

2011 Fire Prevention Program Schedule

- Frances Graham Hall and Chateau residents - September 7 at 10:00 a.m. - Rose Hall
- Kyle residents - September 8 at 4:00 p.m.
- Crestview and Ratliff residents - September 15 at 5:30 p.m. - Friendship House
- Raintree Apartments - September 17 at 10:30 a.m.
- Adams Bend Apartments - September 17 at 12:30 p.m.
- Golden Haven residents - September 20 at 10:00 a.m.
- Tembell and Willow Brook residents - September 20 at 5:30 p.m. - Tembell Apartments
- Autumn Leaves and Jonathan Moore residents - September 29 at 5:30 p.m. - THA office (east side of building)



The Belton Housing Authority Fire Prevention Program will be scheduled in October.

★★★ *The Fire Safety House and Fire Engine will be present at most programs.* ★★★

CTHC Youth & Parents Prepare for New School Year

CTHC was able to provide backpacks this year for residents' children ages Pre-K through 8th grade. The backpacks were filled with all the required supplies, as well as some "extras," and were handed out on August 19 at Rose Hall. Pizza was provided for everyone, and parents were able to learn about several CTHC programs designed for their children.



Tutoring will be offered again in Temple and Belton through the S.T.R.I.V.E. (Students Turning Responsibility Into Valuable Experience) program. Our tutors are college students, and the majority of them hope to go into teaching. Temple's tutoring sessions will be held

every Monday and Wednesday from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. with Belton scheduled for every Tuesday and Thursday from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. This program includes transportation and a snack.

Students will also have the opportunity to participate in our "For Grades' Sake" Program in which students turn in copies of their report cards every six weeks. If their overall grade average has not gone down or they have perfect attendance, they receive a gift card.

Financial assistance with after-school care at Ralph Wilson's Youth Club in Temple and BCYC in Belton is available for qualifying households. The parent's fee for the entire year is only \$25,



and the parent must be working or attending school.

CTHC also has scholarship money available for adults wanting to attend college or vocational school.

For more information on any of these programs, contact a member of the Resident Services staff.

Seniors Enjoy Samples

Several CTHC senior residents were treated to an evening out at the "Flavors of Central Texas" sponsored by the Killeen Chamber of Commerce at the Civic and Conference Center. They enjoyed foods prepared by local restaurants, catering companies and bakeries that had set up beautifully decorated booths and were offering samples of their finest menu items.

"Piece Of That" that can be viewed on KNCT Television.

The seniors voted for their favorite dish of the evening, and they all agreed the Shepherd's Pie was tops!

In addition to the variety of food, participants enjoyed a jazz band, silent auction and live demonstrations. The highlight of the night was a demonstration from Chef Johnny Carino, who is known for his restaurant development, love for cooking and program "Break Me Off A



Do You Need a GED?

CTHC offers GED classes that are taught by Earl Young, a Temple College professor, in both Temple and Belton. Temple classes are held at Rose Hall on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. In Belton, classes are held at the BHA Resident Center on Tuesdays and Thursday, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. CTHC pays for all necessary class supplies and the testing fees. Childcare is also provided at both locations. If you need your GED certification, contact the Resident Services staff and sign up today!

**** POLICY REMINDERS ****



Children Playing: Children under six must be supervised by an adult. Parents or guardians of a child are responsible for the child’s safety and compliance with apartment rules. Residents, occupants, and guests must not ride bicycles, roller blade, play football, or participate in any other sport related activities on sidewalks, in breezeways or on parking lots.

Quiet Time. A 10 p.m. quiet time is to be observed by your household, which includes your guests. Noise levels must be kept to a minimum after 10 p.m. Noise radar: If the radio/television/conversation can be heard outside the apartment, it is too loud.



In addition, no loitering or gathering is allowed on porches, hallways, parking lots, or any place outdoors in the complex after this time.

