# FEB MOODY INSIGHTS 2022 NEWS & STORIES





#### **Moody Family Housing**

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## Our President's Message

Dear HMC Residents,

As we head into February, I want to share with you an important opportunity for those looking to attend secondary schooling at a 2-year, 4-year, or technical school. Hunt Military Communities, in partnership with the Hunt Heroes Foundation, is once again excited to sponsor our fourth annual scholarship program. This year we will be awarding 18 scholarships totaling \$50,000. Those eligible include any active service

member or their dependents. This is open to any branch of our armed forces and you do not need to be a Hunt Military Communities resident. All scholarship applications must be online at:

https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/huntheroesscholarship. The deadline to submit a nomination is February 22, 2022, at 3 pm CST, or until 50 applications are received, whichever comes first. Even if you do not have a need this year, we invite you to share this opportunity with someone who qualifies. This is one of many charitable endeavors Hunt Military Communities is actively pursuing. We have supported several of the top rated charities that serve our active duty & military veteran populations to include career transition, homes, education, and mental health. Our support for these organizations, Tunnels to Towers, Hire Heroes USA, Travis Manion Foundation, and our Hunt Heroes Foundation Scholarships are all part of our desire to go above and beyond providing housing and property management services to our nation's heroes and their families. Thank you very much for choosing to live with HMC, and we hope you have a wonderful month!



CEO
Hunt Military Communities





## Banana Bread Recipe

PREP TIME 10 mins COOK TIME 55 mins TOTAL TIME

65 mins

**SERVINGS** 8 to 10 servings YIELD 1 loaf

**NOTE:** No need for a mixer for this recipe! Clean-up is easy too, if you want, you can mix everything in one mixing bowl.

The best bananas to use for banana bread are those that are over-ripe. The yellow peels should be at least half browned, and the bananas inside squishy and browning. We recommend an 8x4-inch pan for this recipe. It can also be made in a 9x5-inch pan, but the loaves will have less rise.

**NOTE:** We have reduced the amount of baking soda in this recipe from 1 teaspoon to 1/2 teaspoon. After testing, we found that bread made with less baking soda has a slightly higher and more consistent rise with a nice dome and a tender crust, while the flavor and texture are consistent with the original recipe. This said, if you have been baking this bread with 1 teaspoon of baking soda and are happy with those results, by all means continue doing so!

#### Ingredients

2 to 3 medium (7" to 7-7/8" long) very ripe bananas, peeled (about 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cups mashed)

1/3 cup (76g) butter, unsalted or salted, melted

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 pinch salt

3/4 cup (150g) sugar (1/2 cup if you would like it less sweet, 1 cup if more sweet)

1 large egg, beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 1/2 cups (205g) all-purpose flour

#### Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°, and butter a 4x8-inch loaf pan.
- In a mixing bowl, mash the ripe bananas with a fork until completely smooth. Stir the melted butter into the mashed bananas.
- Mix in the baking soda and salt. Stir in the sugar, beaten egg, and vanilla extract. Mix in the flour
- 4. Pour the batter into your prepared loaf pan. Bake for 50 minutes to 1 hour at 350°, or until a toothpick or wooden skewer inserted into the center comes out clean. A few dry crumbs are ok; streaks of wet batter are not. If the outside of the loaf is browned, but the center is still wet, loosely tent the loaf with foil and continue baking until the loaf is fully baked.
- 5. Remove from oven and let cool in the pan for a few minutes. Then remove the banana bread from the pan and let cool completely before serving. Slice and serve. (A bread knife helps to make slices that aren't crumbly.)

Wrapped well, the banana bread will keep at room temperature for 4 days. For longer storage, refrigerate the loaf up to 5 days, or freeze it.

## A Moment in Black History Ruby Bridges: First African American Child to Attend an All-White School

Ruby Bridges was the first African American child to integrate an all-white public elementary school in the South. She later became a civil rights activist.

#### Who Is Ruby Bridges?

Ruby Bridges was six when she became the first African American child to integrate a white Southern elementary school. On November 14, 1960, she was escorted to class by her mother and U.S. marshals due to violent mobs. Bridges' brave act was a milestone in the civil rights movement, and she's shared her story with future generations in educational forums.

#### **Early Life**

Ruby Nell Bridges was born on September 8, 1954, in Tylertown, Mississippi. She grew up on the farm her parents and grandparents sharecropped in Mississippi.

When she was four years old, her parents, Abon and Lucille Bridges, moved to New Orleans, hoping for a better life in a bigger city.

Her father got a job as a gas station attendant and her mother took night jobs to help support their growing family. Soon, young Bridges had two younger brothers and a younger sister.

#### **Education and Facts**

The fact that Bridges was born the same year that the Supreme Court handed down its Brown v. Board of Education decision desegregating schools is a notable coincidence in her early journey into civil rights activism.

When Bridges was in kindergarten, she was one of many African American students in New Orleans who were chosen to take a test determining whether or not she could attend a white school. It is said the test was written to be especially difficult so that students would have a hard time passing. The idea was that if all the African American children failed the test, New Orleans schools might be able to stay segregated for a while longer.

Bridges lived a mere five blocks from an all-white school, but she attended kindergarten several miles away, at an all-Black segregated school. Bridges' father was averse to his daughter taking the test, believing that if she passed and was allowed to go to the white school, there would be trouble. However, her mother, Lucille, pressed the issue, believing that Bridges would get a better education at a white school. She was eventually able to convince Bridges' father to let her take the test

In 1960, Bridges' parents were informed by officials from the NAACP that she was one of only six African American students to pass the test. Bridges would be the only African American student to attend the William Frantz School, near her home, and the first Black child to attend an all-white elementary school in the South.

