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THE HOLMEN AREA COMMUNITY CENTER NEWSLETTER
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Get Your
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Cheesy
fun for
Everyone!

CHEESE FEST

HOLMEN AREA COMMUNITY CENTER

Saturday, June 20th

MAC & CHEESE CONTEST

12 NOON - 2 PM

\$8.00 Adults \$5.00 Kids
FREE 5 and under

Food and Drink

11 AM - 3 PM

PULLED PORK
HOT DOGS, DRINKS
& CHEESY TREATS
WINE DRAW
LOCAL CHEESE

PACKER. BADGER. BREWER

RAFFLE

50/50 & BASKET RAFFLES
SILENT AUCTION

Wine and Cheese EVENT

3 PM - 7 PM

\$20 PER PERSON

Wine and Cheese Tastings
Live Music, Silent Auction,
Art Reception and More!

Craft Art Maker MARKET

10 AM - 4 PM

KIDS ZONE

FAMILY ACTIVITIES
12 NOON - 3 PM



CHEESY FOOD ALL DAY
LIVE MUSIC

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3:00- 7:00 pm

Holmen CHEESE FEST

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Showcasing local wineries,
creameries, and local
markets in our region.

FEATURING

- Hidden Springs Creamery
- Nordic Creamery
- Elmaro Vineyards
- Creekside Winery
- Tenba Ridge Winery
- Lush Wine Bistro
- Holmen Meat Market

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Taste

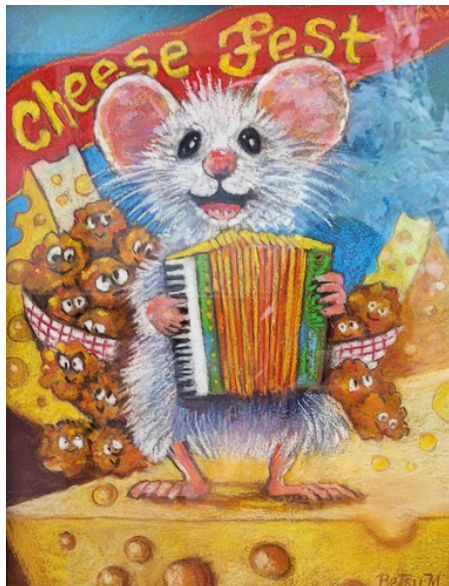


CHEESY ART CONTEST!

Saturday, June 20

Bring Cheesy Art in for June!

Bring your art in from June 1- 15th for our "Say Cheese" art exhibit. Art will be on display throughout June with a public vote and awards during Cheese Fest. Attend the Reception on June, 20th at 3 pm. Divisions for Adult, Youth and 3D Work.



How You Can Help!

**DONATE A GIFT BASKET FOR SILENT AUCTION OR RAFFLE
DONATE A BOTTLE OF WINE FOR THE WINE DRAW!!**



ATTEND AND SUPPORT THE FUNDRAISING EVENT!

MAC & CHEESE CONTEST

**NOON - 2 PM
Attend or Compete!**

Craft Art Maker MARKET

10 AM - 4 PM

Calling Artists to Sell your work!

CHEESE FEST

PACKERS - BADGERS - BREWERS

2- Green Bay Packer Football tickets (date/time TBA), including a \$100 Kwik Trip gift card and a \$100 Visa gift card for food and drink.
2- Wisconsin Badger Football Party Deck tickets (date/time TBA) including a \$50 Kwik Trip gift card and a \$50 Visa gift card for food and drink.
2- Milwaukee Brewers Baseball tickets for the Friday, August 7, 6:40 p.m. game against the MN Twins including a preferred parking pass and a \$50 Kwik Trip gift card.
Drawing on **SATURDAY, JUNE 20th - 4:00 pm** at HACC
Tickets: \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00
Winner need not be present to win Raffle #R0036861A-50750

Buy Raffle Tickets

**PACKERS - BADGERS - BREWERS
Tickets \$5.00 Each or 5 for \$20.00**

Buy Tickets to Support and Win!

CHEESY KIDS ZONE

NOON - 3 PM

Bring the Family or Volunteer

Volunteer at the Event!

Volunteering opportunities are available for Cheese Fest in several areas! Contact Amy or Jodi to sign up to help. See the next page for other ways that you can support us!

Learn More!





