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The Highlands Residential Services Newsletter

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CELEBRATE SAFELY

No Fireworks allowed at HRS

Have a happy Independence Day on July 4. But please remember the Highlands Residential Services fireworks policy:

"Not to use fireworks in any manner on HRS property and/or premises." This includes any and all types of fireworks, such as:

- Bottle rockets
- Firecrackers
- Sparklers
- Poppers, etc.

You are also responsible for any children or visiting non-residents, who are also not allowed to use fireworks on HRS property. In 2011, HRS experienced a fire that started from fireworks. The fire resulted in three homes being burned, residents displaced and belongings lost. Please remember to put safety first. Not only can fireworks start fires, but they also cause many personal injuries.

The City of Cookeville will host the biggest and best fireworks display ever at the Putnam County Fairgrounds on Saturday, July 4. This is a great way to celebrate; we hope to see you there!



FIRE AND SMOKE DAMAGE TO WILLOW VALLEY COURT UNITS IN COOKEVILLE DUE TO FIREWORKS.



Melinda's MEMOS



Annual recertification interviews will be conducted

in July for Boatman and Darwin streets and ALL of the Gainesboro developments. You should receive a letter with appointment date, time and a list of ALL items you need to bring to your interview.

Kathy's CORNER



Don't Quit, Just Come! Tobacco Cessation classes

– free and open to anyone. A new class starts at each meeting. This month, classes will be held Tuesday – July 14 and 21 – from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. at the main office community room. Each class counts as two hours of community service.

Sammie's SECTION



Job Postings: Current area job postings are placed weekly in the main office lobby.

Transportation: If you need transportation to any HRS adult programs, please call Sammie at (931) 526-9793, ext. 224.

Bountiful Bread distribution will be Tuesday, July 14, from 10 a.m. – noon at the HRS main office community room.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

T.E.A.M. Council: All residents are welcome to join us on Tuesday, July 14, from 10 a.m. – noon at the HRS main office community room, 235 West Jackson St., for the T.E.A.M. council meeting. We will be discussing upcoming events and program planning. Lunch will be provided.

T.E.A.M. Council Business Meeting will be Tuesday, July 21, from 10 a.m. – noon at the main office. Agenda: Fundraising and upcoming elections. All residents are invited.

R.E.A.C.T.E.A.M. – Resident Education and Council Together Everyone Accomplishes More: On Tuesday, July 7, from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. the council will meet with Algood residents at the gazebo and on Tuesday, July 28, from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. they will meet with residents in Gainesboro at the community room. Lunch is provided. This will be an opportunity for residents to come together to find solutions for support, education and independency by helping each other in your own community. Everyone is welcome to join us for this exciting new event hosted by the council.

Participation in any of these council meetings counts as 4 hours of community service.

Highlands Resident Council is now a 501(c)(3) non-profit.

IN THE COMMUNITY



Residents and volunteers enjoy working at the garden.

SUN, SEED & SOIL It's not too late to join our Sun, Seed & Soil Horticultural Therapy Community Garden. The garden is in full swing with organic tomatoes, squash, corn, okra, cucumbers, beans, potatoes, beets, peppers and melons. The garden is conveniently located near Cookeville on County Farm Road. Several residents are participating, and it is simple to join: You work in the garden, and you reap the harvest! There is no cost to you, plus the supplies are furnished. For more information, days and times to work, or for transportation needs call Sammie at (931) 526-9793, ext. 224. Community service hours will be given.

COMPUTER RESOURCE CENTER

The Computer Resource Center, located in the Police Substation/TNT Center at 706 Pine Ave., is open every Thursday from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. for residents to search for jobs, create resumés, read emails, learn computer skills, etc. Our summer intern, R.C., will be

teaching a different computer skill each week and can assist you individually. Sammie will be there to provide community resource information. There will also be an English/Spanish translator available.

To use the center, your name must be on the lease. No food or drinks allowed around the computers. The center is open on a first come, first serve basis. Have questions or need transportation? Call Sammie at 931-526-9793, ext. 224. Community service hours are available.



Sammie and recent TTU grad and former TNT member Katie do some computer research.



YOUTH NEWS WITH SHAQUAWANA

TNT News

Congratulations to our local poster contest winners: Marlayna Ferrell, Dori Bullard and Kimberly Gaw. Their posters have advanced to the state competition in Nashville.



Our TNT summer day camp will conclude on July 9. The teens are having an awesome summer with swimming, and a trip to Lake Winnie amusement park. Also, they are engaging in fun cooking classes, and learning CPR and how to use a fire extinguisher. Check out the latest on our Facebook page at Teens Need Training.

