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~Saturday, April 10, 2010

~ THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS SWIM MEET IN ABINGTON. This County Meet will be held at Abington High School for all of the athletes that have been practicing for the last few months. Ceremonies begin at 1:00pm and will finish around 5:30pm. All athletes are asked to arrive around 12:30pm and swimming practice begins at 12:45pm. Feel free to bring a snack for the afternoon. We will run the van with a schedule that will be made after registrations.

**Families and friends are encouraged to come and cheer on our athletes! If you will need transportation to the swim meet or bowling tournament, please register with the office.

~Sunday, April 11, 2010

~Special Olympics continued!!!!.....AND THE EASTERN SECTIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT IN ALLENTOWN, PA -As of this time, four of our athletes have been chosen to participate in the Eastern Sectional tournament. Bill Carville, Pam Wampole, Patty Johnstone, and Louise Faust will represent the Helping Hands team in Allentown! Congratulations to all of you! If you will require transportation, please plan to be at the office at approximately 7:45am. Details to follow once I receive them! Thanks.

~Thursday, April 15, 2010-

~Join us for an afternoon of snacks and entertainment at The Works in Wyomissing, PA. What is "The Works" you ask? It is a huge game room that has a variety of simulation games, video and arcade games, sport simulation activities, interactive activities, and redemption games where you can bring home prizes.



~Cost for this day out will be \$28.00 and must be sent to the office prior to the activity. This price will include a pizza party lunch with drinks, a party room, and ten dollars on a "Play Card." The game card can be used on any of the games, and if you choose to bring additional money, you can replenish the card for additional playing credits.

~We will run two vans with the following transportation schedule:

~Helping Hands Office - 5:30pm

- ALL PARTICIPANTS MEETING AT OFFICE AND TO DROP OFF POINTS AFTER THE EVENING.

~K-mart- 10:00pm

~Landis Store- 10:15pm

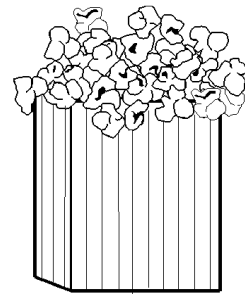
~Saturday, April 17, 2010

~Are you ready for some football? Join us for the new Reading Express, a new team on the American Indoor Football League! We have had a few requests to check out the team, so have purchased a limited amount of tickets for the game vs. The Baltimore Mariners at the Sovereign Center in Reading, PA.

~Tickets are \$17.00 each and payment can be mailed to the office prior to the activity. Please bring along additional money that evening for spending on snacks/souvenirs at the game.

~We will run two vans with the following transportation schedule:

- ~Helping Hands Office- 5:00pm- 11:00pm
- ~Landis Store in Schwenksville- 5:15pm- 10:45pm
- ~K-mart in Sanatoga- 5:30pm- 10:30pm



~WEDNESDAY NITES....

~~"Laura, when can we do another movie nite?" I have heard this request like a broken record, so We will be hosting a few weeks of the "Evening at the cinema" at Carmike Cinema in Pottstown, PA. We have selected two Wed. evenings for movie nits and will see how it goes...

1. Wednesday, April 21, 2010
 - ~Date Night-Steve Carrell, Tina Fey, Mark Wahlberg- Action Comedy- PG-13
 - ~Death at a Funeral- Chris Rock, Martin Lawrence- Comedy

2. - Wednesday, May5, 2010
 - ~Furry Vengeance- Brendan Fraser, Brooke Shields- Comedy
 - ~The Back Up Plan- Jennifer Lopez, Alex O'Loughlin- Romantic Comedy PG- 13

~We will plan to go to the closest to 7:00pm showings of all of the above, if they are still available. Van transportation will be determined earlier that week. We will run vans to K-Mart and to Landis Store for all of the above. Please bring along \$10.00 for your movie, plus any additional money for concessions at the movie. Remember that a small soda costs \$4.50 and a small popcorn will cost \$5.00. Thank you. Please let Wendy/Connie know upon calling which movie you would like to select.

