EMAIL LIST

If you don't already receive our emails and want to, please email <u>Rmeyer@watervliethousing.org</u> with your name and apartment number to be added to our list. We will be able to send you important information about work being done around the sites, community events, and any policy changes being made at the Watervliet Housing Authority. Please be sure the office has all of your contact information up to date in our system including a working phone number, email address, and current license plate number. We **need** to be able to contact you efficiently.



| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 LAST DAY RENT IS DUE | 8 BUILDINGS 1-4 | 9 AN RENSSELAER V Buildings 5-8 | 10 VILLAGE INSPECTIO BUILDINGS 9-12 | DNS BUILDINGS 13-17 | 12 |
| 13 Daylight Savings Begins | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 St. Patrick's Day | 18 | 19 |
| 20 FIRST DAY OF Spring | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 WHA BOARD MEETING | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

QUINN & HANRATTA BULK CABLE

Effective March 1st, all Quinn and Hanratta residents who utilize standard or basic cable services provided by Spectrum must purchase these services from the Watervliet Housing Authority. These two services will no longer be offered by Spectrum. The price of standard services will cost \$45 monthly, and will be billed to your account. If you are currently not utilizing cable services, you will still not be charged any cable fees. If you currently use our cable services but wish to unsubscribe in this program, please contact the WHA office.

LATE FEES

As of March 1st, late fees will resume. Failure to pay your rent after the 5th business day of the month will result in a fee, 5% of your monthly rent, but will not exceed \$50.

VRV INSPECTIONS

Van Rensselaer Village inspections will be held from March 8th through March 11th beginning at 10 am. We need to access all of your windows. Please make sure ALL items are removed from the window area. Remove all items off the top of your stove and off the burners. You do not need to be home for the inspection. Please promptly notify the WHA if anyone in your family has any COVID-19 symptoms or if anyone has tested positive. All staff entering your apartment will be wearing masks and will maintain proper social distancing practices. The schedule is as follows:

| Tuesday March 8 | Bldg. 1-4 |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Wednesday March 9 | Bldg. 5-8 |
| Thursday March 10 | Bldg 9-12 |
| Friday March 11 | Bldg. 13-17 |

WCSD ENROLLMENT

Don't forget to register your child(ren) for Pre-K & Kindergarten for Fall 2020! Enrollment for Pre-K is on March 9th and March 10th. Kindergarten registration and screening will be held on March 12th. For enrollment applications, visit <u>https://www.watervlietcityschools.org/</u> <u>register-a-student</u> or stop into the WHA Office. To schedule an appointment, call Danielle Mele at 518-629-3204.

WORK ORDER CHARGES

Attention Tenants: A reminder about work order charges. You will be billed for repairs other than normal wear and tear. This amount will include labor fees. If you have questions on any maintenance bill, please contact Kylea at the office.

MOHAWK HUDSON HUMANE SOCIETY

The Mohawk Hudson Humane Society provides lowcost spay and neuter services for cats, dogs, and rabbits. They also provide vaccinations and microchipping to keep your pets healthy and safe. Visit them online or call to learn more (518)434-8128 ext. 218 or <u>www.lovedforlife.org.</u>

BEST WISHES RACHEL

We are sorry to report we will be losing a valuable member of the WHA Staff this month. Rachel is leaving our team to pursue another employment opportunity. We can't thank Rachel enough for her hard work and dedication to the residents of WHA, GISH and VRV.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Don't forget daylight savings begins on Sunday, March 13th. Clocks will go forward one hour at 2:00am!

HEAP

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helps low-income individuals pay the cost of heating their homes. If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off. You can apply for a Regular HEAP Benefit online at <u>mybenefits.ny.gov</u>.

E-FILE YOUR INCOME TAXES FOR FREE

The NYS Department of Taxation and Finance released ways to file your income tax return for free! If your 2020 income is \$72,000 or less you can use one of the following to e-file: IRS Free File Program (delivered by Turbotax), OLT, Tax Act, or TaxSlayer. The link below will provide you with further information regarding the eligibility requirements for each software provider. <u>https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/efile/</u> *If you do not meet the criteria for the software provider you choose, the software provider may charge you a fee. Please read the qualifying criteria carefully before you get started.

CLOSE YOUR WINDOWS

If windows are left open, even a crack, your radiators may freeze and then burst causing significant damage inside your apartment and possible personal loss. You will be charged for all repairs if you are deemed responsible.

MARY'S CORNER

Mary's Corner provides a service to adults caring for children aged newborn to 3 years who live in the city of Cohoes and Watervliet. On a monthly basis, families are eligible to receive items at no cost. These items include but are not limited to clothing, diapers and formula. Please note that proof of residency is required. If you have any questions call Mary at (518)273-4717 x300 or via email at *mcdistribution@gmail.com*.

