



# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

## Craven Terrace RAD Renovation Update



We are continuing to work toward closing the Craven Terrace RAD initiative and we hope to close in late November. The work currently being completed is detail work to satisfy all of HUD's requirement and has no impact upon the physical improvements being made. I will keep you informed of our progress.

**Remember:** we are compiling a file of those interested in construction jobs. Applications are available at the management office.

**Martin C. Blaney,**  
Executive Director

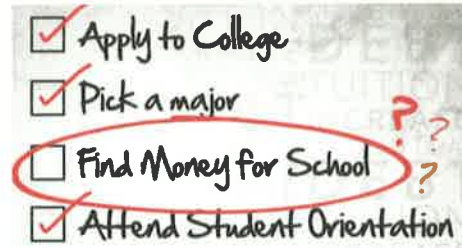


New Bern Park and Recreation, a CAPRA accredited parks and recreation agency, will accept toy request forms for families in need of assistance during Christmas. *(Toys are donated through the 'Toys for Tots' Program.)*

Applications are available at the Stanley White Recreation Center, 901 Chapman Street, or West New Bern Recreation Center, 1225 Pine Tree Drive, **November 2—December 4, 2015, Monday—Friday from 9:00a.m.—5:00p.m.**

For additional information, please contact Shelley Collins at (252) 639-2912.

## Public Housing Authorities Directors Association (PHADA) 2016 Scholarship Program



In order to encourage academic excellence and community responsibility among high school students, PHADA has implemented a scholarship program for graduation seniors who are preparing to enter college.



PHADA will award three (3) scholarships to deserving youth currently residing in Trent Court and Craven Terrace.

1. 30th Annual Stephen J. Bollinger Memorial Scholarship (\$7,000).
2. Freedom & Civil Rights Scholarship (\$5,000.00). NOTE: To receive this scholarship, a personal essay (300-500 words) must be completed demonstrating

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# Happy Thanksgiving

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## Community Artist Will, Inc. (CAW)

CAW is creating opportunities for the community to have access to an *art education*. The largest workshop is called, “*Art Education Initiative*” (*A.E.I.*). It is the largest program to date. It is made possible through partnerships with experienced local artists, as well as the generous grants given by *The Bates Foundation* and *The Mary Duke Biddle Foundation*.



CAW is offering Fall workshops on *Watercolor, Acrylic Painting, Basic-Intermediate Drawing, Ceramics, and Jewelry Crafting*. Each workshop consists of five 2-hour sessions over a span of six (6) weeks. Currently, they have slots available at **NO CHARGE** to Craven Terrace and Trent Court residents.

The community art classes are for KIDS, TEENS, and ADULTS. The classes are as follows:

### Monday, November 2—December 14th.

10am—12pm, Adults (*18 and up*) acrylic painting.  
4pm—6pm, Kids’ Pinch Pots (*8-13*) Pinch Pots

### Tuesday, November 3—December 15th

4pm—6pm, Teens (*13-18*) Bead Crafts  
6pm—8pm, Adults’ (*18 and up*) Cold Connections

### Wednesday, November 4—December 16th

4pm—6pm Kids and Teens’ (*8-18*), Watercolor  
6pm—8pm Adults’ Drawing Beg. and Intermediate

### Thursday, November 5—December 17th

1pm—3pm, Adults’ (*18 and up*), Water Color, Beginner and Intermediate.

**(ALL WORKSHOPS ARE CLOSED Nov 23rd—27th).**

If you would like to register for the wonderful art program, please come to the Trent Court or Craven Terrace office for an application.

## A Parent’s Quick Reference Guide

As a parent, **you are your child's first and most important teacher**. When parents and families are involved in their children's schools, the children do better and have better feelings about going to school. There are many ways that parents can support their children's learning at home and throughout the school year.



Here are some ideas to get you started!

- Meet your child's teacher.
- Make SURE that your child gets homework done. You can set aside a special place to study and establish a regular time for homework.
- Spend quality time with your child's school activities.
- Get your child involved in FREE activities such as the Community Artist Will, Inc. (CAW).

## A Thanksgiving Prayer

Thank you GOD For showing us the way  
Help us to remember YOU this Day  
Let us Always remember the price YOU paid  
Never let us forget that  
With YOU we can be saved  
Keep us in YOUR loving arms  
So we know that we belong  
Guide us and protect us as we walk in the  
Path that YOU have set  
Even though life can be very hard  
We know that YOU won't forget  
I know that I AM never alone  
For you are always there guiding my every  
Step with the love YOU have shown.

*By: Trish Iiams*

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## Craven Terrace News

Thanks to all of the youth and their parents that participated in the *Youth Rap Session*. A special 'thank you' to our special guest, *Mr. William McDavid* who came to give the youth REAL pep talk.

