Pennridge Community Center

News and Views

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BUCKS COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR RETIRED AND SENIOR CITIZENS

November / December 2015

Good Bye 2015 — Welcome 2016!

Hi Everyone! I'd like to wish you all Happy Holidays and a great 2016!

It's been another hectic year at the Center. Just a few items included the completion of the Technology Grant, and then the Patio Grant, which has given us the funds to make the new patio that you can now see at the back of our building. We've also had another year of wonderful volunteers. A great big thank you goes out to all of you, who are dedicated to making the Center run as smoothly as it does. And on that note, on November 5 at noon is our Annual Volunteer Luncheon, which is our thank you for your hard work.

A few other items I need to mention are the Advisory Board and the Executive Board. They both provide guidance to the operation of the Center. The Advisory Board also is key to the fundraisers, including the Lottery Calendars, the GrubStakes Sweepstakes, and more. The Executive Board is more hands-on in the guidance provided to me, to make the Center run the best it can. Also, Peggy, our Assistant Manager, has really stepped-up the fun times during and after lunch, and to make the pre-registration of lunch ordering through Copilot. Another smooth process!

Speaking of lunches, we will again have our annual Christmas Banquet, with entertainment by the Pennridge Senior High School Choir. This will take place in the Legacy Room on December 16 at noon. Seating is limited and tickets will be sold starting in the next week or so at the front desk, for \$20 pp. You must buy your ticket by December 9 if seats are still available.

I also need to mention that membership has increased by about 130 this year. I hope to see more members participate in 2016. In 2015 Copilot has been working very well, and goes hand-in-hand with membership.

I know there is much more I can list, but space is limited (!) and many articles within the Newsletter will get my thoughts across. Please read through the Newsletter, as a few articles should make you think a little.

Please be a member in 2016, and take a more active role in your Center.

Debbie

ps - On a personal note I would like to thank you all for the well wishes on moving into my new home.

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- Normal Hours of Operation:
 - Monday through Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm
 - Some evening hours as noted
- Lunch Served 11:30 am

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Our Organization

From Your President

Time flies and 2015 is quickly coming to an end. This has been a great year for the Community Center. Thanks to Debbie and Peggy for their efforts and leadership as our Center continues to offer varied programs and activities for the Pennridge community.

In the past year, the Pennsylvania Department of Aging awarded our Center with two competitive grants. We received \$35,100 to provide up-to-date computers and provide workshops in the use of 10 types of software. We appreciate the efforts of Ted Heimbach and Dale Roades who served as both consultants for the project as well as workshop instructors. In addition, a Nutrition Workshop provided through Einstein Hospital featured the use of software to provide valuable information about nutrition habits.

We were also awarded a grant of \$74,969 to remodel the patio. Have you seen it lately? Our spacious patio has been completed and is ready for use. All we need is warm weather. We anticipate furnishing the patio in spring. Stay tuned!

Our Center offers a wealth of programs for your enjoyment as well as for information. Check out the schedule – New programs are offered regularly, and we are always looking for more. Share your suggestions with Debbie.

Please remember that membership dues are paid on a yearly basis and are due on January 1 of each year. The Board of the Bucks County Association for Retired and Senior Citizens has increased membership dues to \$16 for 2016, effective January 1. This is still a bargain!

We are quickly approaching the Holiday Season. Have a Happy Thanksgiving! Best wishes to each of you and your families for a Joyous and Blessed Holiday Season and a Healthy, Prosperous 2016.

Buster Guth President

Advisory Board

Dawn Baum **Paul Clymer** Pat Frank John Greer, III **Buster A. Guth** Patricia A. Guth Ted M. Heimbach **Durrell Hollenbach** Alice Kachline John Much David R. Nyman **Elizabeth Schirmer** Carolyn Schubert **Deborah Scollon Patricia Siwert** James Steeley Joel Steinman **Ray Weidner** Frank "Bud" Wenger R. Louisa Wismer



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Pennridge Community

Center

Executive Board

Buster A. Guth President

Ted Heimbach1st Vice President

Dale Roades 2nd Vice President

Susan Vasquez Treasurer

-TBD-Secretary

Elaine Frank Member-at-Large

Paul Burns Member-at-Large



Welcome to our New Members!

We hope you enjoy your time and fellowship at the Center!

