

WATERVLIET HOUSING AUTHORITY

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OCTOBER 2018



THIS MONTH...

OCTOBER 5

Last Day Rent is Due

OCTOBER 8

Office Closed (Columbus Day)

OCTOBER 17

Quinn Inspections (101-120)

OCTOBER 18

Quinn Inspections (121-140)

OCTOBER 19

Quinn Inspections (141-160)

Please note that the dates of inspection for Quinn are incorrect in your calendar. They have been pushed back one day.

INSPECTIONS

Apartments are inspected for cleanliness, repairs that may be needed, and for any possible improvements. If you have any questions or problems, they can be discussed 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 and on the burners as well. Call in any work orders **before** the inspection.

W-9s We are currently in the process of moving every tenant's security deposits from Bank of America to M&T Bank. All tenants must fill out and sign a W-9 with a staff member as soon as possible. Stop into the office during business hours to complete your W-9.

UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

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. Just call the office at 273-4717 to update your information with a staff member.

REMINDER

Don't forget to put your name and apartment number on your check or money order before you hand in your rent payment each month!

SANTA VISIT SIGN UP

The 2018 Santa Visit Sign Up is on page 5. Please see this page for more details.



www.WatervlietHousing.org

Emergency Number:
273-6085 (after hours)

AROUND THE WHA

SECURITY LIGHTS

Let us know if a site light is out. We do periodic night checks to see if any lights are out, but we can miss one. Let us know for your own safety.

BACK-UPS

If your sink or tub drains slow or starts to gurgle, call the office immediately — it may be a back-up. Also, when there is a back-up, do not use your water if possible. It will only make more of a mess.

MICE PROBLEMS

It's getting colder and mice like to go where it's warm. Keep garbage in tight containers. If they get into your apartment, use traps. Place them along the walls. Call the office and we will put in a work order to drop traps off.

AIR CONDITIONERS

It is the WHA's policy to have all air conditioners removed from apartment windows by October 1st each year. If you do not remove your AC by this date, we will send you a warning. If the problem persists, you will be back charged.

SMOKE DETECTORS

Please make sure your apartment's smoke detectors have batteries and are in good working order. If it is found during inspections that any of your smoke detectors are down or missing, you will fail inspection and are subject to eviction.

LATE PAYMENTS

Rent is due on the first of every month. The last day you can pay your rent without a late charge is the fifth business day of the month. After that, a \$5 late charge is applied, then \$1 added to your rent total for every additional day you are late. Tenants can pay rent at the office between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm, through the drop slot after hours, or through the mail.

LAUNDRY FACILITIES

We have been getting many calls about washers and dryers needing repair in the laundry rooms of various complexes. Some of the repairs that have been made are normal wear and tear, but many are caused by negligence and could be easily prevented. Please do not force too much into the washers or the dryers. When repairs like this are necessary, we do check the cameras and those who are found to overload the machines are back charged accordingly for the necessary repairs.

GARBAGE PICK UP SCHEDULE

Make sure you take out your trash on the appropriate garbage day. Failure to take out your trash on time will result in a back charge.

Monday: Abram Hilton

Tuesday: Michael J. Day
Daniel P. Quinn
Edwin Joslin

Wednesday: Eugene Hanratta

**VRV tenants must place all trash and recycling in the appropriate bins in the designated areas located on site. You will be back charged if garbage is not taken out each week.*

INTERCOMS

Seniors, do not let anyone in the lobby without knowing who they are. Many tenants buzz people in immediately, without knowing who is at the door. Strangers know this and can use this tactic to sneak into the building. Be safe! The intercom system at GISH was also just repaired and should be working properly. If your intercom still is not working, call the office.

STOVE TOPS

Make sure you clean your drip pans on your stove regularly. Grease can build up and cause a larger problem later. If our staff has to replace them because you neglect to clean them, you will be charged a material fee, a labor fee, and a negligence fee. Be sure your stove top and the surrounding areas are also cleaned regularly.

WORD SEARCH



Y W I T C H D Y R A C S J W K
 W J A C K O L A N T E R N C D
 L H E G G H O S T H S K A R E
 N R E T S N O M A P K L O E I
 O O S U E D R L I R B J P B B
 T O U V M R L D P S E Z V O M
 E B O Z V O E G B G H C A T O
 L A H L W R I E N A W F M C Z
 E T D E Y A R A Y E Y J P O S
 K S E T A E R T R O K C I R T
 S N T K K O Q E Y I O T R J O
 I Y N X L U W D P X O Z E O Q
 K M U E S O N T I N P S K F B
 M N A U L A L V C M S X K C P
 J E H F C T F J K T G B N N B

