

SENIOR SERVICES
Effingham County



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Bingo & Dessert

**Join us for a fun afternoon on
Friday, February 14th at 1:00 pm for
Bingo & Dessert for Valentine's Day!
Sponsored by The Villas of Holly Brook
Please RSVP to 217-347-5569**



**In observance of President's Day,
we will be CLOSED
Monday, February 17th, 2025.**

HAPPY PRESIDENT'S DAY

Senior Services of Effingham County is a division of Effingham City/County Committee on Aging (ECCOA) and is open to the public, and many activities are designed for people of all ages.

Operating hours are Monday through Friday – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Closed for lunch daily from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm

Phone: 217-347-5569 or toll free 1-833-442-5569 after hours and on weekends

United Way



Community Partner

Community Care Program

"... Helping older people live independently"

Did you know that ECCOA Senior Services is contracted with the Illinois Dept on Aging to provide the Community Care Program for 9 counties within the State of Illinois? The counties we serve are Effingham, Clay, Fayette, Jefferson, Marion, Jasper, Crawford, Richland, and Lawrence. All of our offices are your direct linkage to all the information you need regarding community-based services that can give you many added benefits that enhance your quality of life. As you prepare to retire or if you become disabled, the staff members in our offices will assist you with the services that will allow you to remain in your own home, and keep you out of a nursing home, as long as nursing home placement is not necessary for you. We will send out staff to your home at no cost to discuss your needs and goals, and to help you choose what services might be right for you. Services include In-Home Service, Emergency Home Response Service, Home Delivered Meals, Respite Care for the Caregiver, and in some areas of the state, Adult Day Services and Senior Companion. If you qualify for services, the staff member will work with you to determine your needs, set up services that are appropriate for you and keep in touch with you to make sure the services continue to meet your needs. For additional information or to make a referral for someone you feel could benefit from the program call 217-347-5569. We can assess your needs and keep you at home.



Emergency Home Response Service: (EHRS)

EHRS is a Community Care Program core service provided to improve the independence and safety of clients in their own homes and help reduce the need for nursing home care.



Emergency Home Response Service (EHRS) is a 24-hour emergency communication link to assistance outside the home for older adults with documented health and safety needs and mobility limitations. This service is provided by a two-way voice communication system consisting of a base unit and an activation device worn by the participant that will automatically link the older adult to a professionally trained staffed support center. For more information on Emergency Home Response Services in your community, contact Senior Services at 217-347-5569.

EHRS offers 24-hours-a-day help at the touch of a button, installation at no cost to the client, free adaptive activation devices, and a list of first responders chosen by the client. To receive this service, an older adult must qualify for the Community Care Program.



Dine with a Doc® is a **FREE** program that welcomes the local senior public to hear an educational topic while enjoying a complimentary lunch. The next Dine with a Doc® lunch is scheduled for **Thursday, February 13th, 2025, in the Senior Services Activity Center from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm.**

Each presenter has graciously donated their time in an effort to listen, hear, and answer your questions while sharing a meal with you. Various community businesses also participate by donating door prizes or providing a complimentary lunch for you to enjoy and learn about ways they may help you as well.

This month we are excited to present **Dr. Dominic Imburgia, MD.**

Lunch will be complimentary and provided courtesy of:

Lakeland Rehabilitation & Health Care Center



****Reservations for Dine with a Doc are required and can be made by contacting the center at 217-347-5569****



Long-Term Care Ombudsman

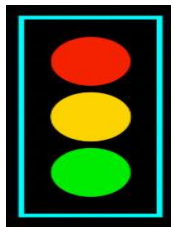
Illinois Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program strives to protect and promote the rights and quality of life for those who reside in long-term care facilities. If you have a concern, complaint, or question regarding long-term care, please call **Lisa Light, Regional Ombudsman, at 217-347-5216 or 1-800-283-4070.**





Rules of the Road Class

is class will be offered at the Senior Center on
Friday, March 7th, 2025, at 9:30 am
The next class will be Friday, May 2nd, 2025)



BINGO!!!

