



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, no meeting in the month of August.

Saratoga Springs Housing Authority: 518-584-6600

Our Staff

- Ext. 22 Paul Feldman, Executive Director
- Ext. 17 Cindy, *Director of Finance*
- Ext. 11 Katie, *Tenant Relations*
- Ext. 10 Kathy, *Executive Secretary*
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EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE PHONE NUMBER FOR PUBLIC HOUSING RESIDENTS (AFTER HOURS) 857-1051

Notice

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NEW WORK ORDER NUMBER

The SSHA has created a new dedicated phone line for residents to call in work orders during business hours. Simply call **518-584-6600** and press ***23** to leave your maintenance work order request. This line will be monitored throughout the business day so that all calls will be promptly entered into the system and dispatched to a maintenance staff. Please note for emergencies during non-business hours continue to call the emergency maintenance line at **518-857-1051**.

Air Conditioners:



Air Conditioners will be removed from all Apartments beginning the week of September 25 - October 6th 2017

Please see Kathy at the office to sign-up to get your Air Conditioner removed.

Energy Performance Contract

Over the next few months the Danforth Company will begin installing the Facilities Improvement Measures that are part of the Energy Performance Contract. Not every apartment will be getting the same components installed as the decisions for new components were based on energy paybacks. Everyone will be receiving new LED lighting to replace the existing lighting and everyone will receive some type of water conservation measure components. The components for water conservation measures include new toilets, shower heads and faucet aerators but not everyone will be receiving each component. Notice will be provided when the contractors will be entering your apartments to complete the work. Thanks for your patience and cooperation during this construction period.

Monthly Calendar

- Office will be CLOSED Monday, September 4th for the observance of Labor Day. Will reopen Tuesday September 5th at regular business hours 8am – 2pm
- Executive Director's resident meeting Tuesday, September 12th 10:00am in Stonequist Community Room
- Stonequist Resident council meeting Thursday, September 14th at 5:30 pm in the Community room
- Terrace Resident Council Meeting, Thursday, September 21st at 6:30 pm
- Thursday September 21, 2017 - Board meeting @ 2:30 pm

Stonequist News

Do You Want to Prevent Bed Bugs From Entering Your Apartment????

The Cornell Cooperative Extension Program will be hosting an Integrated Pest Management training for residents on September 26th at 10:00am. Learn how to prevent bed bugs from being introduced to your home and strategies to deal with them if they make their way in. Stonequist Apartments has 176 apartments and it's impossible to "guarantee" that bed bugs will never enter the building. The best prevention is to know what to do and what not to do. Learn what you can do to maximize protection and insure that bed bugs don't get introduced into your apartment. Light refreshments will be provided for those attending.

FIRE PREVENTION

Would you know what to do if there was a fire in the building? Come and find out what to do if there is any type of fire emergency.

On September 12, 2017 at 11:00am, there will be a Fire Prevention training headed by Mr. Aaron Dyer, Fire Prevention Officer of the Saratoga Springs Fire Department.

**ALL ARE STRONGLY
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

RESIDENT COUNCIL MEETING

Resident Council Meeting for September will be held on September 14, 2017 at 5:30 pm in the backyard. In case of rain it will be held in the Stonequist Community Room.

We encourage everyone to attend.



Stonequist Security:

In order to maintain a secure building at Stonequist it is imperative that you do not let anyone in who is not a resident of the building. If someone is at the door knocking, tell them they need to ring the bell for the person that they are here to see and walk away. If a stranger is knocking on the door and creating a nuisance, don't hesitate to call the Saratoga Springs Police Department to report a potential trespasser. The Stonequist Apartments are located on private property and persons who come onto the property must have a legitimate reason for being here. If everyone cooperates then we will be able to maintain a safe environment in the building.

Please contact Paul if you see anyone letting strangers into the building.



THE TERRACE COMMUNITY RESIDENT COUNCIL

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

What a busy time we had at our August 17th, 2017 TCRC meeting! It was great to see a full house! We would like to thank Paul Feldman and Brian Sweeney, Development Consultant from the Fresnel Company for talking about the proposed buildings for JVT, as well as answering the many questions everyone had! We also wanted to thank Clyde and Peggy Ronk from Abundant Life Church for joining us to talk about the upcoming Family Fun Day, and our two Resident Commissioners who represent us on the SSHA Board, Michelle Deyette and Donna McCarthy for stopping by to say hello!!

THANK YOU ALL for joining us!!

We would also like to send a HUGE *THANK YOU* to the Saratoga County EOC for holding the Summer Lunch Program here at the JVT, serving free nutritious lunches to all our resident youth.

Its hard to believe that Labor Day weekend is upon us, and soon all of our kids will be back to school. We would like to say *THANK YOU* to all of our volunteers who helped out at our 3rd Annual BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES PROGRAM giveaway, held Thurs August 31st! Please note: If you were not on the list, but are in need of school supplies K-12, please give us a call.

We would also like to say *THANK YOU* to the Abundant Life Church and the Hands & Feet Ministry and their wonderful group of volunteers for putting on the FAMILY FUN DAY, held Saturday, August 26th for all the residents of the JVT. It was a great day had by all!!

We would like to invite everyone to our next meeting
THURSDAY, SEPT 21st @ 6:30pm

Our Sept meeting will be filled with updated info from the SSHA Resident Meeting, as well as the following:

*** THE TCRC IS LOOKING TO FILL THE SECRETARY/TREASURER and VANDERBILT REPRESENTATIVE POSITIONS ON OUR BOARD.** If you or someone you know is interested, please come to the TCRC meeting and learn more about the position. All residents are welcomed to apply.

**** JVT YARD SALE - Saturday, SEPT 9th 9am-4pm (Rain date: Sunday, Sept 10th) ****

*** FUTURE EVENTS and SPEAKERS** - We want to hear from you what kind of events **YOU** would be interested in, and what speakers you'd like to hear from. **Your idea's are very important!!** Some examples of speakers are: LEGAL AID, SOCIAL SECURITY, OFFICE OF THE AGING, SCEOC, NATIONAL GRID, CDTA, VETERANS ASSOCIATION, RURAL PRESERVATION, HUD-SECTION 8, HEALTH INSURANCE. Come join us, share your concerns, make a difference!! Some of the events we're having in the upcoming months are:

***NYS CITIZENS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS *OCTOBERFEST - OCTOBER**

***SANTA'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - DECEMBER**

New on the agenda is the ***ART CLUB** and ***COUPON CLUB**

AS ALWAYS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Please come join us!! We'd love to hear from you!

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