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Welcome to the New Year! With the start of 2023 comes the excitement to get moving on our Spring shore weekend schedule and all things S/R! This year we will be hosting 3 shore weekends throughout the months of March, April and May. More information can be found later in this newsletter.



### Notes/Fundraisers

The Gift-wrap fundraiser, hosted at the King of Prussia Mall, was a busy but successful 12 days! Many volunteers offered their time and beautiful wrapping skills to help fill each Friday, Saturday and Sunday of December, raising a total of \$4,900. A special thank you to anyone who assisted in the fundraiser.

Helping Hands is still also selling Gertrude Hawk chocolate bars, but the stock is low and options are limited so get them before they're gone!

Helping Hands will be hosting a concert fundraiser in conjunction with CCV, a church in Royersford and WXPB, a local radio station. The original date for this concert was January 20<sup>th</sup> but is now being postponed to a later date. More information will be provided when a new date is chosen. Volunteers will be needed for this event!

2023 Pancake Breakfast fundraiser – Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023! This fundraiser will be open to the public at Good Shepherd Church in Boyertown. An all-you-can-eat buffet breakfast will be served from 7:30am to 11:00am as dine-in or take-out. There will even be grilled sticky buns available!

With the upcoming increase in postage rates, Helping Hands will be moving towards emailing this newsletter and other communications as much as possible in the very near future.

Our condolences go out to the Baughman family after the passing of our beloved friend Bridget Baughman in August 2022, to the Pennypacker family who lost Irene Pennypacker in December of 2022, and to anyone who knew our dear friend Nina Raffeo who passed in January of 2023. They all will be missed but hold a special place in the hearts of many.

### Activities

After a short holiday break, the Sunday bowling league started again on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We will continue our Winter/Spring season through May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We will not have bowling on **March 26<sup>th</sup>, April 16<sup>th</sup>, or May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023**. A reminder will be given to all bowlers as those dates get closer. If you are not already signed up to attend bowling, please call the office to sign up.



**Special  
Olympics**

The Special Olympics swimming league has continued to take place on Monday evenings from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. Please call the office and sign up if you are interested in attending these swim practices.

**Helping Hands is not currently providing any transportation for these activities.**

### SPRING SHORE WEEKENDS

This Spring, Helping Hands will be hosting 3 shore weekends! The first weekend will take place March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the second will take place April 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, and the third will be May 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the office to sign up for any of these shore weekends. The weekends are first come first served, and we will only allow one spot per person. Meeting time each weekend is at 12pm on Friday, at the Helping Hands office and return time is 7pm at the main office each Sunday. The cost of these weekends will be \$500 each. We do accept waiver-funding for these weekends, but the individual MUST have waiver units available before being able to sign up.



### November

- 8<sup>th</sup> – Chance Allen, Theresa Tryon
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Jacob Findlay
- 10<sup>th</sup> – David Kimber
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Sarah Heath, Scott Sipos, Michael Carl
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Wayne Hamburg, Carol Schollar
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Wendy Miller
- 14<sup>th</sup> – Connie Panepinto, Patti Still
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Amanda Gitney
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Matt Pennypacker
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Louise Faust, Jana Leshner
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Jen Walton
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Kristi Heydt
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Donna Magee
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Kelly Brightbill

### December

- 8<sup>th</sup> – Rodney Rhoads
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Bill Carville, Tacha O’Neill
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Briana Seefeldt
- 20<sup>th</sup> – Bob Ditter, Victor Klick
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Chris Hoagey
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Roy Spalding
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Amani Freeman
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Todd Cole
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Nora Filewicz
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Tara Hoffman

### October

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tim Mefferd
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Gail Maier
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Tracy Harner
- Pam Hoffman, Bailey Rivera-Borges
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Bob Byers
- 11<sup>th</sup> – David Weidemoyer
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Kiley Shaller
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Arlene Neiman
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Laura McGinty, Elizabeth Bean
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Russell Ovalle, Jermaine Mickens

### January

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Paula Jerin, Tyler Boyer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Joe Currado
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Bruce McWaters, Marie Busillo
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Patricia White
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Bradley McMahill
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Bertram Seemann
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Peter Dowd
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Alicia Fritz
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Amanda Hill
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Margaret Bowden
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Jessica Kerr
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Krysta Brightbill
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Crystal Long
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Nina Raffeo
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Danny Burke
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Cindy Roach

### February

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Deb Buckwalter
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rachael Matteson
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Chase Bechtel
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Craig Frey
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Rich Hynes
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Christine Schmidt
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Willie Williams
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Holly Miller
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Tim Borcher
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Rebecca Davidson, Faithe Jackson-Shabazz
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Diana Gross
- 26<sup>th</sup> – George “Chip” Lewis
- 27<sup>th</sup> – Karl Russo

