



Northeast Georgia Housing Authority

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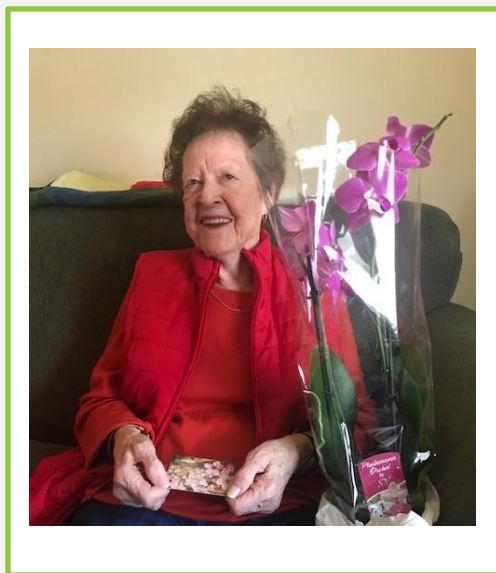


Housing Happenings

<http://www.negahousingauthority.com>

NEGAHA would like to Honor :

*Mary Winkler for 52
Years of dedication to
Housing !*



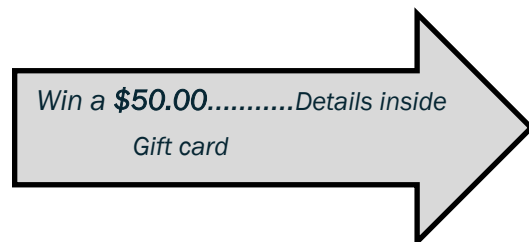
Resident participation raffle. Check out the Prizes!

Details inside.

Riddle: *What has many keys, but can't even
open a single door?*

Answer from last newsletter: Silence.

Win a \$50.00.....Details inside
Gift card



A word from your **Maintenance Team**



FROM THE DESK OF...

WILLIAM DUNSON, MAINTENANCE MANAGER

It's spring time and the grass contractors have already started mowing. Banks Lawn Care is the grass contractor for all of Northeast Georgia Housing Authority Properties this year.



Some of the responsibilities of the grass contractor include mowing and trimming grass, blowing grass clippings off sidewalks, deck pads, and porches. They also have the option of using grass/weed herbicide around buildings, a/c pads, clothesline posts, etc.

Please make sure your yard is free of toys, rocks, sticks, paper and other debris. Your cooperation in getting your yard ready for mowing and maintaining your yard is greatly appreciated. By doing this you will prevent charges to your account.



The maintenance department will pick up large items that will **not** fit inside the dumpster/trash cans at no charge to the resident; the items must be put by the curb. **DO NOT put these items out UNTIL Wednesday after 6pm** of each week. Any items picked up on Monday thru Wednesday could result in everyone in the neighborhood being charged a \$30.00 landfill charge. The truck will be around on Thursday of each week, weather permitting and we are not closed for a holiday or training. If you have loose items, they **MUST** be tied up in a trash bag.

Bed bugs are on the rise!



If you think you may have bed bugs call **The Maintenance Department** and refer to your bed bug policy for prevention and treatment.

"SUCCESS IS GETTING WHAT YOU WANT; HAPPINESS IS WANTING WHAT YOU GET"
.....Dave Ramsey

We have had a mild winter, and the ants will be out in full force in the warmer weather.

Remember: We cannot treat the inside of your apartment for fire ants, but we can treat the fire ant mounds in your yard. Below are a few inexpensive home remedies that you may want to try that may be effective in killing fire ants.

- **Salt and Water** – Bring water to a boil, mix in salt to make a strong salt solution and pour down nest. Repeat over 3 days (and pour over surrounding area as well to prevent them from rebuilding in the area),
- **Instant Grits** – scrape the top off the mound and pour a package of instant grits directly into the top of the mound.
- **Club Soda** – pour 2 cups of club soda (carbonated water) directly in the center of the mound. The carbonation in the water is heavier than air and displaces the oxygen which suffocates the queen and the other ants. A one-liter bottle of club soda will kill 2 to 3 mounds.

If you have fire ants inside your apartment, below is a list of spray cleaner recipes

you may want to try... 

Clean counter tops and surfaces well with one of the cleaners below, these can also be used to spray the ants directly.

- Vinegar
- Vinegar & Water (50/50 mix)
- Cider Vinegar & Water (50/50 mix)
- One of these essential Oils: Peppermint, Lavender, Eucalyptus, Tea Tree Oil, Witch Hazel Extract (1 tablespoon) plus water – per spray bottle (these oils can also be used to repel spiders)
- Liquid Dish Detergent & Water (about 1 tablespoon detergent) fill spray bottle with water.



