



Wayne County  
Area Agency on  
Aging



## News For All Seasons

**JUNE 15  
WORLD ELDER ABUSE  
AWARENESS DAY**



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Our communities are like buildings that support people's wellbeing. Sturdy buildings ensure that people are safe and thriving at every age. We all have a part to play in this construction project. Here are 12 things everyone can do to build community supports and prevent elder abuse.

Learn the signs of elder abuse and neglect and how we can collectively solve the issue.

Talk to friends and family members about how we can all age well and reduce abuse with programs and services like improved law enforcement, community centers, and public transportation.

Prevent isolation. Call or visit your older loved ones and ask how they are doing regularly.

Send a letter to a local paper, radio or TV station suggesting that they cover World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (June 15) or Grandparents Day in September.

Join Ageless Alliance, an organization that connects people of all ages, nationwide, who stand united for the dignity of older people and for the elimination of elder abuse. Visit [agelessalliance.org](http://agelessalliance.org).

Provide respite breaks for caregivers.

Encourage bank managers to train tellers on how to detect elder financial abuse.

Ask doctors to ask all older patients about possible family violence in their lives.

Contact a local Adult Protective Services or Long-Term Care Ombudsman to learn how to support their work helping older people and adults with disabilities who may be more at risk.

Organize an "Aging with Dignity" essay or poster contest in a local school.

Ask religious congregation leaders to give a talk about elder abuse at a service or to put a message about elder abuse in the bulletin.

Volunteer to be a friendly visitor to a nursing home resident or to a homebound older person in our communities. It is up to all of us to prevent and address elder abuse!


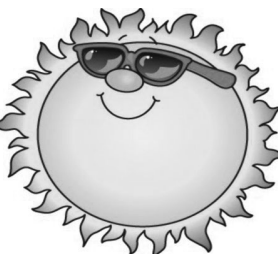

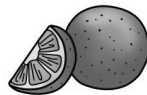







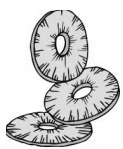



**Wayne County Adult Protective Services' (APS) workers are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to help those Pennsylvania residents age 60 or older who are at imminent risk of physical or emotional abuse, abandonment, exploitation, or neglect. Those calling to report elder abuse need not give their name to the Area Agency on Aging and all information is confidential. Call toll-free 1-800-648-9620 to speak to an APS worker.**

For more information on elder abuse prevention, please visit the National Center on Elder Abuse at [ncea.acl.gov](http://ncea.acl.gov).



# Graduation

**Suggested meal price: \$2.50. Milk is included with all meals.**

		<p>1) Turkey Roll ups Cornbread Stuffing/ Gravy Mashed Sweet Potatoes Brussel sprouts Fresh apple</p> 	<p>2) Breaded pork chop Garden rotini Carrots Wheat bread/butter Vanilla pudding w/ Strawberries <b>NW: Juice, turkey sandwich, mayo, bean salad, vanilla pudding w/ strawberries</b></p>	<p>3) Fish Sticks Macaroni &amp; cheese Stewed tomatoes Wheat bread/butter Fresh orange</p> 
<p>6) Baked Ham w/ Pineapple Mashed sweet potatoes Cauliflower Rye bread/butter Fresh orange</p> 	<p>7) Spaghetti w/meat sauce Green beans Italian bread/butter Pears</p>	<p>8) Baked fish Florentine Creamed potatoes Carrots Wheat bread/butter Melon</p> 	<p>9) BBQ chicken Baked potato w/ sour Cream Brussel sprouts Wheat bread/butter Pudding</p>	<p>10) Grape juice Cheese pizza With sausage Broccoli Cottage cheese w/ Peaches</p>
<p>13) Stuffed Pepper Casserole Baked potato w/ Butter Mixed vegetables Wheat dinner roll/butter Fresh apple</p> 	<p>14) <b>Flag Day</b> Pinto beans, zucchini, Mushroom bake Spanish rice Green beans Wheat bread/ butter Red, White &amp; blue dessert</p> 	<p>15) Chicken Cacciatore Over brown rice Brussel sprouts Wheat bread/butter Apricots</p> 	<p>16) Baked cod w/dill Sauce Pasta primavera Spinach Wheat bread/ Butter Pudding <b>NW: Juice, chicken salad sandwich, cottage cheese &amp; peaches, lemon meringue pie</b></p>	<p>17) <b>Father's Day</b> Roast pork w/ sauerkraut Mashed potatoes Baby carrots Rye bread/ butter Lemon meringue Pie</p> 
<p>20) Fish patty on wheat bun Tartar sauce Potato wedges Carrots Pudding</p> 	<p>21) Eggplant Parmesan Broccoli Pasta with sauce Cottage cheese w/ Peaches</p>	<p>22) Meatloaf w/ gravy Brown rice Cauliflower Wheat roll/butter Fresh orange</p>	<p>23) Tomato juice Hot ham with cheese On a croissant Carrots Pineapple</p> 	<p>24) Roast chicken Potatoes O'Brien Vegetable blend Wheat roll/butter Cantaloupe</p>
<p>27) Chicken patty on a Wheat bun Sweet potato fries Broccoli &amp; cauliflower Mandarin oranges</p> 	<p>28) Red pepper and broccoli Quiche Creamed spinach Brussel sprouts Wheat bread/butter Peaches</p>	<p>29) Open-faced hot turkey Sandwich on wheat Bread w/gravy Mashed potatoes Peas &amp; carrots Pudding</p> 	<p>30) Stuffed cabbage casserole Brown rice Brussel sprouts Wheat bread/butter Fresh apple</p>	<p>The best way to get something done is to <b>BEGIN</b></p> 

