



Harrietstown Housing Authority

A Place to Live is more than a Roof over your Head

Happy Healthy Attitudes

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SARAH'S NEWS

As of the morning of January 26, in New York State:

- 1,210,339 people have received a first vaccine (6.2% of the population).
- 166,640 have received both the first and second vaccines (0.9% of the population).

As of January 26, in the North Country region, which includes Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Jefferson, Hamilton and Lewis counties:

- 33,581 people have received both the first and second vaccines (8.1% of the population).

The Adirondack Daily Enterprise reported the State, currently, is delivering 13,000 doses to the North Country region each week. Of these, roughly 7,000 are going to the two state-operated distribution centers in Plattsburgh and Potsdam. The remaining 6,000 doses are going to hospitals, pharmacies, and county health departments.

Locally, the only place to get a vaccine is Kinney Drugs. Appointment availability is based on vaccine availability; all appointments must be made on-line. I know of a few residents who have received a first vaccine. Similarly, appointments at the distribution sites in Plattsburgh and Potsdam must be made on-line. Appointments are hard to come by right now, but, if you would like Irene to assist you in getting an appointment, please let her know.

I spoke with a representative of the Franklin County Department of Health on the 25th. At this time, Franklin County has no vaccine to distribute. The representative told me the County has submitted multiple requests for the vaccine to New York. If Franklin County receives vaccine, I was told New York State determines who gets vaccinated. I advocated for the County to come to the Lake Flower apartments to vaccinate residents, many of whom lack transportation.

Everyone should continue to wear masks, maintain social distance, and wash hands often. With variants adding to the threat, we must continue to be vigilant.

I appreciate your efforts to protect your family, friends, neighbors, and yourself!

Thoughts on the façade? Like you, I'm happy the job's completed!

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NOW IN EFFECT
**Masks are
mandatory in all
public spaces.**

TID BITS FROM DAVID SIEGRIST

Not that I'm much of a baker because I'm not. Or a butcher or candlestick maker. I was reminded of an experience in high school. Back in the 70s, yes, I'm that old, the male/female rolls were still sort of traditional. In school, as a male, you were required to take an industrial arts class and, as a female, a course in home economics. Fun historical fact—my grandmother was a home economics teacher at Petrova High School in 1923!!!

Anyway, I don't remember how, but I was part of a new program that allowed boys to take part in a cooking class. It had some name so it made it such that you didn't have to wear a skirt to attend. Weird huh? Times have certainly changed!

So, the assignment on this particular day was to bake some chocolate chip cookies. Heck, even a stupid boy can make cookies, right? Well, maybe. To be honest, the recipe was from scratch, not the roll of cookie dough, cut off and baked, so there was a bit to it for a stupid boy aged 15. Ok, got the butter, flour, sugar, eggs, vanilla, chocolate chips, let's rock! Follow the recipe for a dozen cookies. Cool.

Feeling pretty successful, dough is chilled for baking. Oven is ready, we're going in. Maybe 11 minutes to nirvana. Now, this a coed class and stupid boys probably will not succeed in this unknown territory of the time. The instructor, Miss-I-don't-remember-her-name, was maybe 25 and making the rounds checking everyone's progress.

Looks good Janie. Sally very nice work. Mary keep an eye on that temperature. Now let's see what David is up to. Here we go!

One look in the oven and she is like, that's not going to cut it. You will receive an "F" on this assignment! (one of many in my career). It seems that she was not approving of my twist on the assignment. Instead of 12 cookies, I decided to make just one big huge cookie! FAIL!!

Lesson learned?

We all know that men don't follow instructions and don't ask for directions and just want a cookie the size of their head! While Miss-whatever-her-name-was failed me on the assignment, she did have a smile on her face!



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SUBMITTING WORK ORDERS

No work will be performed without a proper work order request

Call system 518 891 3050, Ext. 106 or Option 3
Email or Text request to hhaworkorder@gmail.com

LEAVE DETAILED MESSAGE, THAT INCLUDES:

- ◇ Name and apartment #
- ◇ Phone number/text-able cell phone number or email address for communication and scheduling
- ◇ Description of problem – attach photo if possible
- ◇ Are any pets in the apartment?
- ◇ Time slot preferred for work to be completed
 - ◇ 9:00am to 11:00 am,
 - or
 - ◇ 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Requests deemed emergency are not subject to 24-hour prior notice to enter apartments

IRENE'S THOUGHTS

Residents of Lake Flower Apartments, as you know the vaccine is being given to people 65 and up. At this time, the appointments are filling up fast and there is a wait for more vaccine to come to our area. Please contact me if you would like assistance with signing up for an appointment when available. 518-891-3050- ext. 105



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INTERESTED IN HOUSING ASSISTANCE?

If you are not currently living in the Lake Flower high rise or Algonquin Apartments, and you are not currently participating in the Housing Choice Voucher program, don't be shy!

If you are interested in assistance, you should start the process of determining your eligibility. You can go onto our website to print out an application and either drop it off at the office or in the mail. you can also call us and have us mail you an application or stop by to pick up an application. See contact information on last page.

You must be at least 18 years old, and a United States citizen or a non-citizen who has eligible immigration status. Single persons are eligible, as well as households with or without children. HUD commonly refers to a household as a "family," so don't let that term confuse you. A "family" consists of one or more persons, and having children is not required to be considered a "family."



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8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Services:
Food Pantry
Emergency Services
Medical Transportation Program
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IF YOU ARE IN NEED
CONTACT US

If you need help with food for yourself and your family, the food pantry at JCEO is available 5 days a week. Contact them to make arrangements.



RESIDENT NEWS AND ISSUES...By Tammy Burdt

Can you believe it? A month of winter has already flown by! Hope everyone is enjoying some outdoor activities. It has not been extremely cold yet and spring is right around the corner. Yeah, right! Reminder: new office hours are from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Due to the increased cases of COVID in our area, the Harrietstown Housing Authority is scaling back the number of employees in the office at any given time and alternating workdays.

Lake Flower News: The façade project is now complete, and the equipment is gone. Yee haw! I bet the tenants are happy. It turned out wonderfully and blends into the surrounding area. The contractors will be back in the spring to finish up some landscaping. It is a little hard to do right now since the ground is frozen! Recertifications continue and should be complete soon. If you have not handed in your paperwork, please do so as soon as possible.

Algonquin News: Algonquin Apartments continues to remain at full occupancy. **Reminder:** do not park your vehicles in the fire lanes in front of the apartments. This hinders local delivery drivers, FedEx, UPS, USPS, and school buses from getting around the parking lot. If you choose to park there, you risk having your car towed away at your expense. On another note, where is all this trash and furniture coming from? There seems to be an overabundance of garbage these days! The Housing Authority is also receiving several complaints of vehicle damage and vandalism. Let us be careful out there and respect other people's property. Parents, remember to supervise your children and their friends. You are accountable for their actions. Remember to keep your walkways clear and if you need additional sand, help yourself from the sand shack in the lower parking lot.

Stay safe, wear a mask, and wash your hands frequently. Enjoy winter!



Bed Bug Information

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.



Our Mission

The mission of the Harrietstown Housing Authority is to provide public housing and tenant-based assistance program residents with clean, safe and affordable housing in a non-discriminatory manner.

The Harrietstown Housing Authority is committed to operating in an efficient, fiscally prudent, ethical and professional manner.

The HHA will encourage and monitor partnerships with appropriate community agencies in order to improve the quality of the resident's lives.

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NOTE: NEW OFFICE HOURS