



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

November, 2013

## Newsletter

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**Monday-Friday**

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Closed for Lunch**

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

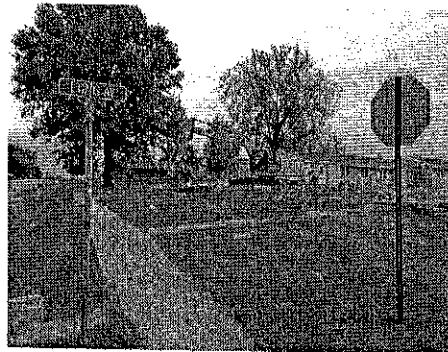
**Website:**

www.  
montgomeryhousing.org

# FROM THE CEO

Fall is here! The Holiday Season is just about here, which means busy times for everyone! Please read the newsletters monthly to stay informed of the days the office will be closed, resident activities and activities, etc.

We will once again have a Holiday Drawing for all those who have your rent and/or charges to your account paid in full by December 5th. More information is included elsewhere in the newsletter.



Demolition finally got started on the old Family Center. We are putting in a new parking lot. This will be convenient lighted parking for our tenants and very helpful when we have resident activities at the Community Building. Continue to watch the job site as changes are happening daily.

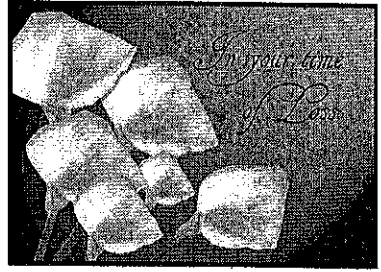
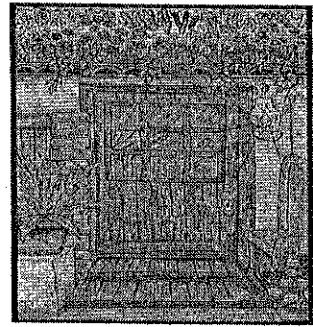
We will be hosting The Annual Resident Christmas Celebration on December 13th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. at the Taylor Springs Community Building. Please see next month's newsletters for more details! We all hope to see you there!

We hope everyone has a safe & Happy Holiday!



*Kelly A. Moroney,*  
Chief Executive Officer

# OFFICE CALENDAR, RESIDENT & DEVELOPMENT NEWS



**This office will be closed on the following dates & times in**

## **November:**

November 11th- Monday  
All Day  
Veterans Day

November 21st - Thursday  
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM  
Staff Meeting

November 28th- Thursday  
& November 29th- Friday  
All Day  
Thanksgiving Holiday

### **Other Dates to Note:**

November 6th & December 4th -  
BINGO @ Ash Arnette Community  
Building @ 2 pm

December 5th- Thursday  
Rent and/or charges to your account  
must be paid in full to be eligible for the  
Holiday Drawing!

## **Welcome To:**

### **Kirk Terrace**

**Emily O. & Family,  
Kayla H. & Family,  
Steve J., David R.,  
Tim H. & Family,  
David H. & Family**

### **Long Avenue**

**Chelsea G. & Family,  
Angela C. & Family,  
Amy J. & Family**

### **Bluff Street**

**Zackary K.**

### **Golden Oaks**

**Martha M.**

### **Freedom Homes**

**Junanne C.  
& Shelly H. & Family**

Condolences to the family and friends of Hillsboro resident, JoAnn Koches, for her recent passing. She will be sadly missed by everyone in the Long Avenue Development.

Condolences to the family and friends of Litchfield resident, James Bess, for his recent passing. He will be sadly missed by everyone in the Ash Arnette Development.

Our prayers go out to these 2 families.

## **Get Well Soon!**

**NELLIE M.,  
DWAYNE T.,  
DEANNE W.,  
MARY W.,  
BARBARA H.,  
PATRICIA D.,  
& IRENE G.**

Hope it will make the day brighter  
to know we are thinking of you!

## Attention all Hillsboro and Taylor Spring Residents ...

All rent and work order charges should now be paid at National Bank located at 212 S. Main Street, Hillsboro. A drive-thru facility is available for your convenience and it is located at Hamilton Street, next to Park 'n Eat. Each resident should have received a letter containing deposit slips, these slips should be taken in with all payments. Please make sure to put your name on the deposit slips. Any questions or if you need more deposit slips, please contact Lisa White, in our Financial Department. Thank you in advance for your cooperation during this transition.