Sign-ups will begin soon for the TNT after-school program for HRS youth in grades 5-12 who live in the Cookeville area. If you would like more information about TNT or an application, please call (931) 526-9793, ext. 213.

KIDS Matter after-school reading program sign-ups are also beginning for HRS youth in grades K-4 who live in the Cookeville area. Transportation is not provided. If you would like more information or an application, please call Mrs. Lisa at (931) 261-9486.

We welcome TTU student Robert Campbell (R.C.) as a volunteer summer intern. Robert began on June 3 and will work through August 7 with our summer youth and other resident programs.



TEENS NEED TRAINING

WISH LIST

- Packaged snack items
- Hand sanitizer
- Hygiene Items
- Cleaning supplies of all kinds
- Clean plastic shopping bags

TNT operates under Highlands Residential Resources, which is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

It is the policy of HRS to ensure that no citizen shall, on the grounds of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

RESOURCE CENTER:

THE FREE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM: continues on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. through July 24 (closed July 3) in the TNT Center at the Police Substation, 706 Pine Ave.

Healthy lunches are available for any child through age 18 (must be able to eat a school lunch meal). In addition to lunch, area churches are providing fun and games. Please support the hard work of these groups and bring your child every day!

TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS: sponsored by Trinity Assembly Church, will be on Sundays, July 12 and 19 from 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. at our Boatman/Darwin development in the grassy parking area on Darwin St. All residents are invited to attend this family-friendly event for food, fun, games and fellowship.

SUMMER YOUTH OUTREACH sponsored by Stevens Street Baptist Church, will be held on Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15 and 22, from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in the grassy parking area on Darwin St. All HRS youth are welcome to come out for fun, games, snacks and youth outreach programs.

READY FOR KINDERGARTEN: Parents are their child's first teacher, and children are ready to learn from the moment they are born! Their brains grow more during the first five years of life than they ever will again. All HRS parents of children ages birth to 5 are invited to participate in the free Ready for Kindergarten Program. Parents will receive great teaching tools, free books and learning toys. Classes are Tuesdays, July 14 and 28, from 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. To register or for more information, contact Barbara Greeson at (931) 528.1847, ext. 1211, or email her at greesonb@pcsstn.com.

P.O.P. IN THE PARK: sponsored by Power of Putnam, will be held Saturday, July 18, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Dogwood Park in Cookeville. This event will have music, games for kids, food and free school supplies.



TIMELY TIDBITS

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED for Independence Day, July 3.

REMINDER FROM YOUR LEASE AGREEMENT: No swimming pools of any size are allowed on HRS property.

LAWN-MOWING SEASON HAS STARTED. Please keep your children, pets and possessions out of the path of mowers.



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			1 RENT DUE! Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Summer Youth Outreach 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	2 Computer Center 9 a.m.-2 p.m.	3 Office closed for Independence Day No Summer Lunch Program	4 Independence Day
5	6 TNT: Summer Day Camp Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m. WALNUT VILLAGE: Rent Collection 10 a.m.-12 p.m.	7 TNT: Summer Day Camp R.E.A.C.T.E.A.M. meeting 12 p.m.-2 p.m. Algood	8 TNT: Summer Day Camp Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Summer Youth Outreach 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. WILLOW HEIGHTS: Rent Collection 10 a.m.-11 a.m.	9 TNT: Summer Day Camp Computer Center 9 a.m.-2 p.m.	10 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m. COMMUNITY SERVICE DUE	11 LATE FEES ADDED
12 Takin' It to the Streets Boatman & Darwin	13 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	14 Bountiful Bread & TEAM Resident Council Meeting 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Tobacco Cessation Class: 1 p.m.-2 p.m. Ready for Kindergarten 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	15 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Summer Youth Outreach 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. EVICITION NOTICES FOR NON-PAY/COMMUNITY SERVICE	16 Computer Center 9 a.m.-2 p.m. BOARD MEETING	17 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	18 P.O.P. in the Park 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
19 Takin' It to the Streets Boatman & Darwin	20 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	21 Resident Council Business Meeting : 12 a.m.-2 p.m.	22 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Summer Youth Outreach 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	23 Computer Center 9 a.m.-2 p.m.	24 Summer Lunch Program 11 a.m.-1 p.m.	25
26	27	28 R.E.A.C.T.E.A.M. meeting 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Gainesboro Tobacco Cessation Class: 1 p.m.-2 p.m. Ready for Kindergarten 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	29	30	31 LAST DAY TO CALL IN FOR PEST CONTROL	NO FIREWORKS ALLOWED NO SWIMMING POOLS OF ANY SIZE ALLOWED



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»»» The office is closed for lunch from 12-1 p.m.



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NO FIREWORKS AT ANY TIME ON ANY HRS PROPERTY BY ANYONE.

