

The Porchlight

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OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY – THURSDAY

8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

FRIDAY

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

CLOSED THE LAST DAY OF THE
MONTH.

WE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, SEP
2 IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	Labor Day  Office Closed	3	Coffee Klatch 9:00 - a.m. 10:00 a.m. New Moon	5	6	7
Grandparents Day 8	9	10	Coffee Klatch 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Patriots Day	First Quarter 12	13	14
15	16	17	Coffee Klatch 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Full Moon 19	20	21
First Day of Autumn 22	23	24	Coffee Klatch 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Last Quarter 26	27	28
29	30					



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!

ERIKA	9/4	PATRICIA	9/5
KASSIDY	9/5	JUSTYN	9/6
RYAN	9/7	JASMINE	9/8
KAITLYN	9/12	KAYCEE	9/19
BAILEA	9/28	BECKY	9/29
JAQULYN	9/30	TANNER	9/30



ATTENTION RESIDENTS

This notice serves as a reminder that when calling in regards to maintenance issues that arise in your apartment that the following numbers be used, 660-425-3349 during office hours and 660-373-1801 after business hours. Please, under no circumstance contact any employee after hours on their personal cell phone as the following numbers offer the quickest response from maintenance personnel. If you are directed to voicemail please leave a message and you will be contacted as soon as possible, emergency calls will be addressed with the highest priority. You can also reach us via email at bha.mo067@gmail.com during business hours.

Non-emergency and *emergency* maintenance issues during business hours: 660-425-3349

Normal maintenance issues after business hours: 660-425-3349, leave a message

Emergency maintenance issues after business hours: 660-373-1801, leave a message and they will call you back

Emergency issues would be classified as such: Bursting of interior water lines, water heater, gas leaks, sewer back-ups, fire or smoke damage. Any storm related damage that causes interior damage to your apartment. We prioritize the needs of our elderly, disabled and special needs tenants.

We appreciate your cooperation and strive to provide the quickest possible service you may require on a timely basis while respecting the time of our employees after business hours.

For any issues that present itself with a life-threatening situation please call 911.

The Bethany Housing
Authority

RESIDENT NOTICE

We have been having problems with roaches at Westwood as some of you may know. When it is not reported, it very quickly and easily turns into infestations which are very expensive and time consuming to treat and eradicate. IT IS NOT a lease violation to have bugs. IT IS A LEASE VIOLATION TO NOT NOTIFY THE BHA OF THIS.

THIS SERVES AS A NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS:

If you see any or even ONE roach, PLEASE let us know IMMEDIATELY. As our Lease states, A default on the part of the Resident shall exist and be grounds for eviction if Resident fails to meet and/or perform any of the specified duties and obligations set forth in this lease. Grounds for eviction include but are not limited to the following:

Failure to abide by necessary and reasonable regulations as promulgated by the BHA for the benefit and well-being of the community and residents. House rules are incorporated in the lease by reference.

“Resident agrees to keep dwelling unit in good condition for the health and safety of Resident, household members, guests and other Residents. Resident shall PROMPTLY notify BHA of ANY observed need for repairs to the dwelling unit, and any unsafe and UNSANITARY conditions of any dwelling unit or other BHA property.”

Failure to do so WILL be considered as and IS a lease violation:

“Malicious or willful destruction of property by Resident, Resident’s household members and guests.”

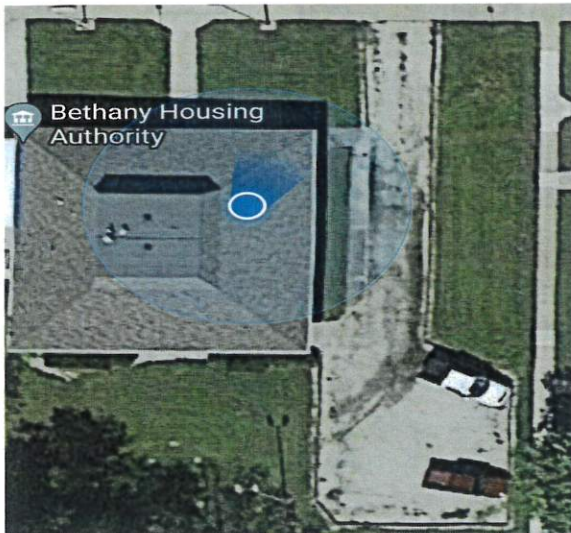
If assigned premises are rendered uninhabitable, which was caused by Resident, Residents household members or guests, the BHA reserves the right to deny Resident another dwelling unit within the BHA network. Further, the BHA has the right to pursue financial reimbursement from the Resident in the amount equal to the cost paid out by the BHA to restore the unit back to habitable condition.

