Housing Partners of Western Nebraska

Happy Holidays from all of us to all of you! We wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2020!



With over 60% of Americans purchasing online during the Holidays, please keep in mind a few safety tips to protect your personal information AND your money!!

1. FAKE CHARITIES-Scam artists will take advantage of your goodwill during the holidays. As legitimate charities increase their solicitations for donations during the season, many scammers devise fake charities to try to steal money via phone, email and social media.

Before donating, you should verify that the charity and its web address are legitimate at Charity Navigator or through a state agency that regulates charities.

2. **SOCIAL MEDIA TRAPS:** Social media is full of scam giveaways, contests, and surveys. Crooks often customize scams for the holidays ! Please do not be the person who blindly shares information about a survey, contest, or giveaway, without first checking if it is legitimate.

3. **PHISHING:** These are text and e-mail offers that offer huge discounts. Be very cautious as most of these links will either take you to a shady site, or worse, infect your phone, tablet, computer and smart tv with spyware, and the ability to steal your stored financial and personal information!

Scammers also mimic letters from Santa to get personal information from parents.



This-n-That

December 20th, 2019 FOOD BANK HPWN Holiday Schedule November-December-January 2019-2020 11/28-11/29 CLOSED Thanksgiving 12/25 CLOSED Christmas Day 1/1/20 CLOSED New Year's Day 1/20/20 CLOSED Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Have time on your hands? Please consider volunteering with Resident Council! Help is needed and welcome for Food Bank and other council activities. Your Resident Council is comprised of tenants, for tenants! Your concerns and recommendations are ALWAYS WELCOME at the council monthly meetings.

Ribbon cutting at Canterbury Estates, Sidney Nebraska.

HOUSE

LOVE

HOME



Carpenter Center Expands Community Meal Program

The Carpenter Center is now serving meals 7 days a week!! The cost is still only \$5 if you eat there, or \$6 to go. Reservations for meals must be made no later that 9am the day prior. Weekend carry out meals have to be reserved by no later than 9am on the Thursday before the weekend, and will be picked up on Friday between 11:30am and 12:30pm.. The Center an be reached at (308)635-8422.

The Carpenter Center is also an approved meal site for the Social Services for Aged and Disabled Adults (SSAD) program. If you are age 60 or older, blind and/or disabled, you may qualify for services. In order to be eligible for services through SSAD, an individual or married couple must meet certain tests, including resource and income tests. To apply for congregate meals and other services, please call 1-800-383-4278, or Housing Partners Outreach and Supportive Services Specialist Kim Wells at 633-7548. You can also apply online at <u>www.accessnebraska.ne.gov.</u>



Welcome aboard to Cynthia-Application Intake Clerk, and Joni-Public Housing

THE Ultimate LIST

- I. GET MORE SLEEP.
- 2. DRINK MORE WATER.
- 3. GET MORE EXERCISE .
- 4. READ MORE .
- 5. GET MORE ORGANIZE D.
- 6. CLEAN MORE OFTEN.
- 7. EXPLORE MORE.
- 8. RELAX MORE.
- 9. HAVE MORE PATIENCE.
- 10. FORGET DOING'MORE! Just try your best.



Rent is due the 5th working day of the month

Stay Healthy During Cold & Flu Season!

The cold and flu season is upon us. A flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against the flu. Follow these additional tips to stay healthy and keep others healthy this flu season:

- Wash your hands frequently especially after blowing your nose, coughing, sneezing and before you eat
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth to stop the spread of viruses 🛙 Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Cover your mouth or tuck it in your elbow when coughing or sneezing and wash your hands afterward

Get enough sleep to avoid getting 'run down'

Stay home if you are sick to avoid making others sick AND
Clean and disinfect often to prevent the spread of germs in
your house.

Show your leftovers some LOVE!! Holiday meal leftovers make yummy meals too!

Cream of turkey sandwiches with potato pancakes are a great way to use a variety of your leftovers-

Shred turkey and warm up in leftover gravy- add celery, parsley, or basil for added flavor. Serve over left over rolls or bread. To make mashed potato pancakes- mix cold mashed potatoes with 1 egg, 1/4 C flour, salt and pepper to taste. 1/2 cup of the mixture makes a nice size pancake, gently pat down the pancake and fry in oil in a skillet until crispy on both sides.



Tis the season for all things merry and bright...and cold...and snowy... in the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, HPWN would like to gently remind you of the following:

NO SPACE HEATERS! These are a fire hazard!

Please clean your porches- and make sure that the front and back of your unit is free of debris!

Doors and Windows need to stay closed to maximize the heating efficiency of your unit

On-call maintenance can be reached at (308) 765-8707. Examples of after hours emergencies are— NO WATER, HEAT, OR ELECTRICITY, NON WORKING TOILET AND FLOODING. Please do not call the pager after hours for other issues. If you have a problem earlier in the day, please call as soon as you notice the problem, it will be a better outcome for all if you call during the day. Our goal is to handle emergencies efficiently!



2019 Holiday Events: Friday November 29, Gp. m. Gering Holiday Parade Sunday, December 1, Gp.m. Scottsbluff Holiday Parade Thursday, December 12, Gpm-8pm Scottsbluff National Monument 100th Birthday Celebration

TOP TIPS BEFORE YOU LEAVE TO TRAVEL...

- Let your friends or neighbors know you'll be away and ask them to take in newspapers (or call to put a hold on delivery) or delivered packages.
- Bring in outdoor objects that could be damaged or taken.
- Unplug electronics to conserve energy and protect against surges.
- Don't broadcast your travel plans on social media websites— 25% of all home burglaries occur during the holidays.



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December 2019– Please call 635-8422 by 9am the day before to reserve your meal \$5 dine in \$6 To go

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Turkey salad sandwich, grapes, chips, carrots and celery	2 Baked Chick- en, Texas pota- toes, carrots, roll, dessert	3 Pulled pork sandwich. Coleslaw, grapes	4 Potato Soup, grilled cheese, fruit with jello	5 Meatloaf, mashed pota- toes', carrots, roll, dessert	6 Enchiladas, Spanish rice, tortilla chips, fruit cup	7 Ham and cheese roll up, macaroni sal- ad, apple
8 Chef Salad with crackers	9 Baked Pork Chops, wild rice, mixed veg., roll, des- sert	10 Goulash, green beans, roll, dessert	11 Roast beef dinner, mashed pota- toes, gravy, fruit cup	12 Liver and Onions, mashed pota- toes, gravy, corn, fruit	13 Chicken and rice soup, crackers, roll, peaches	14 Turkey Club, chips, pickle, fruit
15 Hot roast beef sandwich, corn, fruit	16 Tater Tot casserole, roll, applesauce	17 Beef Stew, biscuits, fruit	18 Beef burri- to, Spanish rice, garden salad, fruit	19 Pork Roast, mashed pota- toes and gravy, carrots, roll, fruit	20 Turkey noodle soup, crackers, roll, dessert	21 Tuna salad sandwich, pickle, fruit, chips
22 Potato soup, crack- ers, carrots and celery	23 Porcupine meatballs, rice, bread, dessert	24 Christmas Eve	25 Merry Christmas- No Lunch	26 Crispy chicken sand- wich, corn, pears	27 Biscuits and gravy, po- tato wedges, orange slices	28 meatball sub, chips, broccoli and cauliflower, orange
29 Chili and crackers, cel- ery and carrots	30 Cheese- burger, French fries, orange slices	31 Ham din- ner, potato bake, green beans, roll, cake New Year's Eve				