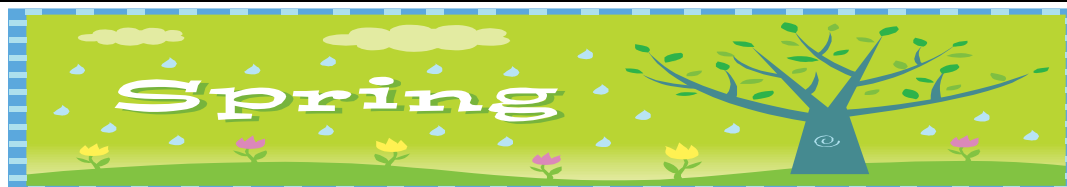




CCHA NEWSLETTER

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HOP ON OVER AND JOIN US TO CELEBRATE EASTER LIKE NO BUNNY ELSE.....

The Carroll County Housing Authority will be sponsoring an **EASTER EGG HUNT** for our **CARROLL APARTMENTS CHILDREN** (12 years old and younger.) We welcome, and encourage all eligible children to join us for a fun-filled afternoon. This year's event will be held as follows:

DATE: THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2024

HUNT TO BEGIN PROMPTLY AT: 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: MAPLE LANE COURTYARD (Between Maple Lane & Primary School)

Following the Easter Egg Hunt, CCHA staff will distribute **AN EGGCELLENT EASTER BASKET** filled with lots of goodies to each of the children attending.

NOTE: Please R.S.V.P. to the CCHA office at (815) 273-7081 by **THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST.**
P.S. Don't forget your baskets.

"Bunnies are cuddly, the large and the small. But I like the chocolate ones, the most of them all!"

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*"As you **MARCH** into this new month, we wish you success in all your endeavours. Make it count!"~ Author Unknown*

CCHA MONTHLY HAPPENINGS:

- Mest Manor Market Day
Monday, March 4th
Approx. 10:30 a.m.
(Mest Manor Dining Room)
* Available to Mest Manor & Maple Lane Tenants **Only**
- Carroll Apts. Unit Inspections
Wednesday, March 6th
(Units #13 - #24)
* Beginning at 1:30 p.m.
- Maple Lane Unit Inspections
Monday, March 18th
* Beginning at 1:30 p.m.
- Pest Control (All Units)
Wednesday, March 20th
8:30a.m.
- Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 20th
(Mest Manor Conf. Room)
4:00 p.m.

OFFICE CLOSURE:

Good Friday
Friday, March 29th



EASTER SUGAR COOKIES RECIPE

Cream cheese contributes to the rich taste of these melt-in-your mouth Easter sugar cookies. They have such nice flavor, you can skip the frosting and sprinkle them with colored sugar for a change.

INGREDIENTS

- * 1 cup butter, softened
- * 3 ounces cream cheese, softened
- * 1 cup sugar
- * 1 large egg yolk, room temperature
- * 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- * 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- * 2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- * 1/2 teaspoon salt
- * 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- * Tinted frosting or colored sugar

DIRECTIONS

* In a bowl, cream butter, cream cheese and sugar until light and fluffy, 5-7 minutes. Beat in egg yolk and extracts. Combine the flour, salt and baking soda, gradually add to the creamed mixture. Cover and refrigerate for 3 hours or until easy to handle.

* Preheat oven to 375°. On a lightly floured surface, roll out dough to 1/8-in. thickness.

(recipe continued) →

EASTER SUGAR COOKIES RECIPE (CONT'D)

* Cut with a 2-1/2-in. cookie cutter dipped in flour. Place cutouts 1-in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake until edges begin to brown, 8-10 minutes. Cool for 2 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely. Decorate as desired.

YIELD: 4 dozen.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY HUMOR

- Q: Why are leprechauns so good at gardening?
- A: They have green thumbs!
- Q: When does a leprechaun cross the road?
- A: When it's green!
- Q: How do you know when a shamrock is jealous?
- A: It will be green with envy!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME...

It is that time of year again.... set your clocks **AHEAD ONE HOUR** on **SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH.** Daylight Savings Time is the practice of advancing clocks during the lighter months so that evenings have more apparent daylight and mornings have less.





MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Rita Troha	7
Laikyn Lawrence	14
Mila O'Neill	17
Crystal Jones	24
Louis Winston	29
Richard Chrest	29
Ariana Goodrich	31



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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.



2024 IL NAHRO POSTER CONTEST

“A picture is worth a thousand words,” Fredrick Barnard 1921

It is time to get ready for the Annual Poster Contest: “What home means to me?” sponsored by the Illinois NAHRO (National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials.) The poster contest provides an wonderful opportunity for children residing in affordable housing and community developments to reflect the national theme of “What Home Means to Me.” This is an important way for the children of our communities to have their voices heard with policy makers at all levels.

Youth who submit posters must be in grades K-12. The age selection categories are as follows: **Elementary:** K to 5th grade; **Middle:** 6th to 8th grade; and **High:** 9th to 12 grade.

Winners of the state contest entries will be submitted by IL NAHRO council for the regional competition. The eight regional councils will then select three winners—one from each age category—and will forward those winners to the national competition in Washington, D.C.

National honorees will be selected by a panel of judges assembled by NAHRO staff. National honorees will be announced during Housing America Month in October.

The grand prize cover winner will receive an iPad and a framed copy of their original artwork. The cover winner and one legal guardian will also receive a tour of Capitol Hill and attend NAHRO’s Washington Conference in Washington, D.C. where he or she will be honored. The 12 national winners will each receive a \$100 Visa gift card.

Any of our **CARROLL APARTMENTS CHILDREN** interested in this wonderful opportunity should contact the CCHA office at 815-273-7081, as soon as possible, for the poster contest entry rules, and poster application. The deadline for submission of posters is **MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2024, BY 5:00PM.**

HIPPITY HOPPITY EASTER EGG HUNT

The Savanna Children’s Fund will be sponsoring an **EASTER EGG HUNT** for all the children in our local communities. This is a **FREE EVENT**, and will consist of Lots of Eggs, Big Prizes and a Bake Sale. In addition, each of the children can get pictures taken with the Easter Bunny!



DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024

HUNT TO BEGIN PROMPTLY AT: 11:00 A.M. (MIDDLE DIAMOND)

LOCATION: OLD MILL PARK (SAVANNA, IL)

Stay for lunch following the egg hunt. The Children’s Fund will be selling hot dogs, chips and soda. P.S. Don’t forget to bring your basket to collect eggs!



SAVANNA FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Come on out to support your local Fire Department during their “Annual Pancake Breakfast” fundraiser event as follows:

DATE: SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

TIME: 7:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

MENU: PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, EGGS, HASH BROWNS, JUICE & COFFEE

LOCATION: SAVANNA FIRE STATION (101 MAIN STREET)

COST: \$7.00 DONATION (6 AND UNDER FREE)

NOTE: Carryout & Delivery Available. If you would like to schedule a delivery, please call the CCHA office at (815) 273-7081 by Thursday, March 14, 2024.

- All proceeds from this event will go towards the purchase of new fire equipment!