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NEWSLETTER

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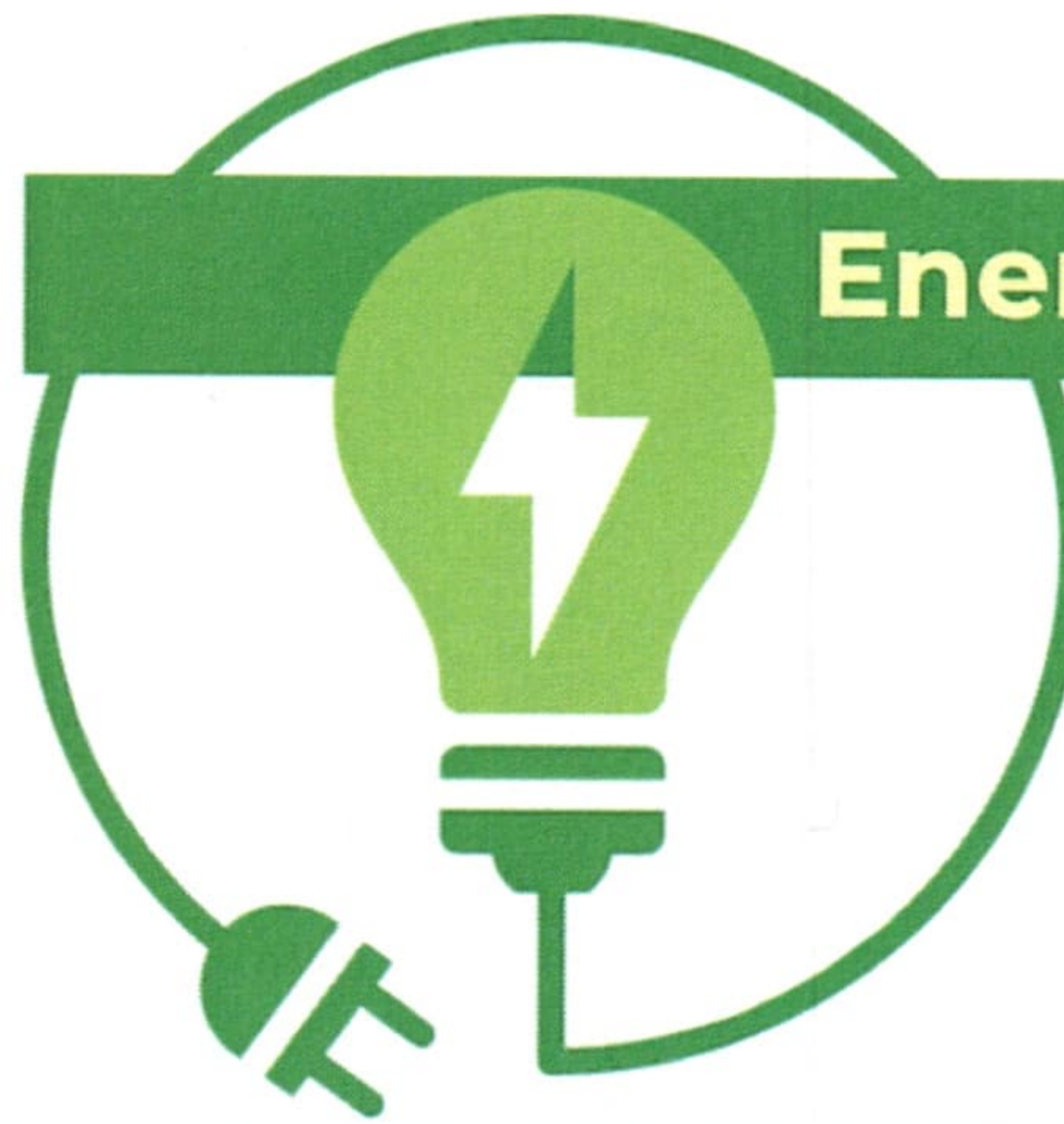
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No October Board Meeting
Watch your calendar for the
next public
Board Meeting date



Energy SAVING Corner

Watch for helpful
energy saving advice
in future Newsletters.

Maybe you already knew that saving energy helps you to save money - but it also saves money for our community and lowers operating costs - and that effects the carrying charges here at Highlands. If everyone does their part, **EVERYONE** benefits.

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A reminder as the weather gets cooler, per Highlands' policy, all windows and exterior doors must be kept closed when the temperature is below 40 degrees. If it's verified that you are in violation of this policy, an attempt will be made to notify you that you need to close your door or window. Review the entire policy under Open Doors and Windows for complete details and fines.



