



CCHA NEWSLETTER

CARROLL COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Volume XII, Issue V
MARCH 2022



SPRINGTIME CLEANING

Happy Spring! As the Maple Lane Unit Inspections are scheduled this month, and our homes are stuck with the winter blues, now is the perfect time to get a jump start on spring cleaning.

Spring cleaning is a tradition that allows us to freshen up our homes ahead of the hectic seasons of spring and summer. Approaching your apartment room-by-room is the most effective way to deep-clean your home at any time of the year, but especially in spring. Use room checklists as a springboard for deep-cleaning the areas of your home that need extra attention.

One of the biggest parts of spring cleaning is getting rid of all the clutter that you don't need. Getting rid of unused items that are weighing you down will give you a more streamlined life-style. Sorting your belongings into four categories—trash, give-away, store, or put away—can also be effective as you begin the spring cleaning process.

A good, thorough spring cleaning that includes the whole apartment is a great time to establish new on-going cleaning habits, and it can also make next spring cleaning a good deal easier.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

SPRINGTIME CLEANING	1
GOOD LUCK IRISH COOKIES RECIPE	1
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME	1
ST. PATRICK'S DAY JOKES	1
NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH	2
OPEN MIC & FREE MOVIES AT BRIDGES	2

"Spring adds new life and new beauty to all that is!"

- Jessica Harrelson

CCHA MONTHLY HAPPENINGS:

- Mest Manor Market Day
Monday, March 7th
Approx. 10:30 a.m.
(Mest Manor Dining Room)
* Available to Mest Manor & Maple Lane Tenants **Only**
- Tenant Meeting
Wednesday, March 9th
1:30 p.m. (Maple Lane)
3:00 p.m. (Mest Manor)
(All Tenants Welcome)
- Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 16th
(Maple Lane Comm. Room)
2:00 p.m.
- Pest Control (All Units)
Friday, March 18th
8:30a.m.
- Maple Lane Unit Inspections:
Wednesday, March 23rd
* Beginning at 2:00 p.m.

MARCH OBSERVANCES:

Thursday, March 17th
St. Patrick's Day



GOOD LUCK IRISH COOKIES RECIPE

To top off a St. Patrick's Day meal, you can bake these delicious Irish cookies for your family to enjoy.

INGREDIENTS

- * 1 cup butter, softened
- * 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- * 1/4 cup sugar
- * 1 package (3.4 oz.) instant pistachio pudding mix
- * 2 large eggs, room temperature
- * 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- * 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- * Green food coloring, optional
- * 2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- * 1 teaspoon baking soda
- * 1 package (10-11 oz.) butterscotch chips
- * 1 cup chopped walnuts

DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, cream butter, sugars, and pudding mix until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs and extracts. If desired, add food coloring. Whisk flour and baking soda; gradually add to creamed mixture. Stir in chips and nuts (batter will be stiff.) Scoop tablespoonfuls of dough and shape into balls; place them 2 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets.

→ (Recipe continued)

GOOD LUCK IRISH COOKIES RECIPE (CONT'D)

* Bake until cookies are set and bottoms are lightly browned, 10-12 minutes. Let cool on pan for 2 minutes before removing onto wire racks to cool completely.

YIELD: 64 cookies

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME...



It is that time of year again.... set your clocks **AHEAD ONE HOUR** on **SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH**. Daylight Savings Time is the practice of advancing the clocks during the lighter months so that evenings have more apparent daylight and mornings have less.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY JOKES

- Q: How do you know an Irish person is having fun?
A: They are Dublin over with laughter.
- Q: What do you call a fake Irish diamond?
A: A shamrock.
- Q: Why are leprechauns so concerned about global warming?
A: They are really into green living.
- Q: How does a leprechaun work out?
A: By pushing his luck.
- Q: What do you call the Irish jig at McDonald's?
A: Shamrock Shake!



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Rita Troha	7
Laikyn Lawrence	14
Isabelle Rogers	15
Mila O'Neill	17
Anthony Biasi	20
Vanessa Cowan	28
Louis Winston	29
Richard Chrest	29



CARROLL COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

525 Third Street
Savanna, IL 61074

Phone: 815-273-7081
Fax: 815-273-4050

E-mail: ccha@grics.net
Website: carrollcountyha.com

CCHA Board Members
Paul Hartman, Chairman
Peg Haffey, Vice-Chairman
Shawn Picolotti, Treasurer
Bill Robinson, Commissioner
Amanda Titus, Resident Commissioner

CCHA Staff
Ed Bochniak, Executive Director
Patty Acree, Administrative Assistant
Randy Meade, Maintenance Lead
Chad O'Neill, Maintenance Assistant

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 WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

During the month of March, we give a little extra attention to all of the amazing accomplishments of strong, determined women. Since 1987, the United States has formally recognized March as National Women's History month. Every woman has a story to tell and gifts to share with the world. So get ready, because this month is about honoring magnificent ladies, and we are ready to celebrate it to the fullest.

HOW TO OBSERVE NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

- Put it in writing** Think of a woman you look up to and admire. Write her a letter describing the impact she has had on your life. Your gesture is sure to be appreciated.
- Have a girl's lunch** Lunch, breakfast or dinner—it doesn't matter. Having the chance to spend some one-on-one time with the lovely ladies in your life is a great way to reconnect and remind them how much they mean to you.
- Read up on women's history** There are some excellent museums dedicated entirely to the accomplishments of women. If you don't happen to live near one of these places, many venues set up special exhibits during National Women's History Month.

3 POWERFUL FACTS ABOUT WOMEN

- Women have always been present** Women have always been present in the military. The Army Nurse Corps was created in 1901 and the Navy Nurse Corps in 1908.
- First of its kind** The first college to accept women was Salem College, founded in 1772.
- Who runs the world** More than 30% of all businesses today are owned and run by women.

WHY NATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY HISTORY MONTH IS IMPORTANT

- We haven't given women their due attention** For many years, women weren't acknowledged enough in historical texts. This isn't because they weren't in the midst of important discoveries or helping out with important conquest. It's mainly because men wrote the majority of historical documents for thousands of years. In March, we dig deep to uncover many of the important roles women have played throughout history.
- Women are inspirational** Learning about women who have stood up for their rights and fought for what they believe is fantastic motivation. We all have the power to influence the direction our world is headed in, and National Women's History Month reminds us of that.
- It recognizes the strength and power of women** It's easy to get caught up in the grind of daily life, but this month is an excellent opportunity to put a spotlight on all of the major things women accomplish each and every day. From domestic chores and carrying babies to fighting wars and governing countries, women are pretty darn amazing!

OPEN MIC & FREE MOVIES AT BRIDGES
417 MAIN ST. | SAVANNA IL



Kick off Mardi Gras with a meal and acoustic music at Open Mic Night on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at Bridges of Carroll County. A light dinner will be served at 6:00p.m., followed by the Open Mic at 6:30p.m. The entertainment is free and a freewill donation is accepted for the meal. The Open Mic typically features rock, pop, folk and country music. Also, it can feature poetry and performance.

A series of free movies will be screened from 6:30p.m.—8:30p.m. every Friday in March at Bridges of Carroll County. Film titles may not be released. However, all are classic, family friendly movies. Popcorn will be provided. The schedule is as follows:



- Friday, March 4th: Classic Horror
- Friday, March 11th: Classic Romance
- Friday, March 18th: Classic Science Fiction
- Friday, March 25th: Classic Action

For more information on the above events, please visit greatriveroutreach.com, or call Pastor Gary Panetta at 815-590-1792.