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Happy New Year!

Welcome 2024!

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Apartment inspections will be on Monday, January 29 th from 10am-12pm. Dave and Jessica will conduct inspections. It will take about 5 min. to complete. All inspections will occur that day, if you are not going to be home, please let us know, but we will still complete the inspection of your apartment.

All storage rooms have shelving installed. Dave has moved all the items located in the rooms onto the shelving. No items are to be left in the taped off areas! If you need more storage space, please see Jessica and she will work with you to find more space if it is available. Thank you!

<u>Office Hours</u>: Jessica will be working in the office Monday through Friday. Formal office hours will be: Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays 9:00am to 12:00pm.



Photo by: Laura B. Netro-Price



Beyond Green

The next Green Team meeting will be held in January 2024. As mentioned before, the committee will focus on ways that our community can live more sustainably.

I encourage tenants to attend the next meeting to discuss ways we can promote sustainability here.

***The next Green Team Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8th at 1:30pm.





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Apartment inspections will be on Monday, January 29th from 10:30am-1:05pm. Dave and Jessica will conduct inspections. It will take about 5 min. to complete. All inspections will occur that day, if you are not going to be home, please let us know, but we will still complete the inspection of your apartment.

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Many Thanks

Thank you to PHTA for the delicious festive Holiday Luncheon & to Donna & Jessica for their yummy deserts. Also, a special thanks to John Reynolds for his creative, fun, & generous raffle!



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While you are cleaning up after the holidays keep these recycling tips in mind:



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Just a Reminder...

While we do not have ideal parking available for everyone, there are ways to make things a little easier. Tenants may temporarily park in front of the building to unload/load items into your car. If you need help moving your car from one lot to the other, or cleaning your car off after a snow storm call the office and let us know. We can help!

NOTICES

Mansfield Senior Center offers homemade meals for dine in or take out, for \$5.00. Sign up by Friday for the week prior. Check out the menu posted on the Community Board.

Emergency Preparedness Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8, 2024, 1:00pm.

The Green Team Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8, 2024, 1:30pm.



What Connecticut Birds migrate for the winter?

Answer to question will be given in February newsletter.



PHTA Corner



The PHTA Election results are in!
The following elected tenants will be the officials
And the Tenant Commissioner:

President: Donna Dysart
Vice President: Joan Primus
Secretary: Candice Clarke
Treasurer: Terri Moylan
Asst Treasurer: John Reynolds
Tenant Commissioner: Sandy Labrecque

Congratulations to the elected tenants!

The Christmas Family Feud went on without a hitch with the "MIGHTY ONE" "feuding" it out with the "ASHFORD ANGELS" (don't know who they were fool'n).



The winning team was the **Ashford Angels**



with Kathleen & Jessica making it to the Fast Money Round.





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From the Resident Service Coordinator

MOVIE NITE (1st Wed of the mo.)

Wednesday, January 3rd at 6:00 pm In the Community Room.

Featuring: *TBD*

Snacks & refreshments will be provided.

TRADER JOE'S SHOPPING

(2nd Thurs of mo.)

Thursday, January 11th at 10:00 am Meet in Community Room to sign wavers. We need at least 4 passengers.

BOOK CLUB (3rd Mon of the mo.)

Monday, January 15th at 10:30 am in the lounge.

Reading: TBD

JAVA W/ JESSICA (3rd Tues of mo.)
Tuesday, January 16th at 10:00 pm



Come join us in the dining room, we will be exchanging info. and getting updates. You never know what you might miss! A treat & coffee to be provided.

<u>Ted Talks Monthly</u> (following Java W/ Jessica)

First Month subject: *Dementia is Preventable* a 20 minute presentation, followed by a group chat. (If you have a subject you'd like to see covered, please let us know.)

CRAFT EVENT w/ Lunch (\$2

each) (4th Tues of mo.)

Tuesday, January 23rd at noon Meet in Community Room

Craft: Calendar holder wreaths for Valentine's Day

GAMES & CARDS

(last Wed. of mo.)

Wednesday, January 31st 3:00 pm In the Games & Crafts Room. Sign up sheet at community board.

STORRS CONGREGATIONAL FOOD PANTRY

Residents who are interested will be carpooling once a month on a Monday.

See community board for sign-ups!

NEW!

EXERCISE CLASSES w/ TERRI

Mondays & Fridays at 10:00 am Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in the Community Room. One of our own is offering exercise classes. Sign up at the board or contact Terri Moylan for more details.

MONTHLY AILDI'S/WALMART SHOPPING (Windham, CT.)

Wednesday, January 24h at10:00am Meet in Community Room to sign wavers. We need at least 4 passengers (Apologies on destination change, not AHA's decision)

OTHER EVENTS

Martin Luther King Day Monday, January 15th We'll play *SELMA* at 2:00 pm in the Community Room.

TV NEWS

Stop by Kathleen's or main office to let us know what you'd like to see scheduled. Or drop a note in the jar in the Community Room. Schedule of events in the works- your input is wanted.

***See boards for senior center events
- & visit senior center to pick up their calendar for full listing of events.

Tell Us What You Think

Got an idea for an event/guest speaker or way to improve quality of life? Please stop by Kathleen's and let her know. Feedback on events and general goings-on is appreciated!



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