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# DECEMBER

NEWSLETTER

THE HIGHLANDS' STAFF &  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU  
A WONDERFUL  
HOLIDAY SEASON &  
A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR



Check your January Calendar  
for the next  
Board Meeting date

THE DEADLINE IS FAST APPROACHING!

**HELP US FILL THE BOX!**



We are collecting Toys for Tots until

**Wednesday, December 3rd** at the Highlands Office.

the Office will be  
closed

WED Dec 24<sup>th</sup> &

THUR Dec 25<sup>th</sup>

## reminder:



During the Winter month's it is more important than ever to keep your vehicle's bumper behind the curbing. 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!

## DECEMBER SUPER MOON!

According to the Farmer's Almanac

Mark your calendars! December 4, 2025, brings the Cold Moon, and this year it's a dazzling supermoon. Because it's a supermoon, it may appear slightly larger and brighter than a typical full Moon—up to ~8% larger in diameter and ~16% brighter. This supermoon also comes just before the peak of the Geminid meteor shower (December 13–14), which means exceptionally dark skies for a dazzling display of shooting stars.



### Ingredients 4 servings

- ¼ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ⅓ cup hot water
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- 4 cups milk, any variety
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

### Instructions

In a medium saucepan, combine the cocoa powder, sugar, water, and salt over medium heat. Heat this chocolate base mixture, stirring constantly, until smooth. When it simmers, reduce the heat, pour the milk, and continue stirring as it heats up and you see steam surface. *Do not let it boil*; you don't want to burn the milk. Turn off the heat, add the vanilla, and mix. Pour the hot cocoa into mugs and top it with marshmallows or whipped cream.

# HOT COCOA



# ALL VEHICLES **MUST** HAVE A PARKING STICKER

Even though your vehicle may be registered with the Office or you are parked in your assigned parking space, without a parking sticker on the windshield, your vehicle is subject to being towed at the owner's expense

**- without notification.**



Please call the office @ (517) 882-0796

***If you do not have a parking sticker on your windshield. Bring in or email a copy of your car registration & we'll have a parking sticker made for you.***

## Snow Removal Procedure

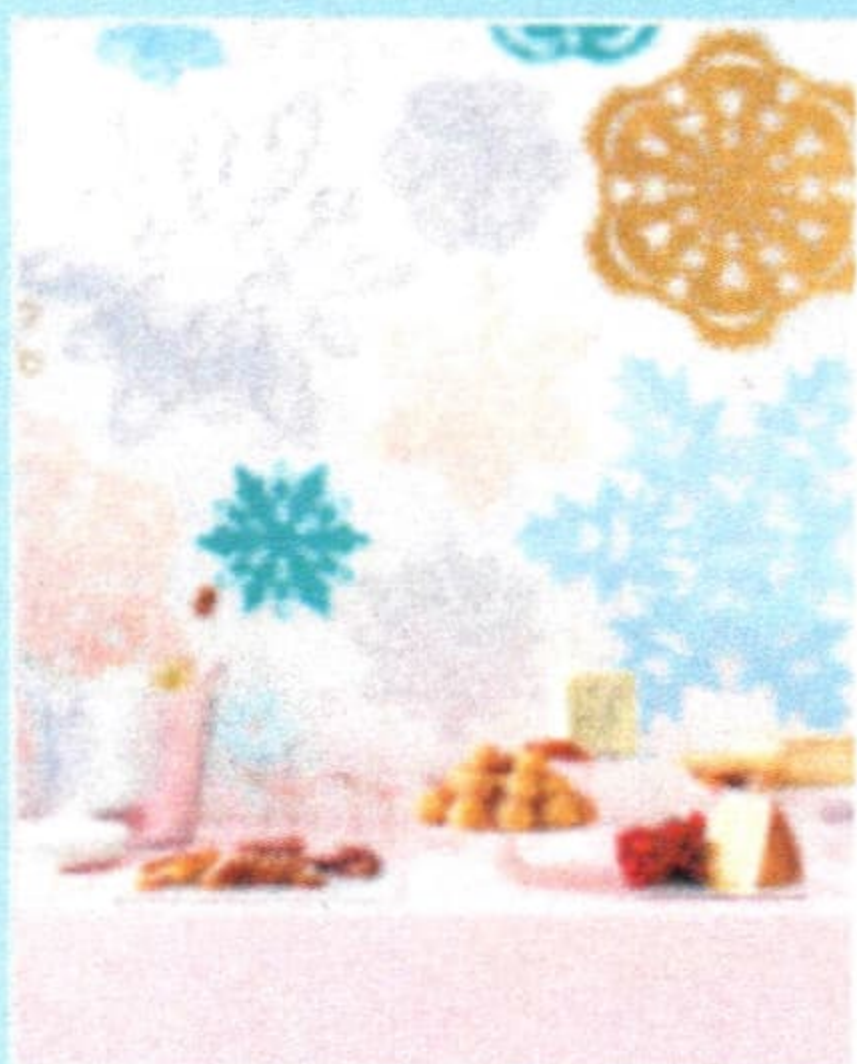
Plowing of the lots will not begin until there has been an accumulation of two or more inches of snow on the parking lot surface. All centers of the lots will be done first, with the parking spaces being plowed after the centers have been completed, weather and time permitting. Primary and secondary walks are not cleared unless the center of the parking lot have been done. Parking spaces will not be plowed on week-ends or holidays.