Harry Branson Barbara Matkowski

Verdella Fisher Jennifer Mielziner

Elyse Fox Mary Lou Miller
Ruth Johns Catherine Moyer
Mary Ann Kurnik Jackie Thompson



Roger Arnold

Kitchen News from Peggy

Our Halloween luncheon was so much fun! Just seeing the great outfits everyone came up with brought so many memories of my childhood. It just goes to show the kid in all of us is still there!

In the beginning of November, we celebrated our volunteers with a Volunteer Luncheon. I can't express how much it means to Debbie and me to have the dedicated volunteers we have. Without your help we couldn't run the center. Thank You! In my last column I forgot to mention 2 volunteers. Those volunteers are Betty and Claire Gable. They pick up donations from Landis Market every Friday. Thanks for all your help.

In the future, I would like to teach homemade cookie and candy making classes and basic cake decorating. I am going to have a sheet at the receptionist desk to see how many people would want to take these classes. These classes will either be held on a Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon around 12:30. There will be a small fee to cover supplies. If there is something else you are interested in learning, let me know.

Starting in May, I need volunteers for Thursday afternoons for a new food program I am starting. I will be having a meeting for those that sign up and go over what the program involves. The signup sheet will be at the receptionist desk. I am not sure exactly how many I will need, but I will have substitutes for when regular volunteers cannot attend.

So far we are having great fall weather. Get outside and go for a walk and enjoy the beauty of all the fall colors.

It's rare for people to say how much they love their job. I want everyone to know I truly love my job and it is because I love the people who come to the Center. I am truly blessed to know every one of you!



ALL lunches will be served at 11:30.

Don't forget to sign-up for lunch on Copilot by 11:30 on Wednesday, the week prior to your lunch date.

Meal orders are faxed at Noon on Wednesdays for the following week.

Linton's does not accept additions after our order is faxed.



SPECIAL EVENTS

~~ LUNCH & LEARNS ~~

November 18

Veterans' Programs

Heidi Koffroth, from Arbour Square

December 2

CrossRoads Hospice and Bucks County Eldercare

Diane Hellig and Sara Floyd

Do You 'Just Belong'?

Are you an Active Member, the kind that would be missed, or are you just content that your name is on the list?

Do you attend meetings and mingle with the flock, or do you stay home and criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part to help the work along, or are you satisfied to be the kind that 'just belongs'?

Do you do your job well and without a kick, or do you leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?

There's quite a program scheduled that I'm sure you've heard about and 'twill be appreciated too, it you will come and help.

Think this over, member, you know right from wrong. Are you an active member, or do you 'just belong'?

...courtesy of Lulu Gilbert, Greensboro. NC



















Volunteer Luncheon

On Thursday, November 5 at NOON will be our annual Volunteer Luncheon.

The volunteers are vital to the Center and without you, we would not be able to provide the classes and activities to help keep you active, interested, and entertained!

This is our way to thank all volunteers for your hard work throughout the year.

This luncheon is by invitation only, and you must tell the receptionist if you will be attending or not.

Please plan to attend this luncheon. There is no charge.

Entertainment and More



The Fall Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, November 14, from 10 am - 3 pm.

There will be approximately 30 vendors selling their crafts with a great selection for Christmas!

The kitchen will be open for breakfast sandwiches, hot dogs, coffee, sodas and water.

High Tea Social ???

There will be a High Tea Social and Talent Show at Pennridge Central Middle School, Silverdale, on November 10, from 2 - 4 pm.

Join selected students and staff as we share an exhibition of Central's talent!

Following the show, enjoy a buffet of light refreshments and tea.

Limited number of seats! Sign-up at the front desk.

2015 & 2016 Dinner Dance Schedule

	Γ	November 20 – H	larvest Dinner Dance	Music by <i>The Blue No</i>	otes
2015		December 11 - H	loliday Dinner Dance	Music by The Good T	imes Orchestra
	L	December 31 - N	lew Year's Eve Party	Music by Gary Dee	
	Г		January 22 – Valentine	e Dinner Dance	
			February 19 – Mardi G	ras Dinner Dance	
			March 18 - St. Patrick	's Dinner Dance	
			April 15 - Celebrating	Spring Dinner Dance	
			May 20 - May Flowers	Dinner Dance	
2016			June 17 - Picnic Dinn	er Dance	
			July 15 - Beach Dinne	r Dance	
			August 19 – Luau Dini	ner Dance	
			September 16 - Autur	nn Daze Dinner Dance	
			October 21 – Fall Ball	Dinner Dance	
			November 18 - Harves	st Dinner Dance	
			December 16 - Holida	y Dinner Dance	
	L		December 31—New Yo	ear's Eve Party	

November and December Dances

Wanna Dance???

