

HEALTHY HAPPY ATTITUDES

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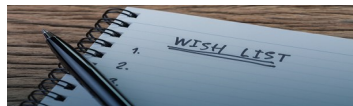
Sarah's News

Housing Authority Commissioner Dave Bauer is stepping down from his position after this month's meeting. Dave has been both a Housing Authority Commissioner and a Director on the board of the Adirondack Housing Development Corporation for 3 ½ years. During that time, he has contributed greatly to many discussions and decisions, offering valuable insights and guidance. His quiet and dry humor kindled many twinkling eyes and heartfelt laughter. I will miss him and look forward to learning of his many adventures. Dave, thank you!

As executive director of the Housing Authority, here are the top ten items of my wish list for the holidays:

Drum roll, please.

- #10. Zero incidents/reports of smoking on Housing Authority properties.
- #9. New rear yard fences at the Algonquin Apartments.
- #8. Newly paved lots at the Algonquin Apartments.
- #7. Enhanced safety/security equipment.
- #6. Zero evictions; zero lease terminations.
- #5. Continued, if not improved, positive and productive working relationships with partners at the local, state, and federal levels, as well as with the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.
- #4. A new and beautiful façade for the Lake Flower Apartments.
- #3. A complete absence of unexpected maintenance- and facility-related events.
- #2. All units and vouchers filled with happy and healthy people and their *approved* pets.
- #1. A happy, healthy, and full staff!



HHA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chairperson: Jim Connolly
Dave Bauer
Allen Dunham
Emily Fogarty
Agnes "Liz" Latour
Eugene O'Dell
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HHA OFFICE HOURS

9:00am- 11:30am

And 1:00pm—3:30pm

After hours

Emergency call
number

518-923-1082



Harrietstown Housing Authority

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sarah A. Clarkin

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HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER SPECIALIST

RESIDENT SERVICES COORDINATOR

Irene Snyder

FACILITIES MANAGER

David Siegrist

MAINTENANCE STAFF

John Burns

Robert Mathers

ACCOUNT CLERK

Vacant



TID BITS FROM DAVID SIEGRIST

So long November into December
So many things I need to remember
Getting snow tires on to the car
Writing out cards to send near and far
Thaw the turkey for the grand meal
Hang the mistletoe for big kisses to steal (don't tell my wife)
Clear the driveway with the snow blower
Clear the dog yard that once was just clover
Joining the party and making some merry
Still mourning the loss of the actor Luke Perry
Batten down the hatches on the whole house
Leave a little cheese for that little cold mouse
Cold and windy and snowy are days
But all will enjoy sitting by the fire, its blaze
31 days until the New Year
Finish of December with a large chalice of cheer!



Happy Winter Holidays to you!

RESIDENT NEWS AND ISSUES...By Tammy Burdt

I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving holiday! Christmas is right around the corner. This year sure has flown by!

As you know, it has been a very hectic and challenging one for me. But alas, the end of the year is near and a new one shall begin. There is still an opening for an Account Clerk if you know of anyone that may be interested. Please have them contact the office.

Reminder: All rent (current and outstanding) is due no later than **December 15th**, no exceptions.

Lake Flower News: The annual Harvest Dinner is fast approaching. This year it will be on Thursday, December 12th at 12:00 noon. Annual re-certifications will begin for the tenants on Thursday, December 5th. Please be sure to bring everything required with you when you come to your appointment.

Algonquin News: We have had a couple of tenants move out and their apartments are being readied for new occupants. Remember, it is the tenant's responsibility to keep their walkway and stairs clear of snow and ice. If you need some sand, you can find it in the open shed, in the lower parking lot.

Office Hours: On Thursday, December 19th, the office will be closing at 12:30 pm for a staff holiday luncheon. In addition, the office will be closing at 11:30 am on Tuesday, December 24th and will be closed Wednesday, December 25th. We will also be closing at 11:30 am on Tuesday, December 31st and will be closed Wednesday, January 1st.

I would like to wish everyone a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season.



WORK ORDERS

**Please remember to call the office at
518-891-3050 option 3
For a work order.
This is the only way to schedule your
maintenance needs.**

IRENE'S THOUGHTS

December is a busy, busy, busy month! Watch the bulletin boards for upcoming events. Please be sure to sign up for the Harvest Dinner if you are able to attend. Signup sheets are on each floor.

We need some good ideas for activities for the winter months to help avoid the winter blues. Stop by my office or leave me a note if you have any thoughts or suggestions.



Get the Newsletter Via E-Mail!

We encourage those with access to e-mail to sign up for e-mail delivery of the monthly newsletter. To sign up, send a quick e-mail to tburd@harriestownha.org. The newsletter is also available on the website: www.harriestownha.org

EHRlich PEST CONTROL INSPECTIONS

Notices of inspections will be distributed.

