

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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Board Meetings

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

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EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE PHONE NUMBER FOR PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS (AFTER HOURS) 857-1051

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Court Related Costs

Effective May 1st, the following charges are in effect for eviction related charges. These charges are allowed per your lease and if you pay your rent on time as required by the lease, you will not incur these charges:

Rent paid by the 5th business day of the month: No additional charge

Rent not paid by the 5th business day of the month: \$15 late fee

Rent not paid by the 20th day of the month: \$35 for service of 3-day notice

Court appearance by SSHA Attorney: \$200

Spring is here!

The SSHA is going thru and repairing all damaged screens. Residents will be billed for the repair if you have damaged screens.



One Week Only!

The SSHA has made arrangements to provide for dumpsters to be placed at SQ and the Terraces for Spring Cleanup. The dumpsters will be dropped off on Friday, May 4th and picked up Thursday May 10th. **This is NOT for mattresses or large furniture!**

Do you need an updated benefit letter for your annual recertification? Contact the link <https://www.ssa.gov/onlineservices/>

Monthly Calendar

Tuesday, May 8, 2018-Resident Meeting with Director @10am in the Stonequist Community Room
Thursday, May 17, 2018 – Resident Council meeting @7pm in the Stonequist Community Room
Thursday, May 17, 2018- Terrace Resident Meeting @6:30pm at Blg 24
Thursday, May 17, 2018 – Board Meeting @2:30 pm at Stonequist

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

STONEQUIST

Our next Resident Council meeting will be May 17th 2018 @ 7pm in the community room.

We will have a guest speaker from the Saratoga Police Department, please jot down any questions or concerns you have to ask the officer about and bring your list to the meeting. We encourage everyone to attend!

There will be a meeting in the community room on May 17th 2018 @ 6:30pm for ALL who use the community room TV. Please make sure you attend, as this will effect you.

Stonequist Resident Council hosted their 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 31st, it was a huge success! We had 19 little ones who took part in the event. After the Easter Egg Hunt they had cupcakes, juice, candy filled treat bags along with Chocolate Easter Bunnies, and a colored egg! A great time was had by all, we would like to thank the parents and grandparents of Stonequist and The Terrace for being a part of this fun filled afternoon! We would like to acknowledge the following people for all the help they gave to make this such a wonderful success! Lisa Vincent for all of the stuffed animals for the kiddo's, Cathy Caruso for furnishing all the candy treat bags, and colored eggs, Christine Leone for taking photo's of the kiddo's with the Easter Bunny, Jack Vick for hiding the Easter eggs, and being our Easter Bunny, Ally Vick for helping hide the eggs, doing face painting and helping with the cupcakes, Josh LaMarsh for helping hide the eggs, helping with the face painting as well as the cupcakes and clean up afterwards, Robin Talback for also helping with the cleaning up.

Resident Council will be holding a special raffle beginning May 1st through the end of June, with the startup date July 1st. For further details please contact Donna McCarthy.

This month's Resident Council meeting, we had 2 guest speakers, Donna Whitman from the Cornell Co-Op, and Anna Reeves Skidmore Intern/Advocate, we had a wonderful turn out, for the meeting and want to thank all the residents who attended!

There will be a Floor Captain meeting held on Thursday, May 3rd at 7pm in the Community Room. All Floor Captains are asked to attend. If you are unable to attend, please contact Michelle Roddy in Apt. 809.

There will be a Floor Captain training session held at 6:30pm on Thursday, May 3rd for all new Floor Captain's & anyone who feels they need a refresher. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Roddy.



THE TERRACE COMMUNITY RESIDENT COUNCIL

WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO OUR MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 17th @ 6:30PM

Bldg. 24 Jefferson Terrace (Senior Way) TCRC Meeting Room

All are welcomed! Refreshments will be served.

"Nothing is impossible. The word itself says I'm Possible" – Audrey Hepburn

We would like to say thank you to YOUTH SQUARED for coming to last month's meeting. We encourage any and all of our youth volunteers to contact us, as there are many volunteer opportunities you could do right here where you live! You can give us a call, a text, or drop by at any of our meetings to find out more info.

