



Manhattan Housing Authority Annual Meeting

MHA's 2011 Annual Meeting will be on Thursday, April 14, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Manhattan City Commission room at City Hall, 1101 Poyntz Avenue. This is a very special meeting for us, when we get to announce our annual awards, like Resident of the Year and Employee of the Year. Its also the one time of the year when we all get to be on T.V.! If you would like to attend the Annual Meeting in person, but need help getting there, please call the Housing Authority office at 776-8588 by Wednesday, April 13 and we would be happy to arrange transportation for you. We would love for as many residents as possible to be there, but if you can't make it, you can catch us on T.V. on Cox channel 3.

Storm Season Is On The Way!

In Kansas, we all know that Spring and Summer bring a greater chance of severe weather. It is important to the Housing Authority that all of our residents know what to do when severe weather strikes. If you live at Apartment Towers and Carlson Plaza, you should go to a stairwell and get to the lowest floor possible. Residents of Flint Hills Place, Hudson Circle, Pottawatomie Court and Baehr Place should go to the storm shelter in your community. Listen to local radio or T.V. for weather information. If a tornado watch is issued, conditions are right for tornadoes to form, and you should be prepared to seek shelter. If a tornado warning is issued there has been a tornado spotted and you should seek shelter immediately. If you can't get to the storm shelter (which is the safest place to be) you should seek cover in an interior room with no windows on the lowest level of your home, like a closet or hallway. Get under a sturdy table, if possible, and use your hands and arms to protect you head and neck. You can also be prepared ahead of time by making sure that everyone in your family knows where to go and what to do in case of severe weather.

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Spring Time Is Here!



Replacement Keys & Lock Changes: What's The Difference?

Making sure you know where your keys are at all times is very important. It is a good idea to keep them with you whenever you leave your home, even if you are leaving for just a few minutes. This will help prevent accidental lock outs. However, we know that things happen and sometimes keys get lost. If your keys do get lost, you can request a new set at the Administrative Office. When you request new keys, you can ask for just replacement keys or, if you think it is necessary, you can ask for a lock change. To help provide some clarification between the cost of replacement keys and the cost of lock changes, here are the charges for each. If you are just needing an extra key, the same charges will apply as the key replacement costs. If you have any questions, please give us a call in the office at 776-8588.

Apartment Towers & Carlson Plaza

Replacement Apartment Key: \$4 (+\$15 key deposit)

Replacement Mail Box Key: \$2

Replacement Building Entry Key: \$25 (+\$15 key deposit)

Lock Changes: \$69 Apartment Door Lock/\$20 Mailbox Lock

Change All Locks (Apartment, Mailbox, New Building Key): \$114

Baehr Place, Hudson Circle and Pottawatomie Court

Replacement Apartment Key: \$4 (+\$15 key deposit)

Replacement Mail Box Key: \$2 (Baehr Place only)

Lock Changes: \$69 Apartment Door Lock(s)/\$20 Mailbox Lock (Baehr Place only)

Change All Unit and Storage Shed Locks: \$69 (\$89 with mailbox lock for Baehr Place)

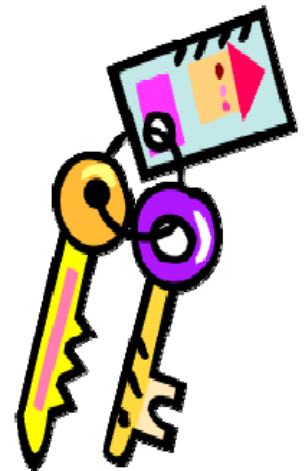
Flint Hills Place

Replacement Apartment Key: \$4 (+\$15 key deposit)

Replacement Mail Box Key: \$2

Lock Changes: \$69 Apartment Door Lock(s)/\$20 Mailbox Lock

Change All Unit and Storage Shed Locks: \$69 (\$89 with mailbox lock)



Monthly Reminders - April 2011

Please Keep Yards Clean!

May flowers are not the only thing April showers bring; they also bring green grass that needs to be mowed! It is just about time for mowing season to start up again, so please remember to keep all toys, lawn chairs and other belongings off of your lawn when you are not using them. Mowing crews will not stop to pick up items in the yard and move them around for you, and items left in your yard that are damaged by mowers will not be replaced by MHA. If items are left in yards unclaimed they may be disposed of by the Housing Authority.

Patios Should be Clean, Too!

