



# Neighbors

The Hagerstown Housing Authority is committed to providing quality, affordable housing in a safe environment. Through partnership with our residents and other groups we will provide opportunities for those we serve to become self-sufficient.



*To associate on neighborly terms ♦ To be friendly ♦ Persons who live near others*

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## Summer Food Program

The Summer Food Program will begin on Monday June 13th and continue thru Friday August 5th. All children of Noland Village thru age 17 are invited to come and have lunch, Monday thru Friday. The Summer Lunch Program is free and provides children with a nutritious and well balanced meal. For more information contact Dianne Rudisill at 301.733.6911 ext 125.



## Unreported Income Leads to Jail Time for a Chicago Resident

According to [suntimes.com](http://suntimes.com) a resident in Chicago pleaded guilty and accepted a 6 month sentence for taking advantage of a Section 8 program and not reporting her income. She was charged with theft over \$100,000 and facing jail time for her crime. Records indicate that the resident withheld more than \$50,000 a year in order to live rent free in her four-bedroom apartment.



Not reporting income is a crime and HUD takes it seriously!



The Hagerstown Housing Authority is in the process of developing a budgeting course to be offered to current residents. The budgeting course will be comprised of classes which will take place each Wednesday over an eight week period. **The course will begin June 15, 2011. Both a morning (10:00-11:30am) and an evening (5:30-7:00pm) session is offered for you to choose from.** The budgeting course will focus on areas such as: **fixed and flexible expenses, personal spending plans & targeted shopping techniques.** All focus around the common goal of finding and implementing ways to make your money work better for you! Many useful materials will also be provided to you to help ensure your success in gaining a better understanding of your personal finances. Effective personal budgeting opens many doors to success and unlimited potential to achieve self sufficiency! **You may also earn Community Service Hours while attending!** Classes will be held in the Resident Services Office at 35 W. Baltimore St. As there is limited space available, we ask that you find childcare for your children. **No childcare will be provided!** If you are interested in participating in this exciting new course please contact Linda Faulder, Resident Services Coordinator, at 301-733-6911 ext. 170, as soon as possible.

# HAGERSTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMUNITY INFORMATION



## Noland Village

### Community Keyholders

Angie & Bobby Robinson  
1044B Noland Dr.  
301.733.4562

### Community Events

Girl Scouts	Wed	5-6:30pm
Pearls	Thurs	7-8pm
Hood Hop	Fri	7-8pm

## Frederick Manor

### Community Keyholder

Lisa Byrd  
675 Hayes Ave.  
240.382.8040

### Community Events

Girl Scouts	Mon	6-7pm
Zumba	Sat	9-

## Parkside/ Douglass/ Scattered Sites

### Community Keyholder

Kristy Funk  
424 Suman Ave.  
240.469.4825

### Community Events

Pearls	Tues	7-8pm
Dance	Sat	10-11am

## Elgin Station

Zumba	Mon	6-7pm
Zumba	Tues	6:30-7:30pm
Girl Scouts	Fri	4:15-5:30pm

## Memorial Rec

Girl Scouts  
Fri 5:15-6:15pm

## Community Building Reminder!

### Remember...

When requesting to use a community building, please provide as much notice as possible. Do NOT plan an event until your request has been approved by the keyholder. The keyholders can only open the building for a resident function. Also, when requesting to use the Community Building, you will be asked to show ID to prove you are a resident of the community.

## NUMBERS TO KNOW

Hagerstown Housing Authority Central Office  
301.733.6911

Resident Services Department  
301.733.6911

Dianne Rudisill	ext 125	Deena Holder	ext 163
Linda Faulder	ext 170	Vicki Marick	ext 171
Tacy Myers	ext 157	Teri Hansberger	ext 167
Kelli Mills	ext 158		

Maintenance	301-733-6916
Security	301-730-2096
Child Protective Services	240-420-2222
Narcotic Task Force	301-791-3205
Non-Emergency Police	240-313-2910
Poison Control Center	800-222-1222
USDA Hotline	888-674-6854
Adult Protective Services	240-420-2155

## Head Start



Serving children age birth-5 and expectant mothers

Part- day and Full -day classes

Contact person: Enrollment Specialist (301) 797-5231 Ext. 110

## HOOD HOP



Mon 6/13	Elgin Station (basketball court)	7-8pm
Tues 6/14	Frederick Manor Community Building	7-8pm
Wed 6/15	Parkside Community Building	7-8pm
Fri 6/17	Noland Community Building	7-8pm

# CLASS OF 2011



Congratulations!