The Resident Council will be teaming up with 'Ambassadors-4-Kids' on *Halloween* in the Craven Terrace Auditorium from 3:00—5:00 p.m.

Please come out and have FUN!

## Food Drive

The Council will sponsor a food drive for our **NEEDY** residents. We hope to service at least ten (10) families this year. We **NEED VOLUNTEERS** to help deliver.

Please sign-up and drop your name and address off in the Craven Terrace office by *November 10, 2015, at 4:30 p.m.*

*Sherri Midgett,*  
Resident Council President



## Trent Court Resident Council

The Council would like to thank the residents of Trent Court and Craven Terrace for attending the Parenting Café on *October 13, 2015*, at Stanley White Recreation Center. The Café was hosted by the *Community Coalition of Craven County Children* to prevent Child Abuse.

*Cheryl Reed,*  
C<sup>5</sup> Chairman

## Flex Your Power


The following are ways you can save on utility bill:

### LIGHTS



- Turn off the lights. Everybody says it, few people do it. It cost an extra \$75 a year if you keep a light on that you don't use.
- Keep the fixtures and bulbs clean. Dirt can absorb as much as 50% of the light
- More bulbs are not better. A 100-watt bulb give as much light as two 60-watts bulbs but uses less energy.

### HEATING/COOLING

- Keep the doors and windows closed and try to reduce the number and length of time they're open. 
- In the Winter, take advantage of the sun to help heat your home. Open shades and drapes on southern and eastern windows during the day. Close them at night.
- Turn the thermostat down in the Winter. Lowering it by only 1 degree can lower your heating cost by 1% - 3%.



### HOT WATER/LAUNDRY

- Don't let the water run when you're at the sink shaving, brushing your teeth, washing hands, etc.
- Always rinse laundry with cold water. Many loads can also be washed in cold water.

### Board of Commissioners

New Bern Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners meet monthly to set policy that affect your community. They meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 4:30 P.M. in the Trent Court Auditorium at 837 South Front Street.

The meeting this month will be on November 16, 2015. It is open to the public and all residents are encouraged to attend.

### Resident Council Meetings

Join us at the next Resident Council Meeting to discuss the possibilities we can achieve in our communities. The schedules are as follows:

**Craven Terrace Resident Council will meet on November 20, 2015, at 6:00 P.M.**

**Trent Court Resident Council will meet on November 2, 2015, at 6:00 P.M.**

**New Bern Towers Resident Council will meet on November 20, 2015, at 4:00 P.M.**

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### Public Housing Authorities Directors Association (PHADA) 2016 Scholarship Program

your efforts and achievements in furthering the values of the civil rights movement. You must also explain the cause is still relevant in communities today and how they relate to your educational goals.

3. SACS Software/Scott Accounting & Computer Services, Inc. Scholarship (\$5,000).

To be eligible for the scholarships, the following *MUST* apply to you:

- You must be a high school senior and reside in Public Housing, Section 8 participants, or other low-income housing.
- Students must have at least a "B" average on his/her schools year.

The scholarship fund will be administered by the PHADA Scholarship Committee. The money will go directly to the school that the recipient will be attending. The school will deposit the money into the student's account. The money may only be used to pay for tuition, books, and activities directly related to the student's education. If the student discontinues his/her education, the unused portion of the scholarship will be returned to PHADA.

The scholarship will be formally presented at PHADA's Annual Convention and Exhibition on May 24, 2016, in Las Vegas, Nevada. The winner, and one (1) parent/guardian, will receive a trip to attend the convention.

For more information and to get an application, please contact the Trent Court or Craven Terrace Rental office.

***Come and GET your MONEY!***



Light  
Refreshments

*Choice Neighborhoods*

**OPEN HOUSE**

GET  
INVOLVED!

**November 9  
3PM - 7PM**

**New Bern-Craven County Library  
400 Johnson Street  
New Bern, NC 28560**

**MEET THE TASK FORCE**  
**GET THE FACTS** Ask Questions  
view the plan Make Suggestions

The Draft Transformation Plan is Also Available Online  
at [www.choicewbern.com](http://www.choicewbern.com)



For more info contact Mickey Miller or  
Theresa Lee at (252) 633-0800 ext. 26 or 30

# **STOP!**

# **SAVE THE DATE!**



**Featuring CARE2U  
Mobile Medical  
Center**

**When: Saturday**

**Nov. 21, 1-4 pm**

**Where: NBHA  
Main Office  
(Trent Court)**

- **Meet Dr. Rick Lynch & the staff of CARE2U**
- **Free health screenings**
- **Fun fitness demonstrations**
- **And much more!**

**Contact your Resident  
Council President for more information**