Singles and couples are welcomed at all dances.

No need to be a member to attend. Dinner reservations are required for all dances. Reservations are not required to attend the dance only. For November and December dances, tickets will be available at the Center at \$20 per person for both the dinner and dance, or \$10 for the dance only. For the New Year's Eve Party, tickets will be available at the Center at the cost of \$45 per person.

Harvest Dinner Dance - November 20

6:00 pm — 7:00 pm - Buffet

7:00~pm~-~10:00~pm - Dance to the music of

The Blue Notes

Cost: Dinner & Dance - \$20 pp; Dance only - \$10 pp

Buffet Reservations required by November 16

Holiday Dinner Dance - December 11

6:00 pm — 7:00 pm – Buffet

7:00 pm — 10:00 pm - Dance to the music of

The Good Times Orchestra

Cost: Dinner & Dance - \$20 pp; Dance only - \$10 pp

Buffet Reservations required by December 7

MORE INFO ON NEW YEAR"S EVE, ON PAGE 6

Important Items

Art Class & Sale

The Art Class is having a Show & Sale on November 17 - 20, from 9 am to 3 pm, with Friday also from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. There will be bookmarks, cards, and art for sale.

>>>> Copilot <<<<<

As we are continuing to use Copilot, a few minor changes need to be made by you, the users!

When reports are run, we found that users do not always check the actual 'box' of why they came to the Center. If you don't see or can't find the correct box, please ask the receptionist to help you, or ask for Debbie, Peggy, Ted, or Dale to help. It is VERY important that you check the right box, as the county and state use the information to provide funds to the centers in the county. If the reporting is not accurate, the funds may not be what the centers should really be entitled to.



And remember: Don't get frustrated — get help!

HOLIDAY CANDY SALE

As another fund raising project, we are again offering an assortment of Reppert's Holiday Candies. Reppert's Candies are quality chocolates at a reasonable price of \$15.50 to \$16.50 per pound. Half-pound boxes are also available. Enclosed for your convenience is an order form listing the types and flavors available. All orders and payment must be received at the Center by December 5 with delivery on December 16. Support your Senior Center as you celebrate the Holiday Season while enjoying delicious Reppert's Candies.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

7:30 pm - 8:00 pm - Appetizers 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm - Buffet 9:00 pm - 12:15 am - Dance to the music of *Gary Dee*

Reservations accepted until December 15

CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR

Celebrate the New Year at the Center! The Advisory Board is again hosting a New Year's Eve Celebration on Saturday, December 31. The party will begin with appetizers which will be served from 7:30 – 8:00 PM. A Candlelight Buffet prepared by Our Town Caterers will be served from 8:00 – 9:00 pm. The menu will be: Carved Black Angus Beef Sirloin, Norwegian Salmon, Mashed Potato Bar, Vegetable Medley, Garden Salad, Rolls/Butter, Dessert, and Beverages, including BYOB. Dancing to the music of Gary Dee will be held from 9:00 pm – 12:15 am. Punch, snacks, and goodies will be available throughout the evening. Hats and noise makers will be provided.

Reservations are required. The cost will be \$45 per person. Reservations will be accepted after November 2 or no later than December 15. Advanced reservations can be guaranteed by payment of \$20 per person. Full payment will be expected on or before December 28, 2015.

Upcoming Trips

Branson, MO

May 14-22, 2016 \$770 pp Insurance is \$69 pp

Included are 9 days and 8 nights, 8 breakfasts, 6 dinners, 7 shows, Showboat Branson Belle, bus driver gratuities, and more. Shows are Puttin' on the Ritz, Brett Family Show, Dublin's Irish Tenors, The Celtic Ladies, The Adventures of Marco Polo Show, 70's Musical Celebration, and the 'It' Show.

Call Sara at 215-536-3066 for more information.

