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The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps families living on low incomes pay their heating bills in the form of a cash grant.

Households in immediate danger of being without heat can also qualify for crisis grants. The cash grant is a one-time payment sent directly to the utility company/fuel provider to be credited on your bill. These grants range from \$300 to \$1,000 based on household size, income, and fuel type. Remember: This is a grant and does not have to be repaid.

The Jefferson County Area Agency on Aging can assist you with filling out an application. Please call 814-849-3096 to set-up an appointment and learn what documents you need to have available to apply.

Jefferson County Area Agency on Aging Main Office will be closed on 12/25, 12/26, and 1/1.

Our Senior Centers will be closed 12/25 – 1/1. The Centers will reopen on Tuesday January 2nd

# Five Tips for Exercising Safely During Cold Weather

Don't let falling temperatures stop your outdoor exercise plans! You can walk, ski, ice skate, shovel snow, and more.

### Take a few extra steps to stay safe:



Warm up and cool down, such as stretching or walking in place, to prepare and restore your muscles before and after a workout.

**Pick the right clothes.** Dress in several layers of loose clothing to trap warm air between them. Wear a waterproof coat or jacket if it's snowy or rainy, and don't forget a hat, scarf, and gloves.



**Be extra careful** around snow and icy sidewalks so you won't slip and fall. Wear sturdy shoes to give you proper footing.



Learn about the signs of hypothermia, a drop in body temperature that can cause serious health problems.



**Check the forecast.** If it's too windy, cold, or wet outside, consider an indoor workout instead using an online video or your own routine.



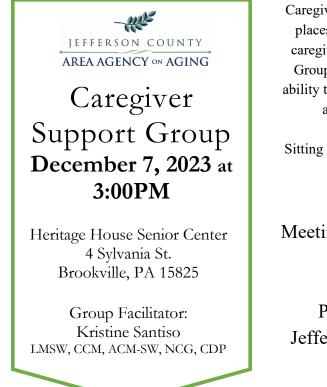












Caregiving can be a very rewarding experience but also places added stress on a caregiver's life. If you are a caregiver, please plan to attend the Caregiver Support Group at the Heritage House. Here you will have the ability to discuss and be educated on concerns, stressors, and topics only caregivers will understand.

Sitting service is available for your loved one while you attend the support group. Call to sign-up.

Meetings will take place the first Thursday of every month at 3:00pm.

Please RSVP or to ask questions: Jefferson County Area Agency on Aging 814-849-3096

#### Summerville Eats & Sweets

December 2023 Menu. Lunch available 11am-2pm on Tuesdays

12/5 - Egg Salad Sandwich, Curly Fries and Vanilla Pudding

Suggested Donation is \$2.50 per meal.

12/12 - Grilled Chicken Salad (Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Cheese and French Fries), Dinner Roll and a Cookie12/19 - Ham Dinner, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Green Beans and Pumpkin Pie

Meal includes a choice of coffee, milk, or water. Any extras including pie, ice cream or other dessert will be charged accordingly to the customer. \*Please tip your server\*

The restaurant reserves the right to substitute items with something similar.

A Needs Assessment MUST be completed to be eligible for this program.

If you would like to donate for meals, please consider sending a contribution to: Jefferson County Area Agency on Aging 186 Main Street, Suite 2 Brookville, PA 15825

### **Questions about Medicare?**

PA MEDI counselors are specially trained staff and volunteers who can answer your questions and provide you with nonbiased, objective, easy-to-understand information about Medicare.

Call Jefferson County PA MEDI at 800-852-8036

**Pearl Harbor** Find words that from the day that brought the United States into World War II

# SENIOR PLANET

Senior Planet, is an AARP affiliate and provides FREE online learning.

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## https://seniorplanet.org/

There are many interesting classes that include: Smartphones at a Glance, Online Shopping, Morning Stretch, Introduction to Social Media, Digital Storytelling, And More!

