

MEXICO HOUSING AUTHORITY



Section 8, Second Quarter 2017 Newsletter

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 1st-Spring Clean Up for Tue, Wed, and Fri

April 5th-Couponing Class

April 7th-closed for Admin Day

April 8th-Spring Clean Up for Mon, Thur

April 12th-After School Book and Art Program

April 21st-Landlord meeting in Community Center at 1:30pm

April 22nd-Earth Day at Lakeview Park

May 5th-closed for Admin Day

May 29th-closed for Memorial Day

June 2nd-closed for Admin Day

LANDLORD MEETING

This meeting will be held at the Community Center at 1:30pm on April 21st, 2017. After that meeting, at about 3pm CMCA will be doing a short presentation for both landlords and tenants on their low-income weatherization program and the benefits of weatherization.

FREE CLASSES

MHA is looking to start offering free classes to its residents. I have attached a sheet of ideas we have come up with. Please check beside the ones that you would like to take. Feel free to write in any of your own ideas and return to the office or fill one out while you are at the office. They will be hanging on the wall. We will be having a gift card drawing or giving something away that pertains to the type of class at each class.

Spring Clean Up

If your normal trash pickup day is Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday, your spring cleanup day will be Saturday April 1st. If your normal trash pickup day is Monday or Thursday, your spring cleanup day will be Saturday April 8th.

Couponing Class

We will be holding a free couponing class at the Community Center Wednesday April 5th at 3:30pm. Come join us in learning how to extreme coupon, and enter in for a chance to win a \$10 gift card.

Help Center Thrift Store at 409 Fairground Street in Mexico is open Monday thru Friday 9am to 4pm.

Help Center Food Pantry Schedule by Last Name

If you have any questions, call 573-581-3238.

A-F is April 5th

G-L is April 12th

M-R is April 19th

S-Z is April 26th

Feed America is every Monday at the Help Center from 9am till gone.

Home Delivered Meals-The Mexico Senior Center delivers meals for the homebound Seniors in all of Audrain County. If you are 60 years of age or older and feel these meals could help you, call Ione at 573-581-7743. We do not charge for the meals, we do ask for a donation of \$4.00 a meal however, no senior is ever refused for lack of funds. We deliver weekly and bring: 7 frozen meals, 1 quart milk, 1 quart orange juice, 1 loaf of bread (every other week), 3 cocoa packets, and all the desserts that we get from the food bank.

Little Free Library

We have placed a free library box behind our housing authority office on Tyronn Lue Boulevard. Please feel free to use this, it is totally free to the public and refilled weekly.



Mexico Housing Authority, in conjunction with the City of Mexico and the Mexico Noon Lions Club, is excited to announce the placement of a LITTLE FREE LIBRARY in Mexico. The library box is located at 828 Garfield Avenue, just south of the Garfield Community Center. The library is free for all Mexico residents to use. Check out this website for more details: <https://littlefreelibrary.org/>

Little Free Library is a nonprofit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world. Through Little Free Libraries, millions of books are exchanged each year, profoundly increasing access to books for readers of all ages and backgrounds.

Why Does Book Access Matter?

One of the most successful ways to improve the reading achievement of children is to increase their access to books, especially at home (McGill-Franzen & Allington, 2009). But according to the U.S. Department of Education, up to 61% of low-income families do not have any books for their kids at home. Little Free Libraries play an essential role by providing 24/7 access to books (and encouraging a love of reading!) in areas where books are scarce.

“There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate’s loot on Treasure Island.”-Walt Disney

Activities for the Family

After School Book and Art Program

The after-school Book and Art Program is on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 4-5pm until April 12, 2017. It is for 3rd through 5th grades and is held in the basement of the library. Sign up is in the Children's Dept. The program is free and supplies provided.

Earth Day

Please come and join the Mexico Parks and Recreation Department for our Annual Earth Day Celebration! There will be activities for all ages as well as a show by the World Bird Sanctuary. It will be held at the Lakeview Park April 22nd from 10am till 12 pm. It is totally free so come enjoy the day!

