Neighbors

The Hagerstown Housing Authority is committed to providing quality, affordable house in a safe environment. Through partnership with our residents and other groups we will provide opporunities for those we serve to become self-sufficient.





To associate on neighborly terms ♦ *To be friendly* ♦ *Persons who live near others*

August 2019









CONGRATULATIONS FSS PARTICIPANTS!

The Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Annual Recognition Dinner was held on June 20th at Elgin Station. Participants from the FSS Program were recognized for completing goals and overcoming obstacles during the past year. While in the FSS Program, participants complete goals such as credit repair, furthering education, financial stability, research homeownership, and obtaining suitable employment.

Petros Colla, Regional Outreach Specialist for Awakenings Recovery Center in Hagerstown, was the guest speaker for the dinner. During his speech, Mr. Colla was transparent as he described his life's decisions and how it affected him and his family. His inspirational story was uplifting to those in attendance.



The FSS Program is now accepting referrals, including self-referrals. Please contact the Housing Authority at 301.733.6911 or complete a referral form at www.hagerstownha.com





You Have Another Option to Pay Your Rent!

You can pay your rent in cash, check or money order at the participating stores listed in the red box.

- Check your e-mail for your account number. The e-mail will come from HHA.nonreply@yardi.com
- Tell the cashier you would like to make a "WIPS Rent Payment"
- When you make your rent payment at one of the participating locations there will be a \$3.00 charge
- After you make your payment be sure to hold onto the receipt!

Please note that your WIPS payment will not post to your online portal instantly. Check back the following day.



WAL-MART STORES, INC #01674 17850 GARLAND GROH B HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740

WAL-MART STORES, INC #02790 10420 WALMART DR HAGERSTOWN, MD 21740

WEIS MARKETS #167 12817 SHANK FARM WAY HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742

> Having a Baby?! Come Learn How Healthy Families Can Help!





Open House

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 DROP IN 12:30-3:30 PM WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPT 1302 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, HAGERSTOWN

The Washington County Health Department is hosting an Open House for all pregnant moms living in Washington County, MD.

- Vendors will include Healthy Families, Head Start of Washington County, Apples for Children, the Judy Center and much more!
- Information will be provided on resources for moms, babies, and families.
- Refreshments will be provided.
- Raffles will be drawn for a gift basket! (You don't have to be present to win.)
- Event is FREE! Bring a Friend!

PLEASE RSVP BY AUGUST 21 (240) 313-3271





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Boys and Girls Club Program in

Gymnasium

Pearls for Girls

Lunch Program open to youth in

community

Monday-Friday

Summer Program

Thursdays

7:00-8:00 PM

Frederick Manor

Boys and Girls Club Programs Monday-Friday Summer Program Girl Scouts Mondays 6:00-7:00 PM

Parkside/Douglass Scattered Sites

PALS Homework Program Monday-Friday 4:30-6:30 PM

Will resume in September **Dance Class** Girl Scouts

Fridays

5:30-7:00 PM

Additional Community Activities

Boys and Girls Club Pennsylvania Ave. Monday-Friday Summer Program Boys and Girls Club Elgin Station Summer Program Monday-Friday Girl Scouts Elgin Mondays 6:00-7:00 PM National Night Out August 6 5:30-8:30 PM (Hagerstown Fairgrounds)

10-3 PM (Elgin Station) Housing Authority Community FAIR August 16

Numbers to Know

Key Holders

Noland Village

Pam Felton 1064H Noland Dr. 240.310.8446

Frederick Manor

Jennifer Colvin 624 Adams Ave. 240.520.7627

Parkside/Douglass/Scattered Sites

Monique Broadus 406 Suman Ave. 240-291-4684

Please remember Community Buildings are closed on major holidays

Hagerstown Housing Central

301.733.6911

Maintenance Department

301.733.6916

Security Supervisor

301.730.2096

Resident Services

Dianne Rudisill ext. 125 Deena Holder ext. 163 Sam Cohen ext. 171 Jenny Fleming ext 170 Tacy Myers ext. 157 Kelly Mills-Thompson ext. 158

Jill Moore ext. 167

Resources

Child Protective Services

240.420.2100

Narcotic Task Force

301.791.3205

Non-Emergency Police

240.313.4345

Poison Control Center

800.222.1222 **USDA** Hotline

888.674.6854 **Adult Protective Services**

240.420.2155

HUD: Fair Housing 1.800.669.9777



Noland Village: Aug 1, 6, 22 & 30 Aug 9, 13 & 29 **Elgin Station:**

The Main Housing Office will close at 1:00 PM on August 21.