What: **YARD SALE**

When: **November 9th**

Where: **Long Avenue Community Building, 203 Shelbyville Road**

Time: **10 am to 1 pm**

Name brand clothing, ALL priced to sell.

Some Household items. No small youth sizes.

Shirts, jeans, coats for young women & men. Sizes S, M, L, XL.

Don't miss the \$1.00 & \$2.00 table.

Lots of other items, such as shoes, nighwear, gloves, boots & bedding!

# MAINTENANCE NEWS

## Preventative Maintenance Notice

There will be NO Preventative Maintenance schedule for November due to the high volume of routine work orders.

*Kim Micklewitz,*  
Maintenance Department

## UPCS Inspection Notice

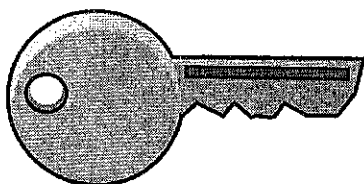
The Uniform Physical Condition Inspection schedule for November is as follows:

Stewart Homes in Nokomis  
& Graham Reineke  
in Raymond.

*Tami Joyce,*  
Inspector

## Unlocked Doors

If any of our staff enters your unit in your absence, please note that they **MUST LOCK THE UNIT** upon leaving (even if the unit was unlocked when they entered). **THIS IS OFFICE POLICY!**



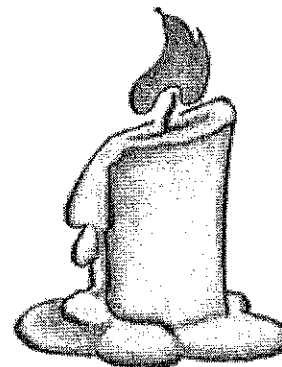
## Hoses on Outside Spigots

If you reside in a development where you have an outside spigot, and you have a water hose attached to the spigot, you need to remove the hose to prevent the spigot from freezing and breaking. If you are not able to remove the hose from the spigot, call the office and maintenance will remove it for you. Damages caused by failure to remove the hose will be charged to the resident and could be costly. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.



## FYI: Candles

Candles cause black soot marks on walls. In order to clean the soot off the walls, we have to scrub the walls, re-prime, then repaint them. If you continue to burn soot producing candles, the same marks will reappear. You can prevent this by buying high-quality, unscented candles and keep the wicks trimmed and the candles out of containers.



## Dryer Vents

Reminder! If dryer is vented into a lint box, please remember you have to keep about 1/2 - 1" of water in the box. This is so the water will catch the lint. Thank you for your cooperation!

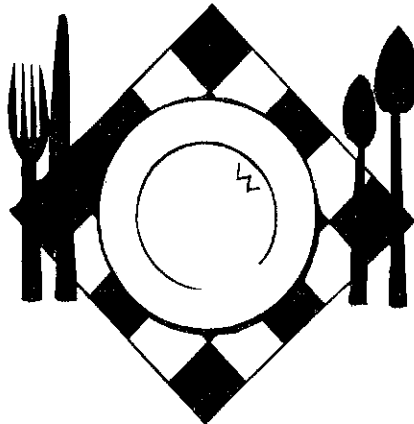
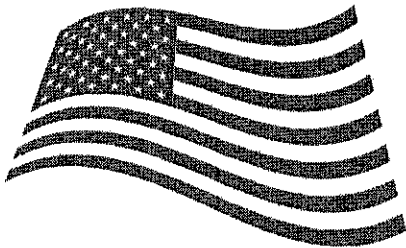
*Kim Micklewitz,*  
Maintenance Department, ext. 234

# INFORMATION & RESOURCES



Happy Veteran's Day to all our Veterans! Thank you for your service to our country!

We would like to compile a list of all our veterans and those who are currently serving in the armed forces. We would like to publish this list and recognize you in an upcoming issue of the newsletter. Please call the office and give this information to Kelly H. (532-3672, ext 229). Thank you!!



## Easy Chicken Casserole

### Ingredients:

4 Skinless, Boneless Chicken Breasts  
1 (10.75 ounce) Can Condensed cream of Chicken Soup  
1 cup Sour Cream  
32 Buttery Round Crackers  
1/4 cup Chopped Onion  
1/4 cup Chopped Mushrooms

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Boil chicken until cooked through (no longer pink inside) about 20 to 30 minutes. Chop into bite size pieces and place in a 9 x 13 inch baking dish.