National No Screen Week at Lakeview

Join others for National No Screen Week by spending an afternoon in the park at Lakeview Shelter for fun craft and science activities. It will be held May 1st through the 5th from 3pm to 5pm. Past projects include; bubble painting, shaving cream painting, homemade chalk, exploding paint and tie dye. Grades 2nd - 6th welcome. Please sign up online or at City Hall, second floor. Space is limited! Enrollment will end April 10th, 2017.



Concerts in the Park

Every Tuesday in June there will be concerts at the Hardin Park starting at 7pm. Come out and enjoy free entertainment by local artists.

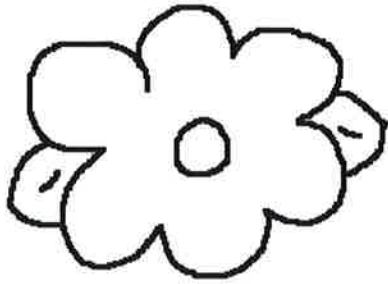
Movie in the Park

On June 10th, movies will start to play at dusk until 11pm just below Lawrence Shelter in Plunkett Park.

Sunrise Summer Solstice Yoga

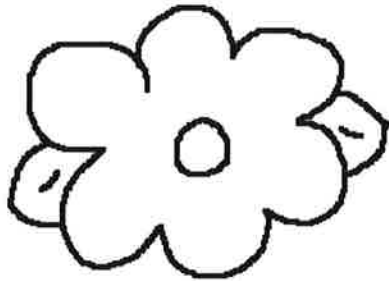
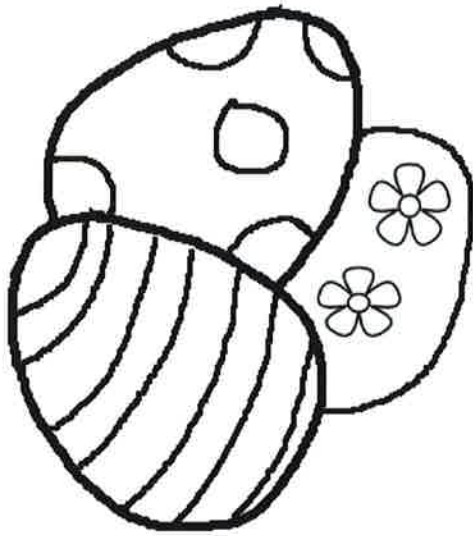
Come and enjoy the sunrise with some early morning yoga. It will be at the Fairgrounds Shelter on June 21st, from 4am to 8am. Enrollment will be from April 17th to June 14th. Please sign up online or at City Hall, second floor.





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Blue Grass Music

Friday, April 7th Bob Herrin, Ellis Glasgow, Bobbi Cooley, and Joyce Thomas (from Montgomery City) will be at the Mexico Senior Center to perform Bluegrass and Gospel Music. If you have never seen these four very talented individuals, then you should come. It will be from 11am to 11:45am.



April Easter Fest



Tuesday, April 11 Roast Beef, Baked Ham/Sliced Pineapple, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Ambrosia Salad, Hot Wheat Roll, and Cherry Cobbler/Ice Cream will be served. Anyone under the age of 60 years old is considered a guest and must pay \$6.50. For all seniors that are 60 years of age and older, there is a suggested donation of \$4.00 a meal but no senior is refused for lack of funds.

Nail Polishing

Tuesday, April 11 at 10am to noon, Terra Hannon and Amanda Jensen will be here to paint finger nails. Terra is the Activities Director at Kings' Daughters Home.



Gold Crest Distributing



Grant Toellner, Purchasing Manager for Gold Crest Distributing will be at the Mexico Senior Center on Wednesday, April 12th at 11:30am. Grant will focus his presentation on Hummingbirds and Orioles. He will give a program on taking care of birds. He will be handing out pre-filled hummingbird feeders. First come gets the feeders, so come early and enjoy this very interesting presentation.

