

#### HEADINGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

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Office Hours / Encore Health & Fitness Hours:

Monday- Thursday 9AM— 3PM

Joke of the month:



... Why did the tree go to the dentist?

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### Seniors Scene

#### Enrich your life with us!



Greetings and Happy Spring!
In March, HSS had the pleasure of hosting an informative
Lunch & Learn on the importance of maintaining a
healthy mouth as we age.
Attendees learned valuable
tips and tricks for oral care,
enhancing their understand-

ing of how dental health contributes to overall well-being. Thank you to Active Aging in Manitoba for presenting.

Additionally, we got together for an afternoon of crafting. Creativity flourished as

we crafted an Easter themed wreath and shared in laughter and joy together ahead of the holiday weekend. Thanks to Lenora Bisson and Lynn Mowat for organizing such a wonderful afternoon.



April 2nd marks Caregiver Recognition day. We would like to acknowledge these remarkable individuals who enrich our lives with their dedication and compassion. Most people will find themselves in a caregiving role at some point in their lives. This issue will highlight information & resources available for caregivers.

Please contact us in the office with any questions and to learn about what we offer here at Headingley Seniors' Services!

Take care,
Kristie & Margo



#### **Tips & Resources for Caregivers:**

Caring for a loved one can be a deeply rewarding experience, but it can also come with it's challenges and stresses. Caregiver stress is a common issue that many individuals face when taking care of a family member or friend who is ill, disabled, or aging. The demands of caregiving can take a

toll on your physical, emotional, and mental well-being. Here are some strategies to keep in mind:

- Acknowledge your feelings: Caregiving can evoke a range of experiences and emotions such
  as stress, grief, anger, guilt, and sadness. Whatever you're feeling is normal. Talk to a trusted
  friend or counselor to have an outlet for expressing your feelings and gaining support.
- **Set Realistic Expectations:** Understand that you cannot do everything and it's okay to ask for help. Delegate tasks to willing family members or friends, or consider professional help. Creating a schedule may help you prioritize tasks and manage your time.
- **Take care of your own health:** Make time for regular exercise, eat a balanced diet, and get enough sleep. Don't ignore your own medical concerns and make sure to attend your own doctor appointments. Practice stress relief techniques such as deep breathing, meditation, or yoga.
- **Seek Respite Care:** Respite care can give you the opportunity to take a break and focus on yourself. Regular breaks from caregiving are important to recharge and rejuvenate.
- **Stay connected with others:** Caregiving can feel isolating. Prioritize staying connected with friends and family. Maintaining a strong support system provides emotional support, companionship, and a sense of belonging.
- **Maintain your own hobbies & interests:** It's important to continue to make time for activities that you enjoy to bring you fulfillment and prevent caregiver burnout.
- **Be kind to yourself:** Acknowledge how difficult this is. You are doing your best. Practice self-compassion.

#### For available resources in Manitoba, please visit: (more on next page)

- ⇒ Caregiving modules: https://www.virtualhospice.ca/caregiving/
- ⇒ **Free drop-in counselling:** https://www.southernhealth.ca/en/finding-care/find-a-service/mental-health/
- ⇒ Online course for caregivers: https://www.pallium.ca/course/leap-carers/
- ⇒ **Practical Caregiving videos:** https://www.virtualhospice.ca/en\_US/Main+Site+Navigation/Home/Topics/Topics/Providing+Care.aspx
- ⇒ **Caregiver stress assessment:** https://alzheimer.ca/sites/default/files/documents/Caregiver-stress-assessment-checklist--Alzheimer-Society.pdf
- ⇒ **Respite:** https://www.southernhealth.ca/en/finding-care/find-a-service/respite-care/
- ⇒ Caregiver guide: https://www.gov.mb.ca/seniors/publications/docs/caregiver.pdf

#### **Additional Caregiver Resources:**

- ⇒ https://www.southernhealth.ca/en/finding-care/care-by-topic/care-in-your-home/
- ⇒ https://alzheimer.mb.ca/living-with-dementia/caring-for-someone-with-dementia/#10063
- ⇒ https://alzheimer.mb.ca/we-can-help/support-groups/for-family-and-friends/#10066
- ⇒ https://www.gov.mb.ca/seniors/resources/community-and-caregiver-supports.html#CaregiverAndFamilySupports
- ⇒ https://www.carerscanada.ca/
- ⇒ https://www.mentalhealthcommission.ca/caregiver-resources/
- ⇒ https://www.gov.mb.ca/finance/tao/caregiver.html
- ⇒ https://www.gov.mb.ca/asset\_library/en/mh/docs/caregiver\_inventory2022.pdf
- ⇒ https://www.manitoba.ca/mhcw/
- ⇒ https://www.aosupportservices.ca/

#### **Did You Know?**

We will be offering 2 FOLKLORAMA tours this August!