In the event that the premises are damaged to the extent that conditions are created which are hazardous to life, HEALTH, or safety of the occupants, then the following rules apply:

Residents must immediately notify BHA of ANY and ALL Damage.

Look What's Coming!!

We are excited to announce that around the last week of September, we will be having a new parking lot and side entrance poured on the east side of the office building. There will also be a ramp poured going up and connecting with the sidewalk to make it easier for residents to get around. This will also allow for more parking spaces for when our community room is rented for special occasions. We are always more than grateful for opportunities to better our community here at Bethany Housing Authority and it makes us look forward to the future with excited anticipation at what all is still yet to come!!



New BHA Website!!



The Bethany Housing Authority has a brand new website featuring online access to our application and background check, as well as our newsletter and much more! Our residents will be able to update their information as well as put in a maintenance order request. Our hope is to better connect with our residents as well as our community. We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Fox Web Design for making this happen, we couldn't have done this without you! The website is bethanyhousingauthority.com, so stop in online and take a look!!

FUNNY SHORTS

AN OLD-FASHIONED LADY WROTE A LETTER TO A CAMPGROUND TO ASK ABOUT THE FACILITIES BEFORE BOOKING A CAMPING SPOT. SHE DIDN'T QUITE KNOW HOW TO ASK IF THERE WERE BATHROOMS ON SITE OR IF THEY HAD



TO USE THE ONES IN THEIR R.V., NOR COULD SHE BRING HERSELF TO WRITE THE WORD "TOILET" IN HER LETTER. AFTER MUCH DELIBERATION, SHE WROTE DOWN BATHROOM COMMUNE, THEN THOUGHT SHE WAS STILL BEING TOO DIRECT FOR A POLITE LETTER, SO SHE SIMPLY WROTE, "DOES THE CAMPGROUND HAVE ITS OWN BC?"

THE CAMPGROUND OWNER SIMPLY COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT THE WOMAN WAS TALKING ABOUT. THE BC REFERENCE REALLY STUMPED HIM. HOPING SOMEONE ELSE WOULD KNOW, HE SHOWED THE LETTER TO SEVERAL CAMPERS, BUT THEY WERE JUST AS CONFUSED, ALTHOUGH ONE WOMAN COMMENTED THAT SHE MIGHT BE REFERRING TO THE BAPTIST CHURCH JUST UP THE ROAD SINCE IT WAS HOLDING A NUMBER OF SUMMER ACTIVITIES. SINCE THAT WAS HIS ONLY LEAD, HE SAT DOWN AND WROTE THE FOLLOWING REPLY:

DEAR MADAM,

I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE BC IS LOCATED NINE MILES NORTH OF THE CAMPGROUND AND IS CAPABLE OF SEATING 250 PEOPLE AT ONE TIME. I ADMIT IT IS QUITE A DISTANCE AWAY, IF YOU ARE IN THE HABIT OF GOING REGULARLY, BUT NO DOUBT YOU WILL BE PLEASED TO KNOW THAT A GREAT NUMBER OF PEOPLE TAKE THEIR LUNCHES ALONG AND MAKE A DAY OF IT. THEY USUALLY ARRIVE EARLY AND STAY LATE. IT'S SUCH A BEAUTIFUL FACILITY, AND THE ACOUSTICS ARE MARVELOUS. EVEN THE NORMAL DELIVERY SOUNDS CAN BE HEARD. THE LAST TIME MY WIFE AND I WENT, IT WAS SO CROWDED WE HAD TO STAND UP THE WHOLE TIME WE WERE THERE. IT MAY INTEREST YOU TO KNOW THAT A SUPPER IS PLANNED TO RAISE MONEY TO BUY MORE SEATS. IF YOU DO DECIDE TO COME DOWN TO OUR CAMPGROUND, THERE ARE A FEW PEOPLE HERE WHO WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO GO WITH YOU, AND INTRODUCE YOU TO ALL THE OTHER FOLKS. REMEMBER, THIS IS A FRIENDLY COMMUNITY.