FROM MAINTENANCE



BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

You may have your bulk items picked up on the following days of each month:

1st Thursday: Noland Village, Courts 1, 3, 5 & 7 2nd Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglass Court 3rd Thursday: Noland Village, Courts 2, 4, 6 & 8

4th Thursday: Frederick Manor

Please set your items out after 8:00pm the night before your scheduled day and have them on the curb prior to 8:30am on your scheduled pickup day. This schedule will be strictly followed. Any bulk items set on the curb on days other than those listed for your community will result in a charge (\$60.00) to the resident.

Scattered Site locations will be expected to observe the bulk pickup days published by the City of Hagerstown. Check the newspaper or call the City for dates.

Trash/Recyle Containers

Trash/Recycle cans and toters must be placed and kept in the rear of your unit. Containers must be moved after they are emptied on the day of pick up to avoid a charge. You will be charged a minimum of \$30.95 if maintenance has to move your container to the rear of your unit. As always, we appreciate your help in keeping our communities beautiful.

(Trash containers must be set out after 4:00pm on your scheduled pick up day.)

Wading Pools/Swimming Pools

Residents are reminded that wading pools and swimming pools are a violation of your lease. Not only are unattended pools unsafe but they damage the lawn and impede mowing.

Tenant Installed Locks are Proibited

Tenant installed locks are not allowed and are considered a lease violation. Please see Section G (Tenant Obligations), Item 31 of your lease for additional information. If tenant installed locks are found by an inspector or maintenance personnel, you will be charged to correct the lock and the door.

Installing Window Air Conditioners

When installing window air conditioners, be sure to install them in a safe and secure manner. Air conditioner units should be tilted away from the unit. This allows the condensate to run away from the wall and will help to prevent mold/mildew on the walls. The window air conditioner needs to be installed properly to prevent

outside air from entering the unit. If the extendable panels are missing or damaged, air coming in from the outside will cause the room temperature to rise, keeping the air conditioner running. This can cause high electric bills. It is best to seal the openings with foam panels. Cardboard, pillows and blankets are inefficient as they can fall out leaving the window open.

Conserving Water

In order to conserve, all residents must promptly report any leaks or dripping faucets, hoses or fixtures to the Maintenance Department at 301-733-6916. Insure all faucets are turned completely off when you are not drawing water. Other ways of conserving water is to:

- * Avoid flushing the toilet unnecessarily.
- * Dispose of tissues and other such waste in the trash rather than the toilet.
- * Take shorter showers.
- * Use the minimum amount of water needed for a bath by closing the drain first and filling the tub only 1/3 full.
- * Don't let water run while shaving or washing your face. Brush your teeth first while waiting for water to get hot, then wash or shave after filling the basin.

Tips on Removing Mold & Mildew

Mold/mildew can grow in areas that are moist such as in bathrooms or at washer hookups. It is usually recognized as a dark discoloration of the surface on which it resides (i.e., dark spots on grout). There are numerous cleaning products on the market designed to kill mold. Also a solution of 1 part bleach and 4 parts water will do the trick. Wipe down ceilings and walls with one of the disinfectants, scrub tile and caulk joints in the tub area. Always be sure to read the labels and abide by the manufacturer's recommendations. It is your responsibility to properly clean the surfaces in your unit but if you are having problems identifying or removing mold, please call Maintenance and we will have an inspector check it out at no cost to you.

Don't Let the Bed Bugs Bite!

HABITS

Being excellent hitchhikers, bed bugs hide in purses, luggage and other personal belongings in an effort to find a human food supply. Bed bugs can also hide nearly anywhere inside a car, bus, home, etc., that you can think of and in many places you would not expect.

