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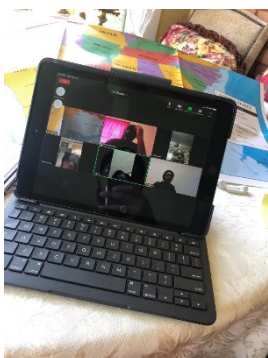
In Loving Memory.....

Don Chandanais, a longtime resident of Tifton Housing Authority passed away Friday, July 31. Mr. Don was also known as Santa, as he was the Tifton Mall Santa for seventeen years. And he was known as the Balloon Man; many times you could find him making balloon animals for kids. Mr. Don was always willing to help folks and always had a smile on his face. He will be missed.

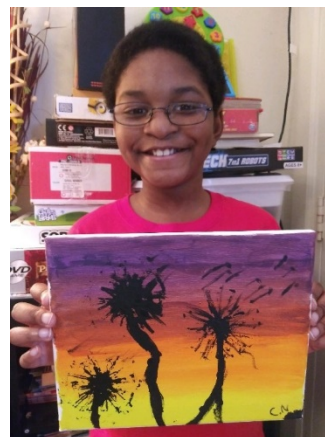


"Kids at Art at Home"

Tifton Museum Art and Heritage hosted an art class via Zoom on August 22. Resident Cameron Nervil is shown with his beautiful painting. →



On-line **Life Skills** classes are being taught via Zoom by Mrs. Joyce Mims. The class is for middle school and high school kids. The class is on-line Wednesday 5 pm to 7 pm. Please call the office if you are interested. ←



Stop the Spread of Germs

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.



cdc.gov/coronavirus

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Make sure you don't miss a thing...

Download the Tifton Housing Authority Mobile App.

Available for Android/Google Play or Apple.



Please call the office if you need help downloading the app.

September 2020

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13 HAPPY GRANDPARENTS Day!	14	15	16	17 Constitution Day We the People	18	19 Happy Rosh Hashanah! Have a sweet year
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27	28 YOM KIPPUR The Day of Atonement Leviticus 16:1-17 Numbers 29:1-10 Psalm 130:1-4 Hallel Mishnah: Hagigah	29	30	1	2	3
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Local Resources

Several state and regional agencies and organizations provide critical services and resources for residents. Below are phone numbers for some of the more commonly needed resource agencies within Tift County and throughout the State of Georgia.

1. Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS)

Georgia Department of Human Services 1-877-423-4746;

in Tift County call: 229-386-3388

2. U.S. Social Security Administration Office

732 2nd St W, Tifton, GA 31794; 1-800-772-1213

3. U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, VA Clinic

1824 N Ridge Ave, Tifton, GA 31794; 229-391-608

4. Reports of child abuse and neglect:

1-855-GA-CHILD (1-855-422-4453) OR 911

5. Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-33-HAVEN (1-800-334-2836)

6. Mental Health, Drugs or Alcohol Help:

Georgia Crisis & Access Line

1-800-715-4225

7. Tift County Schools information - visit: www.tiftschools.com

8. Second Harvest of South Georgia

Distribution Site in Tifton:

Georgia Museum of Agriculture (Agrirama) - 1392 Whiddon Mill Rd

229-244-2678

9. Affordable Medications program:

Goodpill prescription program is providing 3 months of medications to GA families impacted by COVID-19. Contact for assistance: 1-888-987-5187 or email: hello@goodpill.org

10. Need internet access? The public library's WIFI is still available outside the building (keep up those 6 feet of social distance)...the library remains closed until further notice.



Do you know what is in dust?

Lots of different things can be found in common household dust: lint, tree and flower pollen, dirt, pet dander and cigarette smoke particles.....but the most abundant element is tiny dead skin cells from our own bodies. And this is the main source of food for dust mites!! These are tiny, living bugs. And a protein found in their droppings (poop) can trigger allergic reactions including asthma.

It is critical that dust is kept to a minimum in your homes, especially if someone in the household has allergies or asthma. Dust and dust mites can cause a wide variety of symptoms and illnesses, but most often bring on breathing problems such as wheezing, shortness of breath, sinus problems, sneezing, and stuffy nose.

Dust mite allergies can also cause itchy eyes or itchy skin. In some cases a violent allergic reaction can be triggered and commonly bring on asthma attacks for people with a history of asthma. Please keep your home as dust free as possible for the health of you and your family.

The office of Tifton Housing Authority remains closed to anyone physically. However, we are answering the phones and continuing to address any concerns our residents may have.

Work orders are handled on a case by case basis, with emergencies answered first and then any issues that may cause future problems handled. If you have an emergency after our normal business hours, remember to press 2 to be transferred to the maintenance voice mail.

Additionally, annual recertifications and interims are being handled via mail or email.

Remember, rent is still due as usual. By the 7th for public housing and by the 5th for those in Deas.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 229-382-5434.

DO NOT THROW FOOD SCRAPS OUT YOUR DOOR ONTO THE GROUND. THIS IS AN ATTRACTANT FOR WILD ANIMALS, RATS, MICE, ROACHES AND STRAY DOGS. THEY WILL EVENTUALLY FOLLOW A TRAIL INTO YOUR UNIT.



PLACE ALL FOOD AND FOOD SCRAPS IN PLASTIC BAGS, TIED UP AND THEN PUT INTO YOUR TRASH CONTAINER.

Be **SAFE** from coronavirus infection
 Be **SMART** & inform yourself about it
 Be **KIND** & support one another

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ON-LINE ACCESS TO THA

Tifton Housing Authority is proud to announce that within a couple of months we will have the capability for our residents to do business with us on-line. This will include:

- Access to your account to see your rent amount
- Pay your rent
- Print your lease
- Complete your annual recertification including uploading supporting documents
- Notify THA of changes to your household or income
- New applicants will be able to complete an application on-line.

Additionally, we will have a kiosk in the lobby for those that are not able to access the internet from home.

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