

'TIS THE SEASON TO PLAY
CHRISTMAS BINGO

**Tuesday,
December 14th**

RSVP required.
Space is limited.

Bring your Christmas Spirit!
We'll bring everyone's favorite prize - candy & snacks!

\$1 Suggested Donation • Small Prizes • Big Fun

Play Pool!

Get out of the house safely,
have fun, and socialize!

Tuesdays at 1:00 pm
RSVP required.

Other activities are available that can
be done independently or while social
distancing: puzzles, coloring, and more!

Our library is open!

Call ahead or stop in while
attending an in-person activity.
As winter brings frigid
temperatures it's the perfect time
to get comfy with a good book!

For in-person activities:
Drop-ins are not permitted.
Masks are required (except when eating).
Social distancing is being practiced.

Get help with your tablet,
computer or phone, or set
up a Zoom account!

Call to make a one-on-one appointment with one of
our qualified (and patient) volunteer Tech Coaches.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

If you have a birthday this month,
we have a small gift for you!

Please call 24 hours
in advance to
pick up your
"Birthday-in-a-Bag".

Come get healthy with us again!

Targeted for ages 55 and up -
All are welcome!

Pre-register for each class. Space is limited.
Masks required at all times.

Walkercise
Mondays & Wednesday • 9-9:30 AM
Come stretch those morning muscles!

Tai Chi
Tuesdays & Fridays • 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Tai Chi is described as "Meditation in Motion."

No matter what your abilities,
come move with us.

\$2 suggested donation per class.
First class free!

We wish you
**A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS**
and Happy New Year!

THE CENTER
at
THE OPEN LINK

December 2021

The Most Wonderful Time of The Year

By Wendy Smeltz, Center Manager and
Evet Hexamer, Asst. Center Manager

The holiday season is a favorite here at The Center. Pre-pandemic it was bustling with activity: festive attire and ugly sweaters, music, food and desserts, and gathering with friends. The highlight was the holiday party which filled The Center with Christmas joy.

Although we can't return in-person for an event with a buffet, a choir and crowds of people, fun is planned!

Get in the holiday spirit by making Christmas cards and decorating cookies. No creative skills are required and there will be samples for ideas. Everyone is invited to our holiday drive-thru for hot chocolate with marshmallows and other surprises.

Some of our young volunteers wanted to get involved over holiday break, so we have organized games and activities that they will help host. It's sure to be filled with fun and laughter. For more details about 'Reindeer Games', Christmas Bingo and other activities mentioned, see inside the newsletter.

This time of year is filled with happiness, love and joy, a time to spread good will and help those less fortunate. We hope your lives are filled

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There was no shortage of creativity at The Center for our "Pizza Pan Wreath" craft. Some participants were crafting pros while others were beginners - and they all came out beautifully! There is more crafting this month, and more to come in 2022!

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Friday, 12/24 - Christmas Day observed
Friday, 12/31 - New Year's Day observed

WINTER WEATHER

A friendly reminder that The Center follows the
Upper Perk School District weather schedule.
This includes delays, early dismissal and closings.

*MOW volunteers please call The Center in the morning
for instructions. Our message will be updated with closures.

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NOTICE Some people are having trouble calling The Center. If you can not reach us,
please call The Open Link's main office in Pennsburg at 215.679.4112.
Your call will be transferred to us. We apologize for the inconvenience.

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Celebrate the HOLIDAYS

with

HOT CHOCOLATE & A HOLIDAY GOODY BAG

Friday, December 17th • 12:00 -12:30 PM
 RSVP by Dec. 14th. Call 215.679.6550

Receive Treats, Activity Booklet & More
 Everyone is invited to dress in festive attire!

This is a drive-thru event. Enter from Jefferson Street.




**517 Jefferson Street
 East Greenville**



Please let us know if you will also be picking up lunch that day. \$2.00 Suggested Donation.

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with all of these things and that you enjoy time with family, even if it means doing things differently than in the past to stay safe and healthy.

The holidays are made for memories. “I used to love going with my parents and siblings to look at the lights every year and I continue that tradition with my kids. It puts us in the holiday spirit,” says Assistant Center Manager Evet Hexamer. Center Manager Wendy Smeltz shares, “My favorite part of Christmas is playing games with my family, usually while wearing silly Christmas pajamas; these are some of my favorite memories.”

At this time of year, we count our blessings. Staff feels thankful for our participants and our volunteers. We hope you consider your “family” at The Center among the many good things in your life. We offer season’s greetings to you: Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas or Happy Holidays - we wish you a happy holiday season!

Monday Community Meal

Dec. 6th • 6:00 pm

Drive-Thru Meal at Pennsburg U.C.C.

There is no charge for the meal.



Drive-thru lunch will continue until we are able to resume congregate lunch.

Bagged nutritious lunch

includes frozen meal to heat at home, side items, bread and milk
 Produce from the garden often available!

No cost for individuals age 60 or over, or a regular Center participant

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 12:00 - 12:30 PM Pick-Up**

Schedule in advance, or call by 11:00 AM that day! 215.679.6550

No Cost • Donations Welcome

*Enter from Jefferson St. through the driveway.
 Staff or volunteers bring your meal to your car.*

Drive-thru Pick-up






**Wed., December 8th, 2021
 11:00 AM or 1:00 PM**

Join us at The Center for Christmas festivities!
 Make your own Christmas cards & decorate cookies
 Supplies will vary.

If you are interested in doing this activity, but don't want or need the cards, we will give them to Meals on Wheels recipients.

\$2 Suggested Donation

Space is limited! RSVP by December 3th
 Call 215.679.6550



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 East Greenville**