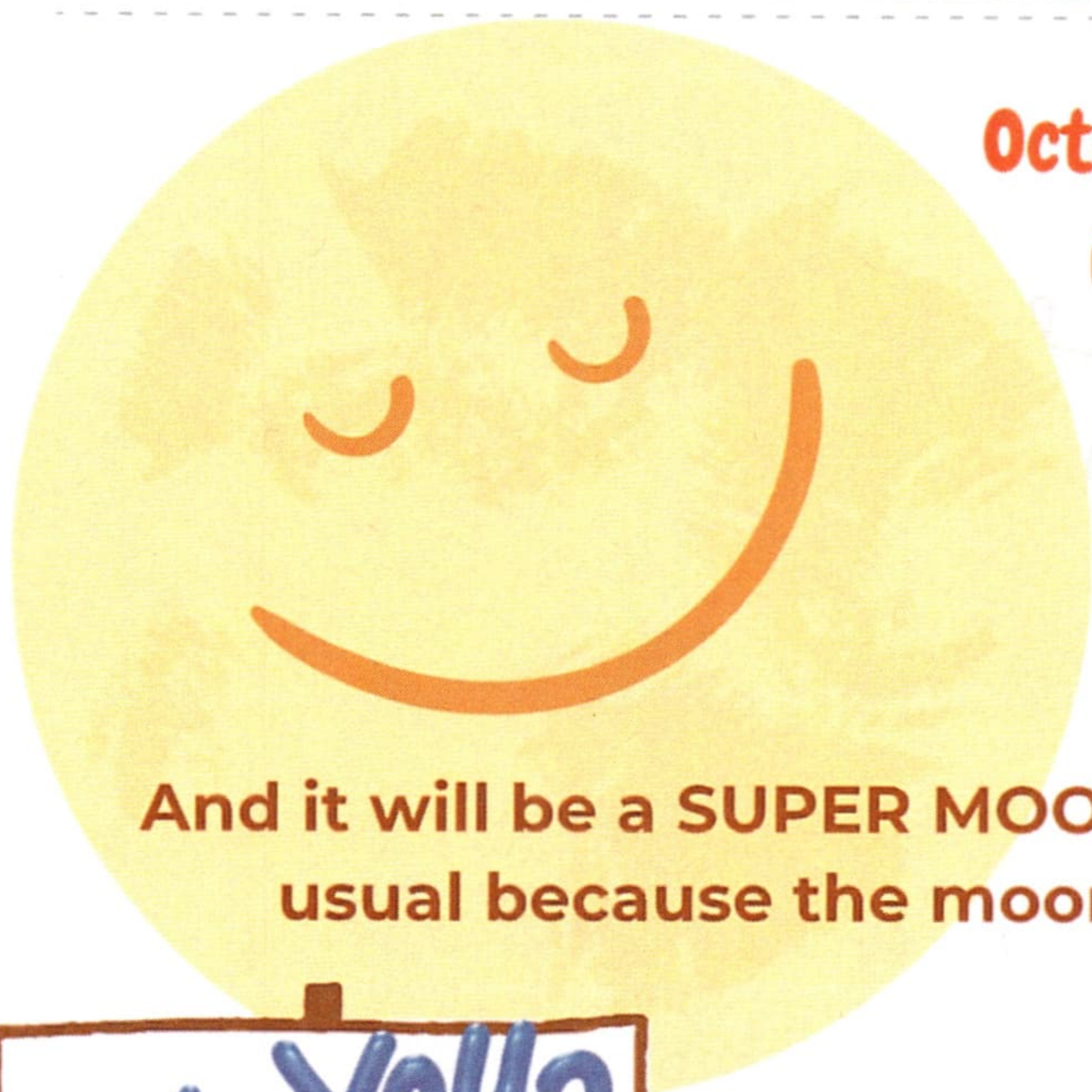


Keeping your porch light on keeps our community safer. If your porch light goes out, all you need to do is call the Office and Maintenance staff personnel will come over to replace your bulb.

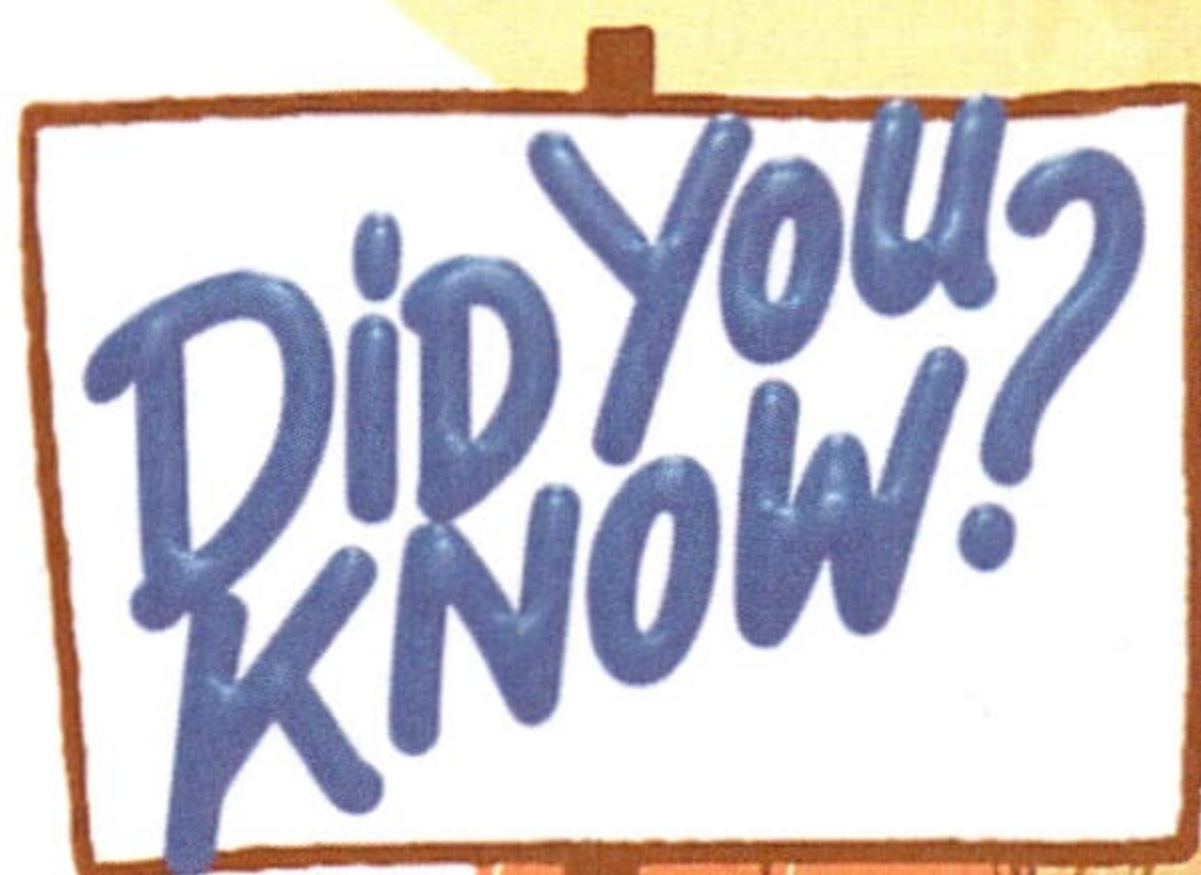
Also if it isn't already - to guard against your switch being shut off accidentally - You can have the switch hard wired so that it stays in the "on" position. That way your light will automatically come on at dusk and off at dawn



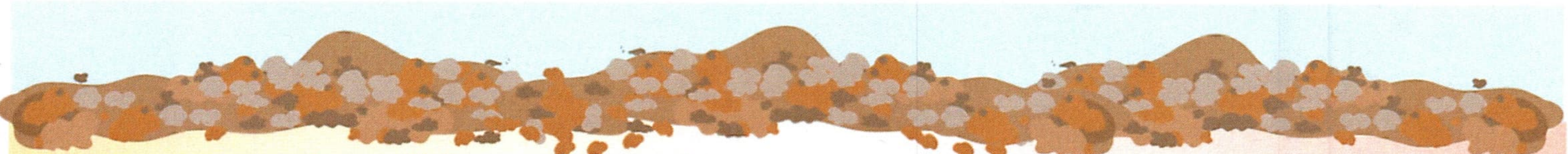
October 6th will be this year's Harvest Moon - it is the full moon that occurs closest to the autumnal equinox



And it will be a SUPER MOON - it will appear larger and brighter than usual because the moon's orbit is at its closest point to Earth



Did you know that Pumpkins, often thought of as a symbol of October & Halloween, are actually a fruit, not a vegetable?



Grounds will begin distributing **WOOD CHIPS** this month.
You will get notified by Group Cast Alert to inform you prior to
when they will be working in your area.

If you do not want wood chips, you must call the Office to be placed on the
"NO WOOD CHIP LIST".

If you do not call and wood chips are placed in your flowerbed
you will be responsible for the removal.

Call 517-882-0796

To prepare your flowerbed you must:

Remove all garden art, including planters, statues, etc...

