

FHA Offices Will Be Closed

Monday, October 13 - Columbus Day
Tuesday, November 11 - Veteran's Day
Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28 - Thanksgiving
Wednesday & Thursday, December 24 & 25 - Christmas

(Office windows are closed)

Thursday, October 23
Thursday, November 20
Thursday, December 18

REMINDER:

If you call the Fremont Housing Agency Office and don't get an answer, be sure to leave a message.

DO NOT repeatedly call back!

Everyone in the Office is very busy and your phone call will be returned at someone's first opportunity.

Your call and your patience are important! Thank You.

Management

*****Water softener salt will be added the first week of the month, 3 times per year.*****

Scheduled months:

January

May

September

*****Furnace filters will be replaced on the same schedule.*****

(schedule is subject to change at discretion of the Maintenance Director)

Fabulous Fudge - 5 minutes, 3 ingredients.

Ingredients

- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1/4 cup butter
- 3 cups of chocolate chips

Instructions

- Line 8 x 8 pan with waxed or parchment paper OR non-stick foil across the bottom and up the sides. Spray lightly with cooking spray. Do not skip this step!
- Pour all ingredients into large shallow microwave safe bowl, microwave on high for 90 seconds, stirring after each 30 second interval. If needed, microwave additional 60 seconds.
- Pour into lined 8x8 pan, smoothing into corners and making an even layer of fudge.
- Refrigerate for about 2 hours until firm before lifting from the pan and cutting.

REMINDER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

****Provide any household, job, phone, financial, etc. changes to Amanda immediately.****



RENT REMINDERS \$\$\$

- The rent is due on the 1st and late after the close of business the 5th day of each month.
- If the 5th falls on Saturday, rent is due in the office by close of business on Friday.
- If the 5th falls on Sunday, the rent must be in the drop box before 8:00 a.m. of the 6th.
- If the rent is not paid on or before the 5th day of the month, a late payment charge will be applied as follows: \$30.00 will be assessed for payments made on the 6th through the 20th day of the month.
- Payments made on the 21st day and after will be assessed at the rate of an additional \$20.00 charge.
- This late charge is immediately due as an addition to that month's rent and must be paid before that month's rent will be considered to be paid in full.



Daylight Saving Time - ends November 2.



Random Acts of Kindness Ideas: Examples of Kind Things to Do

- * Take toys to the Homeless Shelter
- * Give a Stranger a Compliment
- * Run an Errand for Someone
- * Bake Cookies for Someone
- * Read a Book to an Elderly Person
- * Give Your Favorite Book to a Friend
- * Leave a Nice Note on Someone's Car
- * Let Someone Cut in Front of You in Line
- * Pick Up Litter at the Park
- * Do Someone a Favor
- * Reconnect with an Old Friend
- * Donate Towels or Blankets to the Animal Shelter
- * Make and Send a Handmade Card
- * Take 15 Minutes to Really Listen to Someone
- * Make Someone Laugh
- * Return a Stray Grocery Cart

REMINDER: Always bag garbage & tie bags tightly before putting them in the bins.



Christmas Trivia

- Which U.S. state is home to the town of Snowflake? *Answer:* Arizona
- According to Hallmark, approximately how many Christmas cards are sent annually? *Answer:* 1.3 billion
- How long is the average growing time for a Christmas tree? *Answer:* Seven years
- According to candy manufacturer, Spangler, how many candy canes do they produce in a single day? *Answer:* 2.7 million
- What U.S. state is home to the town of Santa Claus? *Answer:* Indiana
- When did the Rockefeller Center skating rink open? *Answer:* 1936
- How many Christmas tree seedlings are planted each year? *Answer:* 60 to 70 million
- How many real Christmas trees are sold in the U.S. each year? *Answer:* Approximately 25 to 30 million
- Who invented Christmas lights? *Answer:* Thomas Edison created the first strand of electric lights in 1880



One complimentary ride per month!

As a resident of Hidden Brook Townhomes, you can request the following complimentary transportation service:

One (1) ride per household, per month within the city limits to any location.

Examples - doctor, dentist, grocery, restaurant; etc.

You must schedule a ride with the Fremont Transit Program, 402-459-2845.

You need to call at least 2 days ahead of your appointment time.

****Call Becky at Gifford Tower to let her know the date you have scheduled your pickup. 402-727-4848.**



Recycling REMINDERS: ALWAYS break down boxes. DON'T overfill receptacles. ONLY recycle approved items.

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Fremont Housing Agency CONTACT INFORMATION:

Business Hours: M - F 8:00 am - 4:30 pm **Phone:** 402-727-4848

Office Window Hours: M - F 9:00 am - 3:00 pm **Your Tax Credit Specialist:** Amanda - extension 4

After-hours & MAINTENANCE EMERGENCIES ONLY

Call: Maintenance Director: Ed Phone: 402-720-1264,

If no response from Ed within 15 min. call: Executive Director: 402-720-9643

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Halloween is a fascinating holiday with a rich history, celebrated on October 31st, featuring traditions like trick-or-treating and the carving of Jack-o'-lanterns.

Interesting Facts About Halloween

- ♦ *Origins:* Halloween has its roots in the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, which marked the end of the harvest season and the beginning of winter. It was believed that on this night, the boundary between the living and the dead was blurred, allowing spirits to roam the earth.
- ♦ *Jack-o'-Lanterns:* The first Jack-o'-lanterns were made from turnips and potatoes. When Irish immigrants brought the tradition to America, they began using pumpkins, which were more abundant and easier to carve.
- ♦ *Trick-or-Treating:* This custom dates back to medieval times when people would go door-to-door asking for food in exchange for prayers for the dead. The phrase "trick or treat" became popular in the United States in the 1950s.
- ♦ *Commercial Holiday:* Halloween is the second highest-grossing commercial holiday in the United States, after Christmas. Americans spend billions on costumes, decorations, and candy each year.
- ♦ *Costumes:* The tradition of wearing costumes on Halloween originated from the belief that disguising oneself would prevent spirits from recognizing them. Today, costumes range from spooky to humorous and are a major part of the celebration.
- ♦ *Symbols:* Common symbols of Halloween include black cats, ghosts, and bats. The colors black and orange are traditionally associated with the holiday, representing death and the harvest, respectively.
- ♦ *Samhainophobia:* The fear of Halloween is known as Samhainophobia, reflecting the holiday's deep-rooted connections to ancient beliefs and practices.
- ♦ *World Records:* The Guinness World Record for the heaviest pumpkin is held by a pumpkin weighing over 2,600 pounds, showcasing the holiday's quirky traditions.
- ♦ *Global Celebrations:* While Halloween is widely celebrated in the United States, other cultures have similar traditions, such as Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) in Mexico, which honors deceased loved ones.

These fun facts highlight the unique blend of history, culture, and celebration that makes Halloween a beloved holiday around the world!