\*NW=Northern Wayne

Please call 253-5540 by

1:00 PM one day prior to make a reservation.

Menu is subject to change due to availability.

## FOR CONSUMERS RECEIVING IN-HOME MEALS—

### Attention Valued In-Home Meal Consumer:

With the summer months here, there is a change in food safety policy. Please read the following instructions carefully and contact your assigned care manager at 570-253-4262 if you have any questions or concerns.

1. Whenever possible, please be available to accept the meals from the delivery driver in person.
2. If you receive **HOT** meals (available Monday/Wednesday/Friday in Hawley/Honesdale areas only) and are unable to meet the driver, please provide **TWO** coolers; one cooler will be for hot items and the other for cold/frozen items.
3. If you receive **FROZEN** meals and are unable to meet the driver, please provide **ONE** cooler that is large enough to accommodate your weekly meal delivery.
4. Please ensure that you remove all meals from the coolers as soon as possible. **Please discard meals left in coolers more than four hours.**

It is our pleasure to continue to provide safe and healthy meals to the older adult community of Wayne County. We greatly appreciate your attention to these new safety procedures.

Sincerely,

Mary Ursich, MSW,  
Administrator, Wayne County Area Agency on Aging



HONESDALE, PA

2nd Saturday | 11:30am to 12pm  
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Laura Ruddy, (570) 510-8154

4th Saturday | 11-11:45am  
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church  
Dave Nonnenmacher, (570) 253-3378

5th Saturday | 11-11:30am  
Central United Methodist Church  
Sue Keyes, (570) 470-3868

# Hamlin Senior Center

**Chair Yoga** – Mon. at 1 PM, 6/6, 6/13, 6/20, & 6/27

**Healthy Steps** – Wed. & Thurs., at 10 AM

**Dancercise** – Thurs. at 11 AM. Looking for a team for a routine.

**Garden Spot** – Tues. 10-11 AM, Vegetable & flower beds upkeep.

**Bingo** – Tues. at 1 PM and Fri. at 10 AM

**Mahjong** – Mon. at 12:30 PM

**Women's Veteran Recognition** – Tues., 6/7 at 11 AM. Vicki Wargo, VA Director celebrates women veterans.

**Flag Day** – Flag Day, 6/14. Wear your red, white, & blue.

**HHCP & Wayne Memorial Hospital presentation** — Tue., 6/14 at 11 AM. Stroke awareness.

**Father's Day Celebration** – Fri., 6/18 – Father's memoirs theme, Bingo at 10 AM and ice cream sundaes.

**Painting with Loise** – Tues., 6/21 at 10:00 AM. Therapy art focusing on all your senses complete with soothing music, the joy of painting and water infused with fruits.

