

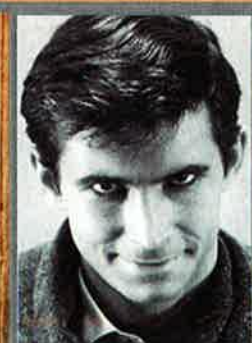


When witches go riding,
 And black cats are seen,
 The moon laughs & whispers,
 'tis near Halloween!

Is someone you know looking for a Job?
 Are you or somebody you know looking for full time or part time work? Don't forget about the big "Looking for a Job?" Bulletin Board located in the Waiting Room at the Fayette Metropolitan Housing Authority. Every 2 Weeks I update the board with the most current Help Wanted Ads in Washington Court House and the surrounding area.

Do you know someone in the Housing Authority Program that would be perfect for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program?
 Remember, like yourself, the likely candidate must be the Head of Household in their family, be interested in becoming Self-Sufficient by achieving their GED, going to College, starting a good Career all while earning an Escrow Savings Account. If so, tell them about our program & what it's done for you. And if you don't mind, give them my name & have them give me a call. The FSS Program is always open to families like yours who are seeking a better future.

Have a Safe & Happy Halloween!
Jenni Jones





Family Self-Sufficiency

Newsletter

Are you interested in attending a *Homeownership Meeting?*

If you haven't had a chance to attend a **Homeownership Meeting**, you are missing out on a lot of great information that would be beneficial to you. There is a common thread between every member of the FSS Program. On everyone's **Action Plan**, the final goal (besides becoming Completely Self-Sufficient) is to own their own home. If you haven't attended a meeting, I will be contacting you over the next few weeks to schedule a time to meet with myself and the team from **Community Action's Self Help Housing** program. **Tina Dahmer** (Loan Packager) and **Kathy Brown** (Group Coordinator) are more than willing to share their time & knowledge about the program with you. The meetings will be conducted at the Fayette Metropolitan Housing Authority and will last around 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Tina and Kathy will approach you one-on-one in meetings with only two families attending. I will coordinate a time that would work best for you during business hours. I guarantee you will leave this meeting with a new found confidence that Homeownership is very achievable in your future. So be expecting that I will be contacting you to get your meeting set up.

You could be a Homeowner!



Motivational Message For The Month

Beyond satisfaction

It's great to be satisfied with what you've done. Be careful that your satisfaction doesn't turn into complacency. Satisfaction with what you've done builds confidence in what you can do. Yet that confidence will do you no good unless it is put to use. See your satisfaction as a challenge and an opportunity rather than as a refuge. When you're satisfied with what you've done, let it inspire you to do even more. When you've created a valuable result, you've also established some powerful momentum. What a shame it would be to waste that momentum. Seize the opportunity to exceed yourself, to build on what you've already accomplished. Extend the great feeling of satisfaction by going above and beyond the effort that originally brought that satisfaction. Enjoy your satisfaction after a job well done. Then quickly challenge yourself to create a whole lot more.

— Ralph Marston

Special Points of Interest:

- ◆ If human beings had genuine courage, they'd wear their costumes every day of the year, not just on Halloween.
- Doug Copeland
- ◆ It's as much fun to scare as to be scared.
- Vincent Price
- ◆ Shadows of a thousand years rise again unseen, voices whisper in the trees, "Tonight is Halloween!"
- Dexter Kozen
- ◆ Eye of newt and toe of frog. Wool of bat and tongue of dog ... Double, double toil and trouble; fire burn and cauldron bubble.
- Macbeth (Act IV Scene I) William Shakespeare
- ◆ A gentle breeze rustling the dry cornstalks. A sound is heard. A goblin walks. A harvest moon suffers a black cat's cry. Oh do the witches fly! Bonfire catches a pumpkins gleam. Rejoice it's Halloween!
- Richard Anderson

Scary Skull Cheeseball

- ◆ (4) 8 ounce packages of Cream Cheese
- ◆ (3) diced Green Onions
- ◆ 2 ounce package of Budding Beef, diced
- ◆ 0.4 ounce package of Hidden Valley Ranch Buttermilk Recipe Salad Dressing & Seasoning Mix
- ◆ (2) Green Olives stuffed with Pimentos
- ◆ A few Sliced Almonds
- ◆ Ritz Crackers



Combine cream cheese, onions, beef and seasoning in a mixing bowl and form into a Skull shape. Arrange in the middle of a serving platter. Pressing your thumbs into the cheeseball, make two deep indentations for the eye sockets. Place the olives in the indentations for the eyes. Using a knife, make an upside-down "V" for the nose. Arrange the almonds for the mouth. Arrange crackers around the skull & serve!