Wildwood, NJ

September 5-9, 2016 \$450 pp

Included in the price are 4 nights and 5 days lodging at Montego Bay Resort (which is ocean front), 4 full breakfasts, 4 superb dinners, fun filled Gala Night with dinner, dancing & prizes, show at the Performing Arts Center, cocktail party with entertainment, dolphin watch boat cruise, flag ceremony at Sunset Beach, ice cream social and much more.

Mount Rushmore, the Badlands, & the Black Hills of South Dakota

Sept. 23 - Oct. 3, 2016 \$950 pp

Included is 10 nights lodging, including 4 consecutive nights in South Dakota. Also, you'll visit Custer State Park, admission to the Unique Journey Museum, a guided tour of Deadwood and a visit to the Crazy Horse Memorial, and more.

\$75 pp due at sign-up Final payment due July 14, 2016.

If there are any trips you would like Sara to look into, or if you have questions about any trips, please call her at 215-536-3066.

Note that some trips may remain strictly as a Hagey's trip, due to a lack of required bookings from the Center.

Trip Policy

If you cannot go on the trip that you paid for, and these monies <u>have</u> been paid to the travel company, there is no refund.

PLEASE NOTE - Due to many people signing up for trips close to the time of the trip, seats <u>may not</u> be available. To reserve a seat for a trip, you <u>need</u> to sign up early.

Day Programs and Activities

Please note that all monies will be collected at the front desk when you arrive prior to each class. All fees for appointments should be paid to the provider. All classes are open to the public (all ages).

Aerobics

Thursdays - 10:00 am Instructor - Donna Savercool

\$3 / class for Members / \$5 Non-Members

Art Class

Tuesdays - 9:30 - 11:30 am Instructor - Carol Schoeniger \$3 / class for Members / \$5 Non-Members

Backgammon

Tuesdays - 9:30 am in the Conference Room Instructor - Bob Burdick **\$1**

Billiards

Monday — Friday - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Occasionally there is travel to other Centers, and vice-versa.

\$2 / day for Members / \$3 Non-Members

Bingo

1st & 4th Wednesdays - 12:30 pm Caller - Joe Marcavage **\$1** / card

Breakfast Book Club

First Friday of the month, 9:00 am Facilitator - Susan Vasquez

No Charge

Ceramics - Project Work

Monday thru Friday 9:00 am **\$1**

Chess Club

Tuesdays - 9:30 am **\$1**

Computer Help

Usually available during the week. Stop in and inquire. **Hourly Charge**

Genealogy Research

Tuesday - 9 - 12 pm, Wednesday - 1 - 3 pm, and Friday - 9 - 12 pm
Facilitators - John Howells, Jo Ann Reckner, Harry Wyatt Call for Member and Non-Member charges

Hand & Foot Card Game

Mondays - 12:00 - 3:00 pm Usually played with two to six players, sometimes with partners. *Check out the instructions on the website,* under Activities.

\$1 / afternoon

Line Dancing (Contemporary)

Mondays and Thursdays - 11:00 am Instructor - Lynn Taloricco \$3 / class for Members / \$5 Non-Members

Mahjongg

Fridays - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm **\$1 / day**

Model Builders

Fridays - 1:00 - 2:30 pm Learn to make dulcimers, clocks, etc. \$2 / day

Pinochle

Mondays & 1st Tuesday - 1:00 pm **\$1.50 / day**

Progressive Rummy

Mondays - 12:30 pm \$1

Reading, Writing, & Research Class

Wednesdays - 9:00 - 11:30 am
Facilitator -Tom Adams
Discussions stemming from genealogy leading to writings of you and your family for future generations.
\$1 / session

Tai Chi

Thursdays - 1:00 - 2:00 pm Fridays - 10:00 - 11:00 am Instructor - Lisa Raezer

8 wk. session - Members \$30, Walk-Ins \$5 / class Non-Members \$55, Walk-Ins \$10 / class

Wii Games

Bowling and Golf Tuesdays and Wednesdays - 12:30 pm **\$1**

ZUMBA Gold

Mondays - 10:00 - 11:00 am Instructor - Cindy Conti

\$3 per session for Members / \$5 Non-Members

Evening Programs and Activities

Please note that all monies will be collected at the front desk when you arrive prior to each class. All fees for appointments should be paid to the provider.

All classes are open to the public (all ages)!

