

Watervliet Housing Authority Newsletter

Watervliet Housing
Authority
273-4717

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Emergency Number
273-6085
(after hours)

Watervliet
Police Dept.
call 911

Watervliet Fire
Dept.
call 911

Calendar

- Rent is due Friday, August 5th
- Joslin Inspections will be conducted on the following dates:
 - 501-518 August 16
 - 519-540 August 17
 - 541-558 August 18

HAVE A
SAFE AND
HAPPY
SUMMER
FROM THE
WHA!



Tenants:

If you have an A/C, it should not be leaning on the window frames. There should always be a 2x4 under it. If you need a 2x4, contact the office!

Inspections:

Apartments are inspected for cleanliness, repairs that may be needed, and also for any possible improvements. If you have any questions or problems we can discuss them during the inspection.

We need access to ALL of your windows. Please make sure ALL items are removed from the window area. Please remove ALL items off the top of your stove. Call in any work orders before the inspection.



Thank you to our summer help!

Tenants: Please remember to keep your phone number, email address, and car information up-to-date with the Office! We need to know this information in case there is ever an EMERGENCY.



We have a Web site...
WatervlietHousing.org
Check us out.



Laptops For Seniors Program

Once again the Watervliet Housing Authorities have been reaching out to our local businesses to fund the purchase of laptops for our Watervliet/Heatly high school seniors going off to college in the fall. There were 8 seniors that received them this year.

We are very proud to have this type of program because we feel that technology is vital to the growth to our area and especially our children. No child here, at housing, will be denied the opportunity to learn and grow, or not be on the same playing field as others. We want them to be able to advance their education and job skills. It is totally up to the child and their parents to take advantage of these programs.



Thanks! We couldn't do it without you!

A special thanks to all that supported and contributed to our Laptops for Kids program including:

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| Find Your Dreams, Inc. | Albany County Democratic Comm. | Wells Cooomunication |
| Mayor Mike Manning | Polish American Assoc. | Neil Breslin |
| William Sheehy | Watervliet Elks | Parker Brothers |
| Saratoga Investigative Services | Precision Concrete Cutting LLC | Passonno Paints |
| Tri- City Mechanical | Winn & White LLC | Advance Glass |
| Gus's Hotdogs | Krupka & Associates | Pioneer Saving Bank |
| Harold Clune | Bunkoff General Contractors, Inc. | Schuyler Bakery |
| Stewart's Shop | I B E W Local Union 236 | Testo Kitchens |
| Albany DA | Oneida Nation Foundation | Ancient Order of |
| Main-Care Energy | Watervliet Charitable Foundation | Hiberians |
| FES Installations | Greenwood Contracting | |
| Whalen Automotive | C.T. Male Associates | |
| Friedman Fisher Associates, P.C | | |

Swimming Pools

It is that time of the year again when swimming pools of various sizes are being set up by residents at many of our developments. Due to concern about the possibility of children falling into, or using these pools without proper supervision, we



are reminding everyone of the following rule: **“Any pool deeper than 18 inches, or any pool that needs to remain filled when not in use is prohibited.”** The safety and well being of our residents is a high priority at the Watervliet Housing Authority, and we hope all of our residents will work toward that goal. Remember, you are responsible for any damage to the grass done by the pool or water.

* Slip and Slides are **NOT PERMITTED**

Live-In's

There is no way to say it but it's simply FRAUD. Having someone stay at your apartment and not reporting it is fraud. Many think that “THEY” don't live there because they get mail at some other place, or they still say they live with their “mom”, when in fact they haven't seen their mom in months. Staying in the apartment for more than 3 days and not reporting it is living there.



Avoid Fraud

- Know who you're dealing with.
- Know that wiring money is like sending cash.
- Read your monthly statements.
- Don't send money to someone you don't know.
- Don't reply to messages asking for personal or financial information.

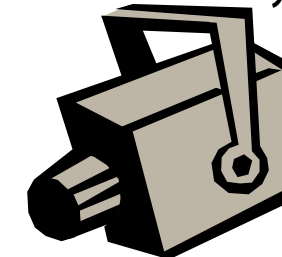
Lock-Out Policy

There is a lock-out policy at the WHA. The maintenance men have a master list of tenants who are living in the Watervliet Housing Authority. The only people listed are on the leases at WHA. No one will be let into an apartment unless they are on that list. This list and policy will eliminate any problems with letting unauthorized persons into an apartment. The charge for a lock-out is \$24.

