen Newman. We will be making gnomes for St. Patrick's Day and Easter.

Coming up – *Our first MUSIC NIGHT of 2022 will be April 1st from 6-9pm. (weather permitting)*



## Volunteer Spotlight

Cheryl Hannah- Reynoldsville Senior Center Coordinator.

Said- " All the volunteers are AWESOME and they have become like family and I am very blessed to have them."

The volunteers help with decorating the center for different holidays, delivering meals to seniors in the area, helping with other activities in the center.



**Volunteers -Gay Marchioni and Donna Schuckers**

Why do you Volunteer?

They volunteer because they want to help seniors like themselves and it makes them feel needed.



**Volunteers Linda Baum and Ray Lantz**

Why do you volunteer?

They simply "enjoy people" and they are happy to help and give back.



**Volunteer Ken Smith**

Why do you volunteer?

He just enjoys helping people, and giving back to the community.

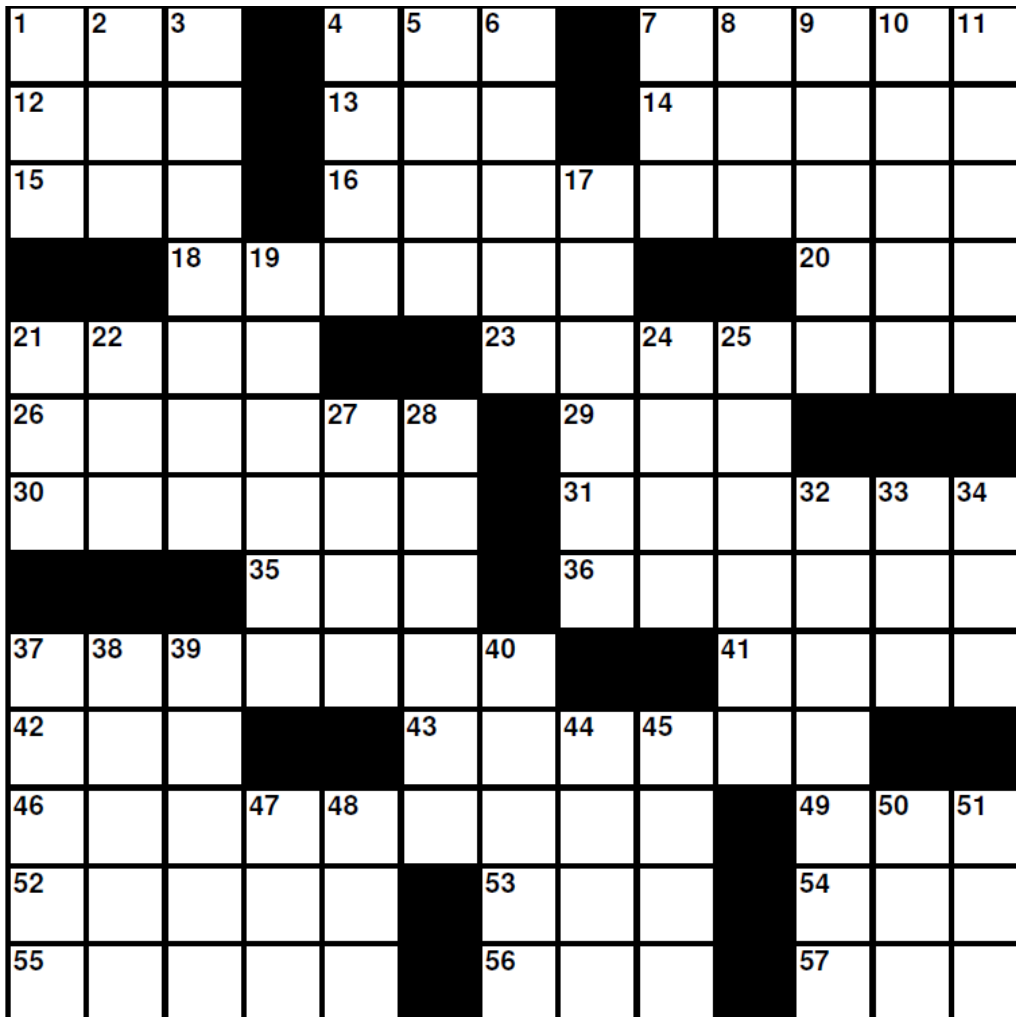


**Volunteers - Pam and Garth Magee**

Why do you Volunteer?

They enjoy helping the seniors and then visiting with them.

**Seniors** - If you or someone you know is being subjected to abuse, neglect or exploitation, contact JCAA for emergencies 24 hours a day at 1-800-852-8036.

**DOWN**

1. Legal rule
2. \_\_\_\_ roll (2 wds.)
3. Experience
4. Group of three
5. Took off
6. More peculiar
7. And so on (abbr.)
8. By way of
9. Church feature
10. Judges
11. Comedian \_\_\_\_  
Murphy
17. Guiding principles
19. Of the mind
21. French preposition
22. In the past
24. Highway measure
25. Florida fruit
27. Dayton's state
28. Zodiac sign
32. Fire \_\_\_\_ (fire chief)
33. Had brunch
34. Embroider
37. Group of rooms
38. \_\_\_\_ tube
39. Cowboy show
40. \_\_\_\_ Prize
44. Margarine
45. Transmitted
47. Stop
48. Caustic liquid
50. Train terminal (abbr.)
51. Restaurant bill

**ACROSS**

1. Yankee \_\_\_\_ Gehrig
4. Pair
7. Dodge
12. "Raggedy" doll
13. Blushing
14. Laid bathroom flooring
15. Clump
16. Pointed out
18. Overacted
20. French pal
21. Be bold
23. Contrition
26. Christmas drink
29. Atmosphere
30. Comfort
31. Andean animals
35. Objective
36. Branch of Congress
37. Type of steak
41. Got bigger
42. Pedro's "one"
43. Rope loops
46. Impossible to erase
49. Truman's monogram
52. Quite small
53. Poet's "still"
54. \_\_\_\_ snail's pace (2 wds.)
55. Wear down
56. Parking area
57. Hunting dog, for short





### ArtsPath is Back!

Join Sandy Trimble for this 10 day immersive art program and create 3 scarves using felt techniques.

No Experience Necessary!

Have Fun and Learn Something New!



#### Reynoldsville Foundry Senior Center

Tuesdays and Fridays

10:00am-12:00pm

Starts April 19<sup>th</sup>

To Register: Call Cheryl at 814-653-2522

FREE!

#### Heritage House Senior Center

Tuesdays and Fridays

1:00pm-3:00pm

Starts April 19<sup>th</sup>

To Register: Call Tammy at 814-849-3391

FREE!

Class size for both locations open for 10-20 participants!