We do not work Friday-Sunday. Please DO NOT call after hours or on Friday-Sunday unless it is a true EMERGENCY. A TRUE EMERGENCY is one that endangers life, safety, or damage to property.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns about the maintenance of your apartment, please feel free to call us @ 706-886-7326 or 1-800-752-8546.

The maintenance office is open 7:30 am to 6:00 pm, Monday thru Thursday for your questions or to request a work order.





Resident Services

Resident Services introduces and links residents with a wide range of programs and services to enhance the quality of life and to encourage upward mobility into the community.

Through vital community partners we are able to provide a variety of education, social and cultural programs, health and wellness screenings and recreational activities designed to assist residents in achieving stability, strength and self-sufficiency.

Keep a look out in the mail for information about your next upcoming Resident Association Meeting

Need Money for College or to Complete a GED? Scholarships Available!

NEGAHA Scholarships are available for eligible residents of the Northeast GA Housing Authority.

Education Scholarship

2-Academic Scholarships for \$2000 each
2-Voc/Tech Scholarships for \$2000 each

Eligibility requirements:

1. Current resident for 12 months or longer; AND
2. Have no lease violations; AND
3. A high school senior expecting to graduate **or** have previously earned a high school diploma or GED certificate; AND.
4. Have been accepted to or currently enrolled in a college or Technical/Vocational school.

Deadline turn completed applications to the Main office in Toccoa:

June 1st, 2019

The housing authority reserves the right to adjust amounts of awards based on the number of applications received. This is a one-time award; however recipients may re-apply for consideration in future years.



GED Scholarship

Covers the cost of testing.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Current resident for 12 months or longer.
2. 16 years of age or older.
3. Enrolled and actively attending GED classes at any of the NGTC Adult Education Centers or certified Literacy Centers.
4. Must earn GED in 1 year or less.

Scholarship is open year round.

Applications are available by request, contact:

Jessica @ the NEGAHA
706-886-9455
1-800-596-1380

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HEALTH & SAFETY FAIR



Parents bring your kids out

Activities

Food

Resources

Entertainment

Wellness
check-ups

Prizes

Open to Stephens, Habersham, Banks, and White County.

Rides will be provided for NEGAHA residents.

Hosted by: Northeast GA Housing Authority
Amerigroup
and local community partners.



Since spring is here, we would like:

To take the time to say---Thanks to all of you who take---The time to cause a better day.

Thanks for keeping your home so clean ---Thanks for picking up trash ---Thanks for paying your bills on time ---And thanks for recertifying in a flash.

We may not always do or say---The things you want us to---But thanks for understanding that---The Law guides what we do.

Your deeds reflect the pride you have---By how you plan your day.

So NEGAHA would like to extend to you our gratitude, by giving you this winning chance.



Resident Participation Raffle:

How to get your tickets ?



- ✓ Pay your rent on time.
- ✓ Come to your scheduled recertification appointment.
- ✓ Come to your monthly Resident Association Meeting (RAM).



If your name is in the raffle, you have the chance to win.....



Prizes: (You will have 16 chances to win)

- ☆ Room Darkening Curtains, 2-Pack, 52 x 63 Inch Long.
- ☆ 7-Piece Bed-In-A-Bag Full/ Queen Comforter and sheets.
- ☆ Bissell Zing Canister Vacuum Cleaner
- ☆ 6 piece Bathroom Accessory Set
- ☆ \$50 Walmart Gift Card.
- ☆ 83 Pc Kitchen Cookware, Utensil Combo Set
- ☆ 15 Piece Bathroom Rug, Shower, Towel Set
- ☆ Microfiber Spray Mop
- ☆ \$75 Walmart gift card
- ☆ \$50 Amazon gift card



The Drawings will be held December 1st.

February 2019 Newsletter Winners



Hannah Johnson!

**Congratulations to
our winner!**

For your chance to win a
\$50.00

Wal-Mart Gift Card

Entries must be received
by

July 1, 2019

This could be **YOU!** Enter to **WIN !**

Residents: A winner will be chosen to receive **a \$50.00 Gift Card From Wal-Mart !**

Answer the following questions, clip out and mail or bring to the Housing Authority office. A winner will be drawn. The winner will be contacted and announced in the next newsletter!

*You will not be eligible to win, if you have won within the last 12 months.

1. What is your answer for the riddle? _____
2. When is the deadline date for scholarships? _____
3. What things should not be on the curb Friday- Wednesday before 6:00 PM?

4. How do you get raffle tickets?

5. How many times can you be entered to win the raffle prizes? _____
6. When will the raffle drawing be held? _____

Resident Comments:



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