If you're a senior aged 60 and older, these live online classes are designed just for you! Learn about Finance, Wellness, Fitness, Computers and Technology, and so much more. You'll learn so much, and also find a real community of fellow life-long learners. Need help joining a class? Call the free Senior Planet Hotline: 888-713-3495



Jefferson County Senior Center Menu



#### Phone Numbers:

Brockway 814-265-1719 Brookville 814-849-3391 Punxy 814-938-8376 Reynoldsville 814-653-2522

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED with 24 Hour Notice. Centers NOT open on weekends to take reservations for Monday.	*Menu subject to change*		**Deadline to sign up for Christmas Luncheon is 12/7/23	1 BBQ Pork Ribette 1/2c Creamy Coleslaw 1/2c Green Beans 1 Sandwich Roll Seasonal Fresh Fruit
4 Winter Beef Stew 1/2c Mixed Vegetables Cornbread 1/2c Apple Crisp	5 Chicken Cobb Salad (Diced Chicken, Egg, Bacon Bits, Cheddar, over 1c. Mixed Greens) 1/2c. Pickled Diced Beets 1 Dinner Roll	6 Sweet & Sour Pork 1/2c. Rice 1/2c Oriental Blend Vegetables 1 Wheat Bread Seasonal Fresh Fruit	7 Stuffed Pepper w/ Sauce 1/2c Garlic Whipped Potatoes 1/2c Coin Carrots 1 White Bread 1/2c Pudding	8 Honey Rosemary Chicken 1/2c Buttered Noodles 1/2c Brussel Sprouts 1 White Bread 1/2c Peaches
11 Baked Meatloaf w/ Gravy Baked Potato w/ Margarine 1/2c Peas 1 White Bread Seasonal Fresh Fruit	12 Open Faced Turkey Sandwich w/ Gravy 1/2c Whipped Potatoes w/ Chives 1/2c Corn 1 White Bread 1 Cookie	13 Grilled Chicken Salad (2oz Chicken, 1oz Cheddar, over 1c Mixed Greens w/ Tomato) 1c Bean Soup 1 Dinner Roll 1/2c Gelatin	14 Christmas Lunch Baked Ham 1/2c Scalloped Potatoes 1/2c Green Bean Almondine 1 Dinner Roll Pudding Delight Dessert Coleslaw	15 Tuna Salad Sandwich w/ lettuce & tomato 1c Cream of Potato Soup 2 White Bread Fresh Orange
18 Burgundy Glazed Meatballs (4) 1/2c Rice 1/2c Roasted Brussel Sprouts 1 Wheat Bread 1/2c Pears	19 Chicken Parmesan w/ 1oz Shredded Cheese 1/2c Rotini w/ Sauce 1c Tossed Salad W / Tomato 1 Garlic Breadstick 1/2c Mixed Fruit	20 Pot Roast w/ Gravy 1/2c Mashed Potatoes 1/2c Coin Carrots 1 Italian Bread 1/2c Peach Crisp	21 Chicken Taco w/ Lettuce & Tomato 1/2c. Seasoned Corn & Black beans 1/2c. Spanish Rice Soft Tortilla Shell 1/2c Pineapple	22 Salisbury Steak w/ Gravy Baked Potato W / Margarine 1/2c Broccoli 1 Wheat Bread 1/2c Gelatin
25 Centers Closed	26 Centers Closed	27 Centers Closed	28 Centers Closed	29 Centers Closed



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

The Brockwayville Depot Senior Center offers many activities to participate in. We welcome suggestions on activities! Hours are Monday-Friday 8:00am-1:00pm Call 814-265-1719

#### We at The Depot would like to wish you all The Merriest Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### **December Activities**

**Dec 9: ANNUAL BROCKWAY KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY from 1:00pm-4:00pm.** The event is FREE for kids 12 and under. Kids must be accompanied by an adult for the whole event. This fun day includes: DJ Dance Party (Mike McAlister)

Craft projects Face Painting by CMK Entertainment Grinch appearance! Buffet with food and drinks

Dec 12: Ceramics with Debbie at 9:30 AM

**Dec 22:** Reading of Twas The Night Before Christmas. If you wish to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a \$3.00-\$5.00 gift at 11:00am

Dec 25th- January 1st: Center Closed for the Holidays!

#### Grocery Bingo – on break until March 21st.

Healthy Steps in Motion Exercise Class Every Monday and Thursday at 10:00am Chair Yoga Every Wednesday at 11:00am

Lunches are offered every day starting at 11:30 for dine-in or take out, reservation needed by calling 814-265-1719.

We also serve breakfast every Tuesday from 7:30-9:30. No reservation needed for breakfast. Suggested donation for both lunch and breakfast is \$2.50.



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I hope you are all ready for the Holidays! If not in the spirit just listen to a little bit of Christmas music! The hustle & bustle began a while back at the center and now we are just scurrying around to get everything finished up. We are fully decorated and awaiting the arrival of the Guy in the Red Suit.

