



RESIDENT SERVICES NEWSLETTER

INDEPENDENCE DAY INFORMATION

In observance of Independence Day (July 4th), all SMHA offices will be closed on Monday, July 5th and will reopen on Tuesday, July 6th.

For a listing of firework displays in the area, visit www.visitcanton.com.

Summer is synonymous with barbecues, parades and fireworks. The National Safety Council advises everyone to enjoy fireworks at public displays conducted by profession-

als and not to use them at home. Fireworks may be legal, but they are not safe.



MEET SCHOLARSHIP WINNER, SKYLAR STEPHENS

Congratulations are in order for GlenOak graduating senior, Miss Skylar Stephens. Skylar has been selected to receive the William F. Gandert Ohio Housing Authorities Conference (OHAC) Scholarship. The \$1,000 scholarship can be used for any educational expenses. Skylar will be attending Xavier University of Louisiana and plans to major in Mass Communications. She has

received nearly \$43,000 in grants and scholarships. Best wishes Skylar!



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Need Help Forming a Resident Council?

SMHA encourages residents to form resident councils. The role of a resident council is to improve the quality of life, resident satisfaction and participation in self-help initiatives which enable residents to create a positive living environment for families living in public housing. Resident councils may actively participate through a working partnership with the Housing Authority to advise and assist in all aspects of public housing operations. If you are interested in forming a resident council, please contact

SMHA's Resident Services Department at 330-454-8051.



HERMAN L. HILL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

JURISDICTION WIDE RESIDENT COUNCIL



HAPPY JULY EVERYONE!

Hello everyone, my name is Betty Timar, Treasurer of the Jurisdiction Wide Resident Council and I live in Plaza Terrace Apartments.

We will have our first meeting of the year taking place at SMHA's Central Office, located in downtown Canton on Tuesday, July 20th at 6:00 pm. I realize some of you will be needing a ride to the meeting, so please contact Panther Spurling at 330-344-9249 to reserve your space and secure any needed transportation.

I want to encourage you to attend these meetings. We can share thoughts and ideas, as well as, discuss issues that affect us all. There is strength in numbers and we need each other. Hopefully, we can help bring solutions to any concerns raised. We hope to see you there!

Many Blessings,

Betty Timar

ACTIVE RESIDENT COUNCIL LOCATIONS:

Plaza Terrace Apartments in Canton and Hart Apartments in Alliance.

INTERVIEW PREPARATION 101



Now that things are going “back to normal,” we see that there are plenty of jobs available in our area; offering signing bonuses, same day pay, etc. Here are some common questions that are asked by employers. Study them and be prepared. Your answers could land you the job! Good Luck!

Common Interview Questions and How to Answer Them:

1. Tell us about yourself?

Response: Tell them how long you have lived in the area. Quickly summarize your job skills or volunteer experience.

2. What did/do you like best about school/job?

Response: Tell them you especially liked working on team projects anytime you were in charge of a project or organized any activity.

3. Why are you leaving your current job?

Response: I am looking to increase my responsibilities. Business is closing. With this economy, I need more hours than they were able to supply.

4. Why do you want to work for us?

Response: I believe my skills and abilities are a good match. (Be prepared to explain why). It fits with my long-range career goals.

5. Have you ever been asked to leave a position?

Response: My position changed and my availability no longer matched those of the position. If for other reasons...try to keep your answers positive.

6. Why should we hire you?

Response: I am reliable and will work hard. If you hire me, you will get someone who is not afraid to go the extra mile.

7. Tell me about your weaknesses.

Response: My greatest weakness is my inexperience, but I am a quick learner and I want to work. You can teach me how you would like the job done properly.

8. What are your strengths?

Response: If you have any strengths that fit the job, share those. If not, let them know you want to work, to learn and do the best possible job you can.

9. Tell us about a problem you had and how you solved it?

Response: Think of a situation that occurred at school, on a team or on the job and how you handled it. Talk about communication skills used, getting help from someone else, etc.

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SMHA ON SITE SUMMER PROGRAMS

Grab & Go Lunch with Breakfast, daily, Mon. - Fri.: 11:30 at Jackson Sherrick & 12:00 at Linwood and Ellisdale.

YMCA Wellness Program: on Mon. & Weds., 9 - 12 at Linwood; on Tues. & Thurs., 9 - 12 at Ellisdale; and on Tues., 10:30-11:30 at Jackson Sherrick.

Stark County Library Mobile Van: Tues., 10:30 - 11:30 at Jackson Sherrick & 12:30 - 1:30 at Linwood; Fri., 10:30 - 11:30 at Mahoning & 12:30 - 1:30 at Ellisdale.

Salvation Army's: Better Together Program at Ellisdale on July 1st 11:30-12:30.

StarkFresh Mobile Grocery Market: Tues., 11:15 - 12:00 at Plaza & 1:20-2:05 at Turner; Weds., 12:50 - 1:35 at Lincoln; Thurs., 10:30-11:15 at Hart & 11:30-12:15 at Alliance Tower.