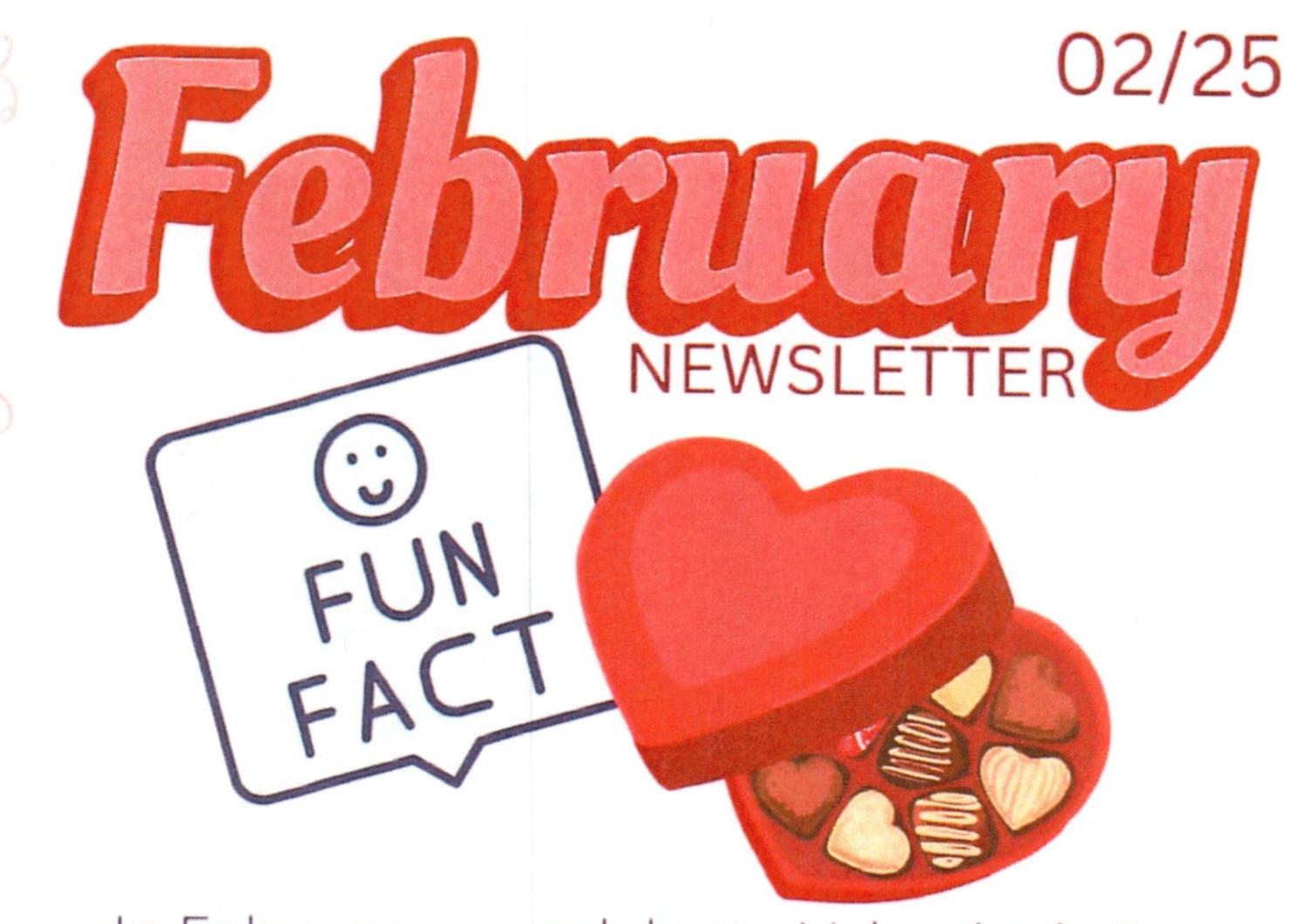


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In February, we celebrate Valentine's Day.

Treasurer Sheila Kniffin skniffin@ highlandscooperative.com The Valentine's Day tradition of giving a box of candy was started in the 19th century by Richard Cadbury, who's family made Cadbury chocolates. They were creating more varieties of chocolate & needed a way to "celebrate" that.