Combine soup, sour cream, onion & mushrooms. Pour mixture over chicken and top with crumbled crackers. Cover and bake at 350 degrees F for over 30 minutes.

## Thanksgiving Cheese Ball

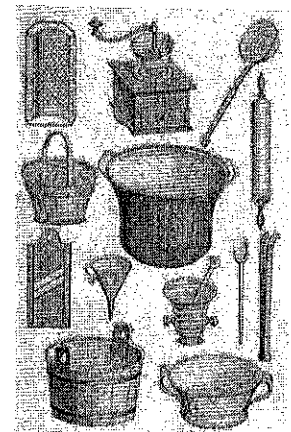
### Ingredients:

1 (8 ounce) package cream cheese,  
4 ounces Sharp Cheddar Cheese  
2 ounces Crumbled Blue Cheese  
2 Tbl. grated onion  
1 clove Garlic, minced  
4 dashes Worcestershire Sauce  
1 (2.25 ounce) can Green Olives  
1/2 cup chopped Pecans

Mix the cream cheese, Cheddar Cheese, Blue cheese, onion, garlic and worcestershire sauce until well blended. Add olives and mix.

Shape the mixture into a ball, and roll in the chopped pecans to coat. Wrap in plastic, and chill at least 4 hours in the refrigerator.

Serve with crackers.



# COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION

## Some common misconceptions about Community Service ...

I have small children at home, I don't have to do community service.

\* FALSE! If you are not working or going to school, you have to comply with 8 hours of community service per month.

My spouse is disabled, I don't have to do community service.

\* FALSE! Community service is for each individual over 18 years of age.

We pay rent, I don't have to do community service.

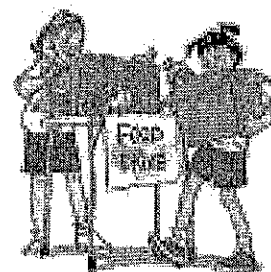
\* FALSE! Income is for the entire household and rent is calculated accordingly. However, community service is for each individual over 18 years of age.

## Some truths about Community Service

If you are over 62 years of age, you are EXEMPT. \*TRUE!

If you are blind or disabled, you are EXEMPT. \*TRUE!

If you are engaged in work activities, you are EXEMPT. \*TRUE!



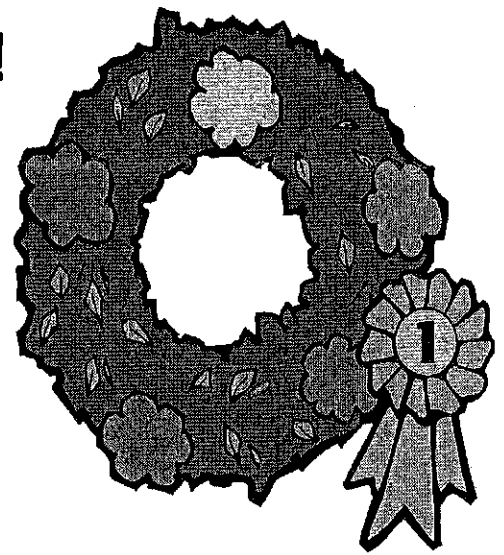
## Eligible community service activities include, but are not limited to:

\*Local public or non-profit institutions, such as schools, Head Start Programs, before or after school programs, child care centers, hospitals, clinics, hospices, Nursing Homes, recreation centers, senior citizen centers, adult day care programs, homeless shelters, feeding/nutrition programs, food banks/pantries, or clothes closets (distributing donated clothing).

\*Non-profit organizations serving MCHA Residents or their children, such as: Boy or Girl Scouts, 4-H Clubs, or Big Brothers, Big Sisters.

\*Programs funded under the Older Americans Act such as Green Thumb, Senior Meal Programs, Senior Centers, Meals on Wheels. \*Or any MCHA Resident Activities.

