

# KICKAPOO HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWSLETTER



KHA Newsletter

August 2017

## Executive Director's Corner:

I am sure by now everyone is ready for the summer to be over and fall back to cooler weather! The KHA Force account and Maintenance Teams continue to work hard with additional home responsibilities. Our four new homes are in and they are on schedule for a September finish. Once completed we will schedule two more homes for transport. The remainder will be contingent on Homeownership loans by individual. The appliance distribution is complete with a total of 76 community members receiving them. We are ever so thankful to Fort Riley for providing this opportunity. We completed our first Pathfinders Home Ownership Training this month, by our certified Trainers, Gilreath Aitkens and Darlene Moore. Please look for the next scheduled class, we want everyone to come! We will also begin a one-time Home Owner Maintenance Training in September. We will include a check list and the participants will receive a great home toolkit! Have a great month, all!



*-Peggy Houston, Executive Director*

*It is important to remember the lessons of Oceti Sakowin: There is power in unity and there is power in truth.*

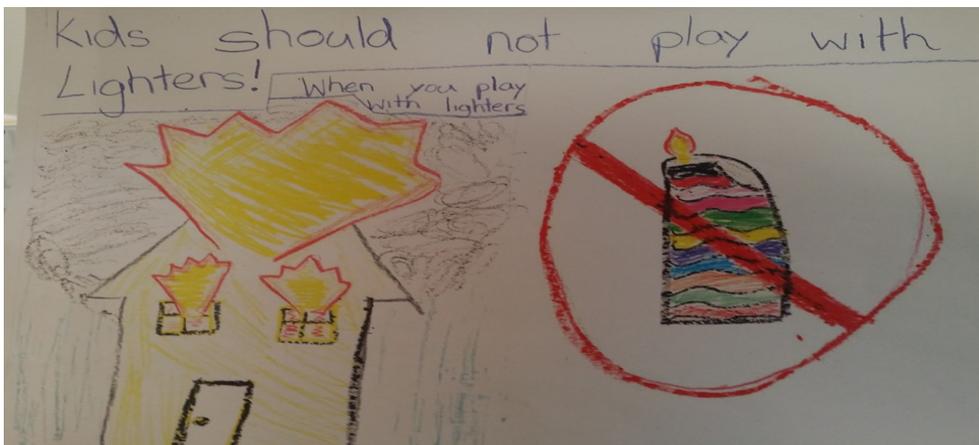
*Oceti Sakowin was the name of the Water Protectors camp at Cannonball N. Dakota.*

## KHA Administration Team:

- Peggy Houston,  
Executive Director
- Rick Christian,  
Construction Manager
- Gilreath Aitkens,  
Occupancy/Office Manager
- Darlene Moore,  
Accounting Specialist
- Ben Joslin, Procurement/IT
- Eldon Darnell,  
Maintenance Supervisor
- Stephanie Cadue, Receptionist

## KHA BOC:

- Rachel Thomas-Chairperson
- Twilla Lieb-  
Secretary/Treasurer
- Deniece Masqua-Member
- Fred Thomas-Interim
- Bernadette Thomas-Liaison



Congratulations! Joleigh Switch is the 3rd place winner of the SPONAP (Southern Plains Office of Native American Programs) regional Risk Safety Poster Contest! Joleigh submitted the theme and her artwork in April at KHA and received first place in April. Her poster was submitted to the Regional contest level, where she received 3rd place. Thank you, Joleigh for representing the Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas!

Next scheduled BOC meeting is 08/30/2017 @ 4:00 p.m. In the KHA Conference Room.

## **Kickapoo Traditional Pow-wow**

The Kickapoo Pow-wow kicked off Thursday evening with a community potluck dinner followed by the crowning of Roseann Cadue, the new 2017-18 Kickapoo Pow-wow princess. The Pow-wow was Friday and Saturday, July 21st & 22nd, with the Grand Entry starting at 8:00pm both evenings. There was good crowds both nights in spite of the heat. Participants & spectators alike came out to enjoy the singing, dancing, food and all kinds of drawings and raffles going on. It was a great event!

## **Homeownership Training**

The next date for “Pathways Home: A Native Homeownership Training” class will be on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 in the KHA conference room from 9:00am—4:00pm. Everyone welcome to come.

## **Occupancy Reminders**

Report any needed repairs as soon as possible. Your timely reporting of needed repairs will help with less expense to all concerned.

Any changes in income are to be reported to KHA timely. Read your lease to assure you are in compliance with the lease provisions.

## **KHA GOING CASHLESS**

Get ready KHA tenants! Kickapoo Housing Authority will soon be going cashless coming September 1, 2017. We will soon be able to swipe your credit/debit card to pay your rent. Money orders & checks will continue to be accepted.

## **Open House winner!**

Congratulations to Elizabeth Newland, she is the winner of a \$50 gift certificate drawing for participating and taking a tour of our new addition on Saturday morning, July 22, 2017.



## **Just a reminder**

Please call the main office phone number for any type of service call on your unit during the regular maintenance business hours (8am-4pm). It is our policy and a reporting requirement that a work order be created before any work can be started on a unit. We create a work order for any service calls that are made. No matter how big or small the issue is. For all after hours emergencies please call the on-call maintenance at: (785) 288-1671. Thank you for your cooperation. Our office hours are from: Monday-Friday, 8:00a.m.—5:00p.m. PH: (785) 486-3638.