



# CCHA NEWSLETTER

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## LOPEZ AWARDED NICHIA EDUCATION GRANT

The Carroll County Housing Authority is extremely honored to announce that our very own **STEPHANIE LOPEZ**, a Carroll Apartments resident, is one of this year's Northern Illinois Council of Housing Administrators (NICHIA) education grant recipients, and has been awarded \$2,000.00.

Each spring the Northern Illinois Council of Housing Administrators (NICHIA) awards education grants. The one-time education grants are available to students residing in Illinois public housing authorities who are about to enter their first year of formal post high school education. These funds may be used for instruction for college admission test preparation, tuition, books, activity fees, or any other miscellaneous items approved by the Housing Authority, provided they are education related. Over the past 20 years, NICHIA has awarded an average of \$6,000.00 in grants annually.

Stephanie Lopez graduated from West Carroll High School in May 2018. She had always dreamed of attending a four-year college following her high school graduation, unfortunately, financially she was unable to immediately enroll in college last year. However, Stephanie did not let the stress of the financial burden put an end to her dream. She took the initiative during a gap year to create a financial plan that has now allowed her to achieve her dream, as she has recently been accepted to a four-year college. In August 2019, Stephanie will be pursuing higher education by attending the University of Iowa, and will major in Journalism. She will be living in the student dorms on the University of Iowa campus, and is looking forward to making new friends, and becoming involved with different organizations offered at the college.

**CONGRATULATIONS STEPHANIE!!** The CCHA Board of Commissioners and Staff wish you all the best on your future adventure at University of Iowa.



## LEMON BERRY DUMP CAKE RECIPE

### INGREDIENTS

- \* 6 cups fresh or frozen blueberries
- \* 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- \* 3/4 cup butter, melted
- \* 1 package lemon cake mix (regular size)

### TOPPING

- \* 2 containers (6 oz. each) lemon yogurt
- \* 1 container (8 oz.) frozen whipped topping (thawed)
- \* 1/2 cup marshmallow crème
- \* 1/3 cup lemon curd
- \* Additional blueberries, optional

### DIRECTIONS

- \* Preheat oven to 350°. Toss blueberries with cinnamon; spread into a greased 13x9-in. baking dish. Drizzle with half of the melted butter. Sprinkle with cake mix; drizzle with remaining butter. →

## LEMON CAKE RECIPE CONT'D

- \* Bake until golden brown and fruit is bubbly, 45-55 minutes. Cool on wire rack.
- \* Beat together yogurt, whipped topping, marshmallow crème and lemon curd.
- \* Serve dump cake with yogurt mixture and, if desired, additional blueberries.
- YIELD:** 15 servings.

### LOCAL HAPPENINGS...

#### FIRST FRIDAY! MAKERS IN MAY!

- You won't want to miss First Friday in Savanna! May's theme is Makers in May and will feature artists, makers and other creatives. Join your Main Street businesses for a fun filled night of retail specials, service specials, food and drink specials, and so much more.

**DATE:** Friday, May 3, 2019

**TIME:** 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Downtown Savanna



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*"When you are a mother, you are never really alone in your thoughts. A mother always has to think twice, once for herself and once for her child." - Sophia Loren*



### CCHA MONTHLY HAPPENINGS:

- BINGO (Mest Manor)  
Tuesday, May 7th &  
Monday, May 20th  
1:00 p.m. (All Tenants Welcome)
- Regular Board Meeting  
Wednesday, May 15th  
2:00 p.m.  
(Mest Manor Dining Room)
- Tenant Meeting  
Thursday, May 16th  
2:30 p.m.  
(Mest Manor Dining Room)
- Pest Control  
Friday, May 17th (8:30 a.m.)  
(Carroll Apartment Units)
- Tenant Meeting  
Thursday, May 23rd  
3:00pm  
(Maple Lane Community Room)

### OFFICE CLOSURE:

MEMORIAL DAY  
Monday, May 27th



*"The legacy of heroes is the memory of a great name and the inheritance of a great example."*

~Benjamin Disraeli

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Marijan Rihtar	1
Anna Hubble	6
Leroy Clayton	9
La'kyra Lewis	13
Brittany Spencer	13
Barbara Bringle	14
Edward King	16
Carol Ingersoll	18
Samantha Eppenstein	19
Juulyn Rihtar	21
Maison Rihtar	21
Ernst Schaefer	23
Aiden Letcher	26
Daniel Lopez	27

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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 courtesy, respect, and caring.

**SIMPLIFY YOUR LIFE BY CLEARING THE CLUTTER**

The University of Illinois Extension office will be offering a complimentary healthy living program exclusively for our Carroll County Housing Authority residents. Please join University of Illinois Educator, Karla Belzer, for an open discussion on how to "Simplify Your Life by Clearing the Clutter."

**DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019**

**TIME: 1:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.**

**LOCATION: MEST MANOR DINING ROOM (525 THIRD STREET)**

Does the clutter in your house cause you stress? Do you have at least one room that is off limits to company? Is the clutter a cause for conflict with other family members? Do you want less clutter but you are too overwhelmed to begin? Many of us struggle to keep up with the clutter in our lives. If this sounds like you or someone you know, come and learn ways to organize your life in order to de-clutter and reduce stress. We hope to see you there!



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**EASTER EGG HUNT PICTURES**

The Carroll Apartments children celebrated Easter with an **EASTER EGG HUNT** at our Maple Lane Courtyard on Thursday, April 18, 2019. Following are a few photos from the afternoon:

