



VOU News for You

VOUCA Management Newsletter/January 20, 2014

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Office Closed MLK Day

The Management Office will be closed Monday, January 20, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It will reopen Tuesday, January 21 at 10 AM. There is no change to the trash pick-up schedule on January 20.

Christmas Tree Pickup

You may leave undecorated Christmas trees at the curb for removal on your regular yard waste recycling day. Please, no wires, no metal, no plastic.

Holiday Decorations

Just a quick reminder that all exterior Christmas decorations must be removed by January 31.

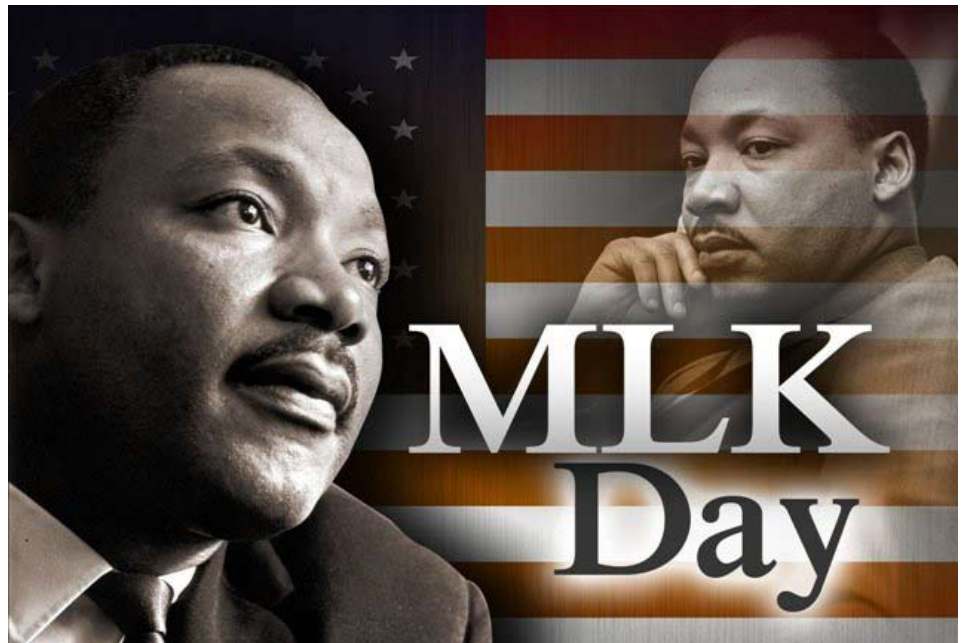
Management Office Open After Hours

For those who cannot come to the management office during regular business hours, the office will be open on Saturday, February 8 for all services from 9 AM to noon.

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Questions? Concerns? Contact Us

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Office Hours: 10 AM- 4 PM
General Manager: Aimee Winegar
Asst. Manager: Julie Virnelson



Dogs and Cold Weather

During cold weather, it's important to take precautions to make sure your four-footed family members stay safe and warm. Help your pets remain happy and healthy during the colder months by following these simple guidelines taken from the Humane Society's webpage:

Keep pets indoors and warm. Don't leave dogs or cats outdoors when the temperature drops. Regardless of the season, short-haired, very young, or old dogs and all cats should never be left outside without supervision. Dogs and cats are safer indoors, except when taken out for exercise. No matter what the temperature is, wind chill can threaten a pet's life. Pets are sensitive to severe cold and are at risk for frostbite and hypothermia when they are outdoors during extreme cold snaps. Exposed skin on noses, ears, and paw pads can quickly freeze and suffer permanent damage.

Give your pets plenty of water. Pets who spend a lot of time outdoors need more food in the winter because keeping warm depletes energy. Routinely check your pet's water dish to make certain the water is fresh and unfrozen. Use plastic food and water bowls rather than metal; when the temperature is low, your pet's tongue can stick and freeze to metal.

Protect paws from salt. The salt and other chemicals used to melt snow and ice can irritate the pads of your pet's feet. Wipe all paws with a damp towel before your pet licks them and irritates his/her mouth.

Avoid antifreeze poisoning. Antifreeze is a deadly poison, but it has a sweet taste that may attract animals and children. Wipe up spills and store antifreeze (and all household chemicals) out of reach. Coolants and antifreeze made with propylene glycol are less toxic to pets, wildlife, and family.

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Meeting Schedule

Meetings to be held this week at the Natelli Community Center:

No Meetings this week

Upcoming Meetings:

Monday, January 27—Finance, 7 PM

Tuesday, January 28—Board of Directors, 6:30 PM

Renew Your VOU Membership Pass

Membership Passes must be renewed every year! There is no charge for renewal and you do not need to come into the office. Just complete the form on line at www.villagesofurbana.net under Resources. All passes expire annually in May unless they are renewed. Paper copies of the renewal form are available at the management office or can be mailed to you upon request. Contact the manager at manager@villagesofurbana.net or by phone at 301-831-4810/301-874-0487.

Whom Do You Call?

Frederick County Sheriff's Office
Non-Emergency Number: 301-600-2071
Washington Gas: 800-752-7520
Allegheny Power: 800-255-3443
Frederick County Water and Sewer:
301-600-2187 M-F; 301-600-2194 after
hours and holidays
VOU After Hours Emergency:
888-788-2678

All VOU Elementary School Children, Ages 6-12 are invited to a

Kids Crafternoon

When: Friday, February 14, 2:30 to 4 PM

Where: Natelli Community Center
9023 Harris Street

**Join us for Cookies, Fun,
and Crafts Galore**



Wine Tasting and Social

March 15, 2014
7-9 PM

Natelli Community Center
9023 Harris Street

Please join us for the Spring Wine Tasting event at the Villages of Urbana. We will have a nice selection of wines and light appetizers. This event is for adult residents of VOU that are 21 and older and is free of charge. Representatives from Franklin Liquors will be on hand to answer any questions you have about the wines. There is no charge for the event, but RSVPs are required by March 9. Email your name, address and number attending to vouadmin@casinc.biz.

THIS EVENT IS FOR ADULT RESIDENTS OF VOU ONLY

VOU Street Tree Pruning

The Villages of Urbana performs extensive tree pruning in each neighborhood on a 3- to 5-year cycle. In 2014, pruning is scheduled for Bear Branch, Granary, Spring House, and Stauffer Bridge. The work is being performed by licensed arborists and tree experts. Work is scheduled to begin in Bear Branch (Kendall, Spicebush, Triton, Sweet Briar) on or about January 2, weather permitting. Ash trees will not be pruned at this time, as they are scheduled to be replaced over the next three years. If you have any questions about this work, please contact the community manager at manager@villagesofurbana.net.

