

Berwick Housing Authority

NEWSLETTER

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Reminder: The Berwick Housing Authority office will be closed November 11th for Veteran's Day and November 26th & 27th for Thanksgiving. If you have a maintenance emergency please call the office and listen to the message for the phone number to the maintenance guy on call.

RENT DUE: November 12, 2015 which is the 8th working day of the month. If you do not pay by the 8th a \$10 late fee will be applied. If you signed a contract then your rent is due November 15, 2015, but a late fee is still applied after the 8th. The very last day to pay rent is November 20, 2015.



WHAT IS VETERANS DAY?

Veterans Day is a public holiday held on the anniversary of the end of World War I to honor US Veterans and victims of all wars.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VETERANS DAY AND MEMORIAL DAY?

Memorial Day honors service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased veterans are also remembered on Veterans Day but the day is set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military-in wartime or peacetime.



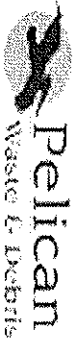
Toys for Tots applications are being taken now through December 4, 2015 at St. Mary Outreach in Morgan City. To complete an application you must provide an ID, Social Security cards, birth certificates for children under age 12, proof of income, and bills for the current month.

St. Mary Outreach

608 First Street, Suite 102
Morgan City, LA 70380
(985) 385-0525

Client Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Closed Noon-1:30 pm
Fri. 9:00 am-12 pm



On November 2, 2015 please put out the Pelican Waste Cart and also leave the SWDI/Progressive Waste Cart out so that the other company can pick it up.

1. Household garbage should be bagged before placing it in the cart. **DO NOT OVERFILL THE CARTS.** The lids must remain closed.
2. You should move the carts to the front curb the night before your collection day, but no later than 5:00 am on your collection day.
3. Place the cart near or on the curb away from your mailbox, utility pole, trees, cars, etc. Place the cart on the curb with wheels and handle towards your residence.
4. **If your cart is OVER LOADED it may NOT be emptied.**
5. This cart belongs to Pelican Waste & Debris and must remain at your former residence if you move.
6. Each residence will get a 96-gallon cart. There is a \$60 charge for a second cart.
7. **Do not park on the curb on collection day.**
8. The cart is property of Pelican Waste & Debris or the city and must not be painted, abused, mutilated, altered, or modified in any way. If a cart is damaged and it is your fault then you will be required to pay for a replacement. If the collection contractor damages your cart, it will be replaced at no charge. Stolen carts must be reported to the police department.
9. **Each address has a cart "assigned" to it indicated by the serial number stamped on the cart. This helps residents keep up with their cart, and helps Pelican Waste or the city locate lost or stolen carts.**
10. If you have questions for Pelican Waste & Debris you can contact Dione @ (337) 907-6686.

FUNNY THANKSGIVING RIDDLES (ANSWERS FOUND ON LAST PAGE OF NEWSLETTER)

1. Why did the Pilgrims eat turkey on Thanksgiving?
2. Where did the first corn come from?
3. Which side of the turkey has the most feathers?

COOK UP SAVINGS THIS FALL



- Use pots and pans with flat bottoms on the stove.
- Develop the habit of lids-on cooking to allow lower temperature settings.
- Measure water used for cooking to avoid having to heat more than needed.
- Keep the oven door closed, and do not peek at your food. Every time you open the oven door, 25-50 degrees of heat is lost.
- Do not preheat the oven for broiling or roasting.
- Preheat your oven only for five to eight minutes.
- Use your microwave oven whenever possible. It uses less-than-half the power of a conventional oven and cooks food in shorter amount of time.