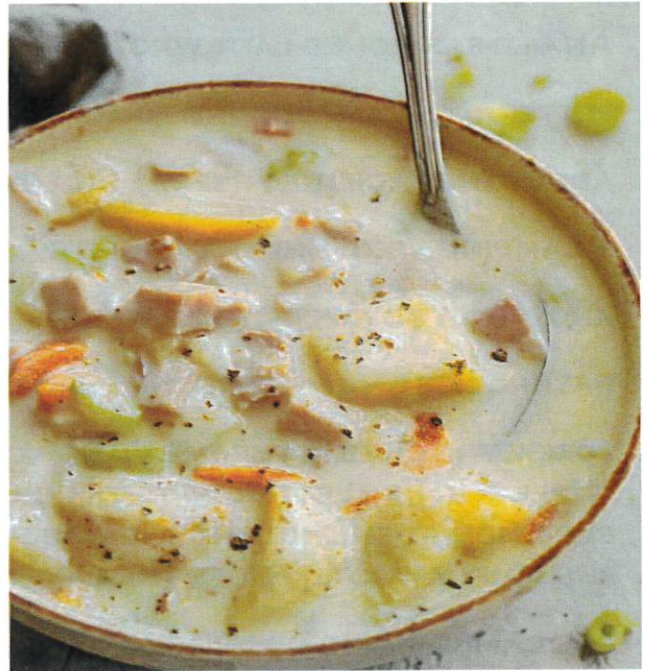
SINCERELY,

(CAMPGROUND OWNER)

Creamy Ham and Potato Soup

Ingredients:

- 3 ½ Cups peeled and diced potatoes**
- 3 ¼ Cups water**
- ¾ Cup diced cooked ham**
- 1/3 diced celery**
- 1/3 Cup finely chopped onion**
- 2 Tablespoons chicken bouillon granules**
- 1 Teaspoon ground white or black pepper,
(or to taste)**
- ½ Teaspoon salt, or to taste**
- 5 Tablespoons butter**
- 5 Tablespoons all purpose flour**
- 2 Cups milk**

