

East Edition



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HAPPY HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS
Will be from
6:00pm to 8:00pm on
Sunday, October 31st 2010

It's hard to believe, but it won't be long before we have to start thinking about making costumes & buying candy for all the trick or treaters who come to our doors every year.

Rudgate would like to invite you and yours to come and join us for hot cider, donuts & coffee in the Community Building from 6:00pm to 8:00pm on Halloween. It's a nice break and a chance to sit for a few minutes while chasing your little "beggars" !



Exercise Your Right To Vote

Never underestimate the power of the ballot ! One of the greatest strengths of America is that all citizens are provided a voice through the voting booth. And every vote does count !

General Election is to be held at
Rudgate East Community Building
Tuesday, November 2nd, 2010

To obtain information about registering to vote; obtaining an absentee voter ballot; and to learn what candidates and ballot proposals are on the ballot go to www.Michigan.gov/sos and click on "Elections in Michigan"



On behalf of the staff at Rudgate East & The Estates, we would like to thank each of you who graciously donated to the City of Hope Cancer Research Foundation at our Rudgate Community Picnic / Rummage Sale this year ! We collected \$703.00 at this years event ! Thank you all soooo much for your generosity. With your Help, there is Hope !

Santa Claus is Coming To Town !



If you're 10 years old or younger and need to speak with the "big guy" himself about your Christmas wishes. . .Then, don't miss his big arrival around 6:00 pm at the Community Building !

That is right, Santa will be at the Community Building on Tuesday, December 14th, 2010 from 6pm to 7:15pm.

He will be taking time out of his busy schedule to make sure that he visits with you !

He even has some surprises for all those good little boys and girls in the Community. Parents and Grandparents, don't forget your cameras, as there will surely be many photo opportunities.

There will be refreshments for all !

Ho, Ho, Hope to See You All There !

Holiday Decoration Contest !

The judging will take place on Tuesday, December 14th, 2010

For all you "Holiday Minded" decorating enthusiasts, now is the time to show off your stuff ! Rudgate is offering a \$50 rent coupon to the 4 homes chosen throughout the Community. The judges will be looking for homes which show the most originality, the best effort & beauty of style. The winning homes will be selected by outside judges in order to assure fairness & impartial choices.

Remember: Decorations must have distinctive changes and/or additions to make previous winners eligible to win yearly. In other words, 2 years in a row is the most you can win with the same decorations. This rule is meant to encourage those persons who feel "they never have a chance to win."



Farmers Almanac Predicts Bad Winter. . .



Important Money Saving Tips

1. Skirting must be in place and secure to prevent cold drafts, possible freeze ups and/or access to animals.
2. Make sure that your heat tape is plugged in and working properly. Don't trust the little lights that some heat tapes have on them—they only show that power is getting to the light and it may not be working past that point. Run your hand down the length of it to check for warmth. Heat tape **MUST** cover the water meter and down into the crock, however the END must be brought back up to above the meter and sealed.
3. Insulate crock area and ANY exposed water and sewer lines. You can use house insulation and the foam wrap. **DO NOT** insulate gas lines or **EVER** put heat tape on them !!!
4. Disconnect outside hoses from the water spigots once cold weather comes. This can cause very costly repairs, requiring that the water to the entire house be shut off until repaired !
5. Water in the crock is normal and will **NOT** affect your U.L. listed heat tape. Water seeks it's own level and there will always be some water in the crock.
6. Change furnace filters regularly.
7. Check your water heater compartment as it is a frequent cause for drafts. If you insulate the compartment, be sure to leave the vent open for proper ventilation. Water heater blankets have been found to be very efficient also.

A complete list of winterizing tips, as well as a list of licensed and insured Manufactured Home Service Companies are available for anyone to pick up at Community Office.

Snow Shovelers Wanted !

We are always in need of some reliable and ambitious people to shovel snow. If you are interested in making some extra money,



call the Community Office and we will be happy to put you on a list that is hung on the front doors of the Community Building and given out when people call.

Rudgate Community Flu Shots Cancelled

Due to the easy access of flu shots at your local pharmacies and grocery stores, Rudgate will no longer be offering this service. Sorry for any inconvenience !

Rent Envelope Delivery !



We are planning on delivering the years supply of rent envelopes sometime during the months of October / November this year ! There will be 13 envelopes to a pack and all will be pre-stamped with your site number and hung on your front door in a clear hanging bag.

So, keep an eye out !

Fall Back !



Daylight Savings Time comes to an end, Sunday, November 7th, 2010

at 2:00am. So, remember to set the clocks **BACK** one hour before going to bed for the night.

It's also a good time to change the batteries in your smoke detector.

**57400 Bedford Blvd.
Washington, MI
48094**



**Occupant
Rural Route 7
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How Does 3 Months FREE Rent OR \$1000 CASH* Sound To YOU ?

Well, It's as easy as referring someone you know to move their Manufactured Home into our Community !

*They MUST write your name and address, in Rudgate East or The Estates of Rudgate East, on the referral section of the application to the community for you to qualify. In order for you to receive either the 3 months FREE rent OR \$1000 CASH, they must Qualify for Residency and the Home must be Lap Sided with a Shingled Roof and in good condition as well as meeting all township and Community specifications.

Not only is this a good deal for YOU, but GET THIS... Rudgate will move their home into our East or

ALSO, for any friend who buys a home already in a Rudgate Community...

You will receive a **\$250** cash referral fee.*

*Your name and address MUST be written in the referral section of the application to the Community upon Office receiving application for you to qualify. Residents selling their own home & salespersons receiving commission are not eligible for referral fee. Resident must be a leaseholder and in good standing with the Community. Management reserves the right to deny anyone at anytime.

Don't let these opportunities pass you by !

Offers good until 12-31-10

* Some Restrictions May Apply