PREVENTION

Inspect bedding for shed bed bug skins and change your bed linens often. Before settling into hotel rooms, inspect the bed and furniture. Set your luggage away from walls and furniture. When returning home from traveling, inspect your suitcase and store any clothes in a sealed plastic bag until they can be washed.

Examine any secondhand furniture or clothing before bringing it home.

Maintenance Inspections Monday, Aug 5 Hayes Ave 661-673 (odd) Tuesday, Aug 6 **Hayes Ave** 675-689 (odd) Friday, Aug 9 **Hayes Ave** 600-612 (even) Monday, Aug 12 **Hayes Ave** 614-626 (even) Tuesday, Aug 13 **Hayes Ave** 628-630 (even) **Taylor Ave** 200A & 200B Taylor Ave 202A & 202B Friday, Aug 16 **Taylor Ave** 201-211 (odd) Monday, Aug 19 Taylor Ave 213-315 (odd) Hayes Ave 660-666 (even) **Hayes Ct** Tuesday, Aug 20 200-206 (even) **Hayes Ct** 201 & 203 (odd) Wednesday, Aug 21 Hayes Ct 205 & 207 (odd) **Rowland Ave** 201A & 201B **Rowland Ave** 203A & 203B Thursday, Aug 22 Adams Ave 607-617 (odd) Friday, Aug 23 **Adams Ave** 625-635 (odd) Monday, Aug 26 **Adams Ave** 600-612 (even) Tuesday, Aug 27 Adams Ave 614-626 even) Wednesday, Aug 28 628A & 628B **Adams Ave** Taylor Ave 216-224 (even) Thursday, Aug 29 **Taylor Ave** 226-236 (even) Friday, Aug 30 Frederick St 633 & 635 223-229 (odd) **Taylor Ave** Tuesday, Sept 3 231 & 233 (odd) Taylor Ave Frederick St 655 & 657 (odd) Wednesday, Sept 4 **Park Place** 400 A-B, 402 A-B **Park Place** 406-408 (even) Park Place Thursday, Sept 5 410-426 (even) Friday, Sept 6 **Park Place** 428-442 (even) Monday, Sept 9 **Park Place** 401-411 (odd) Tuesday, Sept 10 **Park Place** 415-443 (odd)

BED BUG MYTHS

FALSE: Home Solutions can replace professional extermination

There are several home remedy recommendations online to exterminate your home without a professional. Often, the effort and impact of do-it-yourself solutions can make the problem worse and help the infestation spread over time.

Although you may be tempted to treat with a home remedy, you may find the situation is worse than expected and requires professional treatment.

Questionable Methods

- Baking soda
- Vacuuming
- Diatomaceous earth
- Steam cleaning
- Tea tree oil
- Cayenne pepper, ginger and oregano
- Lavender and peppermint spray
- Black walnut tea

PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE				
Aug 14	Parkside Homes, CB			
Aug 21	Douglass Court & Admin Building			
Aug 28	Scattered Sites			
Sept 4	Noland Village Court 1 1000-1016			
	& Court 2 1005/Community Building/Kitchen			
Sept 11	Noland Village Court 2 1009-1013			
	& Court 3 1020-1032 & Court 4 1017			
Sept 18	Noland Village Court 4 1021-1033			
	& Court 5 1036-1040			
Sept 25	Noland Village Court 5 1044			
	& Court 6 1037-1049 & Court 7 1052-1056			



Peer Mentoring

The Hagerstown Housing Authority requests your attendance

Family Self-Sufficiency Peer Mentoring will provide you with information about the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program, Financial Literacy, FSS Workshops, community resources, and will give you the opportunity to network with FSS Participants.

Wednesday, August 7, 2019, 2:00 pm

Elgin Station Community Center 40 Elgin Blvd, Hagerstown MD



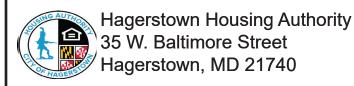


AUGUST 6, 2019 5:30-8:30 PM FAIRGROUNDS PARK

Join us for this annual community event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safe and better places to live!

There will be fun activities, food and information.

Hosted by: Hagerstown Police Department,
Hagerstown Housing Authority,
Community Action Council
& Hagerstown Police Athletic League





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