

COMMUNITY CIRCLE

Keeping the Lodi Community in the Loop

Reach Out Lodi, Inc. is committed to being diverse, equitable, and inclusive

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others"

-Mahatma Ghandi



Community Center & Community Store

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Community Store & Center Hours:

Monday - Friday
8:30am - 3:30pm

Saturday 8:30am - 11am
By Appointment

Reach Our Lodi, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization supported by donations and grants. We charge no fee to our Community Store customers.



VETERANS DAY

★ REMEMBER AND HONOR ★

Honor our veterans with a free breakfast followed by a short program.



SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 11, 2023

8:30 AM BREAKFAST

9:00 AM PROGRAM



Space is limited. RSVP to 608.592.4592 by Nov. 8th.

Join us at Reach Out Lodi for our Veterans Day breakfast as we express our deep gratitude to those who've bravely served our nation. This event, including a complimentary breakfast and a brief program, is dedicated to our veterans and their spouses/partners. We extend a warm welcome to the public to join us in honoring these heroes. While there is no charge for veterans, we encourage non-veterans to make a voluntary donation as a symbol of their appreciation. To secure your spot at this special gathering, please make reservations promptly, as space is limited. Let's come together to show our support and gratitude for those who have selflessly defended our country.

Dinner With... monthly dinner and entertainment partially funded with a grant from the Community Foundation of South Central Wisconsin

JOHN G. HAMILTON

October 10th

5 Pm - 7 Pm

RSVP to 608.592.4592 by October 9th

Cost: \$10

Join us for a delightful dining experience, perfectly paired with the enchanting melodies of country-

western singer

John G. Hamilton.



learn more about our events



Julie Thompson
Presents:

High Standards

High Standards features songs you'll love from the 40's and 50's. Julie has a unique blend of folk purity, jazz sensitivity, and classical polish.

November 14th

5 Pm - 7Pm

RSVP to 608.592.4592
by November 13th

Shekinah King

December 5th

5 Pm - 7Pm

RSVP to 608.592.4592 by December 4th

Shekinah won the 2022 Madison Area Music Awards pop song of the year, "I Got It From My Mom." Growing up in church cultivated a deep love for music and a passion for what she does.



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Upcoming Events at Reach Out Lodi

MAH JONGG CLUB

Every Thursday



9:30am - 12pm

Join our Mah Jongg Club for engaging and strategic gameplay every Thursday at 9:30 am. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, all are welcome to join the fun – no experience necessary and we'll even teach you how to play!



Every Thursday

1 - 3 pm

Join our friendly Euchre Club for a fun-filled card-playing afternoon every Thursday at 1pm. Enjoy a light snack and beverages. No experience is necessary – just a desire to have a good time!

SENIOR YOGA with Tess Carr



Every Tuesday
2 pm - 2:45 pm

HEALTHY FOR LIFE



SENIOR MOVEMENT with Stephanie Caves



Every Wednesday
2 pm - 2:45 pm

See Calendar for dates

WELLNESS ON WEDNESDAY

12:30 - 1:30pm

October 25th

Hearing Loss & Hearing Aids

Join us for an informative session with an audiologist from Sauk Prairie Healthcare to explore the world of hearing loss and the benefits of hearing aids.

November 29th

Tips for Managing Diabetes and Staying Healthy

Equip yourself with practical knowledge and actionable insights to lead a healthier life while managing diabetes. Discussion led by a clinician from Sauk Prairie Healthcare.

December 20th
TBD



COMMUNITY MEAL SOUP'R SUPPER

SEE YOU THERE!



Sept. 26

Oct. 24

Nov. 28

Dec. 19

5:00 - 6:30pm

Come for soup, stay & get to know your neighbors!

Game Night

5 - 7pm

For individuals with disabilities age 14+

October 14th

Pumpkin painting, cards, and board games

October 28th

Costume party! Cards and board games

November 4th

Christmas decorations, play cards & board games

November 18th, December 2nd, December 16th

Cards & board games

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Dementia Journey Support Group



3rd Thursday of each month 1:00 - 2:30pm

October 19th - November 16th - December 21st

This is a support group for caregivers of people with dementia. Participants learn new information, share their experiences, and support each other. We learn from each other while caring for our loved one and taking care of ourselves to stay healthy through the journey.

