Winter and Spring 2014

Tower Heights Annual Recertifications

Annual recertifications began in December for Tower Heights and continue into the spring. Watch for some fun activities and announcements regarding Tower Heights Community Center, coming soon!

AMP 2 Annual Recertifications

Appointments for AMP 2 will start in March and will be effective May 1, 2014.

WANTED: Yoga or Zumba Instructors!

We are looking for yoga or Zumba instructors to help lead classes for residents in our community centers. If interested, please let your office manager know.

WANTED: Green Thumb Gardeners

We are looking for volunteers to help start and/or maintain community gardens. Please contact your office manager if interested.

Reminder: No Smoking in GHA

Smoking by residents or guests will result in a lease violation

Effective January 1, 2014, smoking is prohibited in all indoor areas of all apartments and on all properties of the Gainesville Housing Authority, including but not limited to all apartments, shared areas, entryways, hallways, stairwells, balconies, lobbies, community rooms, building grounds, and the parking lots. “Smoking” is defined as inhaling, exhaling, breathing, or carrying a fire lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or other tobacco product or similar fire product or any incense product in any manner or form.

Certain areas will be designated as “smoking areas” and they will be marked by appropriate signage.

Additionally, the no-smoking rules will not apply to current residents until the end of the current lease term or six months, whichever is later. In this fashion, GHA complies with lease obligations and provides smokers with a reasonable period of time to quit or stop smoking if they so wish.

NEW! For your mobile device

To better serve you, we've made our website responsive, which enhances the display on cell phone and tablets. We are posting more current updates and information on the website each day, so please make us a frequent destination in your online time. If you haven't been a regular, visit today us at: www.gainesvillehousing.org.

Meet the Melrose Fall Clean-Up Contest Winners

These winners picked up more than 150 pounds of trash lying around Melrose Apartments.

The first-place winners collected 90.4 pounds of trash. The second place group collected 41.8 pounds and the third-place group collected 31.1 pounds.

The winners were treated to a movie, snacks and gift certificates.
New Resident Guidebooks are Coming!

New Resident Guidebooks will be issued soon. These books are full of updates and useful info. Watch for them.

Get Free Income Tax Help

Help is available for tax preparation through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA). Sites will include the Hall County Community Service Center, at 430 Prior Street, and appointments can be made starting in mid-January. Preparation will begin January 29, 2014. To make an appointment call 770-503-3336, or for more information, call 770-503-3330.

Library Offers Books, Classes and Even Park/Zoo Passes

If you haven’t been to Hall County Library in Gainesville, then you’re missing out on a lot. Besides a fantastic collection of books and magazines (both physically and digitally) there are countless offerings for all ages, including storytelling for kids, computer and tech classes. And if you have a PINES library card (Registration for a PINES card only takes a few minutes) you can check out a state park pass that will get a whole carload into any of Georgia’s parks for a week. Or, if you’re an animal fan, you can check out a pass to Zoo Atlanta that’s good for admission for two adults and two kids. Visit today at 127 Main Street NW Gainesville, or visit online at www.hallcountylibrary.org or call 770-532-3311.

Let’s get physical in 2014

Whether it’s swimming, camping, theater, dance, fitness or tennis you’re craving, there are many local venues that offer these – and much more.

For example, the Gainesville Park & Recreation Program offers all of the above activities. Or you might try the local Boys & Girl’s Club, or the Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts or Boy Scouts. And the YMCA offers all kinds of activities, too.

So get active today and make this year your best year ever.

Gainesville Park & Recreation Program
Gainesville Civic Center, 830 Green Street, or Frances Meadows Center off Jesse Jewell Pkwy. between S. Enota & Limestone Pkwy. Monday – Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm.

GHA Kids Tour The High Museum of Art in Atlanta

About 30 kids from the Gainesville Housing Authority visited the High Museum of Art in Atlanta, courtesy of “Awaken,” a weekly after-school tutoring program provided by Free Chapel Worship Center and based at GHA’s Atlanta Street community center. The trip was organized by program coordinator Jananne Waller and Pastor Michael Thurmond. Gainesville City Schools provided the transportation.

Maintenance and After Hours Repairs Line: 770-536-1295

Take the Bus

The Red Rabbit provides scheduled bus services throughout the City of Gainesville. Buses operate five days a week from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. For additional information, route map or schedule, please contact Hall Area Transit at 770-503-3333 or email hat@gainesville.org.

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