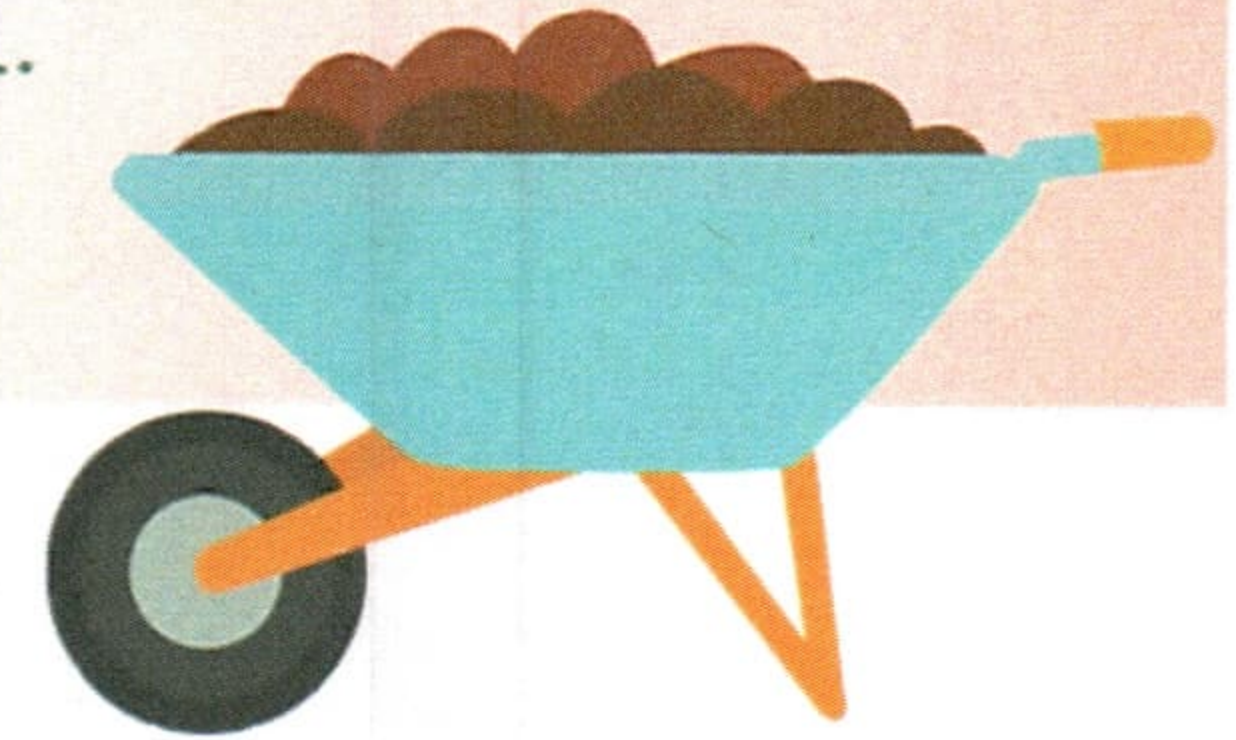
Trim back perennials so they can be covered with wood chips, and remove weeds

You will NOT receive wood chips if:

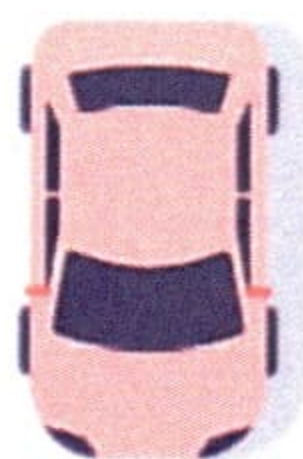
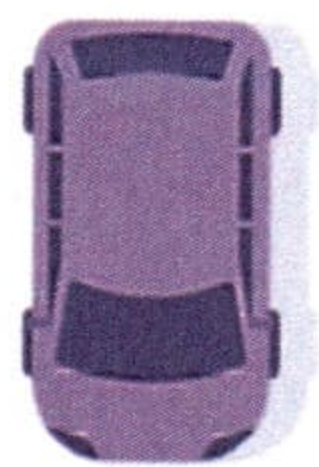
Your flowerbed is exempt and you have a tree sticker in your living room window

Your flowerbed already has enough wood chips or ground covering

You did NOT prepare your flowerbed for the wood chips



October's name comes from the Latin word for "eight,"
as it was the eighth month in the early Roman calendar,
but it's now the tenth month with 31 days.



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. and we'll have a parking sticker made for you.

FALL PLANT EXCHANGE

At the August Board of Directors Meeting, a Member suggested that we have a Fall Plant Exchange/Giveaway. Members were asked to reach out if they had any perennial plants that needed new homes. We offered to provide a list so other member's looking for perennials to plant, could contact one another.

At this point no one has contacted the Office - with this warm weather, we still have time. Please contact the Office if you are interested in sharing (or receiving) any extra perennials that you may need to divide or need a new home.



With the weather getting colder, it is important **to unhook your hose** when it's not in use. This will keep it from freezing to the spigot and prevent possible pipe damage that can lead to leaks in the basement.

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 — (517) 202-7820
 - 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