You are invited to play BINGO
with us every Friday at 1:00 pm
in the Activity Center.
Come and join us for some FUN!

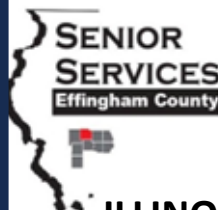


STANFIELD CHIROPRACTIC

Please join us for cake &
ice cream on
Thursday, February 27th
at 1:00 pm
for our monthly birthday party!

We will celebrate those who
have a birthday in February
with cake and ice cream
provided by Aperion Care.

You are welcome to stay
afterwards and play cards,
games, or just socialize
with your friends.



ILLINOIS TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS CORPORATION

Illinois Telecommunications Access
Corporation (ITAC) has several
amplified phones for selection for
those family members with hearing
problems. This is a FREE program
REQUIRED and GOVERNED by Illinois
Law. There are no fees and no hidden
costs. Call Senior Services at
217-347-5569 for an appointment to
test which phone is best for your
needs.

You'll be surprised at what you have
missed by not being able to hear!



Thursday, March 20th, 2025, at 11:00 am!!
HSHS St. Anthony's Savvy Senior returns as our Senior Activity Center welcomes.....

Amy Gates



The topic will be on Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)



present

St. Anthony's Savvy Senior Program and Luncheon Series

Senior Services of Effingham County-Activity Center
209 South Merchant Street, Effingham



Thursday, May 15, 2025

Thursday, July 17, 2025

Thursday, September 18, 2025

Thursday, November 20, 2025



****Call 217-347-5569 for more information or to make your reservations for each program (no later than two days before each date).****

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February 2025 MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 Beef Pepper Steak Over Rice Stewed Tomatoes Warm Peach Crisp	4 Chili Crackers ½ Peanut Butter Sandwich Cole Slaw w/Ramen Noodles Apricots	5 	6 Baked Turkey Crunch Peas Tossed Salad w/tomatoes Warm Spiced Apples Whole Grain Bread	7 Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Strawberries w/bananas Whole Grain Roll
10 Baked Ham Hash Brown Casserole Peas Banana Whole Grain Roll	11 Sloppy Joes on Bun Potato Wedges Calico Beans Pineapple	12 Beef Stew Cottage Cheese Cole Slaw Cinnamon Applesauce Corn Muffin	13 Smothered Grilled Chicken Breast Broccoli Carrots Fruit Cocktail Garlic Bread	14 Spaghetti & Meatballs Green Beans Corn Blushing Pears Bread Stick Strawberry Jell-O Cake
17 	18 Swiss Steak Au Gratin Potatoes Spinach Vanilla Pudding Whole Grain Bread	19 Turkey Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Peaches Whole Grain Roll	20 Ball Park Frank w/bun Baked Potato Baked Beans Strawberries w/bananas	21 Lemon Pepper Tilapia Garlic Mashed Potatoes Honey Glazed Carrots Tropical Fruit Cotton Pickin' Good Cake
24 Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Apricots Peanut Butter Cookie	25 Lasagna Tossed Salad w/tomatoes Broccoli Warm Apple Crisp Garlic Bread Stick	26 Polish Sausage Sauerkraut Mashed Potatoes Pumpkin Mousse Whole Grain Bread	27 BBQ Riblet Au Grain Potatoes Gourmet Carrots Applesauce Whole Grain Bun	28 Herbed Baked Chicken Baby Baker Potatoes Green Beans Peaches Black Bean Brownie
			FINAL	Milk, Bread, and Margarine are served with every meal. Substitutes will only be made in emergencies.