Contact: Nellie Mueller, 608.742.9233 for more information.

Painting for Pleasure with Gladys Grieger

Gladys teaches the art of painting with acrylics

1st Session Schedule:

Mondays 12:30 - 3pm

September 11 - October 2nd

Fridays 10am - 12:30pm:

September 15th - October 6th

2nd Session Schedule:

Mondays 12:30 - 3pm

October 23rd - November 13th

Fridays 10am - 12:30pm

October 20th - November 10th

Contact: Gladys 608.445.0589 **Cost:** \$45 4/weeks
No classes December, January, February



SUNDAY SOCIAL

Get ready to tap your toes and sing along as our talented Ukulele musicians fill the air with sweet melodies!

October 8th

1 - 2:30pm

After the music, enjoy some time to socialize and indulge in a slice of Apple Pie!



Host your next special event at our welcoming Community Center!

Whether it's a family gathering like a birthday party, holiday celebration, baby shower, baptism, graduation, or a commemoration of life's milestones, our versatile space is here for you. We offer two room options: the Lodi Room, accommodating up to 30 people with tables, and the spacious Welcome Room, with room for up to 60 guests at tables. Please note that our Community Center strictly prohibits the use of tobacco products, alcohol, weapons, and drugs.

For detailed information on rental rates and availability, feel free to contact us at 608.592.4592, visit our website, or drop by during office hours.

Make your next event a memorable one at Reach Out Lodi's Community Center!

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Memory Café

Memory Cafes are a safe and comfortable space where someone living with dementia and their care partner can socialize, listen to music, play games, and enjoy other activities.

1 - 2:30 PM

October 27th  All Things Pumpkin

November 17th  Giving Thanks

December 29th  Holiday Celebrations

Pumpkin Pie Bars

(This was served at our last *Dinner with...* program and everyone wanted the recipe)

29 oz. Pumpkin 12 oz. Evaporated Milk
1 1/2 c. Sugar 4 large Eggs (room temp)
2 tsp. Cinnamon 1 tsp. Ginger
1/2 tsp. Nutmeg

Oven 350. Combine ingredients. Beat on medium until smooth. Pour into a 9" x 13" pan.

1 Butter Recipe Golden Cake Mix
1 c. Butter (melted) 1 c. chopped Pecans

Sprinkle dry cake mix onto pumpkin mixture. Drizzle butter over the top. Sprinkle pecans on top. Bake 50-60 minutes or until toothpick inserted comes out clean. Cook 1 hour then refrigerate for 3 hours. Remove from refrigerator 15 minutes before serving.



Game Night's Tie-Dye Extravaganza!



Participants and volunteers proudly flaunting their colorful creations. Join the excitement at our next event on October 14th from 5-7 pm! Open to individuals with disabilities ages 14+. Join the fun!

See *Game Night's* full schedule on page 3.

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Upcoming Sponsorship Opportunities

ROL Giving Tree Program

Celebrate the spirit of giving this Christmas by participating in our ROL Giving Tree program. Families in need can choose gifts for their children and themselves from under the tree. We're seeking donations of new items in various categories, including toys, books, games, clothing for all ages, kitchen essentials, towels, bedding, and gift cards. Visit us from Thanksgiving until December 22, 2023, to help make someone's holiday season brighter. To support this heartwarming initiative, call us at 608.592.4592, or consider a financial donation that will enable us to shop for gifts to place beneath the tree.



Annual Community Thanksgiving Day Meal



**November 23rd
11:30am - 2:00pm**

Join Reach Out Lodi in the spirit of community and togetherness as we once again present our FREE Thanksgiving Day Community Meal. All are cordially invited to partake in this event. Whether you prefer to dine in, enjoy your meal at home, or have it delivered, we've got you covered. To ensure we have a place set for you, please make reservations by contacting us at 608.592.4592 before November 20th. We gratefully accept free-will offerings and donations, as your generosity helps us continue these community traditions.

