



## **Report for November 2025**

It's hard to believe that November has come and gone already. We spent considerable amounts of time preparing for our Thanks 4 Giving Celebration to honor our volunteers and our Veteran's Breakfast offering our appreciation for all their service and sacrifice. I didn't even mention the extra programming to help seniors feel connected (and fed) at Thanksgiving, but each event was successful and beyond our expectations.

We have been blessed for several years to have some AARP trainees working at the Center; however, in June their funding was cut and they were directed to stay away until further notice. These people served as our Cook, our Kitchen Manager, and a Welcome Desk/Technology Coordinator and offered considerable service to our members. Fortunately, AARP funding was released and they were allowed to return in mid-November. Once these three get acclimated again (some new training rules), we will soon resume offering our home-cooked lunches daily and a host of technology services to help our seniors.

Our new Deputy Director has proven to be a true asset to the Center and me. His heart for helping and caring is exemplary and truly noticed by our participants. He is frequently asking how he can help me – I am humbled and grateful at the same time for his servant-like attitude. Gary approached me a few months back and asked if he could host a Christmas Dinner for those who would be alone on that special day. He even volunteered to pay for the dinner. I was blown away by his generosity. I know that his offering/sacrifice will brighten the day for several people. My family Christmas gathering won't be until the 27<sup>th</sup> this year, so I intend to come and be a helper as well. If you know of someone who will be alone on the 25<sup>th</sup> have them call the Center and get put on the list (we're preparing for 60).

### **Upcoming:**

#### **Events:**

- Norton Male Chorus – December 4 @ 6:00
- Christmas reSale – December 6 from 10 - 4

#### **Trips:**

- Great Lakes Crossing – December 4
- Saganing Eagle Casino – December 10
- Mystery Dinner & Light Show – December 18