

Thank You to Volunteers

Every year, many residents volunteer and give their time to help beautify the grounds around their sites, while others help with recycling, deliver food, helping neighbors with transportation and even occasionally help with pet sitting. A group of Canyon Pointe residents were very helpful during the renovations by hosting the hospitality room from November to January. Volunteers also contribute their time at BHP communities. Individual volunteers are teaching yoga, ceramics, ESL, sewing and other classes. A group of Boulder families continues to bake and deliver birthday cakes to seniors and adults with disabilities; so far this year they've delivered over 75 cakes!



Flatiron Solutions—Weeding at Foothills

Local businesses also provide volunteer support for special projects. This year a small group of faculty members from Naropa University cleaned up the Iris Hawthorn area, Flatiron Solutions volunteers picked weeds at Foothills, Amgen employees painted porches and decks at Dakota Ridge, and The DeLong family painted the fence at Canyon Pointe.

Thanks to all our volunteers who support our BHP communities. If you'd like to volunteer at your housing community, contact Richard Butler at 720-564-4610.

Resources

SCHOLARSHIP FOR CU STUDENTS The Midge



Korczak Scholarship (up to \$3000) is open to entering freshmen and continuing full-time students with a major in Arts and Sciences.

- Student must be a resident of Colorado and have lived in Colorado Public Housing, Subsidized or Section 8 housing for at least two years prior to attending CU.
- Preferences and additional information are listed on the website below.

Submit the CU-Boulder Office of Financial Aid Scholarship Application and the Korczak Special Topic Essay online at www.colorado.edu/finaid. The application is available beginning November 1, 2011 with a deadline of March 1, 2012.

INTERNET ESSENTIALS This program is offered through Comcast and provides internet for only \$9.95/month. To qualify your household must have at least one child receiving free school lunches. To get more information and to apply call 1-855-846-8376.

BHP News

This time of year, as we give thanks for the many gifts in our lives, we also give thanks to our residents. They continue to remain active in their communities living BHP's mission to create communities and change lives. We are also thankful for:

- the Intercambio volunteers who are teaching English to residents at the family sites. Congratulations to all the residents who are participating in these classes and improving their ability to communicate in English. New classes will be starting soon at additional sites.
- Randy Rothberg, who continues to offer weekly computer classes at Kalmia. Congratulations to the most recent graduates of the Learn to Earn program, who received their computers for their successful completion of the program.
- the BHP Foundation for supporting Kalmia's youth in their efforts to have goals installed at Kalmia. The Soccer Players of Kalmia, as they like to be called, worked hard writing letters, presenting their proposal, and talking to community members to garner their support. The goals are now installed and the games are on!
- a successful summer of gardening. It's time to harvest and put your gardens to bed for the cold weather. Residents who participated in gardening, both vegetable and flower, contributed to the beauty of their communities along with growing nutritious food. Thank you to everyone at all of our BHP properties who cared for gardens over the summer.



We wish you a safe and peace filled holiday season!

The Staff at BHP

AFFORDABLE RENTAL WAITLIST CLOSING Our Boulder Affordable Rentals waitlist is now closed. Beginning January 1st, 2012 we will be discontinuing the waitlist in favor of a more direct first come, first served strategy. As apartments become available, we will post ads on our website, in our main office, and on Craig's list.

SOME NEW FACES FOR YOUR LEASING HELP The following properties will have new leasing managers starting November 1, 2011.

Canyon Pointe, Annie Mount 720-564-4605

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Red Oak Park, Gaia Powers 720-564-4655

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Vistoso, Lisa Luckett 720-564-4653 luckettl@boulderhousingpartners.org

Broadway East & Woodlands, Nina Bennett 720-564-4617

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Twin Pines & Whittier, Yolanda Aguilar 720-564-4606

aguilary@boulderhousingpartners.org

HOLIDAY RELATED CLOSURES The BHP main office will be closed for national holidays the following dates. Remember it's always best to make an appointment.

Thurs & Fri, Nov. 24 & 25, 2011—closed all day.

Fri, Dec. 23, 2011—closing at 12 pm. Dec 26, 2011—closed all day.

Fri, Dec 30, 2011—closing at 12 pm. Mon, Jan 2, 2012—closed all day.