Occupancy Policy

It is the position of the Watervliet Housing Authority's to maintain an appealing appearance in that the amount of outside personal belongings be considered appropriate. The appearance from both the street and interior must be of a nature to avoid the look of excessive storage and thus making an unattractive appearance. No outside patio furniture shall be placed in the front of any apartment, all patio furniture must be in the rear of the apartment and also be in a clean state and in good repair. This includes grills and chairs. No inside furniture shall be stored outside including but not limited to; dressers, tables, chairs, entertainment centers, coffee tables etc. Tenants can sit in the front of the apartment using portable chairs only. Once not it use the chairs must be removed. Also, excessive amounts of children toys may distract from the overall appearance of the property, and will not be permitted. The Executive Director shall make the final determination as to whether an area is being properly maintained by the residents. Residents will be charged for removal of excessive materials if they do not abide by housing requirements.

Security Cameras



We have increased the number of cameras at most of our sites to help record events that happen around the authority. **None of the cameras are monitored**

for security but just recorded in event of a problem.

These cameras are to assist in recording problems that may occur. We hope that we never have to use them, but they are there for both your and our protection. Please remember if you SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!



14 Day Notice Update

14-day notices are now being sent to our tenants by e-mail. Those who do not have e-mails will still get copies sent in the mail. Please make sure your e-mail is up to date with the office. You can check this on the Tenant Portal. If it is not, or you do have an e-mail but it is not in our system please let us know.



You're Invited!

WATERVLIET HEALTH CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, August 9th · 9am to 1pm
1804 2nd Avenue · Watervliet, NY



- Free Admission
 - Tours
- Meet the Staff
- Voter Registration
- Press Conference 10am
 - Free Giveaways
 - Refreshments
 - Insurance Assistance

(518) 591-4472 · events@wmyhealth.org

Sponsored in part by UnitedHealthcare



Consider Renter's Insurance

What is Renter's Insurance?

Renter's Insurance, also known as tenant's insurance, is a type of policy offered by most major New York insurers.

These policies provide contents coverage and liability protection in the event someone becomes injured at your residence.

Cost

Renter's insurance is generally less expensive than many people realize: a basic policy costs about \$300 a year for around \$50,000 worth of property protection

Coverage

Coverage generally provided under Renter's Policy includes:

- Personal Property
- Loss of Use
- Personal Liability
- Medical Payments and Others

Renter's Insurance typically covers loss or damage caused by:

- Fire or Smoke
- Theft or Vandalism
- Windstorm or Hail
- Lightning
- Explosion
- Falling Objects
- Weight of Snow, Ice, or Sleet
- Electrical Surges

Things to Remember

Before purchasing a renter's policy, conduct a complete inventory of all your personal belongings, taking photos or a video of things like furniture, jewelry, and expensive electronic items. Calculate the replacement costs for these items and double check with your insurance agent to make certain you are fully protected against any type of loss.

Choose the coverage according to your property. If you have a lot of electronics, choosing a policy that provides replacement cost coverage instead of actual cash value coverage might be the best option for you.

Make sure that the policy has liability coverage. The best renter's insurance policies will also include liability coverage for medical and legal costs if someone gets hurt in your residence.

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Upcoming Projects

This summer and early fall the WHA will be undertaking several projects to improve the look and operability of our sites.

DAY: will be replacing the wood fencing between buildings. This work should start mid-August. We will also be removing the existing pavement markings and repainting, widening each space for easier parking. Work should start early August.

HILTON + HANRATTA: the parking areas will be seal coated and repainted. Work should start early August.

JOSLIN: we are working on specifications to replace the main water lateral on the east side of 2nd Ave. The water line is located in the courtyard between the apartments.

We will provide tenants with specific scheduling once the contracts have been finalized.



It has come to our attention that people have been leaving cigarette butts on their lawns. It is important to keep the area around your apartment clean so please remember to pick up after yourself.



The Nassau Band was a hit once again at Hanratta this year! Thank you to everyone that came out to see the performance.

Warning...

