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Upcoming Events

Weekly Meals

Meals Served at Noon

Holdingford- Tuesdays at City Hall followed by social hour and/or **500 starting now**.

St Stephen- Wednesdays followed by 500. September at Trobecs Oct-Dec at The Rusty Nail.

Monthly Lunch & Learns

Start at 11:30 with social 12:00 meal, Speaker at 12:30, and entertainment to follow.

St. Stephen - 3rd ThursdayStephen Church Hall
September 15th & October 20th

Holdingford - 4th Thursday Holdingford American Legion September 22nd & October 27th

September Speaker: Tri-CAP

October Speaker: The Healing Grounds
Planning for Flu shots at Oct Meals



Love to Play Games?

Join us at Helping Hands office for Game Day Wednesdays 9:30am—11:00am

Cribbage League

Tuesdays 1:00- 3:30 Rice Lions Building



Exercise Classes

Holdingford City Hall

Monday & Thursday 9:30-10:30 am



Feet First Clinic

Holdingford City Hall

1st Tuesday of the month starting 9:00 am—Noon

St. Stephen Church Hall

3rd Thursday of even months 10:00 am—Noon

Call Helping Hands for an Appointment 320-746-9960

Upsala Community Center

2nd Monday of odd months 9:00 am—Noon

Call Mary at 320-573-4435 for appointment in Upsala

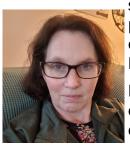
Starting in November we will be taking pre-orders for our coffee cakes! These will be made and ready around Christmas time



Our office will be closed on September 5th for Labor Day Before I start telling you about the new Helping Hands Director. I want to say, from the bottom of my heart- Thank You!

Your financial support through the Give65 fundraising drive, not only helps keep the doors open, it encourages us (staff) to push forward and do all we can to serve the communities of Holdingford, St Stephen, and Rice.

Most of you know I am not new to Helping Hands Outreach. I have been with the organization for 9 years. First two years as an America Corps VISTA participant, building the program in St Stephen. Since 2015 I have been the Director of the Adult Day Center, bookkeeper, grant reporter, caregiver consultant, IT and maintenance, client support,



Denise Leahy Rice Coordinator

service coordinator, cook, baker, transportation, homemaking, chore provider, and most recently the Rice program coordinator. Pretty much everything, except Executive Director. So here I am. Honored to be the new Director of Helping Hands Outreach.

Little bit about myself. Not from the area, but my husband and I have lived east of Opole for 38 years. I take great joy in learning the history of our communities and piecing together all the family connections. I enjoy being outside, and I am on a mission to hike all the MN State parks. I would prefer Executive Director hiding in a back office doing accounting and data but have come to love the very public parts of being on staff at Helping Hands. Conversations with those that stop by the office are a highlight of the day.

Everyday I remind myself often to live out this place- "A heart full of grateful for all I have been given" a line from the Dierks Bentley song "Living." And my favorite verse, Ephesians 3:20 (amplified bible version) ...that He is able to do superabundantly more than we dare ask or think infinitely beyond our greatest prayers, hopes, or dreams...

I am forever grateful for having served under the leadership of Carol Lundquist. Will miss her greatly. Promise to do my best to serve the community, and to continue to build on her work to make Helping Hands Outreach the first call for help, support, and resources.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Meal Delivery Drivers
 - Deliver 4-7 meals for Holdingford's Tuesday lunch. Pickup time between 11:45 Deliver 4 meals for St Stephen Wednesday lunch. Pickup time 11:45
- Lunch & Learn— Looking for a Cook or Cooks to help plan and prepare our monthly meals in St Stephen and Holdingford. We buy the supplies.
- Still looking for volunteer drivers in Holdingford and St Stephen

Employment Opportunities

- Housecleaning—15 -20 hours per month Flexible schedule.
- Client Support/Health & Wellness Coordinator emphasis on evidenced-based exercise classes. Will train. Part-time Flexible schedule.

Call us at 746-9960 for more information!

HEALTH AND WELLNESS TIPS

In the last newsletter we discussed the dangers of taking shortcuts to cover medications. As said in the last newsletter, taking medication shortcuts are potentially unsafe. Some of the shortcuts that you could take could actually cost you more by worsening your health opposed to saving you money. It can do more harm than good.

Always talk to your health care provider or pharmacist before taking any kind of shortcut. They will be happy to help with any drug cost concerns that you have. The best way to get help is to talk about it. Struggling to cover prescription costs can be stressful, but there are people that want to help. There are also state programs that can help you cover the cost of your prescriptions. The state programs can provide extra help relative to your income. Social Security also has a program that can help with covering the costs of prescription medications. Mail— Order Pharmacy companies also can help, you can get a three month supply and there will be fewer trips to the pharmacy. Affording prescription medication isn't always easy but there are safe ways to help cut down the cost and there are programs designed to help you afford prescription medications.



Take Charge Tip

Aim to eat a meal with someone once per week

Many people experience a loss of appetite. Several factors could be contributing to a decrease in the desire to eat — from dental or sinus issues, side effects of medication or being a smoker — to loneliness, a loss of taste and smell, effects of COVID-19 or conditions that affect the central nervous system. A loss of appetite is concerning because when you eat less than your body needs, you could become malnourished and vitamin-deficient. You could also lose strength, weight and the ability to stay independent.

Tips for a more enjoyable mealtime:

- Plan out your meals
- Add flavor to your meals
- Make sure to eat nutrient rich meals; not necessarily larger portions
- Try eating five or six smaller meals throughout the day
- Make your meals an occasion; sit down at a table, use the nice and pretty dishes, and listen to music

As always, talk to your health care provider if your have concerns about your appetite or if you experience new or different symptoms.

Source: Stanford Health Care

Did you know?

Between 15% and 30% of older adults experience a decrease in appetite.

Source: National Institutes of Health/National Library of Medicine

Our wish list

Bingo Prizes for: Holdingford & St. Stephen:

- Food Items
- Snacks & Sweets
- * Juice



- Smaller sized large print Word Find & Sudoku books
- Cleaning Products
- * Paper Products



Tri-County Humane Society occasionally receives cats that do not make good indoor pets. These cats prefer earning their rent by assisting with pest control in barns or shops. All "working cats" are spayed/neutered and rabies vaccinated before they are allowed to work, and are available at an adoption fee of your choosing. For more information, or to be placed on a waiting list for a working cat, please call (320) 252-0896.

www.tricountyhumanesociety.org

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8 am—2 pm

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In total we have received \$5401.78

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Thank you to Teals Market for your donation and to Linda Harren for coordinating this program.

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