



The SARATOGA HOUSING Newsletter

The mission of the Saratoga Springs Housing Authority is to assist low-income families with safe, decent and affordable housing as they strive to achieve social and economic opportunities, and to improve their quality of life. The Housing Authority is committed to operating in an efficient economical and ethical manner.



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Donna McCarthy, Resident Commissioner

Board Meetings

The Board meets every third Thursday of
the month, 2:30 pm @ Stonequist

**Saratoga Springs Housing
Authority: 518-584-6600**

Our Staff

Ext. 22 Paul Feldman, *Executive Director*
Ext. 17 Cindy, *Director of Finance*
Ext. 10 Kathy, *Executive Secretary*
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**EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE PHONE
NUMBER FOR PUBLIC HOUSING
RESIDENTS
(AFTER HOURS)
857-1051**

Notice

Articles published in the Saratoga Housing
Newsletter do not necessarily represent an
endorsement by the Saratoga Springs
Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.



Notice to all Residents for the Resident Commissioner Election 2018

The nominating petitions are available February 1, 2018 at the main office of the Housing Authority at Stonequist Apartments. Petitions must be turned in no later than **March 1, 2018 by 3:00 pm**. Voting will take place on Wednesday **March 14, 2018 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Residents unable to vote on the day set for the election shall be allowed to submit an absentee ballot five days prior to the election. Such ballots must be in a sealed envelope and will not be opened until all ballots are cast and it is determined that the person did not vote. No absentee ballot will be accepted unless accompanied with a signed statement by the tenant stating their name, address and apartment number and that they are eligible to vote. Such statement shall also contain the reason the person cannot vote on the date of election and are subject to verification. Election Regulations are posted in the 1st floor display case at Stonequist Apartments.

Reminder

If your rent is not paid in full prior to the 5th business day you will get a \$15 late fee. To avoid a late fee, sign up for automatic deduction! Please see Kathy in the office for the paper to sign up to avoid late fees.

Monthly Calendar

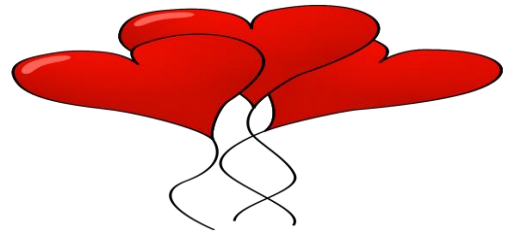
- Tuesday, February 6, 2018 –Residents meeting with Executive Director 10:00 am @ Stonequist Community Room
- Thursday, February 15, 2018 – Residents meeting 7:00 pm @ Stonequist Community Room
- Thursday, February 15, 2018 – Board Meeting 2:30 pm @ Stonequist
- Monday, February 19, 2018 – Office CLOSED for President's Day

*For more information, including locations, and time of these events please see the inside pages of this newsletter for details.

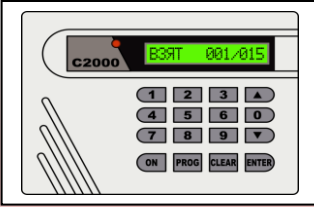


Reminder

Putting locks on doors is strictly prohibited and a violation of your lease. Any door hardware is prohibited.



Entry System at Stonequist



Bids will be accepted this month to replace the front entry system at Stonequist. The system will utilize new technology and requires a phone number to allow a guest to access the building. A button would be pushed which would then send a call to your phone requesting entry. More information to follow in the form of a notice.

Work Orders



It is extremely important to call in any work orders on a timely basis. Many times minor issues will become major issues if ignored. For example: a small leak over time could turn into a large leak or damage surfaces if not corrected in time. Please be sure to call in work orders as soon as you notice a problem.



If your wages have gone up with the minimum wage increase you need to notify the office as soon as possible.

FYI

The Executive Director, Paul Feldman will be holding a meeting in the coming months to discuss the long term housing outlook for the Terraces. More information to follow.

Do you need to change your income? Add someone to your lease?

There is now a list of our forms available on our website for your access. Print off the forms prior to coming to the office to save time.



Stonequist News

Resident Council Meeting February 15, 2018 @ 7pm in the Community Room. Our agenda is full of things to discuss, information of upcoming events, and we will be addressing the updating of the bylaws. It is important for residents to attend this very informative meeting! Light refreshments will be served. See you there!

BINGO

Every second Tuesday we have double Bingo held in the Community Room. The first round is from 7-8:15pm, round two is from 8:25-9:15pm. Come enjoy and if you like, bring a snack to share.