Community Store Customers Plan Your Holiday Feasts: Schedule Your Ingredient Pick-Up Today!



THANKSGIVING MEAL - Customers are encouraged to schedule an appointment to shop for the finest ingredients, ensuring you have everything you need to prepare a delicious Thanksgiving meal in the comfort of your home.



CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY MEAL - Community Store customers should book an appointment to shop for all the festive fixings, making your holiday meal preparation a breeze.

Join Our Season of Giving. In the spirit of the season, please consider donating ingredients or money to help families in need enjoy these holiday meals. Your generosity can make a significant difference in someone's holiday experience.

BE THANKFUL
BE GRATEFUL
BE BLESSED

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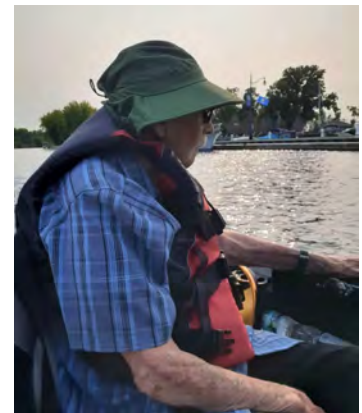
Getting to Know David Buchanan

If you lived in Stoughton, would you travel to Lodi once a week to play cards at Reach Out Lodi? If you're David Buchanan, you would!

David, who will celebrate his 98th birthday in November, lived in the Lodi area for all those years except the period he was in the service. In 2020 his wife, Jean, passed away and he moved to Stoughton to live with his daughter, Denise Falch, and her family. David is now a registered voter in Stoughton but still considers himself a Lodi resident at heart.

So, how did he end up back in Lodi every Thursday? David has played the card game Euchre since he was a teen; his dad was a Euchre player and David often played the game with his two brothers. He started to attend the weekly Euchre games at Reach Out Lodi before the pandemic set in. After moving to Stoughton, he missed the card games and the people. Denise offered to drive him to Lodi so he could get back in the game and, since she plays as well, she was able to get dealt in.

When David was asked why he keeps coming back to the weekly card games in Lodi he said it was "something to do." He agreed with Denise's comments that it was also because of the nice people and the good food. David said that the group plays for fun and not competition and anyone should feel comfortable joining them, regardless of their experience with the game.



Card games aren't the only things that David and Denise do together. They enjoy fishing, especially when they can catch northerns, walleyes, or bluegills. David is a member of the Lodi Methodist church, which he and Denise attend weekly. David is also a huge Brewers fan; Denise said he won't watch a Packer game if there is a Brewers game on at the same time!

David is a man of few words. When asked what else he would like people to know about him his response was "nothing." No doubt he has stories to tell from his almost-98 years, but we'll leave those to his card playing friends to discover. We're just glad to have David and Denise with us each week at Reach Out Lodi and look forward to many good hands of Euchre with them.

-Patti Herman



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Many Thanks!



We're incredibly touched by the kindness and generosity of these young hearts. Cashion and Catalaya Lane sold their art at the Duck the Wall Event and selflessly donated the proceeds to Reach Out Lodi.

Thank you for shining your light and making a positive impact!



We are incredibly grateful to Tracy Jesse and the Lake Wisconsin Evangelical Free Church for their generous donation! Tracy, pictured here with Stephanie Caves and Jim Schmiedlin, made this contribution from their sale of Kettlecorn at the Lodi Agriculture Fair.

New Drop-Off Site in Dane



Donors can now drop off non-perishable donations at our collection box at the Village of Dane Town Hall. We hope this site is a convenient location for supporters living close to Dane. Please share information about this new location with your friends and family.



Heidi LeHew from the Lodi & Lake Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce collected much-needed toilet paper to support those in need in our community. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

THANK YOU

Go Orange for a Cause!

On September 15th, the Lodi Middle School students and staff united in vibrant orange to take a stand against hunger. A whopping 214 people rocked the color of compassion, and our local businesses joined the mission too!

