

Family Neighbors

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



No assistance on neighborhood issues • No discrimination • No smoking • No pets • No alcohol • No drugs

May 2021



You did it!
Congratulations

Please join us in congratulating Yssence Alston on recently graduating from the Family Self Sufficiency Program! Since joining the FSS Program in March 2013, Yssence has set and accomplished many personal goals for herself and her family. Not only did Yssence reach all the goals she had set, but she went above and beyond! She overcame an accident and surgeries to show her family that you never give up and continue to work hard toward your goals and the betterment of your family! We are so proud of you, Yssence, and wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors!

If you are interested in the FSS program, please contact:
Kelly Mills, ext. 158; Tacy Myers, ext. 157; Pam Schnebly, ext. 167

The Hagerstown Housing Authority would like to congratulate **Lisa Knight** on her **Recognition Award from Bester Community of Hope**. Lisa received her award for outstanding service to her community in the South End. Lisa began her service by attending Cupcakes & Conversation and branched out past helping her community of Frederick Manor and into the surrounding area of the South End of Hagerstown as well. She was an integral part of bringing crosswalks to Taylor Avenue in front of the Community Building. She is also currently working with the City of Hagerstown in creating a crosswalk on Frederick Street to Eastern Boulevard and a Medication Drop Off at Hager Park. Lisa participates now in the Bester Community of Hope Community Coffee where they discuss issues of the neighborhood as well as ideas for activities. Lisa has also received training as a peer support and enjoys helping improve the community for her neighbors and their children. In addition to her help with Bester, Lisa has also helped the Housing Authority with Saturday Food Drops, Halloween parties and has assisted Bester Community of Hope with their South End Block Parties. Please take time to congratulate Lisa on her award. The Housing Authority is greatly appreciative of all the work she has done to improve our community.



You did it!
Congratulations

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021
RENT STATEMENTS WILL NO
LONGER BE PRINTED AND
MAILED TO RESIDENTS!**

**THEY WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL SO
PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR
EMAIL ADDRESS IS UPDATED
WITH HHA!**

**BE SURE TO KEEP A WATCH FOR
MORE INFORMATION REGARDING
THIS ISSUE IN UPCOMING
NEWSLETTERS!**

**ALSO BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021
NEWSLETTERS WILL NO LONGER
BE PRINTED AND MAILED TO
RESIDENTS!**

**THEY WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL,
POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE,
POSTED TO RENT CAFE
(RESIDENT PORTAL), AND
POSTED TO HHA SOCIAL MEDIA
SITES!**



Music on the Square

Fridays, 5:30-7:30 pm

April 23, 30 // May 7, 21 // June 4, 11

May 7 - Raising Moxie

This harmony-rich, acoustic duo delivers an eclectic blend of stripped down covers. Some will make you dance, some you'll sing along to, and some will just help you kick back and relax.



May 21 - Anita Thomas Quartet

Multi-instrumentalist Anita Thomas brings a quartet made up of guitar, keys, vocals, sax (and whatever else Anita decides to bring), playing a variety of blues and jazz.



GoVAX
Let's end COVID, Maryland.
Learn more at covidlink.maryland.gov

**WCHD COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic
Call Center**

Those that live or work in Washington County who are 18 years or older* can now call the Washington County Health Department to schedule their COVID-19 vaccine at one of our clinics.

*We are receiving limited allocations of the Moderna vaccine, which is currently approved for those 18 and older.

240-313-3456



Washington County Health Department
1302 Pennsylvania Ave, Hagerstown MD 21742
240-313-3200 washcohealth.org wash.health@maryland.gov

Drive-Thru Clinics will be held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 am - 2:15 pm @ 13 West Lee Street (behind the CW Brooks Building).

**APPOINTMENTS WILL BE
REQUIRED 240-313-3456**

This Washington County Health Department clinic will provide the Moderna Vaccine, which has been approved for ages 18 and older.

For additional information Visit washcohealth.org/washington-county-covid-19-vaccine-drive-thru-clinic/

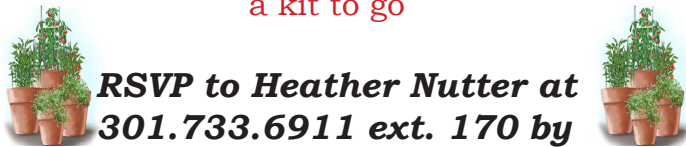


The Resident Services Department
will be hosting a
Container Gardening Event

Residents will have their choice of:
Tomato, Pepper, or Flower Plant
Wednesday May 26, 2021

11:00 am Noland Village
(Community Building Parking Lot)
1:30 pm Frederick Manor
(Hayes Court Parking Lot)

If inclement weather
you will be able to take
a kit to go



RSVP to Heather Nutter at
301.733.6911 ext. 170 by
May 11th!

Numbers to Know

- Hagerstown Housing Authority**
- Central Office:** 301-733-6911
- Maintenance:** 301-733-6916
- Pest Control Coordinator:**
301-733-6911 ext. 132
- Non-Emergency Police:** 240-313-4345
- Non-Emergency Ambulance:** 301-733-1112
- Resident Services Staff:**
- Dianne Rudisill: 301-733-6911 ext. 125
- Deena Holder: 301-733-6911 ext. 163
- Heather Nutter: 301-733-6911 ext. 170
- Treyvon King: 301-733-6911 ext. 171
- Family Self-Sufficiency Program:**
- Kelly Mills: 301-733-6911 ext. 158
- Pamela Schnebly: 301-733-6911 ext. 167
- Tacy Myers: 301-733-6911 ext. 157
- Security:** 301-730-2096
- Office of Fair Housing:** 1-800-669-9777



FREE CLASSES!
FINANCIAL
EDUCATION SERIES

Financial Education Partnership-Washington County offers FREE monthly on-line classes to help members in our community to take charge of their finances
Topics include:

- April 21, 2021: Creating & Building Savings
- May 19, 2021: Identity Theft & Scams
- June 16, 2021: Conquering Debt
- July 21, 2021: Basics of Money Management

To register or for more information, contact
Kelli at 301-733-2371 ext. 107
kelli@reachofwc.org



Register Today!