MEMBERSHIP NEWS

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Welcome <May New Members

Barb Abbott

Ken Anderson

Joan Baures

Terry Butzman

Janet Carley

Rosemary Conklin

Bridget Crave

Teri Dahl

Thomas Deml

Check Dillon

Dan Dorn

Nancy Dorn

Donna Elsen

Melissa Emry

Rich Gerke

Lori Granchalek

Julie Halverson

Lori Hare

Julie Harter

Julie Heineck

Gordon Husby

Jay Johnson

Louis Kalis

Paul Keith

Kent Knutson

Dianne Kurtz

Deen Layland

Mark Metcalf

Patricia Morris

Phil Murray

Kristin Musgjerd

Diane Nedland

Darlene Nelson

Michael Nelson

Susan Peterson

Bibionne Puent

Eloise Reinhart

Laura Roriguez

Vivian Sacia

Nancy Schmidt

Lynne Valiquette

Bliz Xiong

Joe Hermann

Bonnie Jeranek

Mary O'Mara

Susan Schaller



HACC VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are an essential part of the Holmen Area Community Center. We could not accomplish everything we do throughout the year without help from our amazing volunteers. Each month we will recognize our volunteers and share their stories.

Our Volunteer Hours for May = 120



Sandy Hutson & Amy Brezinka
HACC Vendor Table
Senior Fair at the Omni Center

The Holmen Area Community Center participated in the Senior Fair at the Omni Center in Onalaska on May 13th. HACC was one of over 30+ vendors present at the event.

Sandy Hutson volunteered with Program Director, Amy Brezinka to share information about our beautiful Community Center and encourage folks to visit us!

Over 200 seniors attended the event. Many had heard about us, some were already members and others were excited to receive information and plan to check out programs and events at our Center!



Sandy Hutson put together our Summer Make and Take Bags that were made by the Coulee Region RSVP volunteers.

Upcoming Opportunities

Volunteering offers numerous benefits as we age, including improved mental health and a renewed sense of purpose and social connection. Below are a few HACC volunteer opportunities:

- Cheese Fest- Saturday, June 20th 8 am - 4 pm
- Wonderland Tea Party- Tuesday, July 21st 2 pm
- Family Fun Night - Fall Series: September, October, November
- Toddler Story Time Readers- 1 x per month - Sept to May

Please contact us if you are interested in becoming a volunteer!



Fitness, Health and Wellness



Summer Walking Path Hours

Monday - Friday 7:00 to 10:00 am

(June, July & August)

FREE for HACC members; \$2 non-members
Please check in and/or pay at our Welcome Desk



June 2026



Members FREE
Non-Members \$5

Beginner Line Dancing Video

Mondays 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Get ready to kick up your heels and join us for a toe-tapping good time!
No experience necessary.

Intermediate Line Dancing Video

Wednesdays 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Intermediate line dancing classes teach more complex, longer step combinations, patterns, and choreography building on foundational skills.
Instructor: Amy Etrheim

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Cardio Fitness Workout

Mondays & Wednesdays
10 - 10:45 am

Let's take a walk! Marching or walking in place is the foundation for these 30 - 40 minute video workouts.
Perfect for seniors and beginner exercisers. FREE for HACC Members.



Cardio & Strength Fitness Class

Tuesdays & Thursdays
10 - 10:45 AM

These 40 minute video workouts are perfect for seniors and beginner exercisers. FREE for HACC Members.



StrongBodies

VIRTUAL STRENGTH-TRAINING VIDEO CLASS

Fridays 10 - 11 am

The Wisconsin StrongBodies Program empowers individuals of all ages to live stronger, healthier lives.

Through community-based strength training programs, participants improve fitness, build strength, gain confidence, and connect socially, enhancing overall well-being.

Participants follow a structured plan to strengthen all major muscle groups working to gradually increase the weights used.

FREE for Members | \$2 for Non-members



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Summer Hours Begin June 2nd

Members FREE
Non-Members \$5

Pickleball Open Play

Tuesdays
8:00 - 9:45 am

Open play is a time for pickleball players, of any skill level, to play on the courts and practice new skills. We have two courts, one will be designated for beginners and another for intermediate players.
We have a supply of pickleball equipment (paddles and balls) if needed.



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Where Our Community Gathers!

Fitness, Health and Wellness



Chair Yoga *with Marty Landry*

Mondays 9:15 - 10 am

Chair yoga allows you to perform yoga poses while seated or using a chair for balance. Chair-based yoga offers the same benefits as traditional yoga, like boosting strength, flexibility, and mental well-being.




New Class This Summer!