Resident Council will be holding a bake sale February 2, 2018 from 1:30pm until 2:30pm in the Community Room. This fundraiser is to help raise funds to hold our 2nd annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Stonequist Resident Council's 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

For children ages 2 through 9 years old. Saturday, March 31st Beginning at 1:00pm until 2:30pm in the back grounds of Stonequist. We are looking for anyone who has or knows someone who has an Easter Bunny costume who would be willing to loan it to us for this event. Also, anyone who would be willing to be the Easter Bunny! See Donna McCarthy or Michelle Roddy if you can help with this search! Thank you! We cordially invite the children from the Terrace and Vanderbilt to attend this Easter Egg Hunt, as well as the grandchildren and great grandchildren of the residents of Stonequist. There will be a signup list for the Stonequist residents who have grandchildren that plan to attend in the Community Room. Terrace & Vanderbilt residents, who wish to bring their children for this fun event, please see Christine Leone (518-879-7987) as she will have a sign up list.



Deadline to sign up is March 23rd. Come have some fun!! All children will need to bring their Easter baskets for this event. Hope to see many children here for this!

50/50 is having a Valentines basket raffle on February 9, 2018. If you would like to make a basket please see Cathy C. in Apt. 411 or anyone on 50/50. We would appreciate any donations. Time of the raffle is 9:00am-3:00pm.

Jefferson and Vanderbilt Terrace News

**Terraces Community
Resident Council Meeting**
**There will be NO meeting in the Month
of February.**



Have Your Taxes Done For Free!! Saratoga County EOC

Where: Jefferson Terrace Community Room
Date: February 3, 2018, February 17, 2018, March 3, 2018, March 17, 2018
Time: 10:00am-3:00pm

OR

Where: Holiday Inn, Broadway
Date: Every Thursday in February
Time: 4:00pm-7:00pm

**Call 518-288-3206 for more information or to
schedule your appointment**

Community Events and Announcements

5th Annual Ballston Spa Chocolate Fest

Date: February 2, 2018

Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM EST

Location: Downtown Village of Ballston Spa

Fees/Admission: Tastings are \$1 each.

Event Description: The 5th Annual Ballston Spa Chocolate Fest takes place Friday, February 2, from 6-9 pm in downtown Ballston Spa. Favorite local Restaurants, as well as Chocolate Chefs from across Saratoga County, will showcase their talents by preparing small, sample sized chocolate offerings in one, some or all of 3 categories: Sweet Chocolate Desserts, Savory Chocolate Dishes, and Chocolate Beverages. These chocolate tastes will be judged by a panel, as well as the public in a fan favorite competition. Visitors will be able to sample the variety chocolate offerings at designated Sweet Spots throughout the Village. Samples are a minimal cost of \$1 each. In addition to Chocolate Fest, there will be a variety of First Friday activities going on in our local businesses, including art gallery openings, live music, artist demonstrations, and special promotions and sales just in time for Valentine's Day.



2018 Chowder fest

Date: February 3, 2018

Time: 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM EST

Location: Downtown Saratoga Springs

Fees: No tickets necessary! Pick up a ballot form at any participating Establishment. Taste different chowders for a \$1 a cup (3 oz. serving)

Event Description: **Celebrating 20 years of chowder!**

Saratoga's Annual Chowder fest is one of the area's most highly anticipated events of the year. Family-friendly, fun and utterly delicious, Chowder fest features more than 80 vendors—including Saratoga County's best restaurants and caterers—who open their doors to the public and serve hot bowls of chowder to event goers. Presented by the **Saratoga Convention & Tourism Bureau and DeCrescente Distributing Company**, Saratoga Chowder fest features live music, family-friendly activities and, of course, a wide variety of chowders.

*We encourage dog-owners to please leave your pets at home, for safety reasons. No dog chowder will be served.



Dance Flurry Festival 2018 (celebrating its 31st year)

Date: February 17, 2018

Time: 7:00 PM - 6:00 PM EST

Location: Saratoga City Center (Festival Headquarters) and venues: Saratoga Music Hall and Caffè Lena

Fees/Admission: All ticketing and pricing is available at: www.flurryfestival.org

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Beginner, Intermediate and Experienced-Level Workshops and Dances. Over 300 Performers - Five Venues - Over 200 Events ***This is a weekend you don't want to miss!***



Saratoga Beer Week

Date: February 24, 2018

Time: 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM EST

Location: Saratoga Springs City Center, 522 Broadway Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Fees/Admission: General Admission- \$40

Event Description: Saratoga Beer Week is back, February 20th - 24th with the Cider night on the 23rd and Saratoga Beer Summit on February 24th at the Saratoga City Center. Choose from two sessions, 1pm-4pm or 5pm-8pm. Sample over 150 releases from some of America's best craft breweries. Plus hang out in an atmosphere filled with live music, delicious food available for purchase, and great vendors.