6:00 - 7:00 pm

Pay Off Debt

Create or Build
Savings

Identity Theft &
Scams

Location:
Classes will be held
via Zoom
To register, email
kelli@reachofwc.org

Please Join Us For Our New
Informational Zoom Series:

Creating Community Connections

Thursday May 20, 2021 @ 2:00 pm
We welcome Tom Kline the Chief
Executive Officer & Big Brother from
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Washington
County

We hope that you can join us for some
FUN with the **Resident Services Team**
and receive some useful **INFORMATION**
from our **Community Partners!**

These events will be provided through
Facebook Live on HHA Facebook Page!

Monday May 3rd 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
The Washington County Health
Department
will be conducting COVID-19 testing
at the Community Building in Noland
Village

FROM MAINTENANCE

TRASH CONTAINERS

All trash cans and totes 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. If maintenance moves your container to the rear of your unit, you will be charged a minimum of \$32.36. As always, we appreciate your help in keeping our communities beautiful.

Trash containers are not to be placed out before 4:00pm on trash pick-up night at your community.

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY ON MONDAY, MAY 31, 2021 ALL TRASH PICKUPS THIS WEEK WILL BE DELAYED BY ONE DAY!

MOWING SEASON

Once again, the mowing season is upon us. Please be aware of the contractors as they mow the grass in your community. The contractor is responsible for performing his work in a safe manner. He has a difficult task to accomplish and needs your help to keep track of the small children. Please, for the safety of your children; keep them away from the workers doing the mowing.

All communities will be mowed on **THURSDAY** unless it rains. **FRIDAY WILL BE THE RAIN MAKE-UP DAY.**

GRASS SEED

You can pick up free grass seed at the Maintenance office to spot seed your yard. Seed and water from a watering can will improve the appearance of your lawn.

HEAT WILL BE TURNED OFF

Maintenance will be turning off the heat in all communities on or near May 15. Maintenance will not respond to "no heat" calls after this time.

LOCKOUTS

Please note that there are no charges for lockouts during regular business hours, 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday. The Security Staff will handle lockouts after regular business hours at no charge only when they are available. If the Security staff is not available, it will be necessary for a Maintenance Mechanic to respond. Avoid receiving an overtime lockout charge by making sure you have your key with you before locking your door or have access to a spare key at all times. The current overtime charge is \$97.08

BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

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

- 1st Thursday: McCleary Hill
- 2nd Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglas Court
- 3rd Thursday: Noland Village
- 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 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.

“Bed Bugs Bite, Ouch”

Yes it is true; bed bugs do bite and feed on blood. Bed bugs are a smaller insects and sometimes are considered a “lazy bug” considering their nature because they live close to their food supply and they may bite many times trying to find the easiest spot to pierce the skin to access a blood meal. Also they will hide very close to humans where people rest or sleep to have easy access to their food supply and they do not like to travel far at all. Bed bugs think of us as their refrigerator and will hang out close to the food supply Bed Bugs are found hiding in beds, blankets, couches, chairs, dressers and even clothes that are in close proximity where humans sleep.

Bed bugs will try and find a delicate area to bite on the human body and sometimes those areas end up being the face, neck, arms, ankles or easy open areas with exposed skin in an accessible spot. Most of the biting does occur at night when we are very still with no movement when the bug feels safe to come out. The areas bitten are small and sometimes you will see raised bumps on the skin. The other most common signs of bed bug bites include the redness around the very tiny puncture and some swelling associated with the affected site. Not everyone’s skin will react in the same manner and many people report different allergic reactions to the bite from this insect. Bed bug bites may go unnoticed right away and or mistaken for flea or mosquito bites because the skin reactions are very similar.

Remember if you are getting bit inside your unit or you think you may have bed bugs please call the maintenance department right away. We have a full time Pest Control Coordinator that will set up a free inspection of your unit for Bed Bugs and the coordinator along with the pest control contractor will assist you with how the treatment process work and the procedures. The service is free of charge so please take advantage of it and let the professionals take care of the unwanted insects in your home. Maintenance can be reached at 301-733-6911.



PEST CONTROL SCHEDULE

MAY 2021

05/12/21	Parkside Homes, Community Building
05/19/21	Douglas Court
05/26/21	Scattered Sites

the Preakness Experience

Come experience a day at the derby supporting the Boys & Girls Club of Washington County. Food, fun, and horse racing at its finest right here locally!



Saturday May 15th, 2021

Infield open at 3:30 pm

Preakness live feed at 5:45 pm

Ninety Thirty at Rockland Estates

9030 Sharpsburg Pike

Fairplay, Maryland 21733

Event Highlights

- o Live stream of the Preakness from Pimlico
- o Live horse race on property
- o Live music
- o Strolling horse education and interaction
- o Delectable bites from 28 South
- o Specialty beer, wine & cocktails including our specialty drink, the Black-eyed Susan
- o And much, much more!

Special Guest: Santana Moss
Former Washington Football Player

Please reserve your seat now at:

https://secureonlinegiving.com/Auctions/site/items_detail.asp?eventID=614&itemID=9377

Have Questions? Want to become a sponsor?

Email EJ Fuller at Ejfuller@bgwc.org or call 301-991-3672



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