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6TH ANNUAL CCHA HALLOWEEN BASH

Ghouls, Goblins, and Witches too... we are having our 6th Annual CCHA Halloween Bash and inviting you. Something's a brewing, and it will certainly be ghoulishly fun....a wicked good time for everyone. We will be serving up "Spooktacular" refreshments and witches brew....wear your costume, there will be prizes too!

So fly on over to our Haunted Mest Manor for a creepy afternoon of food, fun, games, and a little fear....Halloween night is drawing near! Please R.S.V.P. to the office by MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH.

DATE: MONDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

TIME: 12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: HAUNTED MEST MANOR (DINING ROOM)

COME IF YOU DARE

COSTUMES ARE
OPTIONAL!



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"August is fine, September is keen, but wake me up when it is Halloween!"

~Rusty Fischer

CCHA MONTHLY HAPPENINGS:

- BINGO (Mest Manor) Monday, October 3rd & 17th 1:00p.m. (All Tenants Welcome)
- Game/Card Club Saturday, October 8th 6:30 p.m. (Mest Manor) All Tenants Welcome
- Fire Prevention Meetings Tuesday, October 11th 10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. (Mest Manor Dining Room)
- Fire Prevention Meeting Wednesday, October 12th 2:30 p.m. (Maple Lane Community Room)
- Policy Committee Meeting & Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, October 18th 1:30 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. (Maple Lane Community Room)
- Mest Manor Unit Inspections Thursday, October 20th * Beginning at 1:00 p.m.
- 6th Annual Halloween Bash Monday, October 31st 12:30 p.m. - 2:00p.m. (Mest Manor Dining Room)

OFFICE CLOSURE:

Monday, October 10th (Columbus Day)



CHOCOLATE CANDY CORN CUPCAKES RECIPE

INGREDIENTS

- * 1 package fudge marble cake mix (regular size)
- * 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
- * 2 eggs
- * 1/2 cup 2% milk
- * 1/3 cup canola oil
- * Orange paste food coloring
- * 1 carton (8 ounces) frozen sipped topping, thawed
- * Chocolate candy corn

DIRECTIONS

- * Line 24 muffin cups with paper liners.
 - * Reserve cocoa packet from cake mix. In a large bowl, combine cake mix, sour cream, eggs, milk and oil; beat on low speed for 30 seconds. Beat on medium for 2 minutes. Transfer half of the batter to a small bowl; tint orange with food coloring. To other half of batter, stir in contents of cocoa packet.
 - * Divide chocolate batter among prepared cups. Carefully top with orange batter; **do not** swirl. Bake and cool as package directs.
 - * To serve, top cupcakes with whipped topping and candy corn. Refrigerate leftovers.
- YIELD: 2 dozen.**

WC HOMECOMING PARADE

The Carroll County Housing Authority will be sponsoring a float in the **WEST CARROLL HOMECOMING PARADE** on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6TH**, beginning at 6:00 p.m. from the ShopKo parking lot.

If you are interested in participating in the parade (handing out candy, CCHA flyers, or just walk in the parade behind the CCHA truck), please contact the CCHA office at 815-273-7081.

GO THUNDER!!



SAVANNA'S HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION...

Savanna's Halloween celebration will include a **HALLOWEEN PARADE** throughout the downtown beginning promptly at **5:00 P.M.** on **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH**, with **TRICK OR TREAT** following from **6PM-8PM**.





OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Joyce Sober	4
Nancy Handel	6
Mark Cygan	7
Richard Price	9
Donna Jones-Morehead	9
LeRoy Young	10
Wayne Wiegert	12
Joseph Mika	12
Georgina Zink	16
Thomas Ehrler	20
Xavier Yenney	20
Steven Lawson	21
Elijah Nowlin	22
Bradley Kibodeaux	24
Elaine Zemke	24
Mary Darr	30



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Mission Statement

The Housing Authority of the County of Carroll is committed to providing quality, affordable housing that is decent and safe, to eligible families in this community. We endeavor to instill pride and desire for an enhanced quality of life for our residents and their families.

We are committed to serving our residents and this entire community in a manner that demonstrates professional courtesies, respect, and caring.



TIPS TO AVOID INSURANCE MARKETING SCAMS



Medicare beneficiaries have many choices to make about their Medicare coverage. While most insurance agents are honest, some dishonest agents may take advantage of the large number of choices and enroll people into plans that are not good for them. Medicare has marketing rules to prevent this. If an agent breaks one or more of these marketing rules, **it should be reported**. Here are some of Medicare's rules to prevent dishonest insurance sales:

Insurance Agents selling Medicare Part D, Medicare Supplement, or Medicare Advantage plans may **NOT**:

- **Enroll you in a plan without your permission.**
- **Lie to you to get you to enroll in a plan, or tell you that the plan is "free."**
- **Sign you up for a plan over the phone unless you call them.**
- **"Cold call, use door-to-door marketing, or market plans using any other form of unsolicited contact.**
- **Market or sell insurance plans at an "educational" event.**
- **Market plans in health care settings.**
- **Provide or pay for meals.**
- **Offer gifts worth more than \$15.00.**

The Illinois SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol) Program educates consumers about health care fraud, waste, and abuse. If you have questions about a claim on your Medicare Summary Notice or Explanation of Benefits, call the Illinois SMP program at (800) 699-9043. Information about the Illinois SMP program is also available on their website: www.illinoismp.org.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

In observation of Fire Prevention Week, October 9 –15, 2016, following are a few reminders on **common fire hazards in your home**:



1. Walk away from something cooking in the kitchen. The kitchen is the most fire-prone room in your home.
2. Let your electrical cords get worn out. Frayed or chewed electrical cords start many house fires.
3. Overload your power strips. When overloaded, they can spark. If they are near anything flammable, a fire is very likely.
4. Put something flammable near something hot. Getting anything flammable near a source of heat is a quick way to start a fire.
5. Leave a candle unattended - just for a minute. Candles cause hundreds of fires every year.

FHN FLU SHOTS 2016



With flu season fast approaching, the Freeport Health Network will be offering flu shots at our host site of Mest Manor (525 Third Street, Dining Room) as follows:

DATE: Thursday, October 6th

TIME: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

(Medical cards and photo IDs may be requested)

COST: High Dose will be **\$57.00** for persons over 65 if not covered by Medicare Part B or Medicare Replacement Plan accepted by FHN. Persons under 65 will be given the Quadrivalent vaccine with an out of pocket cost of **\$40.00**. No insurance plan claims can be processed other than Medicare Part B or Medicare Replacement Plan.

Influenza ("flu") is a contagious disease that spreads around the U.S. every winter, usually between the months of October and May. Flu is caused by the influenza virus, and can be spread by coughing, sneezing, and close contact. Symptoms come on suddenly and may last several days. They include: fever, chills, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue, cough, headache, runny or stuffy nose. **FLU VACCINE** is our best protection from flu and its complications.