THIS MONTH'S AGENDA INCLUDES:

- **Our Guest Speaker: Ginger Miller, CRDPA-Provisional Advocate New Choices Recovery Center** a COTI Project serving Saratoga County. Because of the ever-growing addiction issues within our community, it's nice to know some of the resources available that can help a friend or a loved one if you need to reach out for assistance. Please join us to hear about the services that New Choices offer to assist in Assessment & Treatment referrals, care management, individual and group therapy, and the many other services they provide.
- We are very excited to introduce to you our new website! Of course, it's still in the makings and we would like anyone who would like to be involved in the production of the website to join us. Bring your ideas and spread the word! We are always looking for positive input: updated news, photos, and stories you'd like to share about living here at the Terraces.
- The "Cans-For-Kidz" is back up and running. We are looking for volunteers that could assist in the redemption process, if anyone is interested. Note: you must have a vehicle to transport the cans/bottles to the redemption center. Please let us know as soon as you can!! Come learn how these donations help with our programs for our youth throughout the year. As always, thank you to everyone who has donated to our Cans-For-Kidz program!

We are looking for someone to fill the Secretary and JVT Rep positions. If you or someone you know would be interested, please give us a call to find out more information.

As you know, each month we are recognizing residents that have given their time, big or small, to help make a difference here at the Terraces. If you know someone who has made a difference in your life or others, and you would like to nominate him/her, please send their information and your reason for wanting to nominate them to us.

MAY 2018 RESIDENT VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

MICHELLE LAMOUNTAIN

One of Michelle's favorite things to do in the spring and summer months is working in the garden. Along with her own garden space she has been tending for years in front of building 4JT, she also has helped her neighbor with her garden for many years. She does an impressive job with both detail and design, so much so that she's won the beautification contest a couple of times here at JT!! If you get a chance, we encourage you to take a stroll by this summer to see her gardens! It is well worth the walk!! Thank You, Michelle, for all the years of helping out your neighbor and also helping to beautify the property, both making a wonderful difference here at the Terraces!!

As always, THANK YOU for your continued support!!

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COMMUNITY EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

14th Annual Dog Day at Impressions

Hosted By: [Impressions of Saratoga](#)

When: Saturday, May 5, 2018 - 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Where: [Impressions of Saratoga, 368 Broadway Saratoga Springs, NY 12866](#)

Cost: FREE ADMISSION

Description: Come to Downtown Saratoga Springs with your pup and visit us for our 14th Annual Dog Day! We will have treat tasting, pup themed games and more!



Albany Tulip Fest 2018

When: Saturday, May 12, 2018 until Sunday, May 13, 2018 - 12:00 PM

Where: Washington Park, Albany, NY 12203

Cost: FREE ADMISSION

Description: The Tulip Festival is Albany's signature spring event featuring annual traditions rooted in the City's rich Dutch heritage. The event includes nearly one hundred artisans selling their handmade crafts, a fine arts show, delicious food, the KidZone family fun destination, two stages of world-class live entertainment and more than 140,000 tulips in 150 different varieties. It all takes place in historic Washington Park, the 81-acre "crown jewel" of the City.



8th Annual Winter Raptor Fest in Greenwich

When: Saturday, May 19, 2018 until Sunday, May 20, 2018 - 10:00 AM

Where: Washington County Fairgrounds, 392 Old Schuylerville Road Greenwich, NY 12834

Cost: \$12 for adults / \$6 for kids (7-12) / FREE ages 6 and under

Description: Experience the wonder of flight when Friends of the IBA's 8th annual Winter Raptor Fest returns to the Washington County Fairgrounds on May 19 & 20. Exciting Live Bird of Prey programs introduce you to many of our native owls, hawks and falcons, including some of our most endangered species!



Winter Raptor Fest is a fundraiser for Friends of the IBA's work to conserve critical habitat for endangered Short-eared owls and other at-risk grassland birds.

