# LCO Housing Newsletter

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## **Important message to tenants!!!**

Recently there has been an increase in vandalism to our vacant housing units! If we receive information on who has been doing this vandalism, we will report the incidents to the proper authority and be taking action against the vandal, the parents or guardians of the vandals. We will press charges and you could be charged for the total cost of repairs. In some cases, as much as \$20,000 or more and, could lead to eviction. Not all damages are covered by insurance and must be paid by the housing authority. This takes away money that could be used for other maintenance needs. The housing authority is in jeopardy with our insurance company for the numerous claims we have to submit due to fires and vandalism. This cannot continue to happen!

Parents and guardians, please sit down with your children and explain to them this is a serious matter and could affect your housing situation. If you see suspicious activity, please report it to the police department. LCO Tribal Police 715-634-5130 or Sawyer County Sheriff 715-634-5213.



To all Dad's on Sunday, June
18th



### YARD OF THE MONTH

Judging will be the last week of June!
Each winner will receive a \$50 Greenhouse certificate, \$50 LCO
Country Store gift, a lawn decoration and have the Yard of the
Month sign displayed in their yard.

# We look forward to seeing all the beautiful yards this summer!

There will be three chances for someone to win *Yard of the Month*. The last week of every month the judges will be out cruising the communities looking for the next winner. The judges are having a hard time this year as so many yards are looking great. So keep working on those yards—they are looking fantastic!

**PURPOSE:** The "Yard of the Month" award is to recognize those tenants who demonstrate above-average efforts in maintaining their yards, thereby contributing to the overall beautification of the community at large. We encourage residents to take pride in their home and community.

**ELIGIBILITY:** All tenants living in LCO Housing Authority rental units.

**WINNER:** The winner each month will be chosen by nominations received from the Landscape Committee. The tenant will receive a personal visit by members of the Landscape Committee which issues their awards, takes a photograph of the property to be displayed in the newsletter. They also install the Yard-of-the-Month sign to display in the tenant's yard for the duration of the award month. **Good luck & have fun!** 



### **FURNACE FILTER REMINDER**

Please remember to check your furnace filters every 30 days. Units with central air use the furnace all year round. If your central air does not work, the furnace filter is one of the first things to check. Filters can be picked up at the Housing office free of charge. *TIP: Use your phone to take a pic of the size as there are several different sizes.* 



### TORNADO SAFETY

With the summer months and storm season approaching, tenants are advised to take a moment and go over tornado safety with your family. It is best to be prepared and know what to do in the case of severe weather.

### **BEFORE A STORM;**

- Listen to local area radio, NOAA radio, TV stations or download weather alert apps to your phone. Know the difference between a WATCH (tornadoes are possible) and a WARNING (a tornado has been sighted).
- 2. Move to an underground shelter, basement or safe room. If none is available, small windowless interior room or hallway on the lowest level of a sturdy building is the safest alternative.
- 3. If you are outdoors, seek shelter immediately in a sturdy shelter.
- 4. Remember, no area of a mobile home is safe during a tornado. If you have access to a sturdy building shelter or a vehicle, go there immediately, using your seat belt if driving.
- 5. Find a local emergency shelter and know the best routes to get there if you need to.
- **6.** Watch for tornado danger signs: dark, often greenish clouds—a phenomenon caused by hail; wall cloud—an isolated lowering of the base of a thunderstorm; cloud of debris.
- **7.** Bring your animals indoors.
- 8. Practice periodic drills so that everyone knows what to do.

### **AFTER A STORM:**

- 1. Continue listening to local news for updated information,
- 2. Watch for down trees and power lines or broken gas lines and report them immediately to the utility company.
- 3. Stay out of damaged buildings.
- **4.** If you smell gas or hear a blowing or hissing noise, open a window and get everyone out of the building quickly and then report it to the gas company or the fire department.
- 5. If you suspect a natural gas leak, leave the building immediately. Do not place a call from the inside of the building as this may create an ignition source for the natural gas. Do not use matches, turn off light switches, use cell phones or open an automated garage door, do not try to locate or shut off the gas valve or meter. LEAVE THE BUILDING. Once you have safely left the building, immediately contact emergency personnel.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON TORNADO SAFETY YOU CAN VISIT ANY NUMBER OF WEBSITES SUCH AS: Red Cross, Weather Station, AMERIND Risk Management, FEMA, etc. for checklists, escape routes and other safety precautions. BE PREPARED—GO OVER THIS WITH YOUR CHILDREN—KEEP YOUR FAMILY SAFE!

# Jane Birthdays

Delila Barber	<b>6/3</b>
Ninde Goodsky	6/4
Cassandra Hanlon	<b>6/5</b>
<b>Harmony Fleming</b>	<b>6/7</b>
<b>Amarah Fairbanks</b>	<b>6/7</b>
<b>Lorraine Ledbeter</b>	6/10
Starman Barber	<b>6/10</b>
Stephanie Barber	<b>6/12</b>
<b>Rusty Corbine</b>	<b>6/12</b>
Kim Fleming	6/13
<b>Rainah Hanlon</b>	6/13
Delilah Mike	6/14
Josh Kingfisher	6/14
Jaymie Hammer	6/16
<b>Wayne Corbine Jr.</b>	6/16
LaRayah Fairbanks 6/17	
<b>Riot Van Lyssel</b>	6/19
<b>Dustin Quaderer</b>	<b>6/20</b>
<b>Ember Denomie</b>	<b>6/23</b>
<b>Rider Van Lyssel</b>	6/26
Donovan Kingfisher 6/29	



# ON-CALL MAINTENANCE: The Maintenance Department on call person can be reached after normal working hours at 715-798-1594. The on call maintenance person will call you back as soon as possible. They will only respond to Emergency calls during non-working hours.

### Yard inspections will be conducted....

Just a reminder to tenants; we will be doing inspections of yards to check for garbage and reasonable length of grass. As a part of your lease agreement or homeowner contract, you have agreed to keep these items in a reasonable and safe condition. Non-compliance is a violation of your lease. Remember also that keeping your yard looking nice is a reflection on you and your community.