#### School Desegregatior

When the first day of school rolled around in September, Bridges was still at her old school. All through the summer and early fall, the Louisiana State Legislature had found ways to fight the federal court order and slow the integration process. After exhausting all stalling tactics, the Legislature had to relent, and the designated schools were to be integrated that November.

Fearing there might be some civil disturbances, the federal district court judge requested the U.S. government send federal marshals to New Orleans to protect the children. On the morning of November 14, 1960, federal marshals drove Bridges and her mother five blocks to her new school. While in the car, one of the men explained that when they arrived at the school, two marshals would walk in front of Bridges and two would be behind her.

When Bridges and the federal marshals arrived at the school, large crowds of people were gathered in front yelling and throwing objects. There were barricades set up, and policemen were everywhere.

Bridges, in her innocence, first believed it was like a Mardi Gras celebration. When she entered the school under the protection of the federal marshals, she was immediately escorted to the principal's office and spent the entire day there. The chaos outside, and the fact that nearly all the white parents at the school had kept their children home, meant classes weren't going to be held at all that day.

#### Ostracized at Elementary School

On her second day, the circumstances were much the same as the first, and for a while, it looked like Bridges wouldn't be able to attend class. Only one teacher, Barbara Henry, agreed to teach Bridges. She was from Boston and a new teacher to the school. "Mrs. Henry," as Bridges would call her even as an adult, greeted her with open arms.

Bridges was the only student in Henry's class because parents pulled or threatened to pull their children from Bridges' class and send them to other schools. For a full year, Henry and Bridges sat side by side at two desks, working on Bridges' lessons. Henry was loving and supportive of Bridges, helping her not only with her studies but also with the difficult experience of being ostracized.

Bridges' first few weeks at Frantz School were not easy ones. Several times she was confronted with blatant racism in full view of her federal escorts. On her second day of school, a woman threatened to poison her. After this, the federal marshals allowed her to only eat food from home. On another day, she was "greeted" by a woman displaying a Black doll in a wooden coffin.

Bridges' mother kept encouraging her to be strong and pray while entering the school, which Bridges discovered reduced the vehemence of the insults yelled at her and gave her courage. She spent her entire day, every day, in Mrs. Henry's classroom, not allowed to go to the cafeteria or out to recess to be with other students in the school. When she had to go to the restroom, the federal marshals walked her down the hall.

Several years later, federal marshal Charles Burks, one of her escorts, commented with some pride that Bridges showed a lot of courage. She never cried or whimpered, Burks said, "She just marched along like a little soldier."

Story found at: https://www.biography.com/activist/ruby-bridges





## **COMMUNITY REMINDERS**

We thank you for your continued patience and dedication in following the COVID-19 guidance and protocols over the past year. We recognize it has been a very challenging time for all and appreciate all that you do in helping to keep our communities safe.

- While business is being conducted virtually as much as possible, we are available in the office, Monday Friday 8AM 5PM. To make an appointment to come to the office, please call us at (229) 333-0539.
- All URGENT and EMERGENCY Maintenance requests need to be called in! Placing an Urgent or Emergency request through the website or Resident Portal App is automatically prioritized as ROUTINE. You can call anytime, 24/7 at 229-333-0539.
- Balances Due: All balances due must be paid in full within 30 days (with the exception of Payment Plans; please follow according to arrangement). Payments can be made via your Resident Portal App,.
- Please continue Mowing and Edging your fenced yards! Residents with fenced backyards are responsible for mowing the fenced area, as well as edging/trimming along fence line.



Please contact our office at 229-333-0539 with any questions.

## ASTRO PEST CONTROL SERVICE

If you require treatment in-between the scheduled dates, please contact our office at 229-333-0539.

Call back for treatment is every Wednesday for both communities!

## MOODY FAMILY HOUSING EVENTS for FEBRUARY

Facebook Events- To stay up to date with any virtual events occurring, please be sure to follow our page at: https://www.facebook.com/MoodyFamilyHousing2012

**1 February** - Show Us Your Valentine Contest begins! Check out our FB page for more information.

2 February - Groundhog Day

4 February - Winter Olympics Start

**10 February** - Show Us Your Valentine Contest ends. Winner will be chosen at random!

**13 February** - Super Bowl Sunday: Cincinnati Bengals vs. Los Angeles Rams

14 February - Happy Valentine's Day!

**15 February** - Hunt Heroes Foundation Scholarship Program Applications Open

18 February - Pluto Day

20 February - Winter Olympics End

**21 February** - President's Day: **OFFICE IS CLOSED**. We will resume normal business hours on Tuesday, February 22nd.

23 February - National Banana Bread Day

**25 February -** Pizza on the Go! Pick up a free slice of pizza at the Community Center in Quiet Pines from 4PM - 5PM.

**27 February** - National Pokemon Day: Pokemon celebrates 25 years today.







## 5. CARE OF HOMES

## 5.8 Maintenance and Repair

Resident shall promptly request any repairs to be made to the dwelling or its fixtures, security devices or other equipment that belong to MOODY FAMILY HOUSING and are necessary to maintain such in proper condition.

MOODY FAMILY HOUSING agrees to keep common areas clean; lawns mowed, trimmed and edged during the growing season (fenced back yards excluded); provide pest control services as needed; maintain fixtures furnaces, water heaters, and appliances in good and safe working condition; and to make all reasonable repairs (subject to Resident's obligation to pay for damages for which Resident is liable under the terms of the Lease). Although MOODY FAMILY HOUSING agrees to comply with the above requirements, failure to do so will not be grounds for Resident's termination of the Lease, unless otherwise provided by law. Resident may not terminate the Lease if Resident, a member of Resident's family or some other persons on the Premises with Resident's consent intentionally or negligently causes the defective condition. MOODY FAMILY HOUSING may make repairs and Resident will be held responsible for the cost.









