



# CCHA NEWSLETTER

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## 10TH ANNUAL CCHA HALLOWEEN BASH

**Ghouls, Goblins, and Witches too...**we are having our 10th Annual CCHA Halloween Bash to celebrate with you. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our Halloween Bash is going to be a little different. The CCHA staff will be brewing up a ghoulishly great treat for all of our CCHA residents.

Our wickedly dressed CCHA staff will then be flying through our Haunted Mest Manor, Carroll Apartments and Maple Lane units to personally deliver a treat to each and everyone of you. We hope this will add just a bit of ghoulish fun, and a little fear...as Halloween night is drawing near!

**DATE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH**

**TIME: DELIVERIES WILL BEGIN AT 2:00 P.M.**

**COSTUMES APPRECIATED!**

### OPEN YOUR DOOR IF YOU DARE



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## Happy Halloween

"May Jack-o-lanterns burning bright  
of soft and golden hue,  
Pierce thru the future's veil & show  
What fate now holds for you.  
By goblins of the cornfield stark  
By witches dancing on the green  
By pumpkins grinning in the dark  
I wish you luck this Hallowe'en!  
~ Author Unknown

### CCHA MONTHLY HAPPENINGS:

- Mest Manor Market Day  
Monday, October 5th  
Approx. 10:30 a.m.  
(Mest Manor Dining Room)  
\* Available to Mest Manor & Maple Lane Tenants **Only**
- Tenant Meeting  
Wednesday, October 7th  
2:30 p.m. (Mest Manor)
- Regular Board Meeting  
Wednesday, October 21st  
2:00 p.m.  
(Mest Manor Dining Room)
- Quarterly Unit Inspections:  
(Maple Lane Only)  
Thursday, October 29th  
Beginning at 2:30 p.m.

### OFFICE CLOSURE:

Monday,  
October 12th  
(Columbus Day)



### CARAMEL CORN TREATS RECIPE

A funky-fun twist on traditional Rice Krispie squares, these are a cinch to make and will delight the kiddies.

#### INGREDIENTS

- \* 5 cups caramel corn
- \* 2 cups miniature pretzels
- \* 1 cup Goldfish cheddar crackers
- \* 1-1/4 cups Reese's pieces, divided
- \* 1 package (10 oz.) miniature marshmallows
- \* 1/4 cup butter, cubed
- \* 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract

#### DIRECTIONS

- \* In a large bowl, combine the caramel corn, pretzels, crackers and one (1) cup Reese's pieces. In a large microwave-safe bowl, melt marshmallows and butter; add vanilla and stir until smooth. Pour over the pretzel mixture; stir until well coated.
  - \* Press into a greased 13x9-in. pan. Sprinkle with the remaining Reese's pieces; press lightly. Let stand until set. Cut into bars.
- YIELD:** 2 dozen.

### CARAMEL CORN FUN FACTS

1. Americans consume 17 billion quarts of popped popcorn annually, or 54 quarts per man, woman and child.
2. United States citizens consume more popcorn than any other country's.

### HALLOWEEN HUMOR

- Q: What do you call a dancing ghost?  
A: Polka-haunt-us.
- Q: What do you call a cheesy Halloween dance?  
A: The muenster mash!
- Q: Where does Count Dracula usually eat his lunch?  
A: At the casketeria.
- Q: Why do vampires need mouthwash?  
A: They have bat breath.
- Q: What do you call a ghost with a broken leg?  
A: Hoblin' Goblin.
- Q: What does a witch do on her birthday?  
A: She spellbrates!

### SAVANNA'S HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION...

Savanna's Halloween celebration this year will **ONLY** include **TRICK OR TREAT**. It will be held on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST** from **5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.** Parents, please do your best to keep social distance and wait for groups to clear a door before sending your kids up. Stay safe, healthy and kind.





OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Joyce Sober	4
Nancy Handel	6
Mark Cygan	7
Richard Price	9
Donna Jones-Morehead	9
Mary Gouty	9
LeRoy Young	10
Wayne Wiegert	12
Joseph Mika	12
Georgina Zink	16
Ashley Foley	17
Mary Gilmore	20
Aaron Swanson	23
Barbara Truitt	24



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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.



NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Every week is Fire Prevention Week, however, this year it is officially recognized the week of October 4 - 10, 2020. Each year cooking is the leading cause of home fires, with nearly half (49 percent) of all U.S. home fires involving cooking equipment. This year's pandemic presents heightened concerns around home cooking, particularly as people continue to steer clear of public spaces, including restaurants, and opt instead to cook more at home. In turn, the number of home cooking fires may rise in the months ahead as the uncertainty of the times continue.

These factors make this year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!", particularly timely and important. Following are a few basic, but critical, ways to help prevent home cooking fires:

- STAY focused on food.** Unattended cooking is the leading cause of fires in the kitchen. Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. Turn off the burner if you leave the kitchen—even for a short period of time. Use a timer to remind you that you are cooking, or carry around a wooden spoon as a reminder.
- PUT a lid on it.** You can take simple steps to keep a small kitchen fire from getting out of control. Always keep a lid nearby when cooking. If a small grease fire starts, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it's cool. In case of an oven and/or microwave oven fire, turn off the appliance and keep door closed until it is cool. Have the oven serviced before using it again. **NEVER discharge a portable fire extinguisher into a grease fire** because it will spread the fire.
- KEEP cooking areas clear.** Clear away clutter and give cooking appliances space to lessen the chance of a kitchen fire. Keep anything that can catch fire—oven mitts, wooden utensils, food wrappers, towels—away from the stovetop. Clean up food and grease from burner and the stovetops.

THE MOMENT IS NOW!

Barely the day started and...it's already six in the evening. Barely arrive on Monday and it's already Friday...and the month is already over...and the year is almost over...and already 40, 50, and 60 years of our lives have passed. And we realize that we lost our parents, friends...and we realize it's too late to go back. So...let's try, despite everything, to enjoy the remaining time. Let's keep looking for activities that we like. Let's put some color in our grey. Let's smile at the little things in life that put balm in our hearts. And despite everything, we must continue to enjoy, with serenity, this time we have left. Let's try to eliminate the afters...I'm doing it after...I'll say it after...I'll think about it after...We leave everything for later like "after" is ours. Because what we don't understand is that: Afterwards, the coffee gets cold...Afterwards, priorities change...Afterwards health passes...Afterwards, the kids grow up...Afterwards the parents get old...Afterwards, promises are forgotten...Afterwards the day becomes night...Afterwards life ends...And then it's often too late...So...Let's leave nothing for later...Because waiting to see you later, we can lose the best moments, the best experiences, the best friends, the best family... The day is today...The moment is now!

FHN DRIVE-THRU FLU SHOTS 2020

Freeport Health Network will not hold walk-in flu shot clinics this year due to precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. However, in place of the clinics, FHN will be offering a local **DRIVE-THRU** Flu Shot Clinic as follows:



**DATE:** Saturday, October 10th & Saturday, October 17th

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. - Noon (Medical cards and photo IDs will be requested)

**LOCATION:** Eastland High School, 500 S. School Drive, Lanark

**COST:** High Dose will be \$65.00 for persons over 65 if not covered by Medicare Part B or Medicare Replacement Plan accepted by FHN. Persons under 65 will be give the Quadrivalent vaccine with an out of pocket cost of \$30.00. No insurance plan claims can be processed other than Medicare Part B or Medicare Replacement Plan.