Electronic Deadbolts: When the light on the electronic deadbolt starts to flash red, the battery is getting low, and you need to call the office to have maintenance replace the battery. The light on the deadbolt will flash slowly at first and opening the door will take a few seconds longer. The lower the battery charge, the faster the flash will be. **If you do not have the battery replaced before it is completely drained, your deadbolt will have to be programmed, and you will not be able to open your door until this is done.**



Vehicle towing is enforced if vehicles are found in violation of the parking policy. These are a few examples of vehicles that are prohibited on CTHC property: inspection or registration is expired; the vehicle obstructs traffic, entry or exit of the parking lot; blocks another vehicle from exiting a parking space; **obstructs or is parked in a marked fire lane**; is parked on the grass, sidewalk or patio; or is not authorized to park on property. Refer to your lease for all parking rules.

The areas around your apartment must be kept neat and clean. Bagged trash, trash cans, mops or brooms are not to be left outside, even temporarily. Only patio style furniture, barbecue grills, bicycles and plants should be visible when stored on balconies, patios, or porches. Items may not be stored in the yard.

******* All trash must be properly bagged and tied shut before you throw it into the dumpster *******

Resident Spotlight - Mark Cyr

Mark Cyr was born at Fort Benning, Georgia. Since his dad was in the military, the family moved around quite a bit while he was young. They came to Fort Hood when he was six years old but then went to Fort Sam Houston followed by the city of Houston. After finishing high school there, he attended North Harris County College. Eventually, the family made a final move to Missouri where Mark received his Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Missouri in Rolla.



For several years, Mark pursued his dream and worked in the printing industry designing printing presses. Somewhere along the way, he developed a desire to teach. Because he had family living in the Temple area, he decided to move back to Central Texas. He enrolled at Temple College and received a certificate in Computer Aided Drafting.

In February 2009, Mark was hired by the Central Texas Housing Consortium to teach computer classes. He enjoys teaching the Beginners and Intermediate classes because he feels that he is giving back to the community. He has developed friendships and experiences

For details or more information on any resident programs or activities mentioned in this newsletter, contact the Resident Services Department at 773-2009, extensions 220, 221, or 222 for Temple. For Belton, please call 939-5321, extension 25.

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that will last a lifetime. Mark has two daughters - ages 13 and 14. He enjoys spending time with his girls, as well as fishing and camping. He has also earned a black belt in Tae Kwan Do.

KALEIDOSCOPE NEWS

Time Change!

Kaleidoscope is now opening at 7 a.m. to assist parents with early work schedules. In addition, Kaleidoscope is now offering part-time care. Parents can have their choice of two or three days per week - Tuesday and Thursday or Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Cecilia Lewis, our Infant A Lead Teacher, for completing her Child Development Associates (CDA)!



Guinness Book of World Records

Some of our school-agers were interested in trying to get a spot in the Guinness Book of World Records by collecting the most DragonBall Z memorabilia. A letter was sent to the United Kingdom by Adrian Aragon in July. He received a response in August, causing a lot of excitement in the classroom! The children are now collecting the memorabilia. We are supporting them in their quest, so donations will be accepted at Kaleidoscope.



information and activities to the school-agers this summer.

- ★ Rene Wilson, a counselor from the Central Texas Center on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, shared the importance of life-skills.
- ★ Temple Police Department provided training on stranger danger and bike safety.
- ★ Lowe's sent some enthusiastic employees to do building activities.

SUMMER 2011

The summer was filled with many educational and fun adventures for Kaleidoscope children.

Thank you to the following community partners for providing valuable

We also want to thank the more than 40 UMHB and Holy Trinity volunteers who helped the staff in all areas of the center.

Coming Soon!

Be on the look-out for Kaleidoscope's Open House in September.



Youth Describe with Art "What Home Means to Me"

CTHC hosted its third annual contest "What Home Means To Me" on August 18 at Rose Hall with 37 youth, ranging from ages 5 to 17, participating. There were three age categories with winners receiving Wal-Mart gift cards. The first category was for children ages 5 to 10, the second category was ages 11 to 13, and the third was for ages 14 to 17.

Elementary level winners were Noemi Pina – first prize, Anna Moreno – second prize, and Rebekah Pina – third prize. Winners in the middle school level were Jayde Williamson – first prize and Nichelle Clemons – second prize. Favian Hernandez was the winner in the high school level.



Participant Aubrie Clark with one of the UMHB students who assisted at the contest



Artwork by Noemi Pina
Elementary level first prize winner



Artwork by Favian Hernandez
High school level first prize winner



Artwork by Jayde Williamson
Middle school level first prize winner