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**-Saturday, September 30, 2017 -ASHER'S ANNUAL FALL FEST-**



- Join us for a fun activity to the Asher's Chocolate Factory in Souderton, PA. At Asher's Chocolates, we understand that one of life's sweetest pleasures is a simple box of chocolates. A family-owned-and-operated business, we've been making our fine chocolates and other classic confections for over four generations. Asher's Chocolates offers an award-winning selection of chocolates and other sweets—from assorted pralines to our Chocolate-Smothered Pretzels and creamy fudge. We also have one of the largest (and most delicious) lines of sugar-free chocolates in the country.

-We will visit the fall festival, and get a sneak peek at how some of the chocolates are made. Bring along spending money for shopping in the Asher's Chocolate Store. Cost will be \$22.00 per person. The following will be the transportation schedule for the activity:

-Helping Hands Office- 11:45am- 4:00pm

-North End Shopping Center/Pottstown- 12:05pm-3:45pm

-Landis Store in Schwenksville- 12:30pm- 3:30pm

**-Friday, October 6, 2017--** see attached flyer as well!!!

-We hope that you will plan to join us for our Helping Hands Inc Annual Dinner and Dance at the East Greenville Firehouse from 6:30pm-10:00pm. Registrations are due by September 25, so you MUST reply prior to that date. Being that we would love families and friends to join us, we will not be providing transportation to the activity. We will have a few staff members who will work that evening at the dinner. Money is due by October 2, 2017. Hope to see you there!!!



**-Saturday, October 7, 2017-**

-Join us for some fall fun in Boyertown!!! We will be going to Frecon Farm Orchards and pick our own apples, pumpkins and maybe some pears. The Upick Apple, Pear & Pumpkin Orchard is tucked in a quiet little pocket of Berks County, great for an enjoyable & relaxing day among our apple & pear trees. Guests can enjoy access to 30 acres of orchard, live music, order food from our concession stand, enjoy a picnic in the tree rows, jump & play in our kids play area, cut sunflowers or zinnias in our flower patch or simply enjoy strolling the orchard. There is no entry fee to Upick at Frecon Farms, you simply pay for what you pick. All live music is also free. Fine food concessions and applewood fired pizzas are available and select fresh made items from our bakery, including apple cider donuts, pies & more, are available for order. Entertainment that day will be the "Philly Jug Band Two."

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-Either pack a lunch or bring along enough money that day for lunch at Frecon Farms. Also, bring along money for any apples/fruit/pumpkins that you would like to bring home from Frecons. Prices are \$1.99 per pound. Cost per person is \$20.00 for staffing/transportation. And don't forget your sunscreen and good walking shoes!

-The following is the transportation schedule for the Frecon Farms activity:

- Helping Hands Office- 10:50am-2:45pm
- Landis Store in Sanatoga- 10:30am-2:30pm
- Landis Store in Schwenksville- 10:15am-2:15pm

**-Friday, October 13- October 15, 2017-**  
**Cape May Getaway!!!! See attached Flyer!**



**-Saturday, October 14, 2017**

-Bring your walking shoes and your adventure for an afternoon out at the Oley Turnpike Dairy for their 2017 Fall Festival. Everyone really enjoyed this fall activity last year, so we are going to do it again! We will be venturing to Berks County for an afternoon at their Corn maze, activity area, a hay bale tunnel, a hayride, ice cream, and small zoo!

-Cost will be \$25.00 for this activity. Feel free to bring along spending money for a pumpkin, fall flowers, or additional snacks.

-Please dress accordingly as this is an outdoor activity and there will be a lot of walking involved on **unsteady terrain as it is in a cornfield!** **This activity**

**is NOT recommended for participants with walkers/wheelchairs.** The following will be the transportation schedule for the Fall Festival:

- North End Shopping Center in Pottstown-12:50pm-4:15pm
- Landis Store in Schwenksville- 12:40pm- 4:20pm
- Helping Hands Office- 12:15pm-4:45pm



**-Tuesday, October 17, 2017- Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Day**



- Friends Helping Friends is a day to enjoy great shopping, a super 25%\* discount shopping pass, refreshments, register to win prizes and the chance for people to support their favorite non-profit organization. Tickets to Friends Helping Friends will be available only from participating non-profit organizations. Each will have the opportunity to sell \$5 discount shopping passes to the event. 100% of the ticket money will go to the selling organization. A sample of the tickets is attached to the newsletter, as well. Contact the office for your tickets and for more information. Tickets will be available

for purchase at the Annual Dinner Dance on October 6, 2017.

**-Saturday, October 21, 2017-**

-Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth I, invites you to live the excitement and adventure of the Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire. Thirty-five acres of jousting knights and royal delights await as hundreds of colorfully-costumed characters breathe life into the mirth and merriment of an authentic recreation of a 16th century English Village complete with dozens of authentic Tudor buildings. Musical performances, magic acts, fire-breathing, puppet shows,

Shakespearean plays, comical mud beggars and live jousting are just a few of the entertainments that fill the Revels Schedule with over 90 shows daily, unfolding on 12 stages. Enjoy period foods, micro-brewed ales and a variety of wines from 23 Royal Kitchens and shop from scores of Renaissance merchants. Experience the fantasy!! Feel free to dress up in costumes that would be appropriate for the faire! This is an outdoor activity, and will involve a lot of walking, so please dress accordingly.

-Cost per person will be \$55.00. This covers only the cost of admission to the Faire, staffing and transportation. Please bring additional money for lunch and souvenirs at the Faire. Remember that food/snacks are at least \$12.00 for a drink and sandwich.

-We will be meeting at the Helping Hands office only at 9:30am and returning at approximately 6:00pm.



