



As we begin 2018, let's look at changes that will be coming.

The non-smoking law in public housing has been posted in the federal register and will become effective July 30, 2018. Macoupin Homes is adopting this policy as well. We are offering one last stop-smoking class on Thursday, March 1, 2018. Be watching upcoming newsletters for more details.

Please take down all holiday decorations by January 10, 2018.

Please read on the other side about a free nutrition education class offered by the University of Illinois Extension Office for those who receive SNAP benefits, which includes tips on healthy grocery shopping and a cooking class (there's a dish every week!). There will be two classes per month in the Carlinville Rec Hall. Check to see if you can attend!

During the extreme cold weather and especially in case of power outages, please let your faucets drip to keep the pipes from freezing. You may also open your cabinet doors to allow warm air to reach the pipes.

The Central Illinois Council of Housing Officials is offering an Educational Assistance Grant for Housing Residents who are going to college. If you're going to graduate from High School this spring or you're already in college and plan to continue this fall, you are eligible. Details and an application are inside. Return the completed application to me at the Housing Authority.

Please check inside for special holiday hours and office closures.

Margaret (Peg) Barkley
CEO

OFFICE NEWS JANUARY

Monday-Tuesday, January 1-2, 2018 - Office **CLOSED** for New Year's Holiday

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 - EAT.MOVE.SAVE. Program with Lizzy Conrady (U of I Ext Office), Carlinville Rec Hall at 1 p.m.

Monday January 15, 2018 - Office **CLOSED** in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday

When the office is closed, please call **EMERGENCY WORK ORDERS** into the emergency phone number. Please wait until the office opens to call in routine work orders. If you call the emergency line and do not have an emergency, you could be charged.

Address:

P.O. Box 303
760 Anderson St.
Carlinville, 62626
(217) 854-5393
Fax: (217) 854-8749

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

EMERGENCY

NUMBER:

(217) 827-2100

EMERGENCIES

INCLUDE:

- ◆ Gas leaks
- ◆ Broken water pipes
- ◆ Exposed electrical wires
- ◆ No heat (if the outside temperature is 45-degrees or lower)
- ◆ Sewer line stoppage (not drain line)- this includes a clogged toilet
- ◆ CO/Smoke detector beeping or chirping

Also fire, flood, or anything that threatens life, safety or property damage.

PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE INSPECTIONS WILL BE PERFORMED ON

SUNNY LANE IN BUNKER HILL THIS MONTH.

INSPECTIONS MAY TAKE PLACE ON ANY DAY OF THE MONTH BETWEEN THE HOURS OF

8:00 A.M.- 4:30 P.M., MONDAY-FRIDAY

SPECIFIC DAYS AND TIMES WILL NOT BE GIVEN.

BEWARE OF THIS EXTREME FIRE HAZARD



Research has revealed that 53% of children charge their phone or tablet either on their bed or under their pillow. This can be extremely dangerous. The heat generated cannot dissipate and the charger will become hotter and hotter. The likely result is that the pillow/bed will catch fire - placing the child (as well as everyone else on the property) in great danger. Where do you and your family charge your mobile phone?

If you are responsible for starting a fire in a housing unit, you will be responsible for damages and have to pay the deductible on our insurance claim. Please consider where you charge electronic devices carefully.

Happy New Year



Make Healthy Eating on a Budget Easy

EAT.MOVE.SAVE.

Free nutrition education classes available for families receiving SNAP benefits.

Find out more:
go.illinois.edu/EatMoveSave

**JOIN US FOR
EAT.MOVE.SAVE.
CLASSES AT THE
CARLINVILLE REC HALL
EACH MONTH!
504 W. NICHOLAS,
CARLINVILLE
NEXT CLASSES ARE
WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 10, 2018 &
WEDNESDAY,
JANUARY 31, 2018
1-2 P.M.**

The class includes a recipe and shopping list for a nutritional meal then a demonstration of meal preparation