CALL THE DAY BEFORE TO RESERVE A MEAL

Suggested Donation \$4.25/Meal

Effingham 217-347-2851; Dieterich 217-925-5461; Altamont 618-483-6912; Beecher City 618-487-5401

Flora 217-994-3191 Vandalia 618-283-1040 Ramsey 618-237-0251

Pana 217-562-5611 Taylorville 217-287-7268 Kincaid 217-237-4328



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(Senior Health Insurance Program)

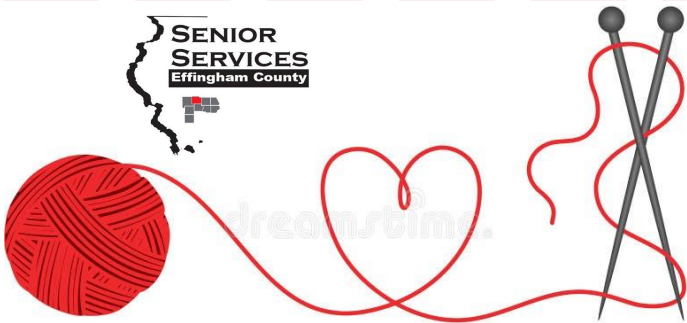
Senior Services staff is available to assist Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers with insurance counseling. Please call (217)347-5569 to make an appointment.

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Line Dancing!!

Join the line dancers every Tuesday Morning at 10:00 am in our Activity Center. Come and join in the fun and learn a new step or two!!



Come join us to knit or crochet on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 pm

Having Trouble Finding a Ride?

Let **ECPT** take you where you need to go!

Call to Schedule Your Ride Today!

1-855-755-2478

GET ON THE BUS & RIDE WITH US!!

IN-COUNTY TRANSPORTS \$3 per one-way trip	MONTHLY PASS Monthly Pass \$35 Disabled Pass \$15	DISCOUNT TICKETS Book of 10 \$20 (No Expiration Date)	SENIORS Ride for Free Donations are accepted
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DISPATCH HOURS
Monday-Friday from 6am-6pm
TRANSPORTATION HOURS
Monday-Saturday from 6am 8pm































OPEN TO EVERYONE!!



Effingham County operates its programs and services without regard to race, color, and national origin in accordance with Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act. To find out more about our nondiscrimination obligations or to file a complaint, please contact us at (217)342-4990 or via the web at <http://www.cefsecc.org/CPT/CPT.htm>

February 2025 Activity Center Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>3</p> <p>12:00 Cards & Mahjong</p> 	<p>4</p> <p>10:00 Line Dancing</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>1:00 Games 1:00 Knit/Crochet/Socialize 1:00 SHIP</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>1:00 Games</p> 	<p>7</p> <p>12:00 Mahjong</p> <p>1:00 BINGO Sponsor:</p>  
<p>10</p> <p>12:00 Cards & Mahjong</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>10:00 Line Dancing</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>1:00 Games 1:00 Knit/Crochet/Socialize 1:00 SHIP</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>11:00 Dine with a Doc featuring Dr. Dominic Imburgia, MD</p> 	<p>14</p> <p>12:00 Mahjong</p> <p>1:00 BINGO & Dessert</p> <p>Sponsored by</p>  
<p>17</p> <p>Sorry we are CLOSED for President's Day</p> 	<p>18</p> <p>10:00 Line Dancing</p> 	<p>19</p> <p>1:00 Games 1:00 Knit/Crochet/Socialize 1:00 SHIP</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>1:00 Games</p> 	<p>21</p> <p>12:00 Mahjong</p> <p>1:00 BINGO Sponsor:</p>  
<p>24</p> <p>12:00 Cards & Mahjong</p> 	<p>25</p> <p>10:00 Line Dancing</p> 	<p>26</p> <p>1:00 Games 1:00 Knit/Crochet/Socialize 1:00 SHIP</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>1:00 Birthday Party with cake & ice cream</p> <p>Provided by Aperion</p> 	<p>28</p> <p>12:00 Mahjong</p> <p>1:00 BINGO Sponsor:</p>  
<p>3-Mar</p> <p>12:00 Cards & Mahjong</p> 	<p>4-Mar</p> <p>10:00 Line Dancing</p> 	<p>5-Mar</p> <p>1:00 Games 1:00 Knit/Crochet/Socialize 1:00 SHIP</p> 	<p>6-Mar</p> <p>1:00 Games</p> 	<p>7-Mar 12:00 Mahjong</p> <p>9:30 Rules of the Road</p> <p>1:00 BINGO Sponsor:</p> 