**Shuffleboard Competition** – Tues., 6/28 at 10:30 AM. Please RSVP with Becky.

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
<b>10:00</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<b>10:00—11:00</b>	<b>10:00—11:00</b>	<b>10:00</b>
<b>Tai Chi</b> (small fee) <b>(1st &amp; 3rd Mon.)</b>	Cards/Games	Healthy Steps in Motion Exercise	Healthy Steps in Motion Exercise	Bingo
<b>12:30</b>	<b>1:00—2:00</b>		<b>11:00</b>	
Mahjong	Bingo		Dancercise	
<b>1:00—2:00</b>	<b>*Schedule</b>			
Chair Yoga	<b>Subject to</b>			
	<b>Change</b>			

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Robert Daley 6/1  
Vita Martel 6/3  
Howard Card 6/5  
Connie McGee 6/10  
Marlene Yednak 6/10  
Sandra Baluta 6/10  
June Phillips 6/14

Mary Ann Asimake-Noon 6/19  
Lisa Conklin 6/20  
Veldora McCane 6/20  
William Fleming 6/22  
Madelyn Kirkella 6/27  
Arthur Boldue 6/29



## Mother's Day Party Recap—

On Friday, May 6 the Hamlin older adults enjoyed a fun-filled day of tea, china, hats and special delights. The center was decorated with all the elegance of a tea room with small potted petunias for each person. Many ladies wore decorated hats, and we had a china tea cup/saucer contest. Though many had beautiful cups, Gloria Czubowicz won first place, Colleen Mentz, second place and Susan Good, third place. They won little cups with a pretty flowering plant inside. Scones, creams and jellies were served with a variety of specialty teas. Finally, the day was completed, with, of course, a game of Bingo!



Tea party celebrants at left.



Right, tea set contest winners:  
Left to right, Colleen Mentz,  
Second place; Gloria Czubowicz,  
First place; and Susan Good,  
Third place.



# Hawley Senior Center

Remember our country's flag on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Fly her high.

Celebrating all Father's on Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> with an ice cream social.

Just to put the word out, we are having our annual picnic this year on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. We will have the BIG TOP set up behind the Hawley Center, so all Hawley seniors are encouraged to come. Please let us know if you plan attend to this year. There is room for 75 seniors; first come, first served. Call 570-226-4209 to make your reservation. This is your year. (Consumers are limited to attendance to one picnic, in fairness to all.)

We are looking for card players—Hearts, Spades and Rummy. If interested, please call and let us know. 570-226-4209. We'll set up a time and date to start.



<u>Monday</u> <b>9:00-3:00</b> Exercise Equip. <b>11:00—2:30</b> Mahjong <b>10:30—11:30</b> Healthy Steps Class <b>10:30 –2:00</b> Ceramics <b>11:00—2:30</b> Mahjong	<u>Tuesday</u> <b>9:00—3:00</b> Exercise Equip. <b>10:30 —2:00</b> Ceramics <b>1:00—2:15</b> Bingo	<u>Wednesday</u> <b>9:00—3:00</b> Exercise Equip. <b>10:00—10:30</b> Tai Chi (small fee) <b>10:30—2:00</b> Ceramics <b>10:30—11:30</b> Healthy Steps Class <b>5:30—8:30</b> Mahjong	<u>Thursday</u> <b>9:00—3:00</b> Exercise Equip. <b>1:00—2:00</b> Bingo	<u>Friday</u> <b>9:00—3:00</b> Exercise Equip. <b>10:30—11:30</b> Healthy Steps Class
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May birthdays: Della Galgen, Fred Hannel, Louise Sheridan and Pat Hartshorn



Sharon Peduto and Joan Palinkas, left and Louie Reiser celebrating Cinco De Mayo.



Italian Day Fun

# Honesdale Senior Center

June 3, 2022—It's birthday Friday; visit the center, join in the birthday celebration, and receive a sweet treat.

June 8, 2022—Women's Veterans Day celebration. If you are a woman who served in the Armed Forces and would like to be honored in Honesdale, please call Vicki Wargo, Veterans' Affairs Director at (570) 253-5970, extension 3114 for reservations.

June 14, 2022—Flag Day today! Come for lunch, featuring a red, white and blue dessert.