Wall Pilates *with Sarah Fox*

Wednesdays 11:00 - 11:45 am
(June 3, 17, 24; July 8, 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19 and 26)

Please join us for a gentle Pilates class designed for both beginners and seasoned Pilates practitioners. We'll incorporate equipment such as light weights, resistance bands, and Pilates balls - all while focusing on mindful breathing and having fun!

\$5 Members | \$10 Non-Members



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New Time! Summer Classes

Chair Yoga *with Sarah Fox*

Wednesdays 10:15 - 11:00 am
(June 3, 17, 24; July 8, 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19 and 26)

We invite you to join our gentle chair yoga class—perfect for all levels. Improve strength and flexibility while exploring breathing techniques and mindfulness to support balance, relaxation, and overall well-being.

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Fitness Instructor: Sarah Fox



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SOUND HEALING

Thursdays
June 25, July 9 & 23, August 20th
10:30 to 11:30 am

Wisdom of the Soul Wellness & Learning

Using a variety of instruments—anchored by the precision and subtle power of tuning forks—each session is a sacred invitation to return home to yourself. Step into stillness. Breathe into release. Leave with more light, more ease, and more of you.

Instructor: Laurie A Cafe, Certified Sound Practitioner



\$5 Members
\$10 Non-members

Gentle Yoga for Beginners
with Sam Bigalke

Every Other FRIDAY
8 - 9 am

June 5 & 19
July 17 & 31
August 28

Members \$5
Non-Members \$10




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Yoga Nidra and Sound Bath
with Sam Bigalke

Friday
June 19 & July 31
10:15 - 11 am

Yoga for mind. No poses just relaxation, guided meditation and sound bowls.

Bring your comfy blankets and pillows to this class.

Members \$5
Non-Members \$10




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Community Education and Resources

DEAR SIRs
A Personal Journey Through World War II 75 Years Later

HOLMEN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MONDAY
JUNE 1
6:00 PM



DEAR SIRs
DOCUMENTARY

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

HOLMEN AREA
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HOLMEN, WI

The Holmen Area Historical Society will screen the award winning 2022 documentary, Dear Sirs.

Director Mark Pedri shares his bicycle trip through Europe retracing his grandfather's steps as a prisoner of war, seeking to understand the man and the intergenerational impact of war. FREE and open to the public.

Third Thursday each month!
Coffee and Treats start at 8:00 am

Hello Holmen!


Thursday, June 18th 8:30 - 9:30 am


Alice in Dairyland - Sarah Hagenow

As Wisconsin's 78th agriculture ambassador, Sarah Hagenow's goal is to educate audiences about the importance of Wisconsin's diverse agriculture industry, how it impacts our daily lives, and the \$116.3 billion economic impact it has on the state's economy.

Hagenow is a recent graduate of the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, where she earned her bachelor's degree in agricultural and food business management with a minor in international agriculture. Hagenow feels at home in Wisconsin's agricultural industry and enjoys telling the stories of its hard-working people.

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Wednesday

The Possibilities are Endless!

Meet other singles, make connections, play games, bus trips, adventures and possible meal exchanges

Member Gathering

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Don't Take The Bait:
Recognizing and Preventing Fraud

Tuesday, June 16
1 to 2 pm

From phishing emails to impersonation scams, fraudsters rely on urgency and deception. Discover how these schemes work, how to identify warning signs, and the actions you can take to safeguard your finances and identity.
Presented by Theresa Zirbel with Associated Bank

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VETERANS SERVICES

LA CROSSE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES COMMUNITY HOURS

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
12:30 - 4:00 P.M.


ERICA LAKOWSKE, COORDINATOR



Reading in June 2026

Cozy Readers
"The Lost Bookshop" by Evie Woods

Page Turners
"The Correspondent" by Virginia Evans



Arts, Entertainment and Community!

Community Crafts

with Jackie & Pam

**Tuesday
June 2nd
1 - 3 pm**

Craft Project:
4th of July Decor



Join us once a month for this fun, social, crafting experience!

\$5 Members

All supplies provided.
Class size limited, registration encouraged





Music with GREG GROKOWSKY

**Friday, June 5th
11 AM - 12 PM**



Create & Paint

For adults, teens, and kids 7+

Class Subject: Sunset Beach
Instructor: Lori Ehke

**Monday, June 29th
12:30-2:00 pm**



Individual: \$25 Members | \$30 Non-Members
Multiple (Family): \$20 each Member | \$25 each Non-Member

Learn to paint a Sunset Beach in Acrylic on a 9x12 canvas. Lori will walk you step by step through painting the image, applying color, using special techniques to achieve certain looks, and adding finishing detail work. All levels welcome! Acrylic supplies are included with the class, but feel free to bring your own if you wish.