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015 @ 9:00 AM

Janice Willoughby, Certified Application Counselor will be at the Berwick Housing Authority Resident Center to assist residents with filing for:

- MEDICAID/MEDICARE
- HEALTH INSURANCE
- ASSISTANCE IN PAYING PART B MEDICARE PREMIUMS
- EXTRA HELP WITH PART D PRESCRIPTION COSTS
- ASSISTANCE WITH MEDICARE ISSUES AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES
- GUIDANCE WITH APPLYING FOR SOCIAL SECURITY
- (bring your Medicaid card and your current prescriptions)

If you can't make this date or miss it you can contact Ms. Willoughby directly by calling **985-384-2371** to schedule an appointment.

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4. What happened to the Pilgrim who was shot at by an Indian?
5. Can a turkey jump higher than the Empire State Building?
6. Why did the Indian Chief wear so many feathers?

Be thankful for what you have.
Your life, no matter how bad you think
it is, is someone else's fairy tale.

—Wale Ayan



THANKSGIVING FUN FACTS

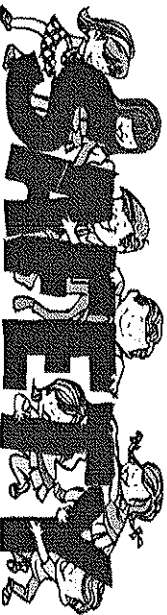
- The original cornucopia was made from a curved goat's horn.
- The first Thanksgiving was celebrated by the Pilgrims and Wampanoag tribe Native Americans in 1621 and lasted for 3 days.
- The famous Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade began in the 1920's.
- 90% of American homes eat Turkey on Thanksgiving.
- Abraham Lincoln chose the last Thursday in November for Thanksgiving.
- The average Thanksgiving dinner has 4,575 calories.
- About 50% of Americans stuff their birds with stuffing (or "dressing").
- An estimated 40 million green bean casseroles are served on Thanksgiving.
- The top growing pumpkin states are Illinois, California, Pennsylvania and New York.
- An estimated 20% of cranberries eaten in the year are eaten on Thanksgiving.
- Pumpkin is a fruit.
- Pumpkins are 90% water.
- A cup of fresh cranberries is about 50 calories whereas a cup of cranberry sauce is around 400.

SO WHAT? SOCIAL SECURITY

No cost-of-living adjustment for Social Security in 2016?

With consumer prices down over the past year, monthly Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for nearly 65 million Americans will not automatically increase in 2016.

NOVEMBER IS CHILD SAFETY AND PROTECTION MONTH



Safety Tips:

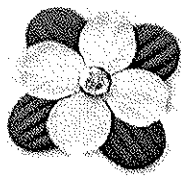
1. Childproof caps are not always child proof.
2. Hot dogs, grapes, hard candy and nuts can be choking hazards.
3. Never use an infant car seat in the front seat.
4. Take time to check out daycare providers.
5. If your child is too quiet—check immediately.
6. If a situation seems suspicious, report it.
7. When leaving your child with a "friend", be sure you really know and trust them.
8. Keep medicines where children will have a hard time reaching them.
9. Put outlet covers on all outlets.
10. The most important aspect in safeguarding children is adult supervision.



Do you need a job? The Salvation Army is looking for Bell Ringers this holiday season. You can complete an application at Salvation Army in Morgan City.
 1014 8th Street
 Morgan City, LA
 (985) 702-0444



Berwick Housing Authority will be accepting applications:
November 5, 2015
8:30 am-11:00 am and 1:30 pm-3:00 pm
MUST BRING: Picture ID & Proof of Income
 Social Security Card and Birth Certificate for everyone in household



Happy Turkey Day!

- Apple
- Blessings
- Cornucopia
- Cranberry Sauce
- Family
- Feather
- Give Thanks
- Gobble
- Greatful
- November
- Pumpkin
- Scarecrow
- Thanksgiving
- Tradition
- Turkey



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Chicken Scratch NY

ANSWERS TO THANKSGIVING RIDDLES:

1. They couldn't get the moose in the oven.
2. The stalk brought it.
3. The outside.
4. He had an arrow escape.
5. Yes—a building can't jump at all.
6. To keep his wigwam.