June 17, 2022—Father's Day celebration. After a delicious roast pork meal, enjoy the annual Father's Day ice cream social.—ce cream sundaes for all in attendance. Please call Kathy at 253-5540 to make a reservation.

June 27, 2022—Alice's Artistry Craft Class—Come on in and get crafty after lunch! Call Alice at 253-5540 for info.



**The Honesdale Senior Picnic is scheduled for Friday, July 15, 2022 from 10 AM to 3 PM at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. A traditional BBQ meal, live music, raffle prizes and BINGO is planned. Attendance is limited to 100 consumers, one picnic per person please.**

**Looking for billiards players—see schedule below:**

<u>Monday</u> <b>9:00-10:00</b> "Mondays with Marie"— Exercise streamed live on Wayne County PA Human Services' FACEBOOK page <b>11:00-3:00</b> Bridge	<u>Tuesday</u> <b>10:30-1:30</b> Exercise <b>1:00-4:00</b> Billiards Shuffleboard	<u>Wednesday</u> <b>10:00-11:00</b> Exercise <b>1:00-2:00</b> BINGO Shuffleboard <b>1:00-2:00</b> Caregivers' Support Group—3rd Weds. each month	<u>Thursday</u> Northern Wayne Center meets twice monthly, June 2 and 16 <b>1:00-4:00</b> Shuffleboard Billiards	<u>Friday</u> <b>10:30-11:30</b> Exercise <b>1:00-4:00</b> Rummikub tile game Shuffleboard
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Our "puzzlers" Vincent D'Agostino and Shirley Ostrander are so happy to be back in action Stop by and lend a hand!



Bernice Russell, Marie Alexander (staff), Aaron Haviland and Pat Perkins (staff) show off their Mother's Day celebration headwear!



Nelsa Loscig is all smiles showing off her mini daffodils door prize.

## NORTHERN WAYNE/LAKEWOOD CENTER

June 3 menu is juice, turkey sandwich, bean salad with vanilla pudding and strawberries for dessert. June 17 menu is: juice, chicken salad sandwich, cottage cheese & peaches, and lemon meringue pie for dessert. Please call 253-5540 for a reservation.



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE OMBUDSMAN**

### **PROGRAM**

**Serving Seniors Inc. is recruiting Volunteer Ombudsmen.**

**Volunteer Ombudsmen are community neighbors who are specially trained to help clarify responsibilities and rights of consumers in long-term living facilities. If you are available for a few hours a month, over 18 years of age, concerned about the rights of nursing home & assisted living/personal care home residents and interested in making a difference in the lives of long-term living residents, then you may be perfect for the Volunteer Ombudsman Program. For more information, please contact:**

**Ombudsman Linda Korgeski at 570-344-7190 or send email: [lombudsman@epix.net](mailto:lombudsman@epix.net)**



**DO YOU HAVE EXTRA SPACE IN YOUR HOME?**

**WOULD YOU LIKE SOME COMPANIONSHIP?**

**EXTRA INCOME ?**

**If you answered “yes” to these questions, the SHARE program may be just what you need.**

**SHARE (Shared Housing And Resource Exchange) is a housing program being offered in Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Wayne Counties.**

**Professional Housing Counselors screen and match people who have extra space in their homes with people seeking an affordable living situation.**

**If this sounds like a good idea for you or someone you know, please contact: Larisa Yusko (570) 832-5133, email [lyusko@pikepa.org](mailto:lyusko@pikepa.org)**



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## **Medicare Education and Decision Insight**

