

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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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**

Notice

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Fire Extinguishers

Saratoga Springs Fire Department has notified the SSHA that they would encourage tenants to have a fire extinguisher within their apartment. They recommend the homeowner sized (1A) as these do not require annual inspection.

Reminder -Terrace Residents

Reminder to make sure gas grills, bicycles and outdoor toys should **NOT** be left out front of the apartment. These should be kept in the back of the building. Any unattended toys, bikes or items **NOT** allowed will be removed by maintenance. Reminder, only outdoor furniture can be left outside.

Reminder -SQ Residents

Beginning May 1st only registered bikes will be allowed at the bike rack. Unregistered bikes will be removed. If you need to register your bike, please stop in to the office Monday-Friday between 8-12.

ACH Withdrawal

If you need to make changes to your ACH withdrawal this **MUST** be received in writing by the SSHA **PRIOR** to the 1st of the month. No changes can be accommodated after the 1st of the month. Changes should only be made in emergency situations.

Terrace Resident Reminder

Please do **NOT** feed the squirrels. Due to a small number of resident's hand feeding squirrels making them lose their natural fear of human contact, the SSHA could potentially have to do a catch and release program to relocate the squirrels. When squirrels lose their natural response to flee human contact it poses a threat to resident's health and safety. Feeding squirrels is **no longer allowed** on SSHA grounds. If you wish to feed the squirrels you may go to congress park.

Monthly Calendar

Tuesday, May 7, 2019-Resident Meeting with Director @10am in the Stonequist Community Room
Thursday, May 16, 2019 – Resident Council meeting @7pm in the Stonequist Community Room
Thursday, May 16, 2019 – 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.

