



October 1, 2018

Holmen's Hope is all about building community through service.

We are extending an invitation to you and/or your business to partner with us in raising money for the Holmen's Hope – Backpack Program.

Holmen's Hope is a non-profit organization serving all within the Holmen School District. The Holmen's Hope is a 100% volunteer organization and no one has a paid position within this great organization. Holmen's Hope serves over 200 people with a free meal each month on the last Tuesday of the month at the Holmen American Legion. Holmen's Hope also serves 60-70 sack lunches five times a week to three different locations in the summer. Their most recent undertaking is sending home backpacks with non-perishable food items on Fridays to over 80 children identified by the school district as children in need. These children are on the free and reduced breakfast and lunches and without the backpacks, may go hungry on the weekends. The school district expects this number to grow. Each bag costs \$5.00 per week, per student for a total of \$200 per child to feed for the entire school year.

Holmen's Hope is sponsoring a Chili Cook-off competition fundraiser on Saturday, November 3, from 12 am until 3 pm at the Holmen American Legion. The fundraiser includes competitors to cook their favorite chili recipes for the public to come and taste their dish and cast monetary votes. The competitors will be competing for prize money and the People's Choice. All monetary votes will go to the Holmen's Hope fundraiser as well as the proceeds from the bucket raffle, silent auction, and sales from the soda and water.

The cost for the public is \$8 for adults, children ages 7 through 12 will be \$3, and any children under the age of 6 is free.

We hope that you will partner with the Holmen's Hope by donating cash and/or items for the bucket raffle and silent auction.

Please indicate how you wish to partner with Holmen's Hope:

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate cash by writing a check to: *Holmen's Hope Chili Cook-off*. Please mail your donation gift to Beverly Rott, W6918 Wolfe Road, Holmen WI 54636. **(Corporate Sponsorships \$200.00)**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to donate items for the bucket raffle and/or silent auction. Please call Patty at 608-399-1458 if you wish to have someone come and pick up your item or items.

\_\_\_\_\_ By partnering with Holmen's Hope, I give permission to be recognized on the Thank You board at the event.

We hope you will invite all your friends, family, co-workers, and/or employees to our Cook- Off fundraiser.

Thank you,

Bev Rott, Patty Bagniewski