



The Center Stage

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Youth on the Move: Fall Highlights from The Center

This winter has been filled with music, connection, and meaningful partnership. In this edition, we celebrate the generosity behind the Homer Christmas Extravaganza, reflect on our participation in Community Resource Connect alongside fellow local organizations, and share the joy of families gathering in pajamas to ring in the New Year together. Each story highlights a different thread of the same tapestry—community showing up for youth, for families, and for one another.

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Have a Holly Jolly Fundraiser

2025 Homer Christmas Extravaganza



Christopher Kincaid
and Friends



Kris and the
Kringles



The Highly Strung
String Band

\$15

plus a Homer Opus Ensemble

the Night Before Christmas - Performed by Peter Norton

DECEMBER 20 - DOORS 6PM

Live Music - Door Prizes

Pika Pika Bento Goodies

Proceeds to benefit SPBHS's

Teen Community Resource Center

2025 Christmas Extravaganza

Raises over \$2000 for The Teen Center



The 2025 Homer Christmas Extravaganza was more than an evening of festive music—it was a powerful reminder of what can happen when community leaders say yes to collaboration.

Earlier this year, Chris Kincaid—board member at The Homer Foundation and Worship Pastor at Church on the Rock Homer—approached Ashley Moore, Development Director at The Center, with a generous idea. As he began planning his annual Christmas Extravaganza, Chris asked whether this year’s proceeds could benefit The Center’s Teen Community Resource Center. Ashley gladly agreed, and from that conversation, planning began.

On December 20, the stage came alive. Each band played their hearts out, filling the room with energy and joy. From Christopher Kincaid and Friends to The Highly Strung String Band and the Homer Opus Ensemble, the evening was rich with talent and community spirit.

Ashley’s own Christmas band, Kris and the Kringles invited everyone to join in on a Christmas Carol Sing-a-long. The Center’s Clinical Director Donna Duncan joined the band for three songs, lending her voice and presence to a set that felt both festive and heartfelt.

By the end of the evening, more than \$2,000 had been raised for the Teen Community Resource Center. Beyond the funds, the event strengthened awareness of the Teen Center’s mission and the work being done to create safe, welcoming space for youth in our community.

We are deeply grateful to Chris Kincaid for his initiative and generosity, to the musicians who gave their time and talent, and to everyone who showed up in support. When music, mission, and community align, something lasting is created—and this year, that gift will echo forward in the lives of our teens.

The Center at Community Resource Connect



The Center was grateful to participate in the 7th Annual Community Resource Connect, joining a wide network of local organizations working together to support individuals and families in need. With a table at the event, our team had the opportunity to share information about the services The Center offers and connect directly with community members seeking resources and support.



Throughout the day, we provided high-visibility safety vests, water, and snacks, while answering questions and offering guidance on behavioral health services available in our area. These simple points of connection opened meaningful conversations and allowed us to meet people where they were—often during moments of transition or uncertainty.



The event also created valuable space to network with fellow community stakeholders, strengthening relationships across agencies and reinforcing the shared commitment to stability, care, and dignity for all. Community Resource Connect continues to be an important gathering point for collaboration, and we were honored to be part of it this year.



December Anniversaries

- Elisha Dickerson - 2023
- Abby Story - 2021
- Kitty Stern - 2019
- Susan Burpee - 2019



January Anniversaries

- Naomi Pablano - 2025
- Christy Russ - 2025
- Jay Bechtol - 2017
- Dina Gherman - 2003



February Anniversaries

- Angela Smith - 2023
- Teresa Krueger - 2020
- Megan Holly - 2014
- Brian Ormond - 2011
- Tony Meitler - 2006
- Richard Everett - 2003
- Barb Kaun - 2002



A Cozy, Joyful Way to Ring in the New Year

The New Year's Eve Family Pajama Jam, hosted by Planet Youth Homer with support from SPBHS staff, brought warmth, laughter, and plenty of sparkle to the SPARC Rec Center on December 31st. Families arrived in their favorite pajamas and onesies, filling the space with dancing, karaoke, and easy, joyful connection.



The event was a wonderful success, welcoming both returning families and new faces from across the community. Kids sang bravely into microphones, danced with abandon, and proudly collected swag bags, while parents had time to visit, ask questions, and learn more about what's ahead.

Many families expressed strong interest in upcoming after-school opportunities and took time to learn more about Planet Youth Homer and its role in supporting healthy, connected youth and families. The afternoon felt relaxed, welcoming, and full of possibility—a reminder that community spaces built around fun can also spark curiosity and engagement.

Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate early, together. It was a joyful way to step toward the year ahead.

Services

Our Mission

Empowering people to transform their lives by providing compassionate, accessible care that supports behavioral health/wellness and strengthens our community.

Our Vision

Leading the way to a resilient community, united by a commitment to mental wellness and personal growth, where individuals and families receive high-quality care that fosters emotional well-being, ensures timely support, and promotes lasting connections free from stigma.

We Believe

In the Individual's right to self-determination

In the individual's right to be treated with dignity, kindness, and respect.

In innovative response to obstacles.

That cooperation is founded on respect, honesty, and forgiveness, as well as the opportunity to change.

In forging partnerships that create synergy within the community.
That diverse opinions enrich outcomes.

In collaboration, commitment, teamwork, and problem solving

That integrity and personal responsibility are core to ethical behavior.

The Center– Individual, group, couples, and family therapy. For children, young adults, and adults. SPBHS takes all insurance and offers a sliding scale for anyone without. Additionally, medication support, YHDP, ASAP services, case management, and our administrative offices are all housed at The Center.

Journeys– Adult mental health rehab services. Individual and group day support across multiple settings including in home, in the community, and at our Parkside Building. Case management, IPS, Peer Support and other services are also available through Journeys.

Child and Family Services– Youth (ages 4-21) mental health rehab services are available for children and families across multiple settings including in home, in the community, in schools, and in our Center offices.

Pride– Child and Adult Intellectual and Development Disability Services. For any individual with a State Waiver, we offer Day Hab, Supported Living, and Family Hab services across multiple settings in home, in the community and at our Parkside Building.

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