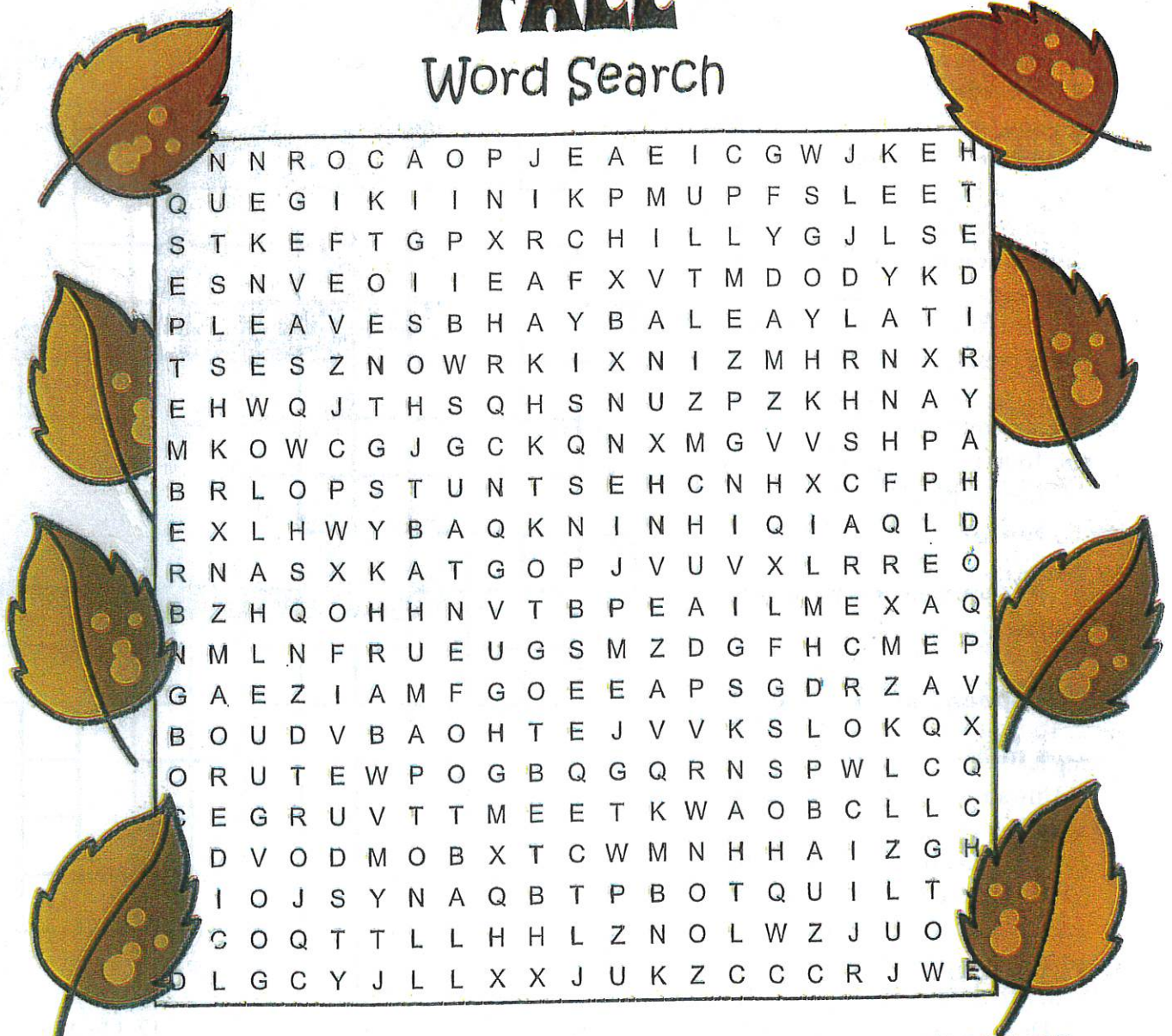


Directions:

- 1. Gather all the ingredients**
- 2. Combine potatoes, ham, celery, and onion in a stockpot. Bring to a boil; simmer over medium heat until potatoes are tender, 10 to 15 minutes. Stir in chicken bouillon, pepper, and salt.**
- 3. Melt butter in a separate saucepan over medium-low heat. Add flour; cook and stir until thick, about 1 minute. Whisk in milk; cook and stir until thick, 4 to 5 minutes.**
- 4. Pour milk mixture into the stockpot; cook and stir until warmed through.**
- 5. Serve and enjoy!**

FALL

Word Search



N N R O C A O P J E A E I C G W J K E H
Q U E G I K I I N I K P M U P F S L E E T
S T K E F T G P X R C H I L L Y G J L S E
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B Z H Q O H H N V T B P E A I L M E X A Q
N M L N F R U E U G S M Z D G F H C M E P
G A E Z I A M F G O E E A P S G D R Z A V
B O U D V B A O H T E J V V K S L O K Q X
O R U T E W P O G B Q G Q R N S P W L C Q
C E G R U V T T M E E T K W A O B C L L C
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I O J S Y N A Q B T P B O T Q U I L T
C O Q T T L L H H L Z N O L W Z J U O
D L G C Y J L L X X J U K Z C C C R J W E

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| ACORN | HARVEST | SCARECROW |
| APPLE | HAY BALE | SEPTEMBER |
| AUTUMN | HAYRIDE | SLEET |
| CHESTNUTS | LEAVES | THANKSGIVING |
| CHILLY | MAIZE | |
| CIDER | NOVEMBER | |
| COBWEB | NUTS | |
| FALL | OCTOBER | |
| FOOTBALL | PUMPKIN | |
| GOURD | QUILT | |
| HALLOWEEN | RAKE | |