**A**ngela Millett, will graduate from Kaplan College with an AA degree. She plans to continue her education at Kaplan College pursuing a bachelor's degree in Health Care Administration.

**C**hristina Shoemaker, daughter of Rayetta Spigler, will graduate from Williamsport High School. She plans to attend college but is continuing to pursue her options.



**J**essie Degroat, daughter of Teresa Collins, will graduate from Williamsport High School. She plans to continue her education at HCC pursuing a degree as an Ultrasound Technician.



**D**aniel Williams, son of Jackie Henson, will graduate from Williamsport High School. He plans to continue his education at HCC.

**S**asquea Carryl, daughter of Roxan Carryl, will graduate from HCC with a CNA / GNA certification. She plans to continue her education at Towson University pursuing a degree in Nursing.

**H**arry Showe Jr., spouse of Tina Showe, recently received his High School Diploma after being out of school for at least 15 years.

**B**rittany Moore, daughter of Michele Moore, will graduate from South Hagerstown High School. She plans to continue her education at HCC pursuing a degree in Elementary Education.

# From the Maintenance Department

## BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE

You may have your bulk items picked up on the following days of each month:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday: Noland Village, Courts 1, 3, 5 & 7
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday: Parkside Homes and Douglass Court
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday: Noland Village, Courts 2, 4, 6 & 8
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday: Frederick Manor



Please set your items out **after 8:00pm the night before** your scheduled day and have them on the curb **prior to 8:30am on your scheduled pickup day**. This schedule will be strictly followed. Any bulk items set on the curb on days other than those listed for your community will result in a charge (\$60.00) to the resident.

Scattered Site locations will be expected to observe the bulk pickup days published by the City of Hagerstown. Check the newspaper or call the City for dates.

### EXTERMINATION SCHEDULE JUNE 2011

- 6/1/2011      **Parkside Homes**  
405-462 Suman Ave,  
130-142 W. North Ave.
- 6/15/2011    **Douglas Ct. 400A-443**  
**Frederick Manor Homes**  
600-635 Adams Ave.
- 6/22/2011    **Frederick Manor Homes**  
633-657 Frederick St.,  
600-689 Hayes Ave, Gym,  
200-207 Hayes Ct.,  
201A-203B Rowland Ave



Special exterminations are conducted on Wednesdays. Contact 301.733.6916 if you need special extermination services.



### MOWING SEASON

The mowing season is upon us again. Please be aware of the contractors as they mow the grass in your community. The contractor is responsible for performing his work in a safe manner. He has a difficult task to accomplish and needs your help to keep track of the small children. Please, for the safety of your children; help keep them away from the workers doing the mowing. All communities will be mowed on **THURSDAY** with the exception of rain. **FRIDAY WILL BE USED AS A RAIN DAY.**

### MAINTENANCE INSPECTION JUNE/JULY 2011

#### AMP 3-NOLAND VILLAGE

#### NO INSPECTIONS MAY 23-JUNE 5, 2011

June 6	Noland Drive	1029 A-H
June 7	Noland Drive	1033 A-H
June 8	Noland Drive	1036 A-H
June 9	Noland Drive	1040 A-F
June 10	Noland Drive	1044 A-H
June 13	Noland Drive	1037 A-F
June 14	Noland Drive	1041 A-H
June 15	Noland Drive	1045 A-H
June 16	Noland Drive	1049 A-H
June 17	Noland Drive	1052 A-H

June 20	Noland Drive	1056 A-H
June 21	Noland Drive	1060 A-H
June 22	Noland Drive	1064 A-H
June 23	Noland Drive	1053 A-H
June 24	Noland Drive	1057 A-H
June 27	Noland Drive	1061 A-H

#### NO INSPECTIONS JUNE 28-JULY 10, 2011

## **Important Notice To All Residents**

**NATURAL GAS**, like all forms of energy and like many other products found in the home, is capable of doing damage and must be used properly.

Here are some facts everyone should know about **GAS AND GAS OPERATED** equipment from a safety point of view.

**GAS ACCIDENTS** can be avoided ... when you follow these **SAFETY RULES**.

1. **TEACH CHILDREN** that