### **PA MEDI News – Changes in Medicaid Enrollment and Eligibility**

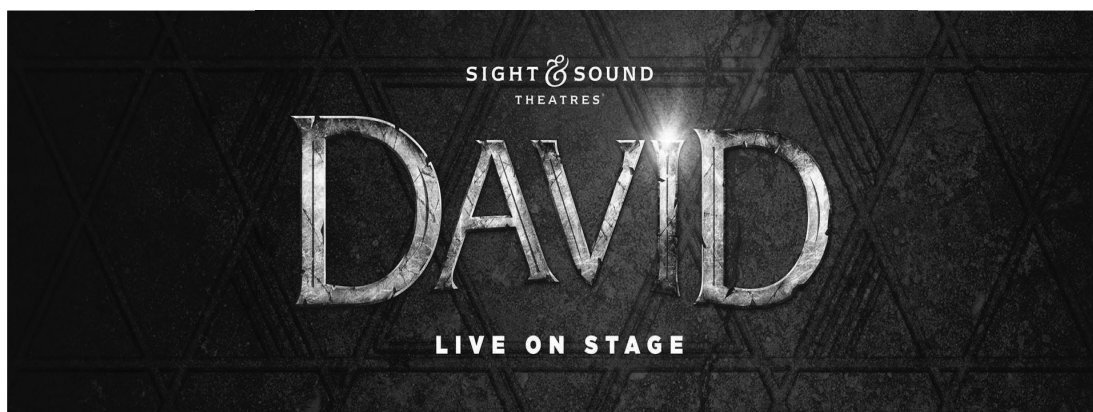
A Public Health Emergency (PHE) due Covid-19 was established January 27, 2020 and reauthorized several times over the course of the last two years. The PHE was declared to meet the needs of states, localities, and the public in regard to Medicaid. Due to Covid, the federal government provided states increased funding, and, therefore, states were prohibited from disenrolling anyone from Medicaid programs. Currently, the PHE is extended until the end of July. When the federal declaration of the PHE ends, changes in Medicaid enrollment and eligibility will occur, causing confusion and disruption. Medicaid recipients should make sure that the Wayne County Public Assistance Office (WCPAO) (Toll-Free: 1-877-879-5267; locally: 570-253-7100) has all current contact information. Recipients should complete and return any forms received from WCPAO. Many recipients will become ineligible for Medicaid when the PHE ends and may be transitioned to an affordable, private Marketplace/Affordable Care Act Health Plan. Medicare beneficiaries who lose Medicaid will have a Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to secure alternate coverage. Some consumers will lose Special Needs Advantage plans due to dual eligibility status—meaning, having both Medicare and Medicaid. The PA MEDI staff can assist with insurance counseling regarding penalties, enrollment periods and health insurance options. If one believes ones benefits were terminated based on an error, one has the right to appeal; however, losing Medicaid because the PHE is ending is not a valid reason for a hearing. Please call Hawley at 226-4209 or Honesdale at 253-4262 for assistance.





**GET ON THE BUS! August 2022**

**SIGHT & SOUND**  
THEATRES®



**Lancaster, PA**  
**Thursday, August 11, 2022**  
**\$140 per person**

After an early morning departure, we arrive in beautiful Lancaster County at the Sight & Sound Millennium Theatre. The show "David" starts at 11 a.m. and is billed as "one of the most legendary Bible stories." The performance runs about 2-½ hours; after the show we are off to the Bird-in-Hand Family Restaurant for our late lunch/early dinner smorgasbord. After we fill our bellies of hardy PA Dutch food, we'll head just down the road to the Bird-in-Hand Farmers Market for a quick shopping trip. Departure is 4:30 pm.

Price Includes: Ticket for the show, buffet lunch, transportation and driver's tip.  
**There will be no refunds.**

**Sign up with Marie at 570-253-5540 or  
Debbie at 570-630-2385. Payment due upon sign-up.**

Depart Home:

Honesdale old K-Mart @ 6:30 am  
Hawley Senior Center @ 7:00 am  
Hamlin Senior Center @ 7:30am

Arrive Home:

Honesdale @ 8:30 pm  
Hawley @ 8:00 pm  
Hamlin @ 7:30 pm

Please, keep this in mind... this will be a long day so wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Eat a good breakfast because we won't be having lunch until 2 p.m. Due to the long distance and time schedule there **will not** be any stops going down to Lancaster or coming home. You are welcome (and encouraged) to bring a sandwich and/or snacks. Also, remember it is usually much hotter there than we are used to, so bring water and drinks. A small lunch cooler would be handy. A little advance planning makes for a wonderful day!