In the Garden

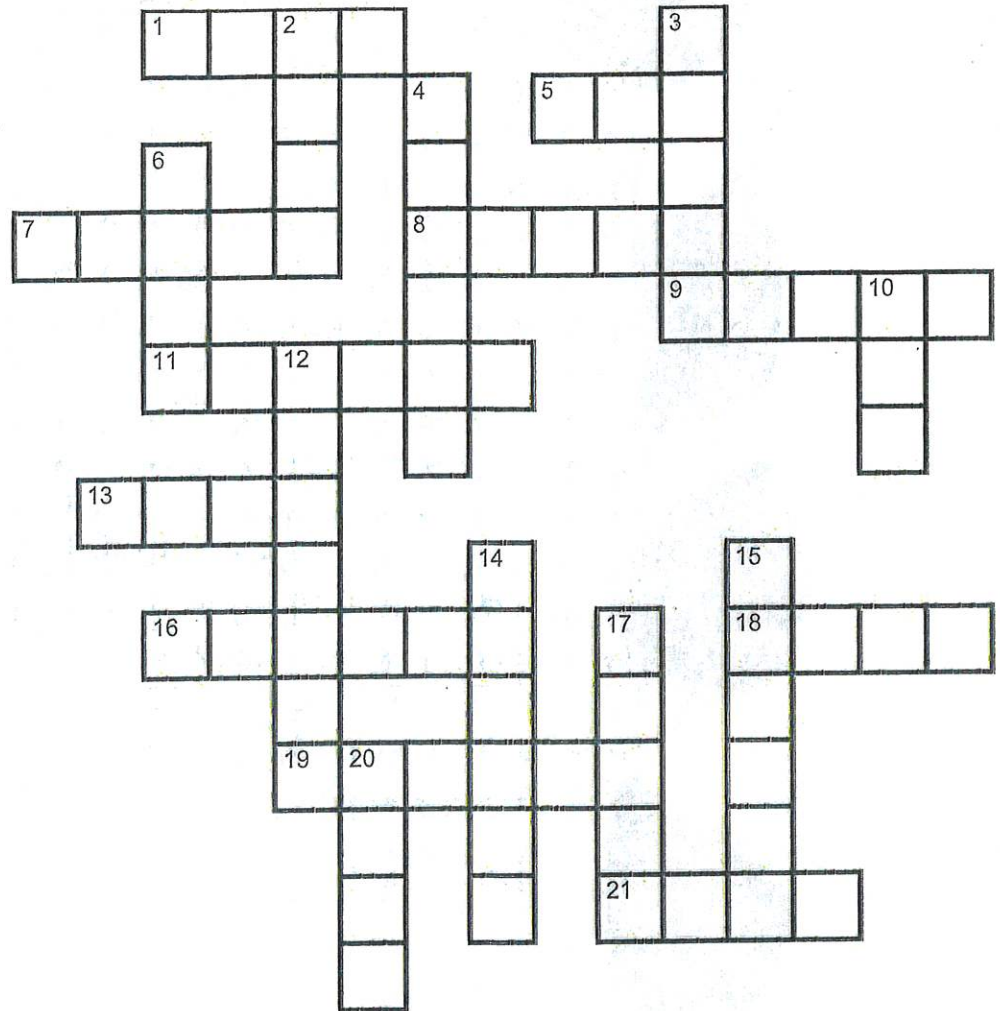


ACROSS

1. Top layer of soil.
5. Tool with a flat blade used for turning soil.
7. To trim or remove parts of a plant for better growth.
8. Small insect that feeds on plants.
9. We put these in the ground and plants grow from them.
11. Container used for carrying water or soil.
13. Long, slender invertebrate that lives in soil.
16. Tool used to dig holes.
18. Area of grass.
19. Small handheld tool used for digging.
21. Flexible tube used for watering plants.

DOWN

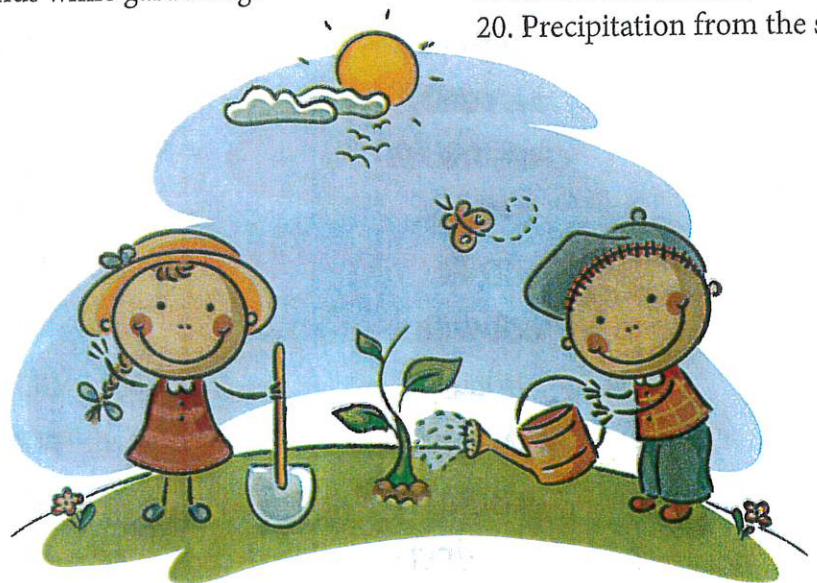
2. Tool with teeth used for collecting leaves.
3. Unwanted plants that compete with desired plants.
4. Green, flat structures of a plant.
6. Underground storage organ of some plants, such as a tulip.
10. Break up and turn over soil with a tool.
12. Decomposed organic matter used to enrich soil.
14. Colorful and fragrant part of a plant.



15. Protective gear worn on the hands while gardening.

17. Organic material used to cover the soil surface.
20. Precipitation from the sky.

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| Aphid | Leaves |
| Bucket | Mulch |
| Bulb | Prune |
| Compost | Rain |
| Dig | Rake |
| Dirt | Seeds |
| Flower | Shovel |
| Gloves | Trowel |
| Hoe | Weeds |
| Hose | Worm |
| Lawn | |



In the Garden

Crossword

SOLUTION

