



THE Village Voice

Port Huron Housing Commission Newsletter

September/October 2023

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Happy Fall Y'all !

PHHC would like to welcome all the new tenants. We encourage you to consider becoming an active member by engaging in community activities, attending presentations and socializing with your neighbors.



A Note From the Director:

Dear PHHC Residents,

As the fall season approaches, I wanted to take a moment and highlight the plethora of possibilities that Michigan weather offers our region. We encourage resident to explore and foster a sense of community. Enjoy walks in the outdoors, fall sporting events, and community activities. There is something for everyone to embrace

Sincerely,
James A. Dewey, Executive Director



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Linkedin-Port Huron Housing Commission

Website-www.phhousing.org

Twitter- @phhousing



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Office hours: M-Th 7:30-5:00. Closed: 1:00-2:00 for lunch.

Family Fun Corner

FALL WORD SEARCH

Fall Word Search

C U W V B F K S Q S W H A R V E S T H G
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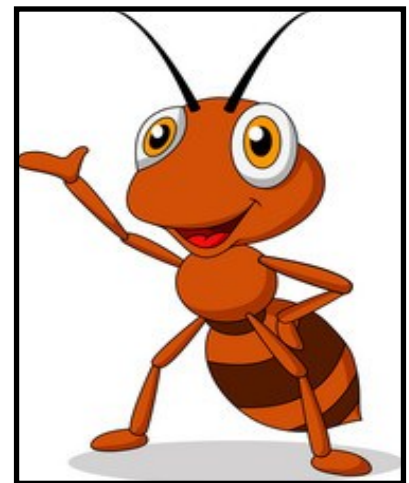
PUMPKIN
FOOTBALL
SWEATER
NOVEMBER
SEPTEMBER
SUNFLOWER



Math Humor:

Q: How do you get the 100 math teachers into a room that only fits 99?

A: You carry the one.



5 Ants rented an apartment with another 5 ants.

Now they're TENants.



PROPERTY MANAGER NEWS

**Leaf pick up is coming soon. Do NOT park on the piles of leaves we put at the curb, as we want the street sweeper to be able to remove them.*

**As the weather gets colder, please disconnect and store hoses.*

** Porches will be inspected weekly.*

** Please promptly dispose of outdoor pumpkins after Halloween to avoid decay.*



All residents of PHHC

You must report any pest infestations in your home immediately. Not reporting will lead to a lease violation. Treatment is provided by PHHC at no cost to tenants.

Holiday Office Hours

Office will be closed on
Monday, Sept. 4th



If you need to contact your **property manager**, please call or email them at: **(810) 984-3173**

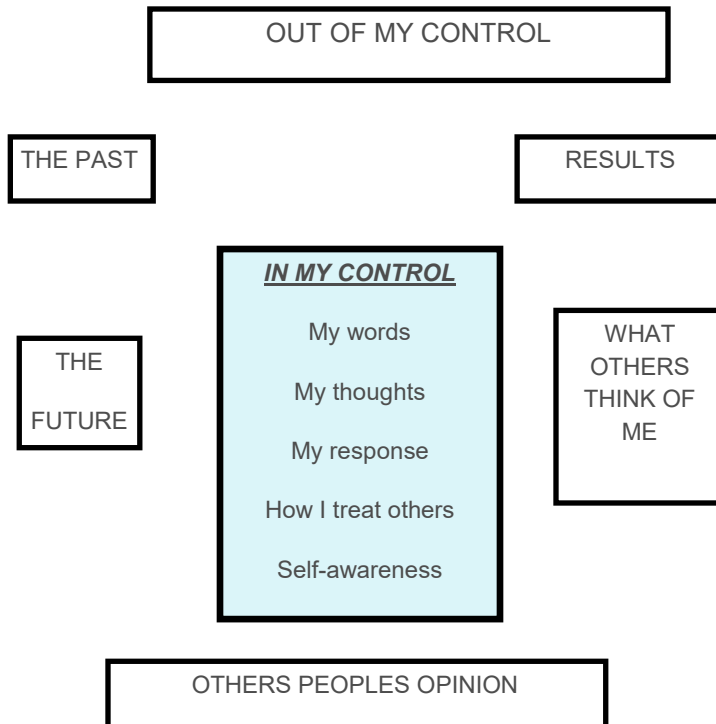
Nicole	ext-408	ngourlay@phhousing.org	Huron/Peru Village
Dee	ext-403	dzimmer@phhousing.org	Gratiot/Desmond Village
Liz	ext-413	enelson@phhousing.org	Dulhut Village

Rent is due on the 1st of the month. If 10 days late, a \$20 fee will apply.

24 Hour Maintenance Line: 810.984.6410

SENIOR VILLAGE NEWS

Positive Steps to Wellbeing:



MSU Extension

VERY EXCITING!

MSU Extension is going to be here for an 8 week program called Matter of Balance. We are excited to offer this special program. It is free! 8 participants are required to provide this on site program at Desmond. Please sign up and enjoy a great opportunity. See flyers by mailboxes for details. This is open to both Desmond and Peru tenants.

Let's Talk Tuesday/ Wednesday

Meeting in the community room. Look above the mailboxes for flyers with upcoming details. Also check out the TV monitors for information.