Remember when you are finished using your gas grill to turn off the propane.



Check out WVLT Channel 17



We hope you have been watching because there are so many different programs that could benefit you and your family and also many for your enjoyment.

We have this month:

- Watervliet High School Graduation
 - WES 6th Grade Graduation
 - Kindergarten Graduation
 - PreK Graduation
- and so many more.

We do this for you and hope you find it beneficial.

Mary's Corner

Mary's Corner is serving adults caring for children from newborn to 3 years, living in the City of Cohoes and Watervliet. Stop by on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 10:00-12:00. Mary's Corner will be offering the following items free of charge; formula, Stewarts Milk Coupons, Diapers, Baby Clothing(infant to size 5), baby furnishings (strollers, bouncy seats, baby gates), breast feeding items, literacy classes/GED tutoring, support group/Just Mom & Me, and other outreach services. Registration and proof of residency is required. You may also call Mary's Corner at 518-269-6068.



Open Door
Community Center
115 Mohawk Street
Cohoes, NY 12047
518-269-6068



Did you have someone graduate in your family?

We will put their photo on WVLT-17. It doesn't matter what grade, elementary, high school or college. Get their best photo and bring it over to the office. If they graduated from high school let us know if they are going to college, and if so what college, so we can wish them well.

Summer Lunch Program

The program exists for children 18 years old and younger.

Locations:

Jermain Church Hall until Aug 26
11 AM - 1 PM

Watervliet Civic Center until Aug 26
from 11 AM - 1 PM

Watervliet Elementary School until
Aug. 26 11 AM - 1 PM

Paine St Park in Green Island until Aug
18 11 AM - 1 PM

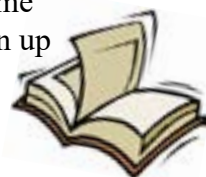
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26 from 11 AM - 1 PM

Call Darryl Whited at 629-3261 with
any questions.



Library News

* ValleyCats Visit the
Library: visit the library
on Tuesday, August 9 at
11:30 AM for StoryTime
with SouthPaw - no sign up
required



BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST 2016 Congratulations To This Year's Winners



1st: Justina Amill (142 Quinn)



2nd: Domenica Savoia (143 Quinn)



3rd: Darline Quinlivan (18 Hilton)



Thank you to all who participated.
You make Watervliet Housing
a beautiful place to live!

Bed Bug Service Preparation Checklist

- Remove all blankets, sheets, covers, pillows, bath towels from the bed and room and put them into bags to be laundered.
- Clean everything out from under bed.
- Contents of drawers and closets should be emptied and placed in plastic bags for laundering.
- All clothing and linens must be placed and kept isolated until the customer is moved to a new location, or until the problem is eliminated.
- All clothing, linens, pillows, and plush toys should be treated by placing them into a hot dryer for 30 mins.
- Seal shoes, coats, pillows, children's plush toys, and small rugs in small plastic bags.
- Keep clean items separate from items that have not been checked or cleaned.
- Room should be empty of any cloth or plush item, except furniture to be treated.
- If there is a fish tank in the home, there should be a towel or plastic bag covering it.
- People and pets should leave the area during treatment, and wait 2-4 hours after service is completed to enter the property. Everyone must be prepared to leave when technicians arrive.
- Make sure the pest control technician can get to all furniture, closets, beds, and baseboards to inspect and treat.

*If these steps aren't taken, you could potentially be fined.

Energy Saving Tips:

- * When buying new appliances, be sure to purchase energy-efficient ENERGY STAR® labeled models.
- * Set the furnace thermostat at 68 degrees or lower, and the air-conditioner thermostat at 78 degrees or higher, health permitting. 3 percent to 5 percent more energy is used for each degree the furnace is set above 68 degrees and for each degree the air conditioner is set below 78 degrees.
- * If your old air conditioner is on its way out replace it with ENERGY STAR® labeled energy-efficient model.
- * Use compact fluorescent lamps. You can lower your lighting bill by converting to energy-efficient low-wattage compact fluorescent lighting and fixtures.



The WHA is seeking bids by August 17th at 10 am for a 2010 Dodge Caravan. The Caravan is available for inspection at the Watervliet Maintenance Garage. Interested parties should call (518) 273-4717. For further information, contact the office.

