Mechanicsburg Place Newsletter

January & February 2025

Upcoming Closures

- January 1 New Year's Day
- January 2 through Jan. 17 Renovations
- January 20 Martin Luther King Day
- February 14 Valentine's Day Potluck
- February 17 Presidents' Day

<u>Upcoming Events/Information:</u>

Renovations: January 2 - January 17

The center will be CLOSED during this time for new flooring to be installed throughout the building. This project is sponsored by the PA Dept of Aging Grant Program. The center will reopen on Tuesday, January 21. Please be sure to visit West Shore Senior Center during this time. You may reach out to them via phone 717.774.0409 to make arrangements.

Upcoming Trips

You must register for all trips by Dec. 27

Knight & Day Diner: Friday, January 3 | 11:00 am

Enjoy a relaxing day out for lunch. We will be leaving the center at 10:00 am and should arrive back at 2:00 pm.

PA Farm Show: Monday, January 6 | 9:00 am

We will be spending a day at the farm show. We will leave the center at 9:00 am and return around 4:00 pm.

Hershey Choc World: Tuesday, January 7 | 9:00 am

Our trip to Hershey Chocolate World will be followed by lunch at Fuddruckers. We will leave the center at 9:00 am and should arrive back about 2:00 pm.

Martins Potato Roll Factory:

Friday, January 10 | 9:00 am

We will travel to Chambersburg to tour Martin's Potato Roll Factory, followed by lunch at Cracker Barrel. We will leave the center at 9:00 am and return around 2:00 pm.

The Barn Resort: Tuesday, January 14 | 10:30 am

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This location is the old Boyd's Bear Barn in Gettysburg. It has been restored into a buffet where we will enjoy a lovely lunch. There is a cost of \$10/person. We will leave the center at 10:30 am and return about 2:00 pm.

Chocolate Eggs:

Sharon Johnson will be hosting our Easter egg making gathering. Egg making will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, starting January 21 through April 10. We will add days/times, as needed. Please register for times/days that you can volunteer to help make eggs.

In addition to volunteers, we are also looking for donations of supplies, including: gift cards, peanut butter, confectioner's sugar, butter, shredded coconut, marshmallow creme, coconut extract, and cream cheese. The more donations we receive, the better the profit. If you know of anywhere that would be willing to showcase and sell eggs, please reach out to Nori.

Cost will be \$1.25/individual and \$13/dozen.

Craft Day:

Monday, February. 3 - 12:00 Noon Valentine's Craft with Marianne & Linda

We will be making and decorating a box for our Valentine's Day party to be able to add cards to the box. All supplies will be provided.

Valentine Day Potluck: Friday, February 14 - All Day

We are holding a potluck on Valentine's Day. Wear your cutest pajamas and bring your Valentine's cards. We will be exchanging cards, eating good food, and having an all around fun day. Please sign up by Friday, February 7.

Weather Reports/Closures:

As the winter weather is quickly drawing near, we'd like to remind everyone that unexpected closures of the center due to inclement weather could happen. In the event of a closure, it will be posted on the local news stations as "Cumberland County Senior Centers," and we will also be sure to send out an automated call to all members.

Lunch Orders and Activity Sign Ups:

Please contact the office by 10:00 am the preceding day (Friday for Monday orders) to order your lunch for the next day. CCOA pays \$5.36 for every meal served at Cumberland County Senior Centers.

We ask that everyone contributes a \$3 donation per meal they eat inside or to-go. This is not mandatory, but it helps give back to the county that helps keep the senior centers running. Each day that you enter the building, be sure to stop at the computer to scan in and register in for the day. This helps CCOA and the center to know how many are in attendance each day.

Please also remember to sign up ahead of time (monthly or weekly) for Tai Chi, presentations, crafts, and bingo. This helps instructors and guest bingo callers prepare for the size of the group they will be hosting.

<u>Suggested Membership Fee:</u>

While the \$25 annual membership fee is not required, we ask that everyone please consider making an effort to help keep the Mechanicsburg Place Senior Center running. As a member who donates the annual \$25 fee, you will also be able to receive discounts on certain trips and receive the bi-monthly newsletter. We thank you for your consideration!

<u>Mechanicsburg Place Senior Center</u> Facebook Group & Webpage:

Type the following URL directly into your browser: *Facebook.com/groups/mechanicsburgplace* Download the monthly newsletter, event calendar, and menu at <u>MessiahLifeways.org/MechanicsburgPlace</u>





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