Roasted Pumpkin Seeds

- ◆ 1 1/2 tablespoons melted Butter
- ◆ 3/4 teaspoon Lawry's Season Salt
- ◆ 2 teaspoons Worcestershire Sauce
- ◆ 2 cups Raw Whole Pumpkin Seeds, cleaned & dried

Preheat oven to 275 degrees. Combine all ingredients, mix thoroughly. Spread in a shallow baking dish. Bake for 1 Hour, stirring occasionally.



Frankenstein Pizza

- ◆ Jiffy Pizza Crust Mix (prepared according to directions & shaped in the form of a rectangle)
- ◆ 1/2 cup Pesto
- ◆ 1/2 cup Alfredo Sauce
- ◆ 1/2 cup Shredded Italian 6-Cheese Blend
- ◆ 8 Pepperoni Slices
- ◆ 2 Onion Slices
- ◆ 6 Black Olives
- ◆ Green Bell Pepper & Red Bell Pepper



Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Mix pesto and alfredo sauce together and spread over crust, leaving a border of at least 1/2-inch. Sprinkle cheese over the sauce. Cut a triangle out of each pepperoni slice and place across the top of head for the hair. Use leftover pieces of pepperoni (or extra pepperoni slices) to form the mouth. Cut ears (the bell pepper is naturally "ear" shaped, when sliced) from the green bell pepper, and cut two small pieces for the bolts, at each bottom corner. Cut a piece of the red bell pepper in the shape of a nose and place in the center of the face. Slice two olives in half. Place one piece in each eye (over onion slices), and one piece at the end of each bolt. Slice a couple of olives into slivers and place them to look like scars. Bake at 375 degrees for 10-15 minutes (on stoneware or baking sheet), or until heated and cheese melts.

Ghost Milk Jug Luminaries

- ◆ Plastic Milk Jugs
- ◆ Sharp Scissors
- ◆ Tea Lights (to use larger/taller candles, make sure the flame is not too close to the sides of the carton)
- ◆ Something to use as a weight (such as sand, pebbles, or even just a couple of rocks)
- ◆ Black Permanent Marker

Take your milk carton and rinse out thoroughly - Soak it in hot water and scrub gently to remove the labels. Take a black permanent marker and draw faces on them. Cut a flap, so that it is still connected at the top, on one side of the carton, about an inch or two (2.5 – 5 cm) from the bottom. Place your weight into the bottom of the carton, through the flap you have just made. Place the tea light flatly and stably on the bottom of the carton, between your weights. Remove the lid to your carton. Take your luminary to its designated spot of choice, and light the tea light (by way of flap). Sit back & enjoy!

Other Lighting Options ... Use battery powered tea lights, White Christmas lights, or even solar stake lights (placed in the open top of the milk jug, you may need to cut the top wider) for a more long term luminary.



Ring of Ghosts

- ◆ (5) White Twin-size Bed Sheets
- ◆ White String or Yarn
- ◆ (5) Safety Pins
- ◆ (5) Four foot lengths of flexible 1/2 inch PVC Piping, Wooden Stakes or Dowels
- ◆ (5) Small White Plastic Garbage Bags
- ◆ Newspaper
- ◆ Masking Tape
- ◆ Black Permanent Marker



First, determine a good location for your ghost gathering. Find a wide open area, or you may decide to group them around a tree or light pole. To make the ghosts' heads, crumple up newspaper and stuff the small plastic trash bags to the desired size. Stick one of the PVC pipes into one of the bags and wrap the neck with masking tape to secure. Repeat for the other ghosts. Cover each ghost head with a sheet, gathering with string under each head. The head should be in the middle of the sheet, so the outer edges can be attached to the neighboring ghosts. You can make taller or shorter ghosts, but you must adjust the size of the sheet you use to accommodate. Our ghosts will be just under 4 feet tall. Push the PVC piping into the ground in a circular formation about 1-2 feet apart. The sheets should touch the ground and cover up the support. You can also use wooden stakes or dowels, but your ghosts won't have as much movement as they will with the PVC piping. Finally, safety-pin the ends of the sheets together to give the impression the ghosts are holding hands. Because the PVC is flexible, your ghosts will now bob and sway in the wind! If desired, make Casper-like faces on the sheets with black marker.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

American Red Cross Halloween Safety Tips:

These "lucky 13" safety tips are for parents to share with their trick-or-treaters to prevent injuries at Halloween.

- Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.
- Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible. (And remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards and brooms, too!)
- Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.
- Cross the street only at corners.
- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks and low-flying brooms.
- Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars.
- Walk, slither and sneak on sidewalks; not in the street.
- Carry a flashlight to light your way.
- Only visit homes that have the porch light on.
- Use a light stick instead of a wick! Candles used in pumpkins are a fire hazard. (Also, keep in mind that costumes can be extremely flammable.)
- Accept your treats at the door and never go into a stranger's house.
- **Be cautious of strangers and animals.**
- **Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating. And don't eat candy if the package is already opened.** Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.



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