Desmond and Peru Villages: Sept. 12th and October 18th

Topics presented through Elderly/Disabled Service Coordinator (EDSC) in the recent past included events from MSU Extension– Stress Less, PERS, Lakeshore Legal Aid, Disability Network, Blue Water Humane Society and COA. Please look for upcoming events and sign up so we can have an idea how many we are preparing for.

SENIOR VILLAGE NEWS



Parking

As a reminder for Desmond and Peru residents, please maintain the circle drives as a space for emergency vehicles. This is also a 15 minute or less drop off/pick up area. Thank you for your cooperation.

Resident Council Elections are coming soon. RC is a great group that can include greeting new tenants, organizing community parties and events, and they are of course the highly loved BINGO coordinators. Five members are required for office. Please consider participating and re-establishing your council. This is a tenant run group with guidance from the Service Coordinator.

September: Meeting to describe RC, including the positions available and each roles responsibilities.

October: Determine nominations and begin campaigning.

November: Vote in your new council.



IMPACT DAYS!

All Harbor Impact Ministries services are free to people in need. FOOD-CLOTHING-HOME GOODS

1963 Allen Road
Kimball

September 26th and October 31st.

Historic Trolley tours daily! 5-cents for seniors.



810.987.7373

Blue Water Transit

Senior Green Card Food Program

Distribution will be Thursday, September 21st. Registration dates will be posted at Desmond and Peru the week before. Thank you Richard and Sandra for all you do.

ROSS GRANT NEWS

Our services link residents to resources within the community.



The Key to Success...

Food

Child Care

Employment

Budgeting

Healthcare

Homeownership

Contact your ROSS Service Coordinators:

Sue @810.990.4028 or Jodi @ 810.300.1234

Financial Literacy

The down payment assistance program is a great way for qualified buyers that may be eligible to earn up to \$3,000 towards your down payment or closing costs.

They will provide insight on the steps to obtaining good credit, preparing for a preapproval, and the types of mortgages.



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Fifth Third Express Checking allows better finances with all the advantages of a secure, easy-to-access bank account, with built-in safeguards to help you manage your money better.

If you have had an account where it was closed due to charged off or issues with opening bank accounts, we can help here at Fifth Third Bank to help re-establish a bank account today.

ELDERLY DISABLED SERVICE COORDINATOR

As a resident of the Port Huron Housing Commission (PHHC), you have access to our Elderly/Disabled Service Coordinator (EDSC) for FREE. Tina is your EDSC and she encourages residents to contact her by telephone at 810-984-3173 ext. 437 or email at tmqueen@phhousing.org

Tenant highlight of Success.

I grew up in poverty, and I remember as a child my biggest worry was if I would have food the next day. My parents tried but they faced many hardships. As I got older I always thought about college but by this time I was twenty-one and had two kids. I could barely provide for them or pay the bills, and faced many evictions. I knew I was following the same cycle my parents once lived. I was surviving off benefits and handouts. One day I just decided I had enough. I walked into Baker College, and enrolled in the BSN RN program. Although my journey was hard and I spent most of my nights crying at the table doubting myself, I persevered. I didn't grow up like my peers. I had to work harder than most but I never gave up. A lot of people told me I would never make it but I refused to allow that to deter me. I now have my RN license, and work in Neuro ICU. My journey wasn't easy but one choice, and my determination to finish set me on this path to success. I am sharing my story because I want other people to know you don't have to just survive. You are not the stereotypes people use to label you. You can thrive in life, and achieve your dreams. It just starts with one choice.

Submitted by, Melissa Totten

Congratulations Melissa on your hard work and achievement.

**Financial Literacy Week**

Location: Gratiot Village @ Noon

**Oct. 16th– Fifth Third Bank—
First Time Homebuyer Assistance**

**Oct. 17th– Urban Program
\$10,000 down payment assistance**

**Oct. 18th– MSU Extension—
Stretching your dollars.**

Nov. 14th. -@ noon. Liberty Tax– Dulhut Village

Nov. 16th-@ noon. Liberty Tax– Gratiot Village.

They will discuss all the tax credits our residents are eligible to receive. We will put it in the Newsletter again in November.

Port Huron Community Calendar



9/4 Office closed– Labor Day

9/7 MSU– Matter of Balance-8 week series. Every Thur @9:30 through November @ Desmond

9/8-9 Port Huron Antique Boat Show

9/10 Happy Grandparents Day

9/12 St. Clair County Health Dept. Bed Bug Prevention program @ Desmond and Peru

9/20 Lakeshore Legal Aid @ Desmond and Peru

9/25 Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program @ Desmond and Peru



10/9 Columbus Day

10/16 Fifth Third Bank @ Gratiot Village @ noon

10/17 Urban Program @ Gratiot Village @ noon.

10/18 MSU Extension @ Gratiot Village @ noon

10/18 Veterans Affairs @ Desmond and Peru

10/21 Happy Sweetest Day

Please check above the mailboxes at Desmond and Peru Villages for detail for all upcoming events at their locations and be sure to sign up so we can prepare for the correct number of people attending. Thank you.

National Day is a way to celebrate everyday. Give yourself permission to embrace life's simple pleasures, start traditions, learn new things, and stay connected with others. Every day a topic is chosen. For example: National Bagel Day, College Color Day, Read A Book Day, On-line Learning Day, Clean Room Day. This is a fun opportunity to find a reason to celebrate.

Go to: www.NationalDayCalendar.com
and Celebrate Every Day.

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