



## HUNT MILITARY COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES THIRD ANNUAL PATRIOT ESSAY CONTEST

Children between the ages of 8 and 16 are invited to share their thoughts on what it means to be patriotic or how they show patriotism in their community.

To apply, children can visit [Patriot.HuntHeroesFoundation.org](https://Patriot.HuntHeroesFoundation.org) and submit an essay of no more than 200 words or a video message of less than 2 minutes.

The Hunt Military Communities Foundation members will review all applications, and up to five winners will be selected. Each winner will receive a \$100 monetary gift, a Hunt Little Hero Challenge Coin, and will be featured on social media and through a media release.

Having our youth share what it means to show patriotism has become an annual tradition. It is heartwarming to hear their thoughts and celebrate their patriotism when we reflect on the events of 9/11/2001 and recognize National Patriot Day annually on September 11th.

The deadline for submissions is September 5th, 2023. This contest is open to any child between the ages of 8 and 16.

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# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

What Can I Do During a Wildfire Smoke Event to Reduce My Family's Exposure to Smoke Indoors?

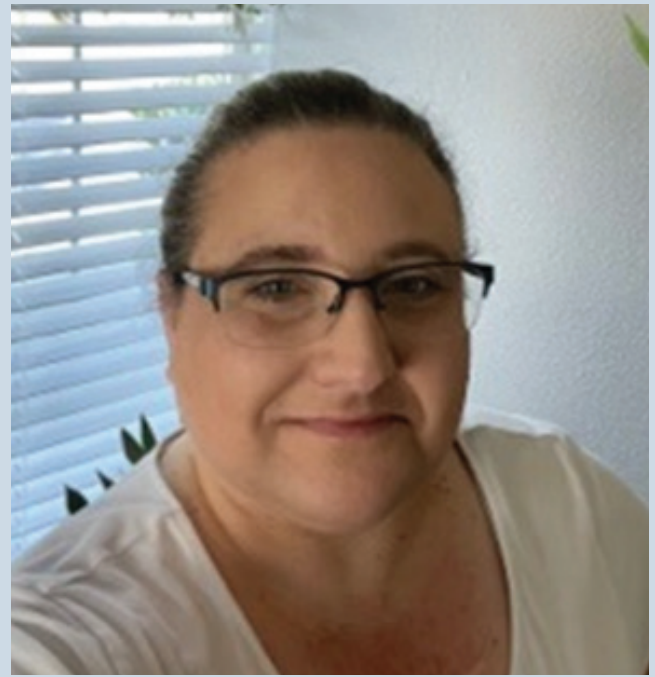
When wildfires create smoky conditions, there are things you can do, indoors and out, to reduce your family's exposure to smoke. Reducing exposure to smoke is important for everyone's health — especially children, older adults, and people with heart or lung disease.

If local officials advise you to stay indoors, take these actions in your home to reduce your smoke exposure:

- Keep windows and doors closed.
- Use fans and air conditioning to stay cool. If you cannot stay cool, seek shelter elsewhere.
- Reduce the smoke that enters your home.
  - If you have a portable air conditioner with a single hose, typically vented out of a window, do not use it in smoky conditions because it can result in more smoke being brought inside. If you have a portable air conditioner with two hoses, make sure that the seal between the window vent kit and the window is as tight as possible.
- Use a portable air cleaner or high-efficiency filter to remove fine particles from the air.
  - If you use a portable air cleaner, run it as often as possible on the highest fan speed.
  - If you have an HVAC system with a high-efficiency filter installed, run the system's fan as often as possible to remove particles while the air quality is poor.
- Avoid activities that create more fine particles indoors, including:
  - Smoking cigarettes.
  - Using gas, propane or wood-burning stoves and furnaces.
  - Spraying aerosol products.
  - Frying or broiling food.
  - Burning candles or incense.
  - Vacuuming, unless you use a vacuum with a HEPA filter.
- Avoid strenuous activity during smoky times to reduce how much smoke you inhale.

# COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

- Wrapped up Roof and Gutter cleaning
- Crosswalks have been re-painted
- Hiring Seasonal help for the Summer to assist with curb appeal
- Summer Tree trimming has began
- Lateral on Alabama has been fixed
- Irrigation repairs have been completed
- Landscaping Crew is now on Summer schedule, and will be on each street once a week
- Landscaping Contract began to pick up pet waste left behind in the neighborhood
- Re-painting 4 basketball courts
- ADA swings have been installed



## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Kathy Hicks

Kathy Hicks is a Resident Service Specialist here at West Sound Family Housing. Kathy loves hanging with her daughters (22 and 16) and doing whatever. She enjoys cuddling up with her cat and reading a good book. When asked what she loves about her job, Kathy said, "I love that every day it's something new."

## FUN STATS

**New Move-Ins Welcomed:** 41

**Work Orders Completed:** 515

**SatisFacts Surveys Received:** 74

**Average Move-In Score:** 3.82

**Average Work Order Score:** 4.84

## GOOD NEWS STORIES

We have transitioned to YES Energy. RECP is still suspended until further notice. However, there are tools and tips to reduce electricity consumption.

