

NHA NEWS

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Dejanah Lorthe, age 8 adores Latin Drumming! To learn more about Latin Drumming call Danielle Truini at 838-8471 ext. 187.

Learning Centers

Need Assistance with Resumes, Applications, or College Essays???? Come see Sharone Rowe at 20 West Avenue Learning Center between the hours of 7:00pm-9:30pm, Monday through Friday. Drop in or call to make an appointment at 852-1144.

Summer is coming and don't forget to enroll your children in NHA's Summer Program!

Beginning June 29, 2009 thru August 21, 2009 NHA will offer field trips, swimming, art, music, photography and much more at four locations! Free for NHA residents! Register your child at one of our four locations!

20 West Ave, 852-1144

Washington Village, 838-8471 ext. 162

Meadow Gardens, 899-0729

Colonial Village, 831-8508

Movie Night for Seniors

Come to 20 West Ave. on Friday night, June 26, 2009 at 6:30pm to enjoy an evening of laughter and entertainment. So come and bring a friend and enjoy the lighter side of life! Free refreshments and raffle prizes.

Parents Rave About NHA's Reading Program!

Parents: The kids that go to the NHA Learning Centers visit the King Kennedy Reading Program once a week. As a result, we are seeing higher reading test scores, kids having fun while learning, and some very pleased parents. See what other parents are saying about the Reading Program. Take a look!

"Nashey really looks forward to going to the program. Before she would just look at the pages of a book without really understanding, but now she's gotten much better and can read small books to me."- Rosa Rodriguez, mother of Nashey De Jesus, 7 years old.

"There are a lot of improvements in my children, Richard and Benoise, since they have been going to the program. They are much more focused and are more likely to read on their own now."-Gerard Celestin, father of Richard (10 years old) and Benoise Celestin (9 years old).

Do you have a Shy, Bossy, Difficult or Easygoing Child?



Learn how to better understand your child on Thursday, June 4, 2009, 5:30pm-7:30 pm. Guest Speaker Dr. Rudy Rosado is a licensed Clinical Psychologist in private practice in Norwalk. This event will take place at the Stepping Stones Museum for Children and you must call to register at 203 899 0606, ext. 233. Free dinner and childcare for children

ages 2 and older. Deadline for registration is June 2, 2009. Space is limited to 40 families. The workshop will be simultaneously translated into Spanish.

Homeownership Preparation

Money Management International will be conducting an eight (8) hour Homeownership Class on Saturday June 13, 2009 from 9:00am-5:00pm at Leroy Downs Apartment complex, 26 Monroe St., Norwalk. This program will include:

1. Education on mortgage interest rates, why credit score is important
2. Different types of mortgage loans for first-time buyers
3. Participants will receive certificates of completion.
4. Essential information for financial, credit management
5. Education on predatory lending

Spaces limited! Call Emily Hartwell at 838-8471 ext. 180 or Guillermo Bendana at 838-8471 ext. 135 for more details.





COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP NEWS!

The \$3,500 John J. Kelly Memorial Scholarship open to all NHA and Section 8 residents. Deadline is Friday, June 12. Must have a 2.5 GPA and be attending or planning to attend a 2-year or 4-year college.

For applications Contact Carla Conway at NHA's main office at 838-8471, ext. 176 or drop by NHA's front desk or go online and Google the John J. Kelly Memorial Scholarship.

FREE BOOKS

If you are visiting NHA's Main Office, remember to pick up free children's and adult books for your children and yourself. New books for children to explore with parents or, when older, on their own, are very important for children. Keeping a home library for your child may be critical to your child's success in school.

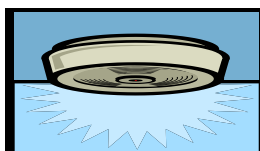


Congratulations Marie!

Congratulations to Marie Antoine of Washington Village who has received a tuition free scholarship with laptop included from Sacred Heart University where she will be a Freshman in psychology. **Tuition-Free College Programs** for students whose family income is under \$50,000 are now available for high school seniors entering as Freshmen at Sacred Heart U., Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Penn and many more colleges. Spring Semester enrollment is still open at many colleges. For more college information, contact Carla Conway at 838-8471 ext.176.



Protect Yourself and Your Family Today!



In the event of a fire, smoke detectors were installed in your unit as an early warning alarm to your household.

This alarm could save your own life and those of your loved ones by providing the chance to escape. Smoke detectors increase your chance of surviving a fire by 50% and should not be tampered with or dismantled. Please note that removing your smoke detector is a serious lease violation that will result in legal action being taken to terminate your lease.

NHA's Scholarship Awards July 8, 2009

NHA Scholarship Program has set the date of July 8 for the Norwalk Housing Foundation Scholarship Awards Ceremony. The event will be held in the evening at Steppingstones Museum for Children. Last year \$105,100 was awarded to 32 students. College bound residents should contact Carla Conway about other scholarship packages. Please note all packages are for full-time students.

NHA Resident Receives Scholarship to Private School

Congratulations go to Clarence Jean of King-Kennedy Homes who is the latest Norwalk Housing Authority student to receive a scholarship to a private school. Clarence will be attending the Connecticut Friends School.

Other schools that NHA students have received scholarships to include: Brunswick School, Meade School, Montessori School, Pear Tree Point School and St. Luke's School. If you have an academically inclined child and are interested in sending your child to private school on scholarship, now is the time to start contacting the schools for the 2010-2011 year. It is too late to apply for the 2009-2010 year. But you can get to know staff at a school you like and perhaps enroll your child in a summer program at the school so staff will get to know your child. For more information and a list of schools call Carla Conway at 838-8471, ext. 176.

Tips for High School Students who want to go to college.

1. If there is a college you dream of going to, check if it has a summer program and if you can get a scholarship to attend.
2. Don't forget the Summer free in-depth SAT Prep 14-week class offered at NHA's 20 West Learning Center. It's the best way to raise your scores on the SATs. Call Richard Nemchek between 9:00 AM & 2:00 PM at 203-322-8407 to register.

Attention NHA Parents with children Pre-k through Kindergarten

Did you miss NHA'S first Early Childhood Parent Night on May 14th? Then you missed out being first to sign up your child for one or more of NHA'S **Free** fun-filled, exciting, educational and developmental programs. You still have time! Hurry and register: Call Ann Prince, NHA-Early Childhood Coordinator @ 203 838-8471 ext. 187