

# Summer/ Fall 2018 Newsletter

## Summer/Fall Activities & Events

### August

2, 9, 16-

**What:** Concert at the Lake

**When:** 6 PM- 8 PM

**Where:** Lake Sacajawea

2- Cash'd Out a Johnny Cash Tribute Band with special guest RaeAnn Phillips

9 -Tillers Folly

16 -Burlington Rail

10, 17, 24

**What:** Movies at the Lake

**When:** Activities start at 6pm, movie starts at dusk

**Where:** Lake Sacajawea

10<sup>th</sup> - Grease & Classic Car Exhibit

17<sup>th</sup>- The Lion King & The Reptile Roadshow

24<sup>th</sup>- Coco & Karaoke Contest

Fun for the whole family.

Activities, guests, games & prizes.

Food available for purchase.

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**What:** Family Outdoor Adventure

**When:** 11AM to 2:30 PM

**Where:** Lake Sacajawea, Martins Dock

Ages 5 and over come and enjoy a day of archery, rock wall, laser tag, fishing, kayaking, canoeing, wood working and more. Pre-order price is \$10/person \$25 family of 3, or \$13/\$30 day of event.

### September

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**What:** Kayak the Cowlitz

**When:** 11AM to 5 PM

**Where:** Start at Castle Rock Boat Launch and end at Gearhart Gardens in Longview.

It's the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Kayak the Cowlitz Labor Day Float. It will take about 6 hours to kayak from Castle Rock to Longview, WA.

## Preparing your Child for the New School Year



A new school year can be an exciting, but it can also be a nerveing experience, especially if you are not going to the same school you were the school year prior. Here are some pointers to help your child prepare for a new school year:

- Make sure your child is familiar with the school.
  - If it is a new school, ask the school if you can take a tour of the school.
- Have conversations about next grade level or about beginning new school.
- There are many books out there that help guide children who are nervous, a few examples are:
  - First Day Jitters by Julie Danneberg & Judy Love
  - Amelia Bedelia's First Day of School by Herman Parish & Lynne Avril
- A week before school starts, get back into the school sleep routine. This gives the child/children an opportunity to get back into the routine of school.
- Make sure your child is up to date with their shots and checkups.
- Create a Homework space that is away from all electronics. Have extra supplies readily available.

You can find more tips and tricks at:

<http://www.pbs.org/parents/education/going-to-school/starting-school/before-school-starts/>

### **KHA Hours:**

Monday-Thursday

8:30 AM- 4:00 PM

Closed to the Public on Fridays.

Hours may vary on Holidays

**Phone number:**

360-423-3490

## KHA Mission Statement



To provide housing opportunities and coordination of needed social services to assist low and moderate-income clients in their effort to attain economic self-sufficiency and to do so in a professional and efficient manner.

## Cowlitz County Community Resources



Aging & Disability- (360) 577-4929

CAP-(360)425-3430

DSHS- (877) 501-2233

FISH of Cowlitz County-(360)636-1100

Free Medicaid Transport. -(800)752-9422

Habitat for Humanity-(360)636-6765

Head Start/ECEAP- (360)422-2800

Lower Columbia College-(360)442-2841

River City Transit- (360)442-5663

Social Security Admin- (866)495-0044

Tobacco Quit Line-(877)270-7867

Worksource-(360)577-2250

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## Know someone looking to move?



Do you have a family member or friend looking to move? Currently KHA has available studio and one-bedroom units to rent at our Columbia and Chinook Apartments located on Pacific in Kelso. These units are open to the public and our considered flat rent. Have the person you have in mind call for more information or they can pick up an application at KHA's office.

## Rent Reminder



Rent is due every month by the 5th. Any rent received after the 5th and isn't post marked by the 5th, or brought in to the office by the 5th, it will be considered late. A late fee of \$35.00 will be applied and you will need to pay this amount on or before, 30 days after the charge hits your account. KHA will mail a statement with this charge. Also, if your check is returned due to insufficient funds, or its declined for any other reason, a \$35.00 fee will be applied and you will need to pay this amount on or before the next rent due date by money order or cashier's check. [CFR 24 966.4 (b)(4)]

\*Please note that KHA does not accept partial payments.



## Updated Charge List

Recently, KHA mailed out Updated Charge lists which reflected the new charge amounts. If you have yet to returned the signed charge list (it is the purple form sent last month), please mail or bring in the document into the office by July 30th. After July 30th, your coordinator will contact you for a reminder.

## Landscaping Summer Hours for Cowlitz Villa Tenants only



It's been a hot summer already and it's going to get even hotter in August. While we understand maintaining the lawn exterior is very important and we want to make sure our properties are in order, there will be a limit on the hours maintenance will be working on lawn maintenance. We want to make sure our maintenance is healthy and too much sun exposure can be overwhelming to a person's body. Heat on the body can also cause a person to be more irritable, loss in concentration and ability to do any mental tasks and loss of ability to work efficiently. While the hours that maintenance will be out in the sun will be limited, we will still do what is required to keep the property clean. Maintenance will do most of their work early in the morning when its not as hot and be available for maintenance requests as well. KHA hopes everyone is staying cool and enjoying the beautiful weather.

## Exterior Reminders



We want to make sure KHA property is well maintained at all times. Please pick up any litter around your home. Another person may have put the litter on the ground, but it's your home, so show the neighborhood the pride you have not only in your home, but outside as well. Let's work together to keep KHA properties litter free.

## Household Composition Changes



Has anyone given birth in the house, or gained custody of a child? A family or friend is in need of housing and you want to help them out? KHA understands household compositions will change from time to time. You must report any changes to the household within 10 days to your KHA coordinator. KHA must approve the added household member before they can be considered part of the household.

If the family member is over the age of 18, they must pass a background check and sign documents before being added to the household. In the case of a child (Under 18) being added, KHA will need documentation, either a birth certificate, adoption, or a custody agreement stating the tenant has custody of the child. Unauthorized tenants may result in a violation of your agreement with KHA and you risk losing your housing.