

EDENDALE EDITION

SEPTEMBER 2017



Happy September to all and Happy Grandparent's Day on Sunday, September 9th to all those who are blessed with grandchildren!



The office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, 9/4.

Rent Change: All residents' utility allowance will be going up from \$34 to \$36 effective October 1, 2018. What this means is that you will see a **\$2 reduction** in the amount of rent you pay effective with your **October** rent in order to offset any increase you may have seen in your electric bill. **We will be notifying each resident of the rent amount they need to pay for October near the end of September as a reminder.** Please watch for this notice. This will not affect your use of the energy assistance program through CAPSH.

Rent Payments: Just a friendly reminder that rent is due on the first of each month. Late rent payments have become too prevalent.

With everyone receiving their rent credits, it's time to get ahead if you have fallen behind on when you are paying your rent. If you have an issue with paying rent on the first of the month, please speak to Leah in the office.

In addition, please do not drop off rent checks that are not valid until a future date. If you will be out of town for an extended period of time or when rent comes due, please see Leah to make payment arrangements.

Energy Assistance renewal applications for 2018-2019 have been starting to arrive in the mail to those residents who have used the program in the past. If you wish to apply for the first time or renew and do not get an application by the middle of October, please see Paulla.



Resident Association: The Resident Association will meet on Wednesday, September 12th at 1:30pm. Please come and have a voice in your association as we now meet just three times a year. Agenda topics include: SWAP Day, Bingo, and Potlucks. The following meeting date will be selected at this meeting.

Maintenance Report: As part of our annual building maintenance the drain stacks were recently cleaned. As a reminder please remember the following:

- Never put grease or food products down your drain!
- Run the hot water in all your drains for several minutes at least 2 times a week.
- Don't put scented "beads" down the drain. They will expand and clog drains.
- Use your sink strainer/stopper; put in a work order if you need one.
- Report slow drains or blockages immediately.

Window Washing: Edendale's windows will be washed sometime in September. Both the inside and outside of the windows and the screens will be cleaned. You are asked to have a clear space in front of your windows so they can be easily reached.

New Asphalt: The main drive will receive new asphalt sometime in September as well. This will necessitate moving your vehicle on the day the work is being done. **Notices for window washing and asphalt work will be posted once dates have been scheduled.**

Mobile Batteries will recycle your old batteries if you bring them to the lobby on 9/4 when they are here.

Lightbulbs: You can throw away your old lightbulbs if they are the old fashion incandescent type. Please put the fluorescent ones (curlicue type) in the laundry room receptacle and they will be recycled.

Medication Recycling: Did you know? The local Walgreens now has a medication disposal box located by the pharmacy.

Upcoming events:

Monday, 9/3 Labor Day – **Office Closed**
Tuesday, 9/4 10:00am **Mobile Batteries**
Tuesday, 9/4 10:00am **Podiatrist Visit**
Wednesday, 9/5 10:00am **New Resident Coffee & Pastries**
Friday, 9/7 10:00am **Police Coffee**
Monday, 9/10 10:00am **Swap Day**
Wednesday, 9/12 1:30pm **Resident Association Meeting**
Thursday, 9/13 12:30pm **Senior Center Bus Stop Tour**
Monday, 9/17 2:00pm **50's & 60's Music Presentation**
Tuesday, 9/18 1:00pm **Book Club**
Wednesday, 9/19 1:00pm **Pet Therapy Visit**
Thursday, 9/20 3:30pm **Violin Concert**
Wednesday, 9/26 12:00pm **Mobile Food Shelf**

Bingo with Don will resume on Tuesday evenings starting 9/11 at 6:00pm.

The **Welcome Committee** is sponsoring a morning with coffee and pastries to welcome our newest residents. Please stop by on 9/5 to introduce yourself and say hello anytime between 10am - 11am.

A group of **Eden Prairie Senior Center** participants will be stopping by on a housing tour on 9/13. Please give them a warm Edendale greeting if you see them.

Health Insurance: Looking forward to October, Jim Greenwood from Greenwood Health Solutions and Bill Schaffer from Humana, both licensed sales agents, will be at Edendale on different dates to talk about the upcoming changes to some health insurance plans. A Health Insurance Counselor from the non-profit Senior Community Services has also been invited to talk. Some residents will need to select new health plans if they have a “cost plan” as these types of plans are no longer going to be available in Minnesota.

Also in October a **Vaccine and Flu Shot Clinic** will be held at Edendale sponsored by our local Walgreens. More details will be shared closer to the date.