# Holiday Drawing!



- Grand Prize ~ \$300.00 Cash
- 2nd Prize ~ \$250.00 Cash
- 3rd Prize ~ \$200.00 Cash
- 4th Prize ~ \$150.00 Cash
- 5th Prize ~ \$100.00 Cash
- 6th - 15th Prizes ~ \$50.00 Cash

In order to be eligible for this drawing all tenants must have their rent and/or charges to their account PAID IN FULL by December 5th, 2013. Please keep in mind most bank's "end of day" starts at 2:00 P.M. If you are paying on the 5th, please be sure to get your charges/rent paid before 2:00 P.M. Otherwise, your charges/rent will not be posted until the 6th. This drawing is for all Public Housing residents (including Golden Oaks), as well as Liberty Sub-Division and Freedom Place Homes residents. If your account shows a ZERO dollar balance by 12/5/2013, at 2:00 P.M. you will be eligible for the drawing. The winners will be announced on December 13 at the Holiday Party. For your convenience, we have listed bank information below. PLEASE NOTE: ALL RENT AND/OR CHARGES MUST BE PAID AT THE DESIGNATED BANK. We do not accept payments at the office. As always, when paying rent or other charges, keep your receipt!

## Hillsboro & Taylor Springs LIPH Residents:

Pay @ National Bank, Hillsboro

## Liberty Sub-Division Residents:

Pay @ First Community Bank, Hillsboro

## Litchfield LIPH Residents:

Pay @ Bank & Trust, Litchfield

## Freedom Place Homes Residents:

Pay @ Litchfield National Bank

## Raymond Residents:

Pay @ Bank & Trust, Raymond

## Nokomis Residents:

Pay @ Nokomis Savings Bank

## Witt Residents:

Pay @ Security National Bank, Witt

## Coffeen Residents:

Pay @ Security Nat. Bank, Coffeen

## Golden Oaks Residents- Hillsboro

Pay @ National Bank, Hillsboro

## Golden Oaks Residents:

Pay @ 1st National Bank, Litchfield

*Belva Willman,*

Bookkeeper, ext. 235

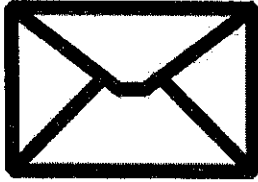
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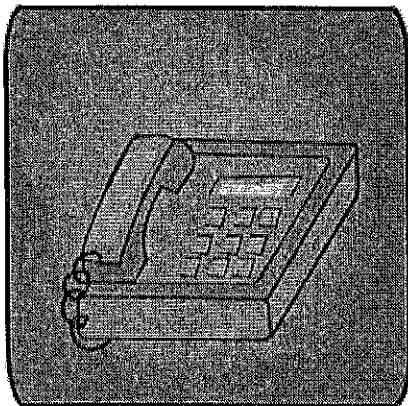
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## FOR AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE EMERGENCIES ONLY!

217-556-3162

**REMEMBER: IF YOU  
NEED ANYTHING DURING  
OFFICE HOURS, CALL  
THE OFFICE. NOT THE  
EMERGENCY PHONE  
NUMBER!**

Office Telephone Extensions:

Front Desk:	221
Work Orders:	221
Maintenance:	233
Inspector (Tami)	223
Public Housing (Tammy B.)	225
CFO/COO (Lisa)	228
Applications (Kelly H.)	229
Section 8 & Tax Credit (Claudia)	230
Bookkeeper (Belva)	235

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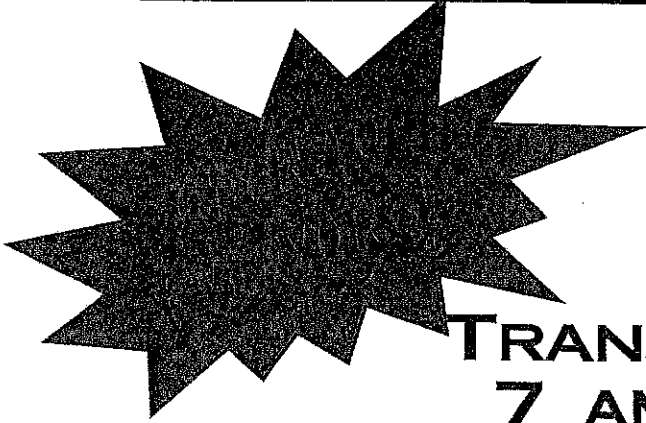
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@montgomeryhousing.org



# CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC TRANSIT



**TRANSPORTATION  
7 AM TO 5 PM**

**DISPATCH HOURS ♦ 6 AM TO 6 PM  
MONDAY - FRIDAY**

**SERVING THE COUNTIES OF  
DOUGLAS, MOULTRIE, SHELBY  
MONTGOMERY, FAYETTE, CLAY**

*Call Today to Schedule a Ride!*

*1/855-755-2478 (CIPT)*

*TTY 7-1-1 or 1/800-526-0844*



*Alternative formats of material are available upon request.*

# CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC TRANSIT

## Economical Fare Structure!

### IN-COUNTY TRANSPORTS

Cost per trip.....	\$2.00
Children 6-12 .....	\$1.00
Children 0-5 .....	Ride free with paying adult

### OUT-OF-COUNTY/NON-EXISTING ROUTES

Per mile—\$1.00

CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC  
TRANSIT

### PASSES (IN COUNTY & OUT-OF-COUNTY EXISTING ROUTES)

Monthly pass.....	\$25.00
Person with a disability.....	\$15.00
Discount books of 10 .....	\$10.00

**SENIORS**.....Ride at no charge. Donations are accepted.

**AGENCIES**..... Agencies are not eligible for discount tickets or passes.

*Support comes from the Illinois Department of Transportation, Area Agency on Aging for Lincolnland, Midland Area Agency on Aging, Illinois Department of Human Services, and the Bureau of Title XX.*



**OPEN TO  
EVERYONE!!**

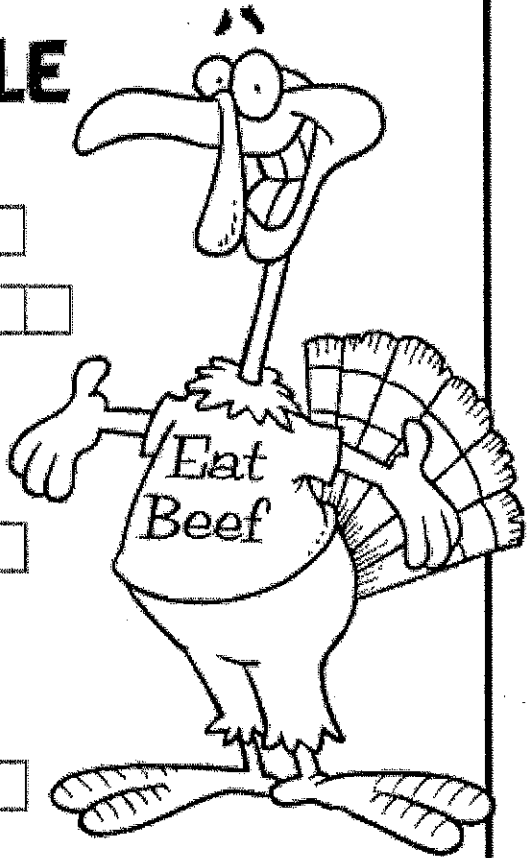
### Helpful Hints

- 24 hour advanced notice is required. Same day service is available if space permits.
- All vehicles are wheelchair accessible meeting ADA guidelines.
- Service animals are permitted on all vehicles.
- Cancellations will be accepted up to 2 hours prior to scheduled pick-up time. Passengers are strongly encouraged to call as early as possible for cancellations.
- Please be advised that the bus can pick you up 15 minutes prior and/or 15 minutes later than your scheduled pick-up time. Please schedule accordingly.
- Drivers will wait no longer than 5 minutes past arrival time before proceeding.

~~Please call us for all your transportation needs, we look forward to serving you!~~

# THANKSGIVING

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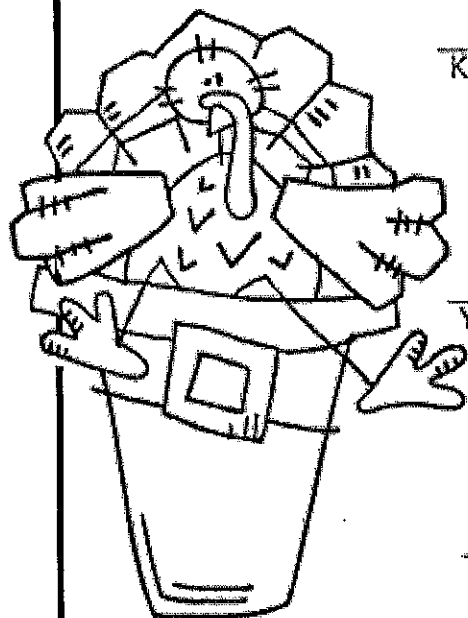
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