## Veterans' Affairs Update

June is shaping up to be a very busy month for our veterans!! We will once again be honoring our female veterans and giving them the recognition that they so deserve. Officially, Women's Veterans Day is June 12. Here in Wayne County, we will be celebrating it at our local Senior Centers on the following dates and times:

Thursday, June 2 at 11:30 at the Northern Wayne Fire Hall

Tuesday, June 7 at 11:00 at the Hamlin Senior Center

Wednesday, June 8 at 11:30 at the Honesdale Senior Center

Thursday, June 9 at 11:30 at the Hawley Senior Center

**Please contact Vicki at 570-253-5970, X3114 for reservations.**

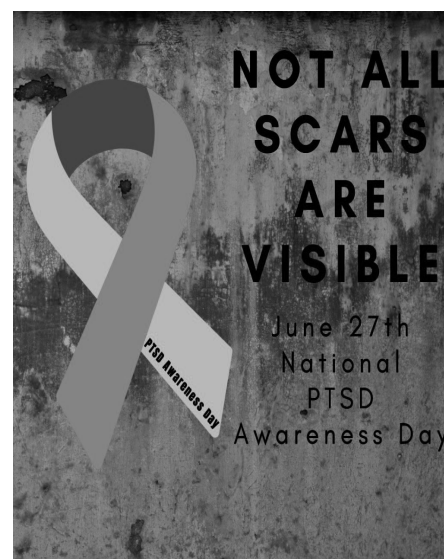
To continue the busy month of June --- June 14 is Flag Day. Look closely at any flags you own. If they are faded, worn, or tattered, please respectfully put them in the numerous containers available (such as the ones at the county courthouse or Hawley Senior Center) so they may be properly disposed of on Flag Day.

June is also PTSD Awareness Month. If you know of a veteran who is fighting a battle that they are trying to hide, remember to do buddy checks with them. Wayne County has the second highest rate of veteran suicide in the state. The figure of "22 a day" is way too many soldiers/veterans to lose.

To close out the month of June, the Wayne County Veterans' Affairs office will be closed Monday, June 20 through Friday, June 25 for annual training. All phone messages will be returned the following week.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy month of June.

Victoria Wargo, Director



# VIP's 2nd Annual Wellness Fair

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
**FROM 10:30AM TO 3:00PM**

**Akenac Park (Dingman's Ferry)**

**A day of wellness & self-care for all ages!**

DIY crafts and various activities scheduled throughout the day. Food & refreshments available at Pop-Pop's Grill Food Truck on site. Green Trees Early Learning Center's Walk-A-Thon opening ceremonies beginning at 10:30am.



**VIPEmpowers.org**

**VISIT [HTTP://GREENTREESELC.RALLYUP.COM/GTELCWALKATHON](http://GREENTREESELC.RALLYUP.COM/GTELCWALKATHON) TO REGISTER!**  
All proceeds go directly to VIP & Green Trees Early Learning Center.



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## FFA/Ag Students Talk Experiences at Ag Day Meeting

The Future Farmers of America (FFA) who addressed the Community Impact Network at its first Friday meeting (pictured below), talked about their experiences with both FFA and the Agricultural Science Curriculum at Honesdale High School.

Some of them discussed how they moved up through the ranks of officers in the chapter and of their Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAE) from making saddle soap to attempting to raise trout, to caring for livestock like goats, sheep and cattle.

Some said they have found their passion to study animal behavior or marketing, while others developed leadership skills, made friends and found mentors. As one said, "Through FFA, I am learning and growing into my interests."

Ag Instructor and FFA Adviser Kayla Pohle said the Ag Science program is very career focused and students spend 90 minutes a day in class. She also said they earn some type of industry certification with the successful completion of each class, arming them with proof of employable skills;

The graduating seniors each received their FFA Keystone Degree during the Pennsylvania Farm Show, back in January, which means they contributed 25 hours or more of community service, participated in at least 15 FFA events and held a leadership role in the organization. Just these five students alone, who completed all four years of the Ag Education Program, worked 14,000 hours in their SAEs and earned or invested \$9,000 over their four years of high school. FFA Keystone Degree recipients were Rowan Murray, Jacob Turner, Allison Billard, Emma Modrovsky and Alexandra Korb.

The Agriculture Innovation Center, the High School Ag Science Education, and Future Farmers of America are three of the ways that Wayne Tomorrow! is cultivating a vibrant future of opportunity and prosperity for everyone.

Learn more about Wayne Tomorrow! at [www.WayneTomorrow.com](http://www.WayneTomorrow.com) or call 570-493-0080.