~Friday, APRIL 23- Sunday, April 25th,2010

~Need a getaway from here? Join us for a weekend in Cape May where we can go and hopefully bring in some spring at the Helping Hands Beach House. We will visit the places desired, from Ocean City to Atlantic City, or do some shopping in Cape May or Stone Harbor. We will be meeting at Helping Hands promptly at 6:00pm on Friday and returning at approximately 6:30pm on Sunday. I will send you a packing list and information sheets as it gets closer.

-Cost per person will be \$250.00 that can be mailed to the office prior to the weekend. This covers all expenses, with the exception of dinner on Sunday, and if you wish to do additional shopping or snacking/gambling. Spaces will be reserved on a first call first reserved basis, and slots are limited.

****NOTE: Waiver dollars can not be utilized to pay for this activity.

~Thursday, April 29, 2010

~As requested by a handful of our participants, now that spring has finally arrived, we will be visiting Waltz Golf Farm for an evening of miniature golfing and ice cream.

~Please bring \$10.00 along with you for the golfing and ice cream. If you will want drinks or other snacks, or might wish to visit the batting cages afterwards, please bring additional money.

~Please dress accordingly as we will be outdoors for this activity.

~The following will be the transportation schedule for the Golfing night:

- Office- 6:15pm- 10:15pm
- Landis Store and K-mart- 6:40pm- 9:50pm

~Friday, April 30, 2010-

~Anyone wanna play hooky? We are going to take an adventure to Lancaster County for some flea marketing, smorgasbord-ing, and shopping for the day. We will be meeting at Helping Hands Office at 8:00am and make the trek to Ephrata to the Green Dragon Flea Market, followed by lunch at Shady Maple, and then some shopping at The Rockvale Outlets... Soooooo, bring along enough money to have lunch at Shady Maple (\$15.00 per person), and then enough money for shopping at the flea market/outlets. We will plan to return at approximately 5:00pm. Feel free to bring along activites or snacks for the ride.

~Space is limited, and will be booked on a first call, first reserved basis.

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News and Notes Page

~DATE CHANGE: The bowling league will now conclude the season on Sunday, May 2, 2010 at Limerick Lanes with bowling from 2:30-4pm, followed by a party in the party room until 5pm. Feel free to bring along a snack for the group, considering that there will be approximately 65 folks at the party. I would suggest that you do not bring bottles of soda, please, as everyone will get soda/drinks there.

~The Wallyball program will come to a close on Monday, May 24th, 2010 at the Boyertown YMCA.

~The swimming program will finish with a party for all swimmers at the Boyertown MultiService Center on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 from 6:30-7:30pm. Feel free to bring along a snack for the group, considering that there will be approximately 50 folks at the party. I would suggest that you do not bring bottles of soda, please, as everyone will get soda/drinks there.

~All three weekly activities will resume in the fall.

~The 2010 Summer Camp and Shore Program information was mailed out, and we have already received a great response from many new and returning participants. I will also be looking for a few new smiling staff faces, so if you know anyone, please feel free to send them my way. As mentioned in the brochure, the summer camp program will now be held at the property at the house in Rio Grande/Cape May as well, but with the same structured schedule. I am looking forward to a fun summer!



~We are continuing to attempt to broaden the communication with families and friends via email. If you have email, would you mind dropping me a line for our address book? The Helping Hands email is HhandsInc@comcast.net. Thanks.

~Fundraising~

~We have an ongoing fundraiser via the internet. If you are in need of a search engine, you can go to www.GoodSearch.com and type in our agency. For every search done after you entered our name, we will receive one cent. They do add up....

~Also, we continue to have the paper recycling dumpster-box behind our office in Bechtelsville. Every time it is filled, a donation is made to Helping Hands. All paper products except cardboard are accepted. Thank you.

~We are still collecting Redner's Save a Tape Receipts as well! You can give to any staff member or just send to the office. Thanks.