Halloween
 October
 Spooky
 Scary
 Ghost
 Vampire
 Werewolf
 Witch
 Zombie
 Skeleton
 Monster
 Black
 Orange
 Candy
 Trick or Treat
 Haunted House
 Jack O' Lantern
 Boo
 Spider
 Bats



CRAFT OF THE MONTH "STAIN GLASS" LEAVES

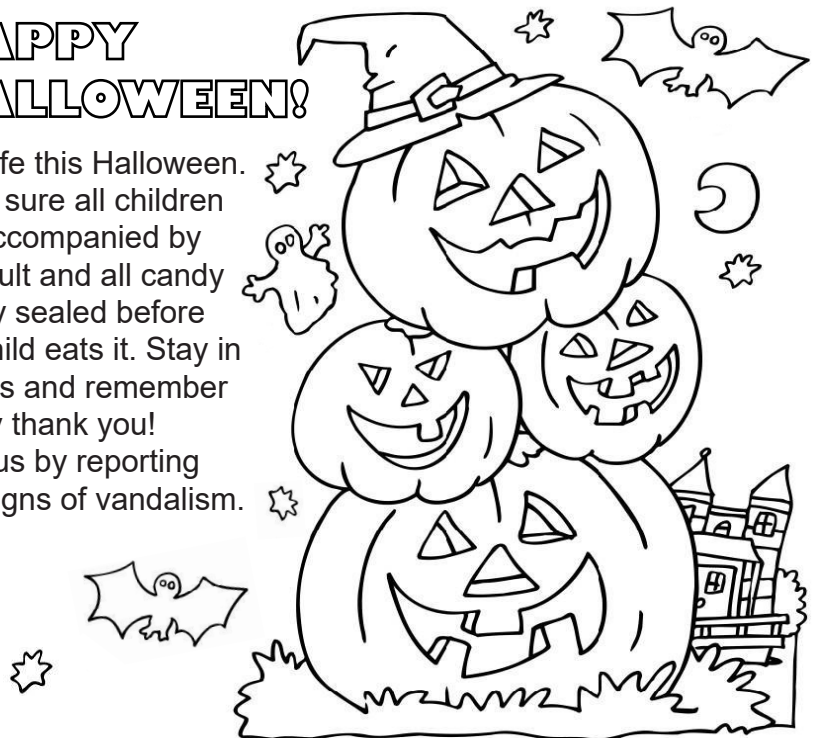
What you will need:

Paper Plate, Scissors, Watercolors

Instructions: First, cut the paper plates in the shape of leaves. Next, place your leaves in a dish, so the paint will not leak onto your table. Paint the leaves with the watercolors and let them dry.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Be safe this Halloween. Make sure all children are accompanied by an adult and all candy is fully sealed before the child eats it. Stay in groups and remember to say thank you! Help us by reporting any signs of vandalism.



RENTER'S INSURANCE



WHAT IS RENTERS 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 something or 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 (\$25/month) for around \$50,000 worth of property protection. Many car insurance plans may include Renters Insurance as well.

COVERAGE

Coverage generally provided under Renter's Policy includes:

Personal Property, Loss of Use, Personal Liability, Medical Payments

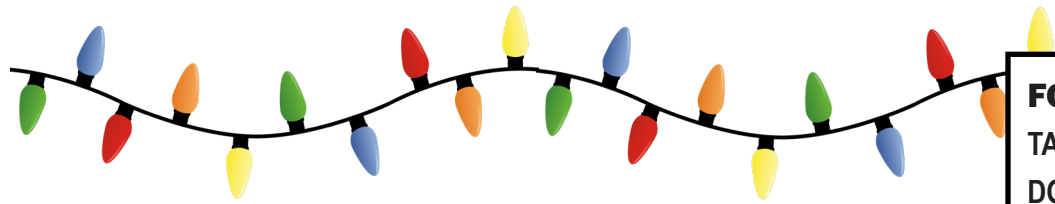
Renter's Insurance typically covers loss or damage caused by:

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

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Before purchasing a renter's insurance 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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TAG # _____

DONOR _____

DATE RECEIVED _____

2018 SANTA VISIT APPLICATION

The holidays are almost here and we want your child to have the best Christmas possible! That is why the Watervliet Housing Authority is asking local businesses, organizations, and residents to help provide gifts to families in need. If you are interested in having Santa visit your children with presents this year, please fill out this application by **Friday, November 16th** and return it to the office. If you have an idea of a small gift, please provide that as well in the specified field. If you are requesting clothes or shoes for your child, make sure you list sizes. All children on the application must be legal household members of your apartment and listed on your lease. Be sure to fill out every section of this application. If you have any questions, contact the office at 273-4717 as soon as possible.