Belly Dancing

Wednesdays 6:15 - 7:15 pm Instructor - Lisa Raezer \$10 session

Billiards

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm Members - \$2 Non-Members - \$3

Genealogy Research

Mondays - 6 - 8 pm Facilitators - John Howells, Joann Reckner, Harry Wyatt Call for Member and Non-Member Charges

Tai Chi

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 pm Instructor - Ben Caccavale 8 week session Members - \$30 Walk-in - \$5 / session Anyone under 55 - \$55 Walk-ins - \$10 / session

Zumba ®

Mondays and Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm Instructor - Valerie Hawkins \$5 / session

Report to our Municipalities

During November and December, members of our Advisory Board will be delivering the Center's annual Municipal Report to elected officials of the nine municipalities served by the Center, in an effort to both provide information about the Center as well as to request financial support. Each elected official will receive a written description of the services and activities offered at the Center, a summary of the residences of the membership, and information concerning participation.

Programs and activities will be briefly described, noting that Pennridge Community Center is the only facility in the Pennridge are solely dedicated to providing recreational opportunities for individuals over age 55. Currently, an average of 75 persons sign in for daily activities.

The officials will again be informed of the Center's financial responsibilities. The Center is responsible for all operational expenses, including the maintenance of the building and site, utilities, administrative expenses, and expenses for programs and activities. In addition, the Center is responsible for the monthly mortgage payments of \$1,059.02.

Copies of the Municipal Report are available from Debbie.

At-A-Glance

as of 10/28/15

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2015										
November 3	Tuesday	CENTER CLOSED	Election Day							
November 5	Thursday	Volunteer Luncheon	CENTER WILL BE CLOSED except for the Luncheon							
November 10	Tuesday	High Tea	2 - 4 pm at Pennridge Central Middle School							
November 10	Tuesday	AARP Beginner Driving Class	9:20 am - 2:00 pm							
November 11	Wednesday	CENTER CLOSED	Veteran's Day							
November 12	Thursday	ADVISORY BOARD Meeting	10 am							
November 13	Friday	AARP Beginner Driving Class	9:20 am - 2:00 pm							
November 14	Saturday	Fall Craft Fair	10 am - 3 pm							
November 17-20	Tuesday - Friday	Art Class Show & Sale	9:00 am - 3:00 pm, and 6:30 - 8:00 pm on Friday							
November 18	Wednesday	EXECUTIVE BOARD Meeting	10 am							
November 19	Thursday	AARP Refresher Driving Class	9:20 am - 2:00 pm							
November 19	Thursday	WAYS & MEANS Committee Meeting	9:30 am							
November 20	Friday	Harvest Dinner Dance	Dance - 7 pm, music by The Blue Notes							
November 26	Thursday	CENTER CLOSED	Thanksgiving Day							
November 27	Friday	CENTER CLOSED	Day After Thanksgiving							
November 28	Saturday	Public Flea Market	9 am - 1 pm							
December 2	Wednesday	Lunch & Learn	Hospice & Eldercare							
December 10	Thursday	ADVISORY BOARD Meeting	10 am							
December 11	Friday	Holiday Dinner Dance	Dance - 7 pm, music by The Good Times Orchestra							
December 16	Wednesday	Christmas Banquet	CENTER WILL BE CLOSED except for the Banquet							
December 17	Thursday	WAYS & MEANS Committee Meeting	9:30 am							
December 24	Thursday	CENTER CLOSED	Christmas Eve							
December 25	Friday	CENTER CLOSED	Christmas Day							
December 31	Friday	CENTER CLOSED	New Year's Eve							
December 31	Friday	New Year's Eve Dinner Dance	Dance - 7 pm, music by Gary Dee							
		2016								
January 1	Friday	CENTER CLOSED	New Year's Day							
January 14	Thursday	ADVISORY BOARD Meeting	10 am							
January 18	Monday	CENTER CLOSED	Martin Luther King Jr. Day							
January 20	Wednesday	EXECUTIVE BOARD Meeting	9:30 am							
January 21	Thursday	WAYS & MEANS Committee Meeting	9:30 am							
January 22	Friday	Valentine Dinner Dance	Dance 7 pm							

Notes, Notes, . . .

Volunteering at the Center

Our Center is what it is, thanks to the volunteers. Every day there are folks who volunteer their time and expertise to make the Center one of the best around. Besides being "just" a volunteer, you'll get to meet and interact with people that you may not have before. At times there are events you can volunteer for, and you typically won't have to pay for that event.