<u>Our 2nd Annual Community Christmas Tree!</u> We love to have the Café decorated for each season. Please stop in and take a peek. The Community Christmas Tree is available for your special ornaments...from you, your business, club organizations, scout troops, schools, daycares, etc.! Please bring in an ornament and hang it up. We keep the ornament and hang it up every year!

- 12/9 Ceramics at 9:30am
- 12/13 Cookie decorating in the Café at 11am

12/14 Annual Christmas Luncheon at noon. Please sign up by 12/7.

12/15 Cookies and Cocoa with Santa and Mrs. Clause at 10am in the Café

12/19 Christmas Party at 10am – Santa will be here!

12/20 Julie Lindemuth Christmas Program at 10:45am. Julie sings and plays guitar. A special holiday treat! Be sure to sign up for lunch following this performance.



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

Regularly Scheduled Activities – please check the center for time changes or cancellations during this busy time!

Healthy Steps in Motion	Monday & Wednesday				
Chair Yoga	Tuesday & Thursday				
Wood Carving	Wednesdays				
Bingo	Monday & Friday				
Scrabble	Thursdays				

All senior centers will be closed 12/25 through 1/1/24. We will reopen on Tuesday 1/2/24 at 8:00am.

I want to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy, & Safe Holiday Season! Thank You So Much for your support & participation at the Center. I will do my best to make it a great place for YOU TO BE!

Photos:

Halloween 10/2023 and Junebug's Visit 11/2023

\*This schedule is subject to change, so please be kind if it has to be adjusted.



# **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

#### Welcome December!

Hours Monday thru Friday – 8:30 to 1:30 – dine in lunch – noon, take out- 11:30. Reserve lunch a day in advance.

We have many activities to partake in! Stop in and check us out.

Thursday, Dec 7 – deadline to reserve holiday meal

Friday, Dec 8 – deadline to sign up for cookie exchange

Wednesday, Dec 13 – cookie exchange! Rules for cookie exchange: Each person will bring a plastic covered paper plate with 6 freshly baked cookies. Debbie will let you know how many are sign-up. You will have your holiday baing finished!

Thursday, Dec 14 – Holiday meal

Friday, Dec 15 - deadline to sign up for Secret Santa

Thursday, Dec 20 – Secret Santa! Rules for Secret Santa: each person should bring a new wrapped gift valued at up to \$10. We will have a drawing.

#### Please call Debbie at 814-938-8376 if you have any questions.

The center will be closed from

Monday December 25 (Merry Christmas!) thu Monday January 1 (happy new year!)

The Home delivered meal consumers will be notified of the change of delivery dates.

Photo:

Volunteers showing off their tee shirts.





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

#### Welcome to the Foundry!!

#### We are open M-F 9am – 2pm for coffee, lunch, activities come join us!

M-W-F- from 10:30-11:30 am we have healthy steps class for get you exercising in a fun way join us !

Thursday the crew here at the Foundry enjoys nickel bingo from 9:30-11:30 am

We also have on hand jigsaw puzzles, board games, and dominoes always available or maybe just enjoy a cup of coffee.

We have an exercise room if you want to come and walk on the treadmill, also a small library if you enjoy reading.

We always have a Trash and Treasure table here – you like something? Take it home with you if you want to bring in items you no longer need or use bring in and leave them on the table.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 12/9 Small Craft Show with Local Vendors 10:00am-2:00pm
- 12/14 Christmas Luncheon. Please sign up by 12/7
- 12/25-1/1 Foundry will be closed to observe the Christmas holiday with our families.

#### Pictures include:

ArtsPath Class with Sandy Trimble.

NOvember 9th we celebrated our Veterans with a very nice program by the Jefferson County Honor Guard with special speaker Scott North one of our Jefferson County Commissioners.



# **DISASTER PREPAREDNESS** FOR OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES





Plan how you will communicate if you have a communication need.



Plan for your transportation if you need help evacuating.



Plan how you will evacuate with any assistive devices.



Plan for food, water, and essentials for you and pets or service animals.



Include medicines, medical supplies, batteries, and chargers.

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Make copies of Medicaid, Medicare, and other insurance cards.

# WHAT TO INCLUDE IN AN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS KIT

- ✓ Contact information for important people and care providers.
- ✓ A list of medicines you need, dosage instructions, and any allergies.
- ✓ Contact information for your durable medical provider.
- Need-to-know information for first responders and others who might need to help you.



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

The Jefferson County Area Agency on Aging Staff and Board of Directors sends you best wishes for happiness, health, and prosperity throughout 2024.



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