In addition to keeping yards clean, it is also important to keep the patio areas, flower beds and sidewalks around your home clean also. Please be sure to pick up any trash or other debris around your home. Patio areas should be clear of any non-outdoor items, such as indoor furniture. Lawn furniture is fine as long as it does not block entrance in or out of the unit. Hoses should be rolled up when not in use, and should never be left out in the yard. If you have a flower bed near your unit, please feel free to use it, keeping in mind that if you plant flowers in it you must maintain it! This keeps the flower bed from being overrun with weeds, and it is a nice addition to the overall look of the community. If you have any questions about outside storage or unit appearance, please give us a call.

Lost and Found

The Housing Authority keeps a collection of "lost & found" items at our Administrative Office that have been turned in by residents or other people in the community. If you have ever had the bad luck of losing something like your car keys, a cell phone, a piece of jewelry or anything else, then you know how frustrating it can be. So the next time you see something on the lawn or on a sidewalk in your community that looks like someone might have accidentally left behind or lost, please turn it in to our office. We will try our best to find the rightful owner so that it can be returned.



What's Happening in Manhattan - April 2011

Adult Learning Center GED Classes

Are you interested in getting your GED, but aren't sure how to get started? The Manhattan Adult Learning Center can help! The Adult Learning Center offers GED classes, and also English as a Second Language (ESL) classes. The last orientation dates for this school year are April 4, 5 & 7 and May 2, 3 & 5. For more information about the GED or ESL programs, or to schedule a pre-orientation screening appointment, call the Adult Learning Center at 785 539-9009.

Enjoy the Wamego Tulip Festival!

Even if this one is not in Manhattan, it is still worth checking out! The 24th Annual Wamego Tulip Festival will be held April 16 & 17, 2011, in the Wamego City Park. The festival features over 100 arts and crafts vendors and food vendors. There are also kids games, a petting zoo and even homemade ice cream. The festival runs from 9 a.m. to 6: p.m. both days. You will also be able to take in the beautiful tulips in bloom in City park. For more information, go to www.visitwamego.com.

K-State Baseball is Back

Spring is here, and the Kansas State baseball team is back in action and ready to take on some of the best teams in the nation. There are 11 home games scheduled for April. This is a great opportunity to spend some time outdoors with the family and enjoy an afternoon at the ballpark. Tickets are just \$8 for adults and \$6 for kids. The Wildcats have one of the nicest stadiums in our area, located at 1800 College Avenue, right next to the football stadium. If you would like more information about K-State baseball or ticket prices, visit www.kstatesports.com.

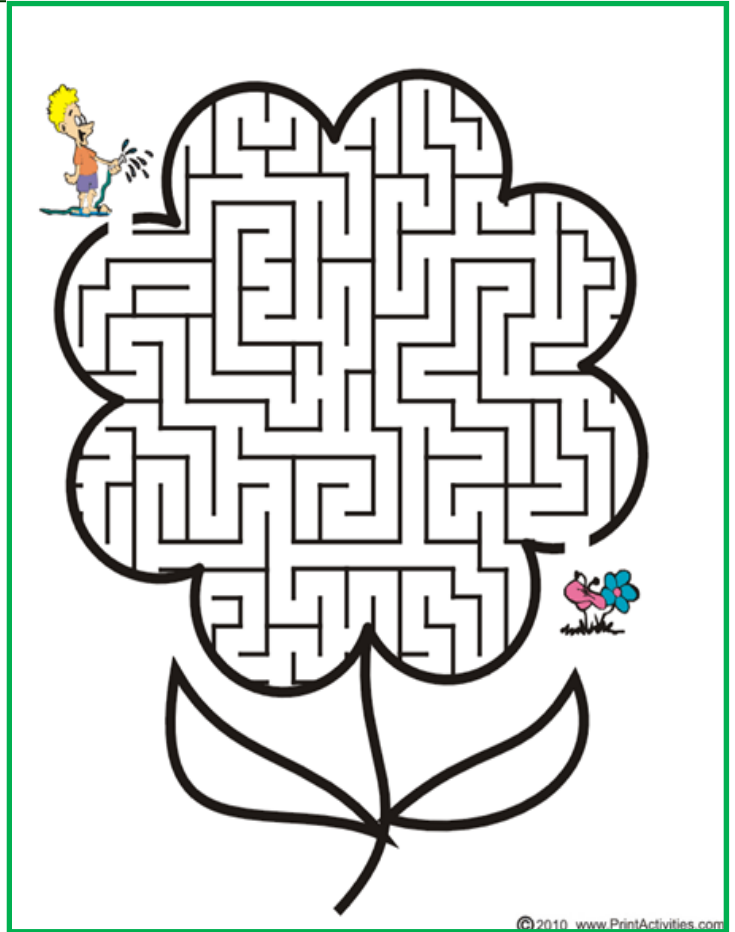


Kid's Corner!