DUMPSTER

INFORMATIONAL

MEETING

The next Board Meeting is Mon, February 17th at 6:30 PM

We will be holding a meeting to discuss the issue of unauthorized trash **dumping** at Highlands. This issue has been escalating, and we are seeking solutions to prevent outsiders from using our trash dumpsters.

To gather Member input and discuss potential solutions, we will be holding informational meetings for all Members. Your attendance and insights are highly valued.

We will be offering two meeting times on **Monday, February 17th At 12:00 noon OR At 6:00 PM** (Prior to the Board meeting, open session at 6:30)

If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute your suggestions, please email us at office@highlandscooperative.com with the subject line "Dumpsters."

<u>Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to address this issue</u>

MARIJUANA IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON THE PROPERTY OF HIGHLANDS COOPERATIVE While marijuana may be legal in the State of Michigan, it remains an unlawful controlled substance under federal law. Any use, cultivation, and/or distribution of marijuana on Highlands' property is a direct violation of the Occupancy Agreement and constitutes grounds for termination of the violating Member's membership.

Members are held responsible for the actions of their occupants, guests, and visitors. For further information, please refer to your Occupancy Agreement.

> We have had many many inquiries about the trash bags that have been available to members in the past. Although we can no longer provide them free of charge - you will be able to purchase a box of 250 trash bags from the office for only \$49.00. (that is less than 20 cents each) Payment will be expected upon pick-up at the office by check or money order.

POPULAR DEMA

Keeping your porch light on keeps our community safer. If your porch light goes out, all you need to do is call the Office and Maintenance personnel will come over to replace your bulb.

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Also if it isn't already - to guard against your switch being shut off accidentally you can have the switch hard wired so that it stays in the "on" position. That way your light will automatically come on at dusk and off at dawn

DID YOU KNOW?

SNOW ALERTS ON GROUPCAST

When you receive notice that we will be clearing the parking spaces, PLEASE DO NOT move your vehicle out of the parking lot until you get the (2nd) notice instructing you to move your vehicle out of the parking lot. When you move out early, you are taking spaces that members who have to move out could utilize. This forces them to park further down the street.

Also, when you get the notice to move your car back into the parking lot, *please do so as soon as possible* to open up space on the street for other members to park.

Please be thoughtful of other Members of our community.

WORK ORDERS

When a maintenance issue occurs, please call us to have it repaired. It's much easier and helpful to address problems one at a time. **Don't wait until you have list of repairs.**

To aid our maintenance team in addressing your work orders as quickly and efficiently as possible, here is how work orders should be submitted.

- Call in work needing to be done, even if it is only one item.
- Emergency Work Orders: call the office or emergency maintenance
 - Office from 7am to 4:30 M-F (517) 882-0796
 - Emergency Maintenance 4:30pm to 7am M-F (<u>517) 202-7820</u>
 - And 24 Hours on Weekends and Holidays
- Non-Emergency Work Orders: call the office or submit online
 - Office from 7am to 4:30 M-F (517) 882-0796
 - Submit on Highlands Website under: Member > Member Tools > Work Request OR by email to office@highlandscooperative.com

Are you looking for a delicious and healthy dessert option? Try this simple and traditional recipe for Broiled grapefruit – AND *February is National Grapefruit month!* If you prefer, this recipe can be adapted for peaches, pineapple, or bananas.



Ingredients:

2 grapefruit, cut in half

6 tablespoons brown sugar

Directions:

Set an oven rack about 6 inches from the heat source & preheat the oven's broiler.

Place grapefruit halves, cut-sides up, onto a baking sheet Sprinkle each grapefruit half with about 11/2 tablespoons of brown sugar.

Broil in the preheated oven until brown sugar melts and begins to bubble, 3 to 8 minutes. Let cool for a few minutes, then serve warm.

On Wednesday, February 12, this month's full moon occurs. It seems fitting that it is known as the SNOW MOON



During the Winter month's it is more important than ever to keep your vehicle's bumper off the sidewalk. This will assist our staff as they work to clear your sidewalks. When your bumper sits over the curb and sidewalk it creates a safety issue and could result in unsafe walking conditions. It also makes snow removal more difficult and could result in damage to your vehicle.

THANK YOU for your cooperation!