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Where Our Community Gathers!



BEADED SPIDER

Suncatcher Workshop

Tuesday, June 23rd 1:00 to 3:00 pm

Uncover the charming European legend of the "Christmas Spider" in this hands-on beginner's workshop! Participants will learn how to transform colorful beads and wire into an elegant, shimmering spider suncatcher that adds a touch of folklore and sparkle to any window. All beads, wire, and specialized tools are provided.



\$20 Members | \$25 Non-members



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Fun with Watercolor

Mondays 8:30 - 10:30 am

Social and fun! This group is for watercolor enthusiasts who love sharing and learning to fine tune their craft. The group is willing to explore new techniques and to instruct with simple to more challenging projects.

All Levels are Welcome!





Beginner Macramé Class

**Thursday, June 25th
5:30 - 7:00 pm**

Create, knot and take home your very own macrame produce hanger to show of your garden fresh produce or accessories, great for the kiddos!


This beginner-friendly macrame class will provide all supplies needed to complete your project. Best for ages 7 and above. Great for ALL ages!

Members \$25 | Non-members \$30
Special: \$40 for two people

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**MACRAMÉ
Mama**



Summer at the Center

Prices vary per program - Please check website for details



Creative Arts & Eats

Beginner Macrame with Macrame Mama
Thursday, June 25th 5:30 - 7 pm

Create & Paint with Lori Ehlike
Monday, June 29th 12:30 - 2 pm
Monday, August 17th 12:30 - 2 pm

Beaded Spider Class with Laura Lindahl
Tuesday, June 23rd 1 - 3 pm

Beaded Forever Plant with Laura Lindahl
Tuesday, August 18th 1 - 3 pm

Charcuterie Basics with Aliah Laska
Tuesday, June 9 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, August 11 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Cupcake Decorating with Laura Lindahl
Wednesday, July 29th 10 - 11:30 am
Wednesday, August 19th 10 - 11:30 am

Kids Corner

June, July and August 2026

Games, Toys, Books and Activity Bags are available everyday at Kids Corner

FREE Activity Bags- 1 bag per child
Bring the bag back for a free refill!

Family Fun & Flow Yoga

Fun and Flow with Sarah Fox
Each Tuesday 10-11 am
June 9th - August 25th
-excluding July 14th



Muscles in Motion

Muscles in Motion with Parenting Place
Each Tuesday 10 - 11 am
This free program is held at
Deer Wood Park in Holmen.

Adventures in Nature

Guess Who am I? with Dana Schelling
Thursday, July 23rd 10-11 am

Birds Of All Sizes with Jim Welander
Thursday, July 30th 10-11 am

Wild About Bears
with Happy Dancing Turtle
Wednesday, August 26th 1- 2 pm



Family Bingo

Family Bingo with Scott Marshall
Each Friday 1-2 pm



A Summer of fun awaits!

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Family Friendly Programming

Muscles in Motion

Tuesdays 10 -11 AM

SUMMER LOCATION (JUNE TO AUGUST)

DEER WOOD PARK
500 ANDERSON STREET, HOLMEN

Muscles in Motion is a shared time for parents, grandparents, or caregivers to participate with their toddler or preschooler in open-ended physical activities. Get ready to move! It's FREE! Contact The Parenting Place for more information at 608-784-8125



Family Membership

\$150 Annual Membership

Includes: Tickets to all Family Fun Nights (2 Adults and 2 Children- Rates to fit all family sizes) Member rates for events, programs, and party rentals.



Check out our new 2026 Program Guide
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Get your tickets!



Wonderland Tea Party

Tuesday, July 21 ♥ 2pm



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More Here



Our New Children's Center Furniture was donated in memory of

Cathy Braund

We want to thank Cathy and her family and friends for this kind gift to the Center.

See our Calendar for Upcoming Family classes this Summer

May Happenings at the Center

"One"derful 1 Wednesday ▼



Sound Healing Session with Laurie Cafe ▼



A Joyful Life
Guest Speaker: *Alene Keenan* ▼

"The Water and You"
David Chen, UW-M

Connect2Nature
Patagonia Wilderness with Allene Horton ▼



Hello Holmen!
Pathways Home: *Jim Drees*
& *Isaac Hoffman*
WIN: *Susan Graf* ▼