A huge shoutout to Log Tavern Pizza Co., Lodi Sausage Co. & Meat Market, and KD'S Bar & Grill for their incredible generosity. For every orange-clad supporter, they EACH donated \$1, contributing to our ongoing fight against hunger.

Together, we're making sure everyone has access to the nourishment they need to thrive. THANK YOU for joining us in this vital cause and to Michelle Howe for spearheading this fundraiser!



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Honoring Our Heroes: Quilts of Valor Awarded

During a heartfelt awards ceremony at ROL, Ken Downings and Ken Becker were presented with a Quilt of Valor®! These exceptional individuals have made profound sacrifices while serving our nation, and this recognition is a small token of our immense gratitude.

A Quilt of Valor® is a meticulously crafted and lovingly stitched quilt, symbolizing appreciation and remembrance. Each quilt is a powerful symbol that conveys our heartfelt message: "Thank you for your service and sacrifice in serving our nation."

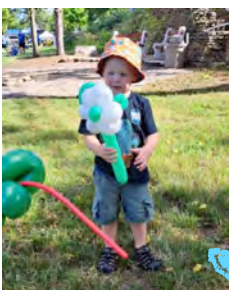
We extend a special thank you to Judy Miller for her thoughtful nomination of these deserving recipients. Judy's dedication to honoring our heroes has played a crucial role in bringing this meaningful recognition to Ken Downings and Ken Becker.

Let us continue to support and honor all those who have served, remembering that their dedication has helped shape the freedoms we cherish today.



CHALK THE WALK

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the incredible volunteers and participants who made our Chalk the Walk a success. As the chalk dust settles, stay tuned for more exciting events at ROL!



learn more about our events

Steering into the Skid

In September, we came together to celebrate the beauty of human connection, empathy, and the power of theater to touch hearts and inspire change.



This remarkable dinner theater was hosted and sponsored by the Aging & Disability Resource Center of Columbia County, in collaboration with Lodi Wisconsin Rotary and Reach Out Lodi. Together, we are committed to fostering an age friendly and dementia friendly community where compassion, understanding, and support reign.

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Community BINGO! and 50/50 Raffle

Our BINGO event was a tremendous success, with ROL making a total profit of \$7,000 from BINGO and \$2,000 from the 50/50 Raffle

To our dedicated volunteers, thank you for your unwavering support and tireless efforts in making this event a resounding success! From setting up the venue to managing registrations and ensuring everyone had a fantastic time, your hard work is truly appreciated. We couldn't have done it without you!

We would also like to extend a special thank you to the Lodi Agricultural Fair for their generous support and collaboration. Your partnership has added an extra layer of excitement and community spirit to our BINGO nights. Together, we're creating unforgettable experiences for our community members. See you next year!



thank you

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the wonderful volunteers and generous donors who rallied behind our school supply program for Lodi School District students. Your support is instrumental in guaranteeing that every child is equipped with the necessary tools for success in the classroom.

Your generosity shines a light on their future prospects, and for that, we are truly grateful!



**Artists of
the Season:
Lodi Elementary
School
Art Students**

Stop by to see
their creations!

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Together we give.

Nov 28 2023

GIVING TUESDAY

Every year on Giving Tuesday millions of people across the globe give back and make positive change in their communities. This year, consider donating to Reach Out Lodi on Giving Tuesday. Look for more information on ROL's website and social media..



#GivingTuesday
ReachOutLodi.org



Welcome to the team



Stephanie Caves

as Community Center Managing Director

We are thrilled to introduce a valuable addition to our team! Stephanie brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to her role, and we are excited to have her on board. She will be working part-time and her responsibilities will include planning, developing, organizing, administering, supervising, and evaluating all aspects of the ROL Community Center. Stephanie will also provide vital support and input to the Community Store Managing Director, ensuring a seamless collaboration between these important facets of our organization. We look forward to the fresh ideas, energy, and leadership she will bring.

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Stephanie. We are excited about the positive impact she will undoubtedly have on our community.

Expanding Our Reach: Volunteers Embrace the Power of Communication

At Reach Out Lodi, our commitment to serving our diverse community knows no bounds. Communication is the key to understanding, and we're excited to share a positive update with you. Our volunteers have been making incredible strides in bridging language barriers. With the help of a translation device, they've been successfully communicating with customers who do not speak English, ensuring everyone's needs are met.