Contact Debbie or Peggy if you are interested.

Available volunteer positions are:

Receptionist (back-up only), Kitchen Help, Flea Market Help, and Meals-on-Wheels Drivers

Our Library



Your Center Library will be featuring fall and winter holiday books as well as themed word searches and puzzles. Stop by for some reading for yourself, and check out our book sale shelves for low-priced books for gift giving!

CERAMICS RAFFLE

The Ceramics Class will be raffling 2 sizes of Christmas Trees and a Violet Pot. Raffle tickets are available from the receptionist, and the cost is \$1 per ticket.

The drawing will be held after the Christmas Banquet on December 16.



Pocket Billiards Tournaments

Our pool players, i.e. billiards players, have tournaments throughout the year, playing other Centers' and retirement homes' pool players. If you'd like to come out and play and compete, there is a spot for you, as there are no try-outs.

Here is the schedule for November:

Nov. 3 - Shannondell, Away

10 - Generations (Souderton), at PCC

13 - Traditions (Skippack), at PCC

17 - Ben Wilson Center (Warminster), Away

NOTE: No Tournaments in December



Did you see the new Patio?

CERAMICS!!



Our Ceramics Class is making *lighted* Christmas Trees. They already have some orders, so talk to Debbie soon to order yours. There are 2 sizes available, a 15" tree for \$27 and an 18" tree for \$35 each.

Also being made now are large Violet Pots, priced at \$15. Other items will also be made for holidays throughout the year. Orders are being taken now.

Our Center

Who We Are

The Pennridge Community Center is one of the four full-service senior citizen centers operated by the BUCKS COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR RETIRED AND SENIOR CITIZENS (BCARSC), a non-profit corporation. The BCARSC is funded through the PA Department on Aging and through self-supporting projects. BCARSC is an equal opportunity employer.

All programs and services provided at the four Centers are offered without regard to race, religion, political affiliation, or personal background.

The Pennridge Community Center serves all citizens ages 55 and older who reside in the boroughs of Dublin, Perkasie, Sellersville, Silverdale, and Telford and the townships of Bedminster, East Rockhill, Hilltown, and West Rockhill.

The Pennridge Community Center is partially funded through the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging, the Pennsylvania Department on Aging, the Federal Food program, and self-supported projects.

All operational expenses are the responsibility of the Center. The Executive Board, Advisory Board, Center Manager, and Assistant Manager are responsible to pursue all possible sources to generate income.

Mission Statement

The Pennridge Community Center was founded in 1964 as the Upper Bucks Branch of the Bucks County Association of Retired and Senior Citizens. The mission of the original Center was to provide a facility for retired and senior citizens to meet friends and make new acquaintances.

Over the years, the mission has changed to provide for the needs of the senior citizens of the 21st century. The mission has expanded to provide relevant information, services, and activities necessary to assure aging with health, independence, and dignity.

Important Contact Information

Area Agency on Aging

8:30 am - 4:30 pm (M - F) Phone: 267-880-5700 Call to inquire about Meals on Wheels

RSVP

215-340-1210

Bucks County Transport

1-888-795-0740

Social Security Office

9 am - 3 pm (M - F) 41 N. 4th St. Allentown, PA 18102 1-877-405-6746

Last Minute Items

Patio Progress

The Pennsylvania Department of Aging recently awarded our Center a grant of \$74,969 to renovate our patio and install a stair glide. After the bids for the patio were received, it became obvious that the available funds were sufficient only for the patio.

Except for landscaping and furnishings, our patio project is complete! Through the efforts of volunteers Architect Fred Diseroad and Buster Guth, the renovation has been completed in record time with few complications. The structure has been designed to be converted to a sun room should funds become available in the future.

We have been fortunate to have Carson Kimnach of Boy Scout Troop 152 work on our patio as his Eagle Scout project. Carson, his parents, and troop members prepared the patio site by removing 4,000 bricks which served as the floor. He is preparing a design for the use of the named bricks at the entrance sign. Veterans' bricks will be placed around the flag pole.

Our new patio is spacious. It will be a great space for meetings and gatherings.

Rentals at the Center

As you know, we have many rentals at the Center throughout the year. In fact, this year we had 35 rentals to-date, ranging from parties to receptions to dances. We have more booked during the last 2 months of the year, and more are booked for 2016.