**-Tuesday, October 24, 2017-**

-Monthly MOVIE NIGHT OUT is back!!! The transportation schedules will again need to be determined the week/day of the movie, b/c the times change at the theaters sometimes daily, but we will attempt to attend the movie that begins closest to 7:00pm. Special prices on Tuesday nights: popcorn is \$2.50 and a drink are only \$2.50 each and any candy for \$2.50 each!! Cost for transportation/staffing will be billed following the activity. Cost will be \$32.00 with transportation and \$22.00 without transportation.



- **A War With Grandpa**- Synopsis-A disgruntled kid (Juliocesar Chavez) displaced from his bedroom by the arrival of his recently widowed grandfather (Robert DeNiro) launches a campaign of pranks and shenanigans intended to restore his room to him. But his grandpa proves to be much sharper than the kid anticipates.

**AND UP AND COMING.....**

**-Friday, November 17-19, 2017**

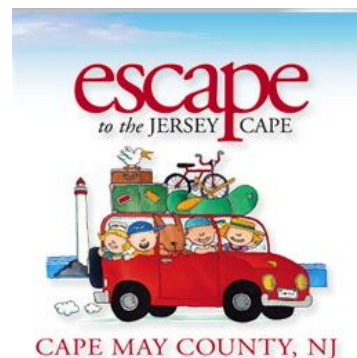
-Cape May Getaway!! See attached flyer for more information!!

**-Up and coming Tuesday Movie Nites at the Cinema**

-Tuesday, November 28, 2017

-Tuesday, December 19, 2017

-The movie choices will be selected as the dates get closer.



## **FUNDRAISERS!!! FUNDRAISERS!!!**

### **We appreciate your support of Helping Hands, Inc!!!**



-The UNITED WAY COMMUNITY CALENDAR is posted on the office bulletin board. It contains Boyertown Area School District dates and key Boyertown community events. Each Month highlights one of the non-profit organizations (including Helping Hands - December) the United Way of Boyertown supports. Each numbered calendar costs \$20, but on most days, drawings will decide which lucky calendar owners will receive giveaways and gift certificates worth nearly \$6,000. Even better, there is no limit to the number of times you can win the drawing! All proceeds go to the United Way of Boyertown Area in support of our local non-profit agencies that take such good care of the Boyertown community! Contact Connie or Wendy in the office to purchase one of the "Must Have" school year calendars.

-We are again participating in the **Boscov's Friends Helping Friends** fundraiser. Tickets are \$5.00 each and proceeds from our tickets go to HH. Bring your stub to Boscov's on Tuesday, October 17th to utilize a coupon that entitles you to a discount of ten, fifteen, or 25% off, depending on items purchased. Please contact the office if you would like to participate in this fundraiser.

-We will again be holding the poinsettia flower sale as a fundraiser for the Christmas season. Anyone who has ordered/sold last year will receive their forms mid-October, and anyone who is interested, please let the office know in the next few weeks. We will post on our Facebook page when the order sheets are ready, as well!

-The 2017 Reppert's Christmas Candy forms are being put together, so they will be mailed out to all prior folks who bought/sold candy in the past. If you are interested in forms, please let us know at the office. We will post on our Facebook page when the order sheets are ready, as well! Thank you!



## Fall 2017 Notes Page

Welcome to the end of summer!!! The last few months have passed quickly, but it means that the time has come to start getting the Soc/Rec Programs up and running again.

Soooo, welcome to the fall Newsletter!! As you will see, we have a handful of activities that will be upcoming, as well as some of our weekly activities beginning soon.

**Please note that we now have a new email address for the agency, [HHInfo@helpinghandsinc.com](mailto:HHInfo@helpinghandsinc.com). Thank you.**

1. Reminder that Helping Hands implemented a procedure for anyone who cancels after being registered for an activity where there is an admission ticket purchased in advance. If HH is not able to replace that slot with another participant, you will still be billed for that activity. Please note that staffing, vehicles, and tickets are determined by the registrations received, and up until this point, HH has lost that money.
2. The Helping Hands Bowling league will begin on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at Limerick Bowl. Cost per person will now be **\$11.00** that must be brought weekly, as it is turned into the staff at the lanes each Sunday. We will NOT ACCEPT credit cards, but will utilize bowling alley gift cards. We are scheduled to bowl from 2:30pm until 5pm each week, with usually a 15-minute break between each game. Bowlers need to be at the lanes no later than **2:20pm** to be prepared to **start** bowling at 2:30pm. We will occasionally finish early, depending on absenteeism, weather, etc. However, please plan to be at the bowling alley until **5:00pm**. If you would like to be in this years' league, you **MUST re-register** with the office or via email. Also, if you would like to be on the transportation schedule, you will need to contact the office. Once registrations are complete, then calls will be made to confirm transportation.  
**NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO TRANSPORTATION ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, BUT STAFF WILL MEET AT THE LANES, AND THERE WILL BE NO BOWLING ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, DUE TO A TOURNAMENT AT THE LANES.**
3. The Helping Hands Wallyball Program will resume on Monday evening, October 9, 2017. We practice each Monday from 7:30-8:30pm. Feel free to send along a few dollars for a snack or drink afterwards, as we relax before the return home. If you would like to be part of our wallyball league this season, please register with the office. Also, if you would like to be part of our transportation schedule, you will need to contact the office. We will **not** be making any assumptions on returning participants.
4. The Special Olympics Swim Team at the Boyertown YMCA has not yet chosen a start date. We will pass on this information to all athletes when that schedule is determined. If you would like to be part of our swim team, please register with the office. Also, if you would like to be on the transportation schedule, you will need to contact the office.
5. **Please remember that the Soc/Rec program has our designated agency cell phone for receiving calls prior to and during activities. That number is 610-506-6723. We will still check messages at the office, however this should be the number you contact for last minute cancellations, etc.**



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