

North Adams January 2025



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Family Support Center North County Offerings

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Pittsfield January 2025

Family Support Center Central County Offerings

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PLEASE SIGN UP <u>TWO DAYS</u> PRIOR TO ALL UCP EVENTS!

Events for January 2025

Please sign up for each event by calling (413)664-9345 ext. 200

For Zoom events, the link will be sent out after you sign up and give your email!

We will now be discovering the states! This month we will be looking at New York!



Monday's:

- Book Club (North Adams)
 - ❖ Join staff and other members as they journey through the pages of the classics! We will try a new book every month! We are continuing with the book "Cinder" by Marissa Meyer. This event will be held every **Monday in January from** 4:00PM-5:30PM.

Wednesday's:

- Drop-In! (North Adams and Pittsfield)
 - ❖ COME ONE! COME ALL! Stop in to the UCP Offices and say hello! Come and learn all about the state of New York, which is the state of the month! Did you know New York State is home to famous cities like New York City, landmarks like Niagara Falls, and the picturesque countryside in the Hudson River Valley. However, New York is known for so much more, from its iconic foods to its professional sports teams and charming villages. Join us to learn more fun facts and trivia! This is a great opportunity to meet new people and explore what the UCP Family Support Centers have to offer! For dinner, feel free to bring money to order out, eat beforehand, or bring your dinner with you! If you choose to order out, please bring at least \$25. This event will be held Wednesday, January 8th from 6:00PM-8:00PM.

• State Bingo Night (North Adams and Pittsfield)

❖ Time to incorporate a favorite game with some trivia! Learn all about the different states and what they are known for! For dinner we will be serving hot dogs and chips, just as if you were spending the day on Coney Island! This event will take place on Wednesday January 15th from 6:00PM-8:00PM and cost \$10 to attend.

• Sock Snowman Craft (North Adams and Pittsfield)

❖ Who knew you could do so much with a pair of socks? Join us as we make our own snowmen out of socks! Feel free to decorate your snowman any way you would like! This event will take place on Wednesday, January 22nd from 6:00PM-8:00PM and will cost \$10 to attend. For dinner we will do a make your own deli sandwich and chips, just as if you were at Katz's Deli in New York City!



• Indoor Snowball Fight (North Adams and Pittsfield)

❖ If you live in upstate New York you are used to a lot of snow, so why not have a snowball fight? Let's see who can win the snowball war! For dinner we will warm up with a nice Manhattan Clam Chowder and garlic bread. This event will take place on Wednesday, January 29th from 6:00PM-8:00PM and will cost \$10 to attend.

Thursday's:

• Open Swim (Pittsfield)

❖ Pre-registration is required each week! Please contact (413) 664-9345 ext. 200 to sign up! Open Swim is back for all UCP members and families! This program is free and will be offered every Thursday in February from 6:00PM-7:00PM at the Glady's Allen Brigham Center.





ATTENTION! WEEKEND OFFERINGS!



Saturday (North Adams and Pittsfield)

K&M Bowling

❖ Back by popular demand! Join the UCP team for a trip to K&M Bowling! Let's see who can get the most strikes! The arcade will also be available! Please bring money for bowling and shoe rentals, playing in the arcade, and lunch. This event will take place on Saturday, January 18th from 10:00AM-2:00PM and cost \$30+.



Rejoin some pastime favorites!

Parent Advisory Group:



Your input is vital! HELP! HELP! HELP! UCP is looking to create an active Parent Advisory Group to help choose family trainings, events to enhance programming, and a chance to share your thoughts about what the future holds for your member, for the agency, and your options through Department of Developmental Services! This event will be on Thursday, January 16th from 6:00PM-7:00PM via Zoom.

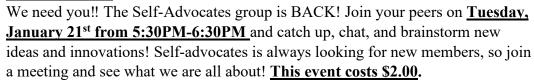
Men's Group:

This month the gentlemen of UCP will be meeting at the office for the Royal Rumble! Who are you rooting for? Homemade meatball grinders will be served for dinner! This event will take place on Tuesday, January 7th and cost \$10 to attend.

❖ Women's Group

Join the ladies this month as they create some beautiful teacup snow globes! How will you decorate your snow globe? For dinner we will be serving up a classic tomato soup and grilled cheese along with making our own chocolate chip cookies! This event will take place on Tuesday, January 14th from 6:00PM-8:00PM and cost \$10 to attend.

Self-Advocates:



❖ Caregiver Coffee Hour: You bring the coffee; we will bring the conversation! Join Care Manager Meghan Robertson-Hayes to talk about issues, current events, or any other topic ideas you may have! This is also a great time to brainstorm ideas to enhance programming! All ideas are welcome! This event will be held Monday, January 6th from 1:00PM-2:00PM and Wednesday, January 29th from 3:30PM-4:30PM.



If you have not already and want to be on our email list for calendars, activities, and special events, please call (413) 664-9345 ext. 200 to get your name and email on our electronic list!



Saturday Bowling Trip

SATURDAY, JANURAY 18, 2025 10 A M - 2 P M KM BOWLING PITTSFIELD CALL (413)664-9345 EX 200 TO SIGN UP HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Peter W. Foote Vietnam Veterans **Memorial Rink-Recreation Program**







1267 South Church St. North Adams, MA 01247

(413) 664-8185



Adaptive Skating—Games on Ice!

Thursdays 1-3 p.m. December 19, January 16 February 13 & March 13



Join the Universal Access Program for accessible skating, socializing and fun at Peter W. Foote Vietnam Veterans Memorial Rink in North Adams. This program is run by our partner All Out Adventures.

Use your wheelchair, an ice sled, a skate walker, ice grippers, or conventional skates on the ice. Spin, slide and play gently competitive games! There will be pucks and colorful balls to shoot around, races, and a tower of blocks to crash down!

The rink is cold, so please dress warmly and bring your winter coat, gloves, and a hat!

This program is for people with disabilities, their families, support staff, and friends. All are encouraged to help support on the ice (Yaktrax are available for those who don't skate).

Pre-registration is required. You must request to register by 12 p.m. the day before the program and can skate for one hour.

Groups: Maximum group size is 15, including staff.

Cost: FREE; AOA suggested donation—\$5/person

Questions & To Register: Register with AOA online at alloutadventures.org, call (413) 584-2052, or email programs@alloutadventures.org.

Ice sleds are available on site for ongoing community use.



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Department of Conservation and Recreation, Universal Access Program mass.gov/dcr/universal-access



Spamalot Training



This interactive seminar will review the latest frauds and scams, as well the old tried and true scams that unfortunately cost consumers millions of dollars every year. Actual fraudulent recordings, email and text samples are shared in the session, as well as tools to protect yourself and also what to do if/when you become a victim.

Offfered by our friends at Greylock Credit Union , this event is free and open to the public on <u>Tuesday January</u> <u>14th from 6;00pm to 7;00 pm via zoom</u>. Please visit https://www.greylock.org/community-empowerment-center/education/classes/member-educational-series.html to sign up

January Right of the Month

Expression



What that means:

- I have the right to be my own person.
- I have the right to express my own wants, needs, and desires in a judgement free atmosphere without fear of punishment.
 - I have the right to show my beliefs through my art, music, religion, and political views.

What I am responsible for with that Right:

I have the responsibility to respect other beliefs even if they are different than mine.

UCP Supports the Rights and Responsibilities of all our members