- Turn off Lights when not in use
- Use of major appliances in non-peak hours
- Make the change to LED
- Avoid leaving electronics in stand-by mode
- Unplug inactive devices
- Clean dust/debris from vents regularly
- Wash full loads of laundry in cold water
- Adjust your thermostat while away and overnight

# IMPORTANT EVENTS

## Boorda Story Time

Join us for a delightful morning of storytelling and play at the Boorda Story Time event. Bring your little ones to the Boorda Pavilion on Thursday, July 6th, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM for an engaging and interactive story session with friends. Immerse yourselves in captivating tales and enjoy a fun-filled time of imagination and laughter.

## Paint at The Pavilion

Get your creative juices flowing at Paint at The Pavilion, an exciting arts and crafts event exclusively for residents. Join us at the Boorda Pavilion by the Bangor Valley Leasing Office on July 7th from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM for an opportunity to unleash your artistic talents. We provide the craft supplies, so come ready to create beautiful and fun art pieces while enjoying a pleasant evening with fellow residents.

## Floor is Lava Day

Join us for a thrilling and fun-filled day of Family Fun and Games at the Floor is Lava Day event. Residents of all ages are invited to the Bangor Creek Community Center on July 11th (exact time to be confirmed) for an exciting game of "The Floor is Lava." Additionally, engage in entertaining lava-related science experiments that will ignite curiosity and spark imagination. Stay tuned for further details on timing as we coordinate with MWR to finalize the schedule. Don't miss out on this exciting event for the whole family!

## Popsicle Handout

Cool off and satisfy your sweet tooth at our Popsicle Handout event. Open to all residents, simply swing by the Leasing Office on July 14th from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM to grab a refreshing otter pop. Beat the summer heat with this delightful treat and enjoy a delicious burst of flavor. No restrictions apply, so come on over and treat yourself to a tasty popsicle.

## Family Day

Get ready for a splashing good time at Family Day, a Summer Water Day event exclusively for residents. Join us at the Bonefish Community Center on July 22nd from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM for a day filled with fun activities, including hot dogs, a bounce house, slide with a pool, games, and more. Bring the whole family and make a splash as you enjoy a day of laughter and excitement. No restrictions apply, so come prepared to have a fantastic time!

## CAB Meeting

Join us for the Community Advisory Board (CAB) Meeting, where Hunt Residents, Navy Partners, and Hunt representatives come together to collaborate and enhance our community. Taking place on July 18th from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM, this meeting provides a platform for residents to voice their opinions, discuss concerns, and contribute to community improvements. Please note that attendance is restricted to accepted CAB members only.

## Bonefish Story Time

Join us for a delightful morning of storytelling and play at Bonefish Story Time. Bring your little ones to the Bangor Creek Kids Room on Thursday, July 20th, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM for an engaging and interactive story session with friends. Immerse yourselves in captivating tales and enjoy a fun-filled time of imagination and laughter.

## Bubble Day

Join us for a bubbly extravaganza at Bubble Day, an event specially designed for infants and toddlers. Residents are invited to the Bonefish Community Center on July 25th from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM for a sensory-filled experience with bubble toys and engaging playtime. Enjoy the magical world of bubbles and take home a bottle of bubbles (while supplies last) to continue the fun at home. No restrictions apply, so bring your little ones and dive into a world of bubbly excitement!

## Friendship Bracelet – craft

Unleash your creativity and express your friendship with a fun craft-making session at the Friendship Bracelet event. Residents are invited to the Bonefish Community Center on July 28th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM to create beautiful friendship bracelets using the available supplies. Dive into a world of colors and patterns as you craft personalized bracelets to celebrate the bonds of friendship. No restrictions apply, so join us for an afternoon of creativity and connection.

## Popsicle Handout

Beat the summer heat with a sweet treat at our Popsicle Handout event. Open to all residents, simply swing by the Landings Community Center on July 31st from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM to grab a refreshing popsicle. Indulge in the cool and delicious flavors as you enjoy a moment of relaxation. No restrictions apply, so come on over and treat yourself to a delightful popsicle!



HMC FOUNDATION'S WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A PATRIOT ESSAY CONTEST DEADLINE - SEPTEMBER 5TH

INDEPENDENCE DAY - JULY 4TH

# 2023

# JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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02	03 Red, White, & Blue Contest Ends Facebook Independence Day <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	04	05	06 Boorda Storytime Boorda Pavilion 10 - 11 AM	07 Pet of the Month Starts Facebook Paint at The Pavilion Boorda Pavilion 4 - 5:30 PM	08
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16	17	18 CAB Meeting 4 - 5:30 PM	19	20 Yard of the Month Ends Facebook Bonefish Storytime Bangor Creek Kids Room 10 - 11 AM	21	22 Family Day Summer Social Bonefish Community Center 11 am - 4 PM
23	24	25 Bubble Day Bonefish Community Center 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	26	27	28 Friendship Bracelet Bonefish Community Center 2 - 4 PM	29 Army Chaplain Corps Anniversary
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