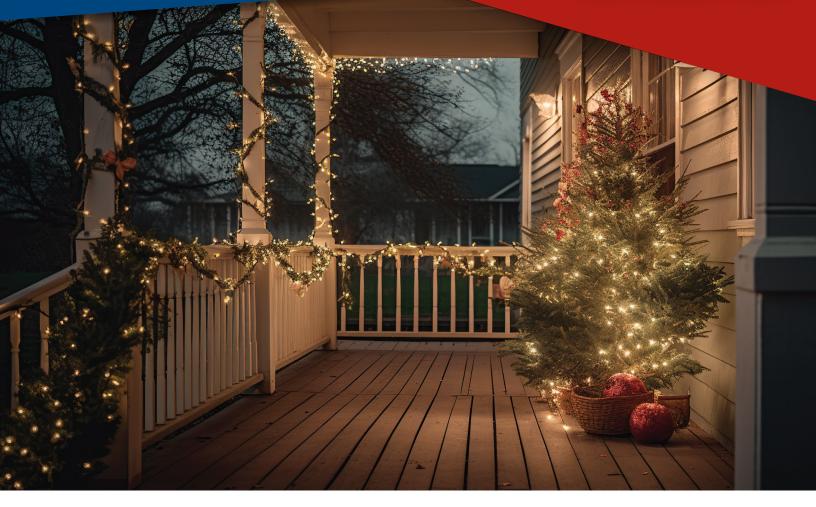


## **DEC '23** NEWSLETTER



## **GOING GREEN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

The festive season has arrived, and this year HMC is celebrating with some exciting and far-reaching initiatives including the YES program aimed at taking control of our community's energy consumption. We've also partnered with organizations such as Tree City USA, hosted numerous community cleanups, and made the switch to LEDs in our communities as well as offices.

Our families and yours can reflect the joy of the holidays in your home while also focusing on safety and energy conservation. As you contemplate commitments for the new year, consider making a difference in your community. One impactful step is switching your holiday lights to LED. By doing so, you can reduce energy consumption by up to 90% compared to using incandescent lights. It's a small change that yields significant positive effects for both your community and the environment. LEDs are more efficient, last much longer, and produce less heat, so your home is safer. You can save even more by using LED lights on a timer.

During this season of thankfulness and generosity, consider contributing to the future of us all by living consciously.

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## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Friendly Policy Reminder: Holiday Lighting Policy

Outside lighting must be Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved and factory listed for outside use. Running electric cords through windows and doors, or across heating ducts or vent systems is prohibited, as this causes a fire safety hazard. All exterior lighting must be Ground Fault Interrupter "GFI" protected. Residents are reminded that homes have limited amp circuits and care must be taken to prevent overloading.

Holiday decorations and outside lighting are prohibited from being placed higher than the edge of the roof gutter. The use of staples, nails, screws, or other mechanical fasteners to attach decorations or lighting to the homes and associated structures is prohibited. Plastic clip-on hooks may be commercially obtained and used to attach decorative lighting, garlands etc. Attachment of anything to vinyl siding is prohibited. Additionally, electrical decorations must be unplugged when Residents are away from the home.

Christmas lighting may not be erected before Thanksgiving and must be removed no later than January 10th. Outside decorative lights are to be turned off no later than midnight, except on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, when they are allowed to remain on overnight. Outside lights are not authorized during daylight hours.

Decorative lighting for other occasions such as Halloween is authorized but cannot be put up earlier than one month prior to the occasion and must be removed no later than one week after the occasion. All Decorative lighting must be UL-approved for either indoor or outdoor use.

All live Christmas trees must be kept watered to reduce the fire hazard. If the pine needles begin to fall off or if branches break when bent, the tree must be removed from the residence. Use extreme care while decorating live trees and use UL-approved lights that are not frayed nor have missing lights that may cause a fire.

#### New 3rd Party Bulk Trash Removal Company

We are proud to announce that there is now a 3rd party bulk trash removal company that can take and haul away any bulk trash items that you are in need to dispose of for a list of set fees. For more information and pricing about this service please, feel free to contact the company, Check Sammy, directly at their phone number of 972-646-2532 or via email at Operations@CheckSammy.com.

#### Farmer's Market

University Pickers here in Huntsville, AL donates proceeds from the market to the Merrimack Hall Performing Arts Center. There are over 150 vendor booths in the store and some of the local vendors set up tents and tables both inside and outside the store at these markets. They sell items such as rare and vintage antiques, local produce, furniture, homemade soaps, jewelry, décor, etc. And they have a local food truck set up at every market that varies and changes at each market. It's the second Saturday of every month from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, rain or shine. The next one is on December 9th, 2023, and the address of the store is 3405 Triana Blvd SW, Huntsville, AL, 35805. See attached coupon for a 10% discount! Must bring in copy of newsletter as proof to receive the 10% discount of one item over \$50 and not marked ND (No Discount). Discount will be applied at checkout counter.





# EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Alec Johnston is a Maintenance Tech II here at Redstone Family Housing. He loves spending time with his loved ones and his newborn son, Waylen. In his free time, he loves rebuilding classic cars together with his dad. When asked what he loves about his job, Alec said, "I enjoy working with great coworkers and great bosses, as they make the work life a lot easier on a day-to-day basis."



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## **IMPORTANT COMMUNITY EVENTS**

#### Pet of the Month Contest (Facebook Contest)

Starting December 1st, we are asking for residents to post a picture of their pet in the comments below our Facebook post. We will choose a contestant at random to win a cat or dog-themed gift basket prize from us on December 8th. If you would like to participate but don't use Facebook, please email your picture to David.Ugarte@HuntCompanies.com and we will post your picture on your behalf.

#### Holiday Decorating Contest (Facebook Contest)

Starting December 15th, we are asking for residents to post a picture of their festive holiday décor display in the comments below our Facebook post. We will choose a contestant at random to win a \$25 gift card prize from us on December 22nd. If you would like to participate but don't use Facebook, please email your picture to David.Ugarte@HuntCompanies.com and we will post your picture on your behalf.

#### Happy Holidays Bingo! (In Person Event)

Happy Holidays Redstone Family! We will transform our Housing Office lobby into the most splendid and magical holiday bingo hall you've ever seen on Friday, December 15th from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM. Come on down and play a few games of Bingo with our host and Resident Service Supervisor, David Ugarte. We will have a plethora of fabulous prizes that consists of coupons for free food from Chick-Fil-A, Papa John's, gift cards to local restaurants, free movie passes, bowling passes, and of course fancy food gift baskets. Please note that only one main prize can be won per household. That means that if someone from the same household wins a 2nd time after they have already won a main prize then they will receive a holiday treats bag as a consolation prize. In the event of a tie for the main prize, we will play a quick game of rock, paper, scissors to decide the winner. We will also have a holiday charcuterie board and a snack/drink station for everyone to enjoy during breaks between games. That way everyone that attends will have a chance to talk and get to know their fellow neighbors of the community. We hope to see as many of you there as possible! \*Only residents of this community may participate in this event.

#### **Book Club (In-Person Event)**

Two of our Community Advisory Board members will be hosting a book club meeting on Wednesday, December 27th, 2023, from 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM in our conference room at the Housing Office. (302 Hughes Drive) Feel free to bring any light snacks or nonalcoholic drinks to join in the conversation. If you are interested in signing up to join in advance, please email David.Ugarte@HuntCompanies.com as space is very limited. Keep an eye out via email for the title of the book to read to prepare for the next meeting.

## **COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS**

Keep a watchful eye out this month and take notice of our new landscaping company, Patriot Trees & Landscaping, throughout the neighborhood, as they continue to improve our property to look even more beautiful than ever before.

## **GOOD NEWS STORIES**

We would just like to highlight one of our very own maintenance techs, Alec Johnston, who recently won the Customer Commitment award through the Pillars of Excellence in the 3rd Quarter of our company this year. If you happen to see Alec out on property please help us wish him a fond congratulations and a good ol' atta boy Johnston!

## MAINTENANCE CORNER

#### Self-Help Shop

We offer a self-help program at our maintenance shop located at 1103 Mountain Drive. This is off Goss Road past the baseball fields and right beside the Fox Army Health Center up on the hill. You can borrow lawn mowers (For 24 hours ONLY), get grass seeds (For patch grass jobs ONLY), vent filters, touch-up paint (Please bring a personal container for fill-up), and specialty light bulbs. Vanity light bulbs and 60-watt light bulbs are not provided. All other items must use a work order to be replaced or repaired. The self-help shop is only open between the hours of 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Please DO NOT enter the self-help shop without an employee's approval. If you do arrive outside of the time specified above, we will not be able to give out any requested items.

#### **Annual Preventative Maintenance**

With the weather getting colder out there, be sure to test out your heating unit and make sure your air filters are changed for the new season. We will continue our annual preventative maintenance this month with our maintenance department which entails changing out air filters, checking on HVAC unit conditions, testing smoke alarms and CO Detectors, checking for structural damage, and pest control throughout the homes. Please note that a technician will not enter a home if there is a loose pet or a child younger than 18 years old in the home without a supervising adult. For more information, feel free to contact us at the Housing Office phone number of 256-400-5940.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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