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Honesdale, PA 18431

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

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### JUNE EVENTS

Contact Miles Keesler at 253-1220 with questions.

Register online [mkeesler@waynelibraries.org](mailto:mkeesler@waynelibraries.org)

- 1. Energy Care and Wellbeing** - Find peace and more effective ways of taking care of oneself, Wednesday, June 1, 2022, 4:30 - 5:30, presenter Lisa Wolfe.
- 2. Victims Intervention Program (VIP)** - VIP offers confidential services to women, men & children affected by domestic violence, sexual assault & other serious crimes. Services are confidential and at no cost; Wednesday, June 8, 2022, 4:30 - 5:30, presenter Chelsea Falotico.
- 3. Adult Summer Reading Program, "Oceans of Possibilities"** - *Dive* into a book or movie of one's choice about the ocean, bring in a review, and receive a free book from the book sale occurring June 13- July 29, 2022.
- 4. Ocean Rituals** - Learn to soothe your soul with the healing power of the sea; Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 4:30 - 5:30, presenter Miles Keesler.
- 5. Learn to Sew** - Learn basic sewing skills. Make a blanket for project Linus or complete the project to take it home; Thursdays, June 16 & 23, 2022, 4:00 - 5:30. Note: Two-session class meeting presented by Ellen Caleca.
- 6. LightPath Astrology** - A brief introduction to astrology. Discover one's astrological birth chart to best understand oneself and navigate life; Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 4:30 - 5:30, presenter Josephine Clearwater.

# How to Get Low-cost or Free Internet through the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)

Millions of Americans now qualify for discounted or free internet access thanks to an expanded federal program announced by the White House in May. The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) grants up to \$30 a month toward high-speed internet for qualifying households. Twenty of the nation's largest internet providers are also offering plans of \$30 or less per month for qualifying households. If you qualify for an ACP grant, pairing it with a low-cost plan could mean free high-speed internet access. The White House estimates the program will cover 48 million households, or 40% of the country.

## Who Qualifies for Discounted Internet?

There are two main ways to qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program:

1. Your household income, which must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.
2. Enrollment in certain government benefit programs (see below).

You can qualify for the ACP if you or someone in your household participates in one of these programs: Medicaid; SNAP; WIC; Lifeline; SSI; Federal Public Housing Assistance; Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit; Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program, or received a Federal Pell Grant in the current award year. The table below reflects the income limits for the program by household size.

### ACP Household Income Limits\*

#### Household Size 48 Contiguous States, DC., and Territories

1	\$27,180
2	36,320
3	46,060
4	55,500
5	64,940
6	74,380
7	83,820
8	93,260

\*You may have to show proof of income when you apply for the ACP.

## How to Apply

**For more information about the ACP, call the support center @ 877-384-2575. It's open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET. You can also email [ACPSupport@usac.org](mailto:ACPSupport@usac.org)**

The government created a new website called [GetInternet.gov](https://www.getinternet.gov) that provides details on how to sign up for the ACP and find local participating internet providers. On the website's homepage, you can check to see if you qualify and start an application. The application process is quick and easy. There are also instructions on how to apply for the ACP by mail. Once your application is approved, you can choose a company that offers ACP discounts and sign up for service. You'll need to call a participating internet service provider, let them know you applied for the ACP and choose an internet plan. The company will then apply the benefit to your plan for you. Participating plans must offer download speeds of at least 100 megabits per seconds



# Summer Word Search

B F G P W W S C A M P I N G S P X  
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A I R C I W V O X W Q Y E B G O H  
T E R B W L H G I C S A B T J L U  
G U N C E S L N V N C L Z E E L N  
Z O B Q O C Z I O H O Y C F K I N  
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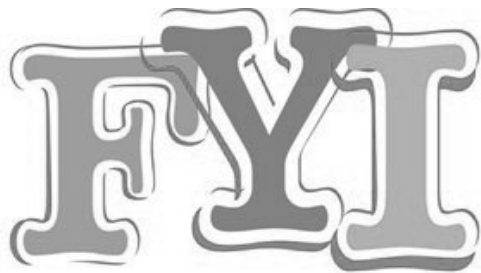
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