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COMMUNITY NEWS

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of some upcoming projects that will be affecting your communities.

We are currently in the planning stages for future capital projects and items that will be included are: storm door replacement (Oakman), interior door replacement (Oakman), flooring replacement, parking lot and sidewalk resurfacing (Dora). These projects will be completed in different phases. The Housing Authority of Walker County's architect is currently developing specifications for the parking lot resurfacing at James Baird and Howard Brown and the doors at Oakman. We anticipate a notice to bid will happen in the next 4 to 6 weeks. Residents of the affected areas will be notified in

advance as soon as the work is scheduled to begin.

We will be holding some future resident meetings to obtain your input as to some needs to improve your communities. Your contribution and participation is extremely important and you can help us make your community better.

Please don't forget to visit us on Facebook and our website at www.walkercountyha.org. There will be news updates, forms, prior newsletters and other information available. Soon, you will be able to check your current balance due by registering on the website. Applicants will soon be able to view their position on the waiting list as well as apply directly via our website. If you know of anyone who needs our assistance, please share this information with

them.

As always, we welcome your comments on how we can improve our services to you. Lastly, the Housing Authority of Walker County's staff and Board of Commissioners would like to wish all of our residents a safe and happy Easter on March 31, 2013. Please be careful during your travels!!!!

**Kevin T. Fowler, Executive
Director**



Kai Thomas Signs with UNA!!!!!!

The Housing Authority of Walker County would like to congratulate one of our residents, Mr. Kai Thomas, for recently signing an athletic scholarship to attend and play football for the University of North Alabama. Kai is the grandson of Ms. Georgia

Moore and was recently named the Daily Mountain Eagle's 2012 Player of the Year. We recognize the hard work Kai has put into his career and wish him continued success at the next level, academically and athletically!!!





Change in Income Reporting By DEBORAH YELDELL

We are having an increasing problem with our residents failing to report income changes. If you are a Public Housing resident, you are required by your lease agreement to provide the Housing Authority of Walker County with information about your job, your income and the people living in your unit.

You are required to report any changes in income or household composition

within 10 calendar days of the change. You must submit changes in writing with verifying documentation along with the completion of the "CHANGE OF INCOME OR CIRCUMSTANCES FORM" which will initiate an interim review if needed. Calling the office is not acceptable reporting of changes in your income or family composition.

If you fail to report changes in household composition,

income, assets, or student status within 10 calendar days of the change, your assistance may be immediately terminated. You may also be charged retroactively to the date the change should have been reported. If there is retro rent, you will be required to pay that amount or be evicted and even prosecuted for fraud. So please report changes. This form will be available on our website soon.

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General Property Information

As you know, the key to maintaining a clean and attractive property is effort by the residents. There are a few general housekeeping issues we would like to go over with you in hopes of improving our wonderful communities.

****Please ask your children not to play or climb on the clothes lines. We have had to repair quite a few recently.***

* Please return your garbage can to the back side of your apartment after the garbage run.

* Please pick up any trash in and around your yard to avoid charges.

* If you have a pet, please go through the proper procedure as specified in your lease.

* Watch your children carefully as they ride bicycles in and

around parked cars. You will assume the liability for someone else's damage.

* Do not store things outside the back of your apartment such as aluminum cans.

*Do not pour or dump food leftovers near the perimeter of the woods.

*Please make sure your garbage is bagged before placing in your can.

Items of Interest!!!!!!

Recently, T.S. Boyd Elementary School held its annual beauty pageant. The housing Authority of Walker County would like to recognize the following residents and their children for placing in the contest. Jamaya Harris, daughter of Jami Harris, was the winner and

named Miss T.S. Boyd 2013. Za'Kylah Williams, Granddaughter of Annette Williams, was the Winner of Tiny Miss T.S. Boyd 2013. Kamora Campbell, granddaughter of Georgia Moore, was named 2nd alternate in the Tiny Miss T.S.

Boyd 2013. Congratulations to all of you!!!



JAN-MARCH BIRTHDAYS Happy Birthday from HAWC Staff!

Billy Babbs
 Candace Bennett
 Janya Bennett
 Valerie Bowen
 Samantha Boyd
 Felecia Crofton
 Mekaylla Dansby
 Bobby Lee Davis
 Mark Deskins
 Sondra Deskins
 Kimberly Dodd
 Samantha Drummond
 Brian Ford
 Carrie Foster
 Cody Foster
 Brent Geeter
 Jayron Hammond
 Jami Harris

Sheila Harris
 Dalaila Hawkins
 Ta'mia Howard
 John Jackson Jr.
 Janita Jones
 Brady Kilpatrick
 Aubree Layton
 Emma Layton
 Emma Levan
 Nicholes Meadows
 Micayla Middleton
 Tracy Miles
 Nadia Muwwakkil
 Tori Pierce
 Christopher Roberts
 Susan Roberts
 Bradley Rozier
 Brandy Samulels

Kaitlyn Sexton
 Roy Sexton
 Rochelle Stewart
 Nakiria Thompson
 Annie Vann
 Brittany Williams
 Veronica Williams
 Carey Wolfe
 Tasha Woods



Outdoor Maintenance

Spring is not far away and that means grass cutting season. As most of you know, we contract out our lawn services. April 1, 2013, signifies the beginning of a bi-weekly cutting schedule that runs through September. During these months, we ask that you help us with keeping extra debris picked up around common areas that extend beyond your yard. Paper, rocks and glass are major obstacles in performing this task and making our communities look great. So

please help us by keeping these areas debris free.

We have recently had problems with a lot of children playing with and or swinging from the clothes lines. Please ask your children not to do this as it is extremely dangerous to them. Additionally, there will be charges for clothesline repairs if it is for any damage beyond normal wear and tear. Let's have a great spring and summer !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



PET INFORMATION

The Housing Authority of Walker County has been having problems with animal control. Over the past few months, there have been several instances where residents have pets and have not been through the proper channels with the office to meet lease requirements. There is a housing authority pet policy in place and it

will be enforced. Additionally, please do not sit food out for strays. Feeding stray dogs and cats will only increase the population of unwanted animals. The uncared for animals cause problems with garbage control, yards, nuisance to children and others that do not want animals in there areas. This also causes an increase with wild animals.





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The Housing Authority of Walker County is a public housing agency that administers low-income housing programs throughout Walker County. Currently, we manage public housing units in Dora and Oakman. Our section 8 program manages over 300 vouchers countywide. We are not currently accepting applications for Section 8. Please check our website at www.walkercountyha.org for updates. We are currently open for business Monday-Friday of the hours 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Please feel free to come by and see us. We are currently accepting applications for public housing on Wednesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Rent Due</i>	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 <i>Late Fees</i>	9
10	11	12	13		15 <i>Late Fees</i>	16
17	18 <i>Closed</i>	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 <i>Close 12pm</i>		

MARCH 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Rent Due</i>	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 <i>Late Fees</i>	9
10 <i>Set Clocks</i>	11	12	13	14	15 <i>Late Fees</i>	16
17 	18	19	20	21	22	23
24/31 	25	26	27	28	29 <i>Close 12pm</i>	30