Thurs August 8<sup>th</sup>
2 Pavilions: Punjab & Japanese
\$65 per person

Wed August 14<sup>th</sup>
3 Pavilions: Korean, Egyptian, & Spirit of Ukraine
\$80 per person

Bus transportation provided. Contact HSS office to sign up!









#### Café BREAK—MENU



\*April 3– Enchilada Torte
April 10– Lasagna
\*April 17– Breakfast for Lunch (L&L)
April 24– Chicken Pot Pie

Contact the office the *Friday* prior to register:

(204) 889-3132 ext. 3 seniors@rmofheadingley.ca

\*Event / Lunch & Learn booked

#### **Food Handler's Course:**

This certification course is recommended for anyone who serves food to the public. Topics covered include receiving and storing food, preparation techniques, dishwashing, crosscontamination and other components of safefood handling.



Please bring your lunch, water and a pen!

Saturday May 4th 9:00-3:30 Headingley CC

#### **Current HSS programs to enjoy:**

#### **Mondays**

Helping Hands 1-3pm

#### Wednesdays

Café BREAK lunches 12pm

#### **Thursdays**

Crib and Coffee 1-3pm

#### **Fridays**

Urban Pole Walking & Coffee 10-11am

Headingley Community Centre 5353 Portage Ave



### Upcoming Foot Care Clinics

Thursday April 11th Thursday May 16th

Clinics are run monthly by Karen Dingman, RN
Please contact the HSS office for more info or to
book your appointment!



AT THE **Looking for** something to do LIBRARY with your grandchildren? UESDAY BUILDER'S 3:00 -DROP IN CLUB 6:00 AGES 5+ WEDNESDAY STORY 10:30 -DROP IN 11.30 ALL AGES THURSDAY STAY & 10:30 -**DROP IN** PLAY 12:00 BABY & TOT

#### <u>Macrame 101</u> Plant Hanger Workshop

Macrame is a great way to create beautiful and functional pieces of art–like wall hanging, plant hangers, curtains and more. In this class, you will learn techniques to create stunning pieces that perfectly showcase your beloved plants. As you knot and weave, you'll discover the joy of transforming simple cords into functional, beautiful pieces that add an organic touch to your living space.



Saturday April 20th, 12-3 pm Headingley Community Centre \$50

Visit MHRD.ca to register!

Joke answer...

Because it needed a root canal!

For programming updates, brainteasers and puzzle fun be sure to subscribe to our newsletter by emailing seniors@rmofheadingley.ca

#### **HEADINGLEY LIBRARY presents:**

### SPRING INTO SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Spring Into Summer Reading Challenge will run from March 15 - June 22, 2024

Visit us at the library or e-mail us at hml@headingleylibrary.ca to register and receive your reading challenge form

We have chosen 8 broad prompts, so everyone can find something to fit their reading preferences

Submit your completed form by June 22nd to be entered into a prize draw

\*challenge open to adult patrons of Headingley Library



Volunteers appreciated for Earth Day Cleanup!
Please sign up through MHRD.ca



Join us for our next *Lunch & Learn*Wednesday **April 17th** @ 12 pm



## Emergency Preparedness within your own community



# April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Easter .	Fit & Flex Cardio Helping Hands 1-3	2 Tai Chi	Fit & Flex Cardio Café BREAK Escape Room	4 Cribbage 1-3	5 Urban Pole Walking	6
7	Fit & Flex Cardio Helping Hands 1-3	9 Yoga Tai Chi	Fit & Flex Cardio Café BREAK	Yoga Foot Clinic Cribbage 1-3	12 Urban Pole Walking	13
14	Fit & Flex Cardio Helping Hands 1-3	16 Yoga Tai Chi	Fit & Flex Cardio Café BREAK *(L&L)	Yoga Cribbage 1-3	Urban Pole Walking	20
21	Fit & Flex Cardio Helping Hands 1-3	Yoga Tai Chi	Fit & Flex Cardio Café BREAK	Yoga Cribbage 1-3	26 Urban Pole Walking	27
28	Fit & Flex Cardio Helping Hands 1-3	30 Yoga Tai Chi				

MHRD Fitness\* = Blue Programs = Green Events = Red Café BREAK= Magenta

<sup>\*</sup>You can register for MHRD programs by visiting mhrd.ca or calling (204) 885-2444

\*\*All programs and events are subject to change, please contact the office

(204) 889-3132 ext. 3 if you're unsure about the status of a program