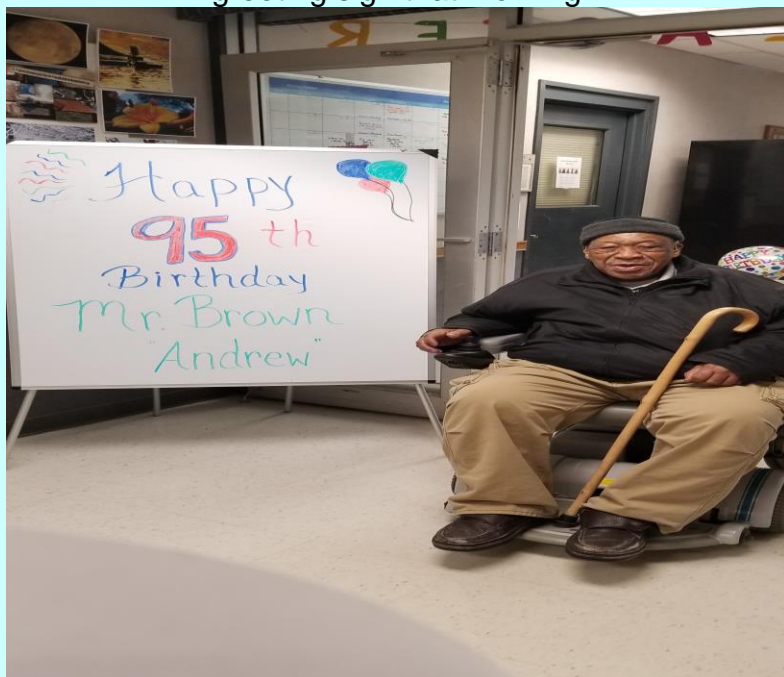
Summary of Service Animal Information

- Service animals are **NOT** pets. They are trained to fulfill an assistive role, doing work or performing specific tasks which assist the person with a disability.
- Comfort or companion animals **ARE NOT** allowed anywhere pets are not accepted. They serve the purposes of comfort, companionship, and/or emotional support for people in their homes.
- Service animals **ARE** allowed to accompany their owner anywhere the animal is needed in an assistive role.
- Comfort, companion, and emotional support animals are not necessarily trained to assist with tasks in the same way service animals are trained to serve an identified task and/or service for their owner. (Examples: pull a wheelchair, alert to needing medication, or assist & protect during a seizure)
- Service animals **ARE** allowed to accompany people with disabilities in all areas where the public is normally allowed to go. They **MUST** remain under the control of their owner at all times.
- People with disabilities are **NOT** exempt from being charged for damages caused by themselves or their service animals.
- Service animals and companion animals **MUST** be fully housebroken.
- Service animal status does **NOT** relieve the owner from paying for damages caused by the service animal or themselves. If an owned animal causes damages, the owner is still responsible for the cost of repairs.
- Service animals should **NOT** be disruptive or create a danger to other residents due to their behavior. Barking excessively, jumping up on people, howling, and lunging at other people and/or other service animals **IS** disruptive behavior.

STONEQUIST

Happy 95th Birthday!!!

Stonequist resident Andrew Brown celebrated his 95th birthday last week, he was welcomed to a big birthday greeting sign that morning.



Stonequist Resident Council Meeting

Our May meeting will be held on May 16 at 7pm in the Community Room.

Stonequist Residents

The Stonequist residents have a gas grill for use and have asked that anyone that will be using or plan to use to pay \$2 so that when the propane tank needs to be refilled there are the funds paid by everyone collectively to do so. Cathy C., SQ Resident Council Treasurer, will be collecting the money. There will also be a sign out sheet that will be kept in the Resident Council office. Anyone wishing to use the grill can contact Cathy Caruso, Apt. 611, or Michelle Roddy, Apt. 809.

Life Insurance

We will be sponsoring a presentation on May 8th at 10am on Life Insurance: Do I need it? What kind? How do I get it? More details will follow...

COMMUNITY EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Inaugural Saratoga Reptile Expo

When: Saturday, May 4, 2019 - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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

Cost: \$10 Adults, \$6 for children (6-13), and under 6 are free. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

Description: Come see and buy exotic animals (reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, and more) at the inaugural Saratoga Reptile Expo. We have 160 vendor tables with the highest quality supplies and animals. We'll be having multiple giveaways throughout the day as well!

Albany Tulip Fest 2019

When: Saturday, May 11, 2019 until Sunday, May 12, 2019

Where: Washington Park, Albany, NY 12203

Cost: FREE ADMISSION

Description: The 71st Annual Albany Tulip Festival returns to Washington Park on Mother's Day weekend, May 11-12, 2019. 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.

15th Annual Dog Day at Impressions

Hosted By: Impressions of Saratoga

When: Saturday, May 11, 2019 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Where: Impressions of Saratoga, 368 Broadway Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Cost: FREE ADMISSION

Event Description: Come to Downtown Saratoga Springs with your pup and visit Impressions of Saratoga for the 15th Annual Dog Day! We will have treat tastings, a coloring contest, visiting animal rescues, pup themed games and more!

2019 Spring Auto Show

When: Saturday, May 18, 2019 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Where: Saratoga Automobile Museum, 110 Avenue Of The Pines Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Cost: Varies

Event Description: Join the Saratoga Automobile Museum at the Saratoga Spa State Park for our annual Spring Auto Show, taking place on Saturday, May 18 (rain date is Sunday, May 19) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. As a showcase display, we welcome Cars of the Sixties to be placed around the Park's reflecting pool. Don't forget with a car registration you get a ticket for the Museum, where we will be inviting you to view our new exhibit Wheels of Change: Cars & Culture of the Sixties! Fun for the entire family! We'll be welcoming some awesome local friends to join us! The day will include: Family Model T rides as well as fun, interactive activities provided by Mad Science, We Rock the Spectrum - Ballston Spa, The Children's Museum at Saratoga and National Museum of Dance! Pre-Register with your Car Club and receive a special promo plus VIP parking! Register your car for the show: Pre-Registration - \$10 / Day of - \$20