For those who may not know, we rent the Legacy Room and the Conference Room. These rentals bring income to the Center, which in turn helps fund many things, including classes and activities, as they help to keep our Center open and running.

If you know of any potential renters, please direct them our way. We appreciate your efforts in helping the Center!



... and more Notes!

Free Blood Pressure Screenings

Jennifer Light of Golden Living Center, Doylestown, will be here to provide <u>free</u> Blood Pressure Screenings.

She will be doing the screenings on the first Monday of each month.

No sign-up is needed - just stop in!

AARP Driving Classes

AARP is *again* sponsoring their Driving Classes

The **Beginner Class** will be held on Tuesday, November 10, and the second session will be held on Thursday, November 13, both from 9:15 am - 2:00 pm. The cost for these classes is \$15 for AARP Members; \$20 for non-members.

The **Refresher Class** will be held on Thursday, November 19 from 9:15 am - 2:00 pm. Please bring your Beginner Certificate to this class. The cost for this class is \$15 for AARP Members, \$20 for non-members,

Sign-up at the Reception Desk.

GrubStakes Update

The GrubStakes drawing was held on October 15.

The winners of the top 5 prizes are:

Bob King and Susan Suchanick - Landis Market Joyce Moyer and Chloe Stoop - Giant Market John Greer III - Dublin Shop n Bag

Public Flea Market

The Public Flea Market will take place on Saturday, November 28 from 9 am - 1 pm.

Please stop in and check out the many, many items for sale.

A light lunch will be available.

Website / Facebook

Remember - You can find more information about the Center on our website - www.pennridgecenter.org

Check out the website often!! And tell others!!

ALSO, our Facebook page is updated often.

You can find information here as well as on the website.

And if the website is not accessible, please try our

Facebook page, especially when there are weather

concerns and the Center's closing.

Our page is *Pennridge Community Center*

IT'S MEMBERSHIP TIME!

We would love to have you come and join in all the fun!

Our Membership Dues for January through December 2016 will be \$16. You are entitled to all the fun activities of our beautiful Center for the year.

Please fill out the Membership card, and if you are a new member age 60 or older, fill out the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging form.

Thank you very much, and we hope to see you in the Center!

- Debbie

Did you see the Clock in the Lobby?



There's a new Grandfather Clock in the lobby. Thanks to Buster Guth and Dennis Hurchulla for spending about 3 months building this clock. Now that it's completed, it's for all to enjoy!

Some Standards . . .

Computer Workshops

As a follow-up to the State Grant for Technology, the Center is offering the same 10 workshops again this Fall. The remaining workshops for the year are:

Introduction to iPad (Nov. 3 - 5) Evening, 6 - 8 pm **E-Mail Basics** (Nov. 10,12) Day, 1 - 3 pm Internet Basics (Nov. 17 - 19)
Day, 1 - 3 pm

If there is sufficient interest, additional workshops may be scheduled in late afternoons or early evenings. The cost for each workshop is \$99.99. We expect to again offer the same 10 workshops in the spring.

Registration forms for these 3 remaining workshops are available at the receptionist's desk.

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Nutritional Program, and more

Our friends at **Einstein Nutrition Institute** will once again have their cooking demonstration and offer great tips on nutritional eating.

The next 2 sessions have not been finalized, so check with the receptionist for the new dates.

Thank You!!

Thank You to our Municipal Partners!

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West Rockhill Township

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Your financial support to the operation of the Pennridge Community Center is **very much** appreciated!

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STORM CLOSING INFORMATION

Check Channel 69 WFMZ on your TV - OR check the internet at www.wfmz.com

Look for "Pennridge Community"

ALSO - - -

Local radio stations announce closings by number - Pennridge School District is # 757.

If the schools are closed, the Center is closed. If the schools open late, the Center will be open, but please use common sense.

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Center Closings, 9 am - 3 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 3 - Election Day

Thursday, Nov. 5 - Volunteer Luncheon

Wednesday, Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day

Thursday, Nov. 26 - Thanksgiving Day

Friday, Nov. 27 - Day After Thanksgiving

Wednesday, Dec. 16 - Christmas Banquet

Thursday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve

Friday, Dec. 25 - Day After Christmas

Thursday, Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve

Friday, Jan 1, 2016 - New Year's Day