NO-SMOKING REMINDER: Please remember that all BHP properties are now smoke-free. No smoking means anything that produces smoke, including cigarettes, pipes, smoked medical marijuana, and incense.

Holiday Resources

HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAMS During the holidays, many area agencies coordinate giving programs. One of these is EFAA's holiday food baskets, which are delivered to residents at our senior sites and can be picked up at EFAA by other families. If you would like to sign up to receive one of these baskets please contact Shalon Atwood at EFAA: 303-951-7663. Information about other giving programs, including Volunteers of America Fruit Baskets and Angel Trees, will be provided as details are known.

Neighborhood News

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY WITH THE RRC

The Resident Representative Council meets on a monthly basis to discuss resident issues and to support the development of resident councils at the various sites. All residents receiving federally subsidized housing are invited to attend. Meetings are held at Northport, 1133 Portland Place, from 12:30-2pm. Interested participants should feel free to attend the meetings or call Anna Kay for more info at 720-564-4648.

Upcoming meeting times are:

November 2nd, December 14th (Holiday potluck, bring a dish)
After the first of the year, meetings are held at Walnut Place, 1940 Walnut St.: January 11th, February 8th, March 14th (Resource Fair).

ASSET MANAGEMENT UPDATE The Asset Management team would like to thank the BHP residents at Manhattan, Woodlands, Hayden Place, and Bridgewalk for their patience during our recent renovation work. The exterior renovation work at Manhattan wrapped up in early September. The community celebrated the renovations and new landscaping by hosting a fun and tasty gathering complete with enchiladas, tacos, tamales, mole, beef, rice, pasta and desserts!



Manhattan

During October, Woodlands Apartments received new windows for the entire site. The Asset Management team also completed interior renovations at the Hayden Place Apartments at the end of last month. In addition to the beautiful new kitchen, bathroom, and refinishing work at Hayden Place, the new windows will greatly improve the energy efficiency in each unit.

Bridgewalk renovations are in full swing, and the contractors have already completed the first phase of multifamily and townhome units. The total rehab of this property will finish in the early Spring of 2012 and will provide residents with modern interiors and green improvements.



Bridgewalk Playground

Renovation work at Sanitas Place just started, and we look forward to seeing this property evolve in the coming months during construction.

If you have any questions regarding renovation work at Boulder Housing Partners' properties, please feel free to contact Betsy Failey at 720-564-4616.

Safety Corner

It's that time of year again and here are some tips to help you have a more comfortable and safe winter.

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL As in past years the Maintenance Department will be doing snow removal and ice melt at all sites. We will be placing orange buckets



with lids around your site with ice melt in the bucket. This ice melt is available for residents to use around the exterior of your apartment and/or building, sidewalks and steps. Snow will be removed when there is an accumulation of one inch of snow or more on sidewalks.

If there is less than one inch, then the decision for removal will be at the discretion of the Maintenance Coordinator. Snow removal will start either at the beginning of the day or when the snow stops falling. Sites are prioritized by need, starting with the senior sites. Residents are to notify maintenance on the routine maintenance work order phone line at 720-564-4620 of any problem areas or ice after snow removal has been completed.

IDLING VEHICLES Leaving an unattended car to warm up on cold winter mornings is a favorite target for thieves, and pollutes our environment. Please protect yourself and our environment this winter by not leaving your car running. We all thank you!

COLD WEATHER PRECAUTIONS To prevent damage from frozen water to your personal belongings and BHP property, please follow these tips:

- Always leave your heat thermostat set at, or above, 65 degrees, especially if you will be gone for an extended amount of time.
- Open your kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors on cold nights or if you will be gone, to allow warm air to circulate around the water pipes.
- Make sure all windows are securely closed to prevent freezing drafts from entering your apartment. Notify maintenance of any cold air drafts from outside you may feel.
- Notify maintenance if you don't have hot or cold water at any of your faucets, this is the first sign of pipes freezing.



If you have any questions, please call the Maintenance Office at 720-564-4620.

PEST CONTROL Bedbugs are sweeping across the US. BHP has a comprehensive treatment strategy that includes inspection, treatments applied by Pest Control, steaming and vacuuming and resident cooperation. Resident cooperation includes early detection, reporting to the Maintenance work order line 720-564-4620 and preparing fully for treatments.