But that's not all—our volunteers' enthusiasm to do even more for our community has led them to embark on a new journey. "Survival Spanish 101", classes offered at ROL led by Craig Allen, is a program designed to equip them with the language skills needed to ask pertinent questions while assisting customers in the Community Store.

This proactive step is a testament to our volunteers' dedication and their commitment to going above and beyond to better serve our community. We couldn't be prouder of their initiative and eagerness to learn a language.

We believe that every step toward better communication brings us closer together as a community. Together, we're breaking down barriers and creating a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all.

We look forward to sharing more positive updates with you as our volunteers progress in their language skills.

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Community Store

WISH LIST

Top 10 Food

1. Pancake Mix
2. Syrup
3. Ketchup
4. Cereal
5. Flour
6. Sugar
7. Vegetable Oil
8. Canned Tuna
9. Canned Pineapple
10. Meats: Beef/Pork/Poultry

Personal Essentials

1. Baby Products
Shampoo, lotion,
baby oil
2. Facial Tissues
3. Dish Detergent
4. Toilet Paper
5. Toilet Bowl Cleaner
6. Laundry Detergent
7. Shampoo
8. Conditioner

Clothing Items

1. New Underwear: Children
2. Shoes: Children
3. New Pillows

VOLUNTEER Spotlight

My husband, Al and I moved to the Lodi area in 1983. We raised two children here, Melissa and Bryan, and now have one grandchild with another on the way. After retiring, I was looking to give back to my community as a volunteer. One day my husband came home from a Lodi Optimist meeting and said he was talking with Jim Schmiedlin about the need for a Treasurer on the Reach Out Lodi board. He said what a nice and sincere man Jim was and that I should reach out to him if interested. That was back in early 2019 and in May 2019 I joined the board as Treasurer.



LYNNAE COOPER-BUDDE

You will see me most of the time in the back office helping with the financial aspects of Reach Out Lodi but I also volunteer during special events such as Bingo, Chalk the Walk, and during the Garage Sales.

I am impressed with what Reach Out Lodi has to offer. While providing food, clothing, and personal essentials is vital to those in need, I think the Community Center events are equally important in creating that sense of community and providing a place for folks to socialize.

Equally impressive are the volunteers, both in how many there are, and their dedication to those they serve. I have met so many great people working at Reach Out Lodi and am honored to be part of this incredible organization. I look forward to many more years of contributing to my community through volunteering at Reach Out Lodi!

At Reach Out Lodi, we value our volunteers, foster an inclusive work environment, and are committed to making a positive impact in our community. We encourage everyone to explore the fulfilling volunteer opportunities we offer and become part of our dedicated team. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of those we serve. Join us in building a stronger, more compassionate community.

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OCTOBER 2023



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
2 Painting for Pleasure 12:30 - 3pm	3 NO Senior Yoga	4 Optimists Exe. Mtg. 10:30am Optimists 12 - 1pm Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm	5 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented 5pm	6 Painting for Pleasure 10am - 12:30pm	7	8 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am Sunday Social Ukulele Group 1 - 2:30pm
9	10 Sr. Yoga 2 - 2:45pm Dinner with John G. Hamilton 5 - 7pm	11 Mind Over Matter 10am - 12pm Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm Art Club 7 - 9pm	12 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented 5pm Girl Scouts 5-6:30pm	13	14 Game Night 5 - 7pm	15 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am 100-Year Birthday Party - Ken Becker 12pm 4H Challengers 6 - 8pm
16	17	18 Optimist Board Mtg. 11am - 12pm Optimists 12 - 1pm Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm	19 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Dementia Journey 1 - 2:30pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented 5pm	20	21	22 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am
23	24 Sr. Yoga 2 - 2:45pm Painting for Pleasure 12:30 - 3pm Soup'r Supper 5-6:30pm	25 WOW: Explore the World of Hearing Loss 12:30 - 1:30pm Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm	26 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented 5pm	27	28	29 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am
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Learn more about our events.