When Maintenance is ready to start plowing the parking spaces, a **GroupCast alert** will be sent as advance notice for Members that parking spaces are being cleared sometime that day. This alert will be done between 7:00 am and 9:00 am that morning. If a Member is not signed up for the Group Cast Alert notification, the only notice given will be the sounding of the horn. Between the time the horn is sounded and the plow truck arrives to begin plowing the parking spaces, Members will have as little as 10 minutes to remove their vehicle(s) from the parking lot. Once the plow truck starts plowing in the lot, any vehicles left in the lot will be charged a fine, even if the vehicle is moved during the plowing process. Any vehicles without a sticker that did not move will be towed.

Once an orange cone has been placed in the middle of the parking lot entrance, no vehicles are allowed to enter until the lot has been cleared of snow and salted. Once the parking lot has been cleared of snow, another truck will be coming in to spread salt. Do not enter the parking lot until the cone is removed or the member will be subjected to a fine.

***Please take the time to review the Snow Removal Policy for more details***

## Celebrate "Making Paper SNOWFLAKES Day"



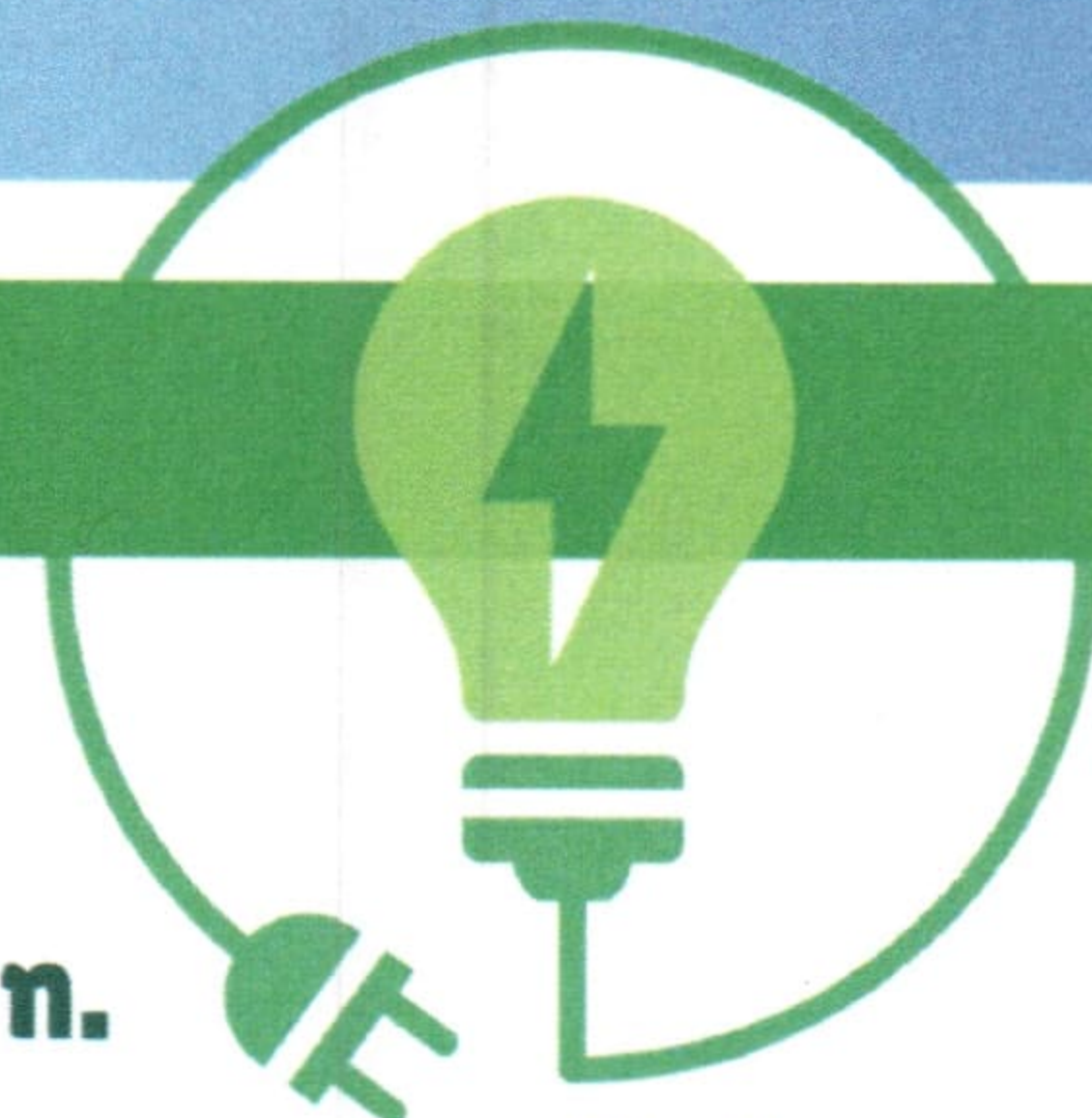
### How to Make Paper Snowflakes

Learn how to fold and cut dozens of paper snowflakes. Use our printable templates, then decorate the Christmas tree, wreath...



INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE FOUND AT THE LINK BELOW (copy & paste)  
[www.marthastewart.com/266694/decorating-with-paper-snowflakes](http://www.marthastewart.com/266694/decorating-with-paper-snowflakes)

## Energy SAVING Corner



**Here are a few helpful tips for saving energy during the holiday season.**

*Switch to LED lights* - Even though they might cost a little bit more, LED lights use up to 90% less energy than traditional incandescent bulbs.

*Use Timers* - Timers can automatically turn lights on & off, ensuring they are only active when needed.

*Consider Solar Power* - Use solar-powered options for your outdoor decorations.

These ideas can help reduce your energy consumption during the holiday season.



**REMINDER** - when decorating on the outside of the townhouse - No stickers, nails, screws, etc...can be used on the doors or the vinyl siding



**December is National Learn a Foreign Language Month?**

