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HOMEOWNERSHIP 101

HRS Offers Home-Buying Class for Residents

Quite often it seems that owning your own home is out of reach or will never happen. But trust us, it can and it will.

Make plans now to attend our free and open-to-the-public class sponsored by U.S. Bank and Highlands Residential Services. Learn about how to select a home, the loan process, getting your credit in order and

financial management for a home.

The class will be held Tuesday, Nov. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the HRS main office community room at 235 W. Jackson St. Lunch will be provided.

Attendance counts as four hours of community service. Please call Kathy at 931.526.9793 ext. 212 to reserve your seat for this informative event.





Melinda's MEMOS



November is recertification time in Baxter and Celina. You should

receive a letter notifying you of your appointment date and time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 931.526.9793 ext 220.

Sammie SAYS



Cookeville Veterans Office will have a parade on Nov. 11 at

11 a.m. from Hobby Lobby to the Veterans Building and an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All veterans are invited to walk in the parade or come to the open house.

Kathy's CORNER



If you receive Social Security or SSI, you should

receive proof of your income in the mail soon. Keep these papers safe; you will need them in 2015 for proof of income for rent, DHS benefits, energy assistance, etc.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Toys for Tots. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas . . . as of Nov. 1! Only 55 days are left until Christmas. Don't forget about Toys for Tots sign-ups on the following dates:

- Thursday, Nov. 13, 12 to 5 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 14, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Toys for Tots is for Putnam County residents only. The legal guardian must be present (photo ID required) to sign up the child receiving toys. Children must be ages 17 or younger. Bring the Social Security card OR birth certificate for each child and proof of residency (i.e., utility bill or lease agreement).

Christmas Parades.

Cookeville - Dec. 1

Algood - Dec. 4

Monterey - Dec. 6

Gainesboro - Dec. 6

As of publishing time for this newsletter, dates have not been announced for parades in Celina or Baxter.

RESIDENT COUNCIL: Great New Changes!

MEETING: The Council will meet on Monday, Nov. 10, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the HRS main office, 235 W. Jackson St. Please note the date change due to Veterans Day.

FEATURING: Lots of great changes are happening with T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Accomplishes More) Resident Council, including our new name. One change is that starting this month, the council will host monthly birthday parties, complete with cake and ice cream, to celebrate those having a birthday. We will be recognizing all HRS veterans with a special program and luncheon at our Nov. 10 meeting. If you are a veteran, please plan to attend as our honored guest. Chuck Mateyka of Veterans Affairs will present a program on resources for veterans.

BUSINESS: T.E.A.M. Resident Council business meeting will be . . . Nov. . . from . . . to . . . at the . . . We will be discussing fund-raising activities and holiday event planning.



BOUNTIFUL BREAD: Our monthly bread distribution will also be Monday, Nov. 10, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. during the Council meeting. You do not have to attend the meeting to pick up bread, but we would love for you to stay.

THANKSGIVING DINNER: T.E.A.M. Resident Council and HRS Resident Programs will host a Thanksgiving meal on Saturday, Nov. 22, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the HRS main office community room, 235 W. Jackson St. RSVPs are required by Nov. 18. Call Council treasurer, Cindy, at 931.858.1042 or Council vice president, April, at 931.252.5416. Feel free to bring your favorite covered dish.



YOUTH NEWS WITH SHAQUAWANA

HRS Youth Know How to Have Fun

FANTASTIC FALL FUNDAY

Wow! What great participation we had in this year's Fall FunDay. Approximately 60 youth in grades K through 12 enjoyed a day of fun, games, crafts, lunch and take-home goody bags. **(PHOTO: HRS children enjoyed making crafts at this year's Fall FunDay.)** Thank you to our eight volunteers that helped.



Later that afternoon, the teens, leaders and volunteers enjoyed an awesome time at Cedar Lake Camp in Livingston. The kids enjoyed zip-lining, rock-wall climbing, a ropes course, canoeing, playing sports and hiking. TNT kids really know how to study hard – and play hard!

TNT'S AFTERNOON OF FUN

TNT members completed their last Adopt-A-Road trash pickup along Pine Avenue during their fall break. Around nine bags of trash were collected.



TEENS NEED TRAINING

WISH LIST

- Chips, snack cakes, crackers, fruit or granola bars (individual packages)
- Christmas candy
- Folding chairs

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

RESOURCE CENTER:

Tobacco, Turnout and Turkey Day

DON'T QUIT, JUST COME

A new year is right around the corner. Now is a great time to plan your New Year's resolution to stop smoking. Everyone is invited to our Tobacco Cessation classes. Our November 11 class is cancelled due to Veterans Day, so make plans to attend Tuesday, Nov. 25, from 4 to 5 p.m. at the HRS main office, 235 W. Jackson St. Attendance counts as two hours of community service. Please call Kathy at 931.526.9793 ext. 212 with any questions.

GO VOTE!

In the recent Aug. 7 Putnam County election, the turnout rate was only 36 percent. We can do better. Please remember to go vote on Tuesday, Nov. 4,

in the local and state elections. Polls are open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. And remember to honor our veterans and their families on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Plus, be thankful for all you are blessed with on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27. The HRS main office will be closed both of these days.

THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL

The Cookeville Rescue Mission will serve hot lunches on Thanksgiving Day at 1331 S. Jefferson Ave., Cookeville. They also plan to deliver lunches from 12 to 2 p.m. to Cookeville residents who receive Meals on Wheels. If you do not want a meal or if you have questions about meals from the Mission, please call 931.520.7003 or 931.528.5819.



TIMELY TIDBITS

FALL BACK

Don't forget that Daylight Saving Time ends Nov. 2. Clocks "fall back" one hour. Streets will be dark when some children get home from school, so please drive slowly to watch for buses and children.

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.



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 MARK IT: 12/1 Cookeville Christmas Parade						1 RENT DUE!
2 DAYLIGHTS SAVING: "FALL BACK" ONE HOUR	3  TNT: After-School Program.	4 ELECTION DAY: Go vote! WALNUT VILLAGE: Rent collection from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.	5  TNT: After-School Program.	6	7 WILLOW HEIGHTS: Rent Collection from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.	8
9	10 Resident Council and "Bountiful Bread" 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. COMMUNITY SERVICE: Due Date. TNT: After-School Program.	11 VETERANS DAY: Office Closed. LATE FEES ADDED. Cookeville Veterans Day Parade 11 a.m.	12  TNT: After-School Program.	13 Toys for Tots Sign-Ups 12 to 5 p.m.	14 Toys for Tots Sign-Ups 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.	15 Toys for Tots Sign-Ups 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. EVICION NOTICES FOR NON-PAY/COMMUNITY SERVICE.
16	17  TNT: After-School Program.	18 Home-Buyers Class: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.	19  TNT: After-School Program.	20 BOARD MEETING	21	22 T.E.A.M. Resident Council Thanksgiving Dinner: 2 to 4 p.m.
23	24  TNT: After-School Program.	25 Tobacco Cessation 4 to 5 p.m.	26	27  HAPPY THANKSGIVING Office Closed.	28 LAST DAY TO CALL FOR PEST CONTROL	29
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»» The office is closed for lunch from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

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Please remember the HRS fireworks policy: "Not to use fireworks in any manner on HRS property and/or premises." This is any type of fireworks and includes bottle rockets, firecrackers, sparklers, poppers, etc.

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