PLEASE BE ADVISED, IT WILL ALSO BE NOTED IF YOU ARE MAINTAINING YOUR APARTMENT IN A CLEAN, SAFE AND SANITARY CONDITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR LEASE.

ARE YOU A VICTIM OF UNWANTED TELEMARKETING CALLS?

CALL THE NATIONAL DO NOT CALL REGISTRY

1-888-382-1222



Do Not Call Register

REMEMBER, YOU MUST CALL FROM YOUR PHONE IN ORDER TO BE PLACED ON THE DO NOT CALL REGISTRY LIST

DECEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Please pay your rent on time.						
8	9	10 WIC 9AM	11	12 ^{Full Moon} Harvest Dinner 12:00 PM	13	14
15	16	17	18 HHA Board Meeting 4:00PM	19 OFFICE CLOSING @ 12:30 PM	20	21
22 	23	24 WIC 9AM OFFICE CLOSING @ 11:30 AM	25  OFFICE CLOSED	26	27	28
29	30	31 OFFICE CLOSING @ 11:30 AM				
<p>RED: ALGONQUIN COMMUNITY ROOM</p> <p>PURPLE: L.F. COMMUNITY ROOM</p> <p>GREEN: L.F. BOARD ROOM</p>						



**The Harrietstown Housing Authority
has apartments for rent in the Lake Flower
High-rise and Algonquin Apartment Complex.**

**Additionally, we have a Housing Choice Voucher program
that may assist you with your monthly rent in the
community.**

**For additional information and to obtain an application
please contact us at 518-891-3050 or stop by the office at
14 Kiwassa Road, Saranac Lake.**

You may also go online at www.harrietstownha.org.

Have you had your Cancer Screenings this year?

Free Cancer Screenings Available:

Clinical Breast Exam

Pap Test

Mammogram

Colorectal (FIT) Test or Colonoscopy (depending on risk status)

Eligibility:

Women who are 40–64 years old without health insurance.

Men who are 50-64 years old without health insurance.

If positive results are found, coverage for cancer treatment is
available to individuals who qualify.

It's easy to enroll. Just give us a call.

518-891-4471 ext. 3016

Franklin and Essex Counties

Cancer Services Program

Your partner for cancer screening, support and information



Horoscopes

SAGITTARIUS

November 21 - December 21

This is your time to mix and mingle and inspire others with your 'big picture' view of life. This December you could be feeling the desire to focus in your joint personal resources and gain that could come from this area. A friendly approach could be taken in order to iron out differences with your mate or partner. Hard work and learning will rebound in a very beneficial way.

CAPRICORN

December 21 - January 19

The spotlight for you this month surrounds a very private matter concerning roadblocks regarding children. Many worries and concerns will be bothering you but this will be unfounded and will pass. Many of you will also be taking an initiative in regards to letting go from your past and facing a much better future.

www.yearly-horoscope.org

Jokes

MIKE: Somebody stole the wheels off all the police cars?

SPIKE: The cops are working on it—tirelessly.

Q: What weighs more, a gallon of water or a gallon of butane?

A: The water. Butane is lighter fluid.

Q: What kind of writer never kills off his main character?

A: An autobiographer.

MINNIE: They say you shouldn't go grocery shopping when you're hungry.

WINNIE: I know. But it's been two weeks and I just keep getting hungrier.

DARREN: A clown held the door for me today.

KAREN: What a nice jester!

Q: What do you call having your grandma on speed dial?

A: Instagram.

Q: Why can't you take a nap during a race?

A: Because if you snooze, you lose!

Q: Where do snowmen keep their money?

A: In snow banks.

AARP BULLETIN/Real Possibilities

www.jokes4us.com

Bed Bug Information Center

Where should you look?

- Mattress (piping, sides, underside)
- Box spring (remove ticking)
- Bed frame
- Linens
- Furniture – seams, pleats, piping, joints
- Corners and drawers of desks, dressers, etc.
- Door, window, and baseboard trim
- Items on the floor



What should you look for?

- All life stages: eggs, nymphs, adults
- Skin casts
- Blood spots

How do you avoid them?

Carefully inspect all used furniture, linens, and clothing before bringing them into your home.

- Wash and dry clothes on hottest setting items can stand. Transport clothes in plastic bags. Do not put clean clothes in bags used to transport dirty clothes. Throw those away!
- Vacuum frequently.
- Remove clutter.

If possible, use a high powered flashlight when looking around your unit. If you find a bed bug, notify staff immediately. Staff and you will work together to prepare for any needed treatment. Don't delay. It's much easier to treat one or two than it is twenty or thirty. Again, successful eradication requires resident involvement and cooperation.

The sooner we know, the lower the cost to you.



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BLIZZARD	CANDY CANE	CELEBRATION
CHILLY	DECORATIONS	EGGNOG
FAMILY	FELIZ NAVIDAD	FIREWOOD
HANUKKAH	HOT CHOCOLATE	HOT CIDER
KWANZAA	MERRY CHRISTMAS	YULETIDE

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