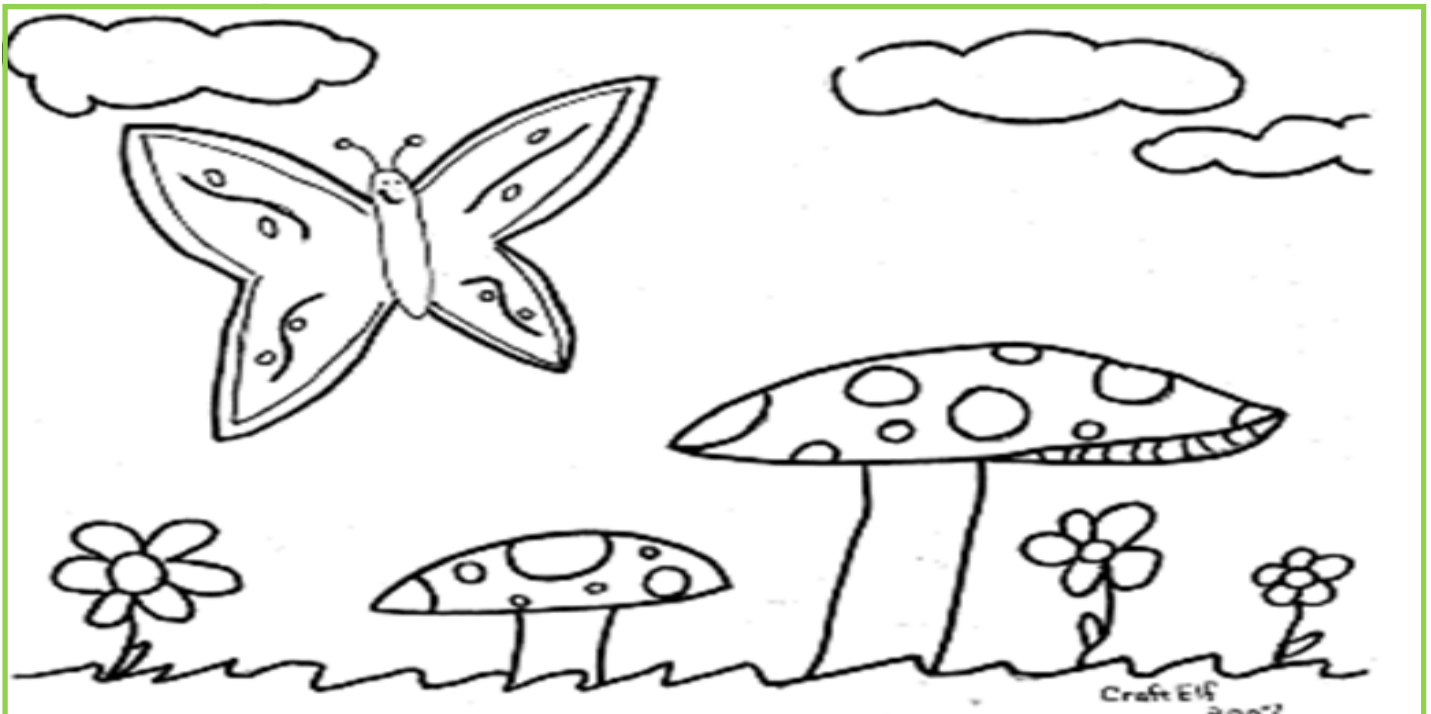
Help water the flowers!

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Find these spring flowers: rose, tulip, poppy, hyacinth, violets,



Spring Time Coloring Fun!



April 2011

If you have questions or concerns about the MHA Newsletter or calendar events, please call the Administrative Office at 776-8588.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUEDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4	5 Election Day!	6	7	8	9
10	11 Late Fee In Effect Resident Advi- sory Board Meeting— 5_30 p.m. @ Apt. Towers.	12	13	14 MHA Annual Meeting—5:30 p.m. @ Manhattan City Hall	15	16
17	18	19 Pest Control - Hudson Circle, Baehr Place and Flint Hills Place	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30