APARTMENT ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CHILD 1 NAME _____ GENDER M F AGE _____

GIFT IDEA _____

CHILD 2 NAME _____ GENDER M F AGE _____

GIFT IDEA _____

CHILD 3 NAME _____ GENDER M F AGE _____

GIFT IDEA _____

CHILD 4 NAME _____ GENDER M F AGE _____

GIFT IDEA _____

CHILD 5 NAME _____ GENDER M F AGE _____

GIFT IDEA _____

Be sure to fill out every section of this application and return it to the WHA office by Friday, November 16th.

MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER WALK 2018



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER
21, 2018**

Registration: 10:00 am

Walk: 12:00 pm

Visit www.main.acsevents.org/site/TR/MakingStridesAgainstBreastCancer/
to donate, join the walk, or lead a team.



**WASHINGTON PARK
PARADE GROUNDS**

Willet Street and Hudson Avenue
Albany, NY



FOLLOW EVENT



Chris Falzarano

AlbanyNYStrides@cancer.org

(518) 220-6936

COATS FOR THE COMMUNITY

If you are in need of winter coats, snowpants, hats, or gloves, they will be distributed to the residents of Cohoes, Watervliet, and Waterford on October 19th (1:30 PM - 6 PM) and October 20th (9 AM - 12 PM) at the Cohoes Senior Center (10 CAYUGA PLAZA, COHOES, NY). You will need to bring proof of residency for review by a staff member. Call Mary Clinton at the office for more details.



FIRE SAFETY MONTH

October is fire safety month. Fire safety is more than you think. Make sure your fire extinguisher gauge is in the green — if not, call the office for a new one. Check it at least once a month. If you are in a senior apartment, be sure the emergency cord is full length to the floor. Never, ever disconnect a smoke alarm. It is in your best interest to make sure they all work. Do not wait for us to check them during inspections.

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Patients are being seen at the Whitney Young Health Center (1804 Second Avenue, Watervliet). Medical and Dental hours are from 8 am-5 pm.

TROY WATERFRONT FARMERS' MARKET

Summer season started on May 2nd. It is open from 9:00am to 2:00pm every Saturday. The market is located on River St, Downtown Troy, NY. They are accepting Debit and EBT Cards - tokens available at the Market Table. There is also free parking in the Uncle Sam, 5th Avenue, and State Street Parking Garages.

CAPITAL ROOTS VEGGIE MOBILE

is a mobile market that travels around the capital region. It's been delivering a large variety of fresh, affordable and local produce to residents with limited access to fresh food since 2007. Thursdays from 2:00-2:45 the mobile market will be at the Public Library/Senior Center for all Watervliet Residents! The Veggie Mobile® accepts the following payment types: Cash, Check, EBT, Veggie Rx, Farmers Market Nutrition Program Checks, and Capital Roots sponsored certificates.

IN THE COMMUNITY

MARY'S CORNER

Mary's Corner is serving adults caring for children under the age of 4, living in the City of Cohoes or 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, Stewart's 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. For more information, contact Mary Clinton at the office.

Open Door Community Center

**115 Mohawk Street
Cohoes, NY 12047
(Located under the Library)
518-269-6068**

RABIES CLINIC SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 10 1:00–4:00pm

Village of Green Island Public Works Garage

cats/ferrets | 1:00–2:30pm

dogs | 2:30–4:00pm

Any inquiry can be directed to Division of Environmental Health Service
(518)447-4620 or 447-4625

*All animals must be on leashes! A record of prior vaccination will be required for a year immunization.
Donation: \$8.00*



COMMUNITY EVENTS

WATERVLIET SENIOR CENTER GROUP LUNCHES

Enjoy a nutritious and fun lunch with the Watervliet Senior Center every weekday at noon. The \$3 suggested donation is anonymous and everyone is welcome. Call for the daily menu and sign up by 2 p.m. for the following day. The Senior Center is located at 1501 Broadway, Watervliet. Call 518-273-6480 to make a reservation and for more information.

MARY'S SOUP KITCHEN

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish has a soup kitchen every Monday afternoon from 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM at the Parish Life Center, located at 2416 7th Avenue. All are welcome. Call 518-273-6020.

IN STITCHES AT THE LIBRARY

Every Wednesday at 6:30 PM, the Watervliet Public Library hosts a community knitting, crochet, needlework social group. Keep yourself from unraveling and unwind with us.

ANNUAL EQUINOX THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thanksgiving Dinner Hotline: 518.434.0131

Seniors, if you would like to receive a meal this year, call the Thanksgiving Dinner Hotline, listed above. They are also looking for volunteers for positions in leadership, coordination, cooking, serving, delivering meals, and clean-up.

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