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message with name, address,
and your phone number

Office Hours:
Monday—Friday
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

From the Office

The McMinnville Housing Authority is pleased to tell you that we have finally ventured out and have our own website. The web address is www.mmhatn.org. If you have access to the web, you are invited to look us up. It is handled by our internet provider and sometimes there will be a lag before information is posted. So, if you have questions, it will be best if you call our office.

Also, as soon as they can be installed, we are adding 3 new outdoor internet “hot spots” especially for use by the students doing online lessons and homework. One will be in front of the Resident Activity Center, 115 Hamilton Street, the second beside the office in the vacant lot and the third at 310 S. Mill Street, #101 beside the Activity Center. We will let you know when they are working.

The courts are opened and in August we started adding late charges and doing warrants. Please try to pay on time. The warrants are an added expense to you, if you are the only adult in your apartment the price is \$187.50 with an additional \$42.00 for each adult on the lease. If we file a Writ of Possession it is an additional \$67.00 added to your account.

Free Gift Card Drawing

McMinnville Housing Authority residents will have a chance to win a free \$25.00 Wal-Mart gift card in October 2020. Each household who does not owe anything at 4:00 p.m. on October 12, 2020 will be entered into the drawing. The results will be posted in our lobby by the end of October. If you do not win, you will have more opportunities later in the year. Please remember to check each newsletter for details of how to get your name entered into other drawings. Good Luck!



Congratulations to Jennifer Hernandez. She was the winner of the July 11th drawing. We are happy for her.

ADDRESSES: ONLY residents listed on the current lease can receive mail at one of our addresses and no one else.

Free Concert

Music filled the air on Sunday evening, July 5, 2020. Pacey Tate along with Steve Harvey treated those in attendance with a concert on the vacant lot next to the Housing Authority office.

The Hamilton St. ballerinas performed along with Cynthia Roberts doing sign language to one of Pacey's songs.

One guest stated, "It was so good to see the neighborhood come together at this time, with the virus and the anxiety it can cause, to enjoy a fun evening."

Thanks to all of you for your hard work in making such a entertaining evening for all in attendance.



Flu Shots at Spangler

Walgreens will once again be giving Flu Shots to the residents at Spangler Towers, on October 13, 2020, from 2 p.m. till 4 p.m..

Keep the date in mind and take advantage of it being in your building. We never know how the flu will be from year to year.

Be prepared for what might come.



Free Child Car Seat Inspections

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children in the United States, but many of these deaths can be prevented. Placing children in age and size appropriate restraint systems reduces serious and fatal injuries by more than half.

For assistance with your child restraint system call the McMinnville Housing Authority Office at **931-473-3286** and leave your name and number for one of the officers to contact you. Make your appointment with Officer Mike Starkey, Officer Toby Lewis, or Lt. Mark Mara today.

SMOKE-FREE Policy

The McMinnville Housing Authority Smoking Policy is now in effect for all MHA homes. Smoking is prohibited within a minimum of 25 feet from any MHA property. Residents, their guest, or visitors are not allowed to smoke in Smoke Free areas.

Back to School Supplies

After some swimming and fun this summer it is now time to think about back to school. Due to the Coronavirus Ms. Lady did the Back to School Event a little different this year. It was two days so everyone was able to do social distancing.

She still included food, hair cuts, and of course paper, pencil and all other school supplies one might need.

Ms. Lady said 178 children picked up their backpacks along with those other necessities. Some signed up for the homework club which is such a big help to the children and their families. Ms. Lady and all her volunteers do such a great job helping them get their homework.

She stated there will be 21 ballerinas for the fall season. With a large amount of hotdog sack lunches given out (over 220).

Everyone had a lovely time!!



BINGO! Senior Adults Bingo will be starting back once it is safe to have you to be together. For now we are not allowing the Rebel Hill Center to be used by the public. Ms. Janice is so gracious to give of her time to do this outing for our senior residents. Thank you Ms. Janice.



Calendar of Events

Sept. 1st—September Rent is Due

Sept. 7th—Office is closed for Labor Day

Sept 10th –Last day to pay rent before late charge added

Oct—1st –October Rent is Due

Oct. 10th—Last day to pay rent before late charge added

Nov. 1st —November Rent is Due

Nov 10th—Last day to pay rent before late charges are added

Nov. 11th—Closed for Veterans Day

Nov. 26 & 27—Closed for Thanksgiving

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Patricia Basham: Executive Director
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Marie Padgett: Cashier/Clerk

Karla Sandate: Cashier/Clerk

Todd Robison: Maintenance Supervisor

Maintenance Staff:

Randy Phillips, Mark Bridges,
Mike Reynolds, Ron Young, Ricky Elrod,
Billy Taliferro

Did You Know?

If you have a smoke detector that is going off or any other emergency, you can call our office during office hours at **473-3286** or after hours at **743-6032** and someone will come to your apartment to repair it. Smoke detector failures are considered an emergency. Also, please remember to never disable one. This would result in a violation and a possible eviction.

You will be charged to unstop the commode. Please do not put anything except toilet paper down it.

Make sure your children do not write or draw on the brick with chalk. This is very unsightly and is sometimes hard to remove if it remains on the brick too long.

Please note that excess utility bills are higher during the Summer and Fall months because HUD does not allow Housing Authorities to provide an allowance for air conditioning consumption.

If anyone from our office comes to your apartment when you are not at home, we will lock your door when we leave. Be sure to take a key with you.

When you have a change of income, no matter if you are on flat rent or not, you only have ten (10) days to report it to the main office.

Bug baiting will be done in your area every three months. If the bait is not controlling the roaches, you may have your apartment sprayed. You will have to call the office and let us know that you want it sprayed. Prior to treatment you will have to empty your cabinets.

Please remember to pay your rent by the 10th of each month to avoid a late charge. If the 10th falls on the weekend you will have till 4:00 p.m. the first working day following.