NOVEMBER 2023

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		1 Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm	2 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented 5pm	3 Painting for Pleasure 10am - 12:30pm	4 Game Night 5 - 7pm	5 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am 4H Lodi Challengers 6 - 8pm
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13 Painting for Pleasure 12:30 - 3pm	14 Sr. Yoga 2 - 2:45pm Dinner with Julie Thompson High Standards 5 - 7pm	15 Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm NO Senior Yoga	16 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Dementia Journey 1 - 2:30pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented, 5pm Ice Age Trail 7pm	17 Memory Cafe 1 - 2:30pm Columbia County ADRC: Medicare Counseling 9am - 3pm	18 ROL Board Meeting 9am Game Night 5 - 7pm	19 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am
20 Painting for Pleasure 12:30 - 3pm	21 NO Senior Yoga	22 Sr. Movement 2 - 2:45pm No Senior Movement	23 Happy Thanksgiving ROL Thanksgiving Meal 11am - 1pm	24 CLOSED	25	26 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am
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DECEMBER 2023



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1	2	3
					Game Night 5 - 7pm	Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am
4	5 NO Senior Yoga Dinner with Christmas Show: Shekinah King 5 - 7pm	6 Optimists Exe. Mtg. 10:30am Optimists 12pm NO Senior Movement	7 Mah Jongg 9:30am - 12pm Euchre 1 - 3pm Kitchen Rented 5pm	8	9	10 Common Gr. Church 9 - 11am 4H Challengers 6 - 8pm
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CLOSED				Memory Cafe 1 - 2:30pm		

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Supporting Your Community

At Reach Out Lodi, we are deeply grateful for the unwavering support we receive from our incredible community. It's your kindness and generosity that enable us to create a haven of warmth and inclusivity at our Community Center, where people from all walks of life come together for special events and meaningful activities. Our Community Store plays a pivotal role in assisting families and individuals during challenging times, providing them with the essential resources they need to sustain their daily lives. What we achieve together, as a community, significantly contributes to the overall "quality of life" for everyone in the Lodi Valley area.

If you're wondering how you can play a part in sustaining these vital programs and services, there are several meaningful avenues to explore:



- **Consistent Giving:** Consider making regular contributions, whether it's monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually.
- **Wall of Honor:** Leave a lasting legacy by purchasing an 8"x8" or 4"x8" engraved tile on our Wall of Honor. This is a beautiful way to commemorate your name, a loved one, your family, or your business while supporting our mission.
- **Estate Planning:** Include ROL in your estate planning.
- **Stocks & Bonds:** If you have stocks or bonds that you'd like to donate, we welcome these valuable contributions.
- **Online Donations:** Making a donation is just a click away. Visit our website at ReachOutLodi.org to contribute via credit card and make an immediate impact.
- **Become a Volunteer:** Your time and skills are invaluable to us. Consider becoming a volunteer and directly engage with our community initiatives.

To explore these opportunities further or discuss how you can support Reach Out Lodi, please reach out to Jim Schmiedlin at 608.592.4592. Alternatively, you can visit our Community Center in person, and we'd be delighted to chat with you. Together, we can continue to nurture and uplift our community, ensuring that no one faces life's challenges alone. Thank you for being a vital part of the Reach Out Lodi family, where compassion knows no bounds.

The Power of One

Give compliments generously
Stand up for someone
Defend the helpless
Love those you see as enemies
Choose not to gossip
Practice patience
Say "thank you" for the routine act
Consistently show kindness
Have integrity
Forgive those who wrong you
Listen with your heart, not just your ears
Be grateful
Don't seek revenge



Medicare's Open Enrollment Period
October 15 - December 7



Trusted, unbiased, one-on-one insurance counseling and assistance to Medicare-eligible individuals, their families, and caregivers.

The Elder Benefit Specialist from the Columbia County ADRC will be available by appt at **Reach Out Lodi Friday, November 17th from 9:00AM - 3:00PM.** Additional appointments are available at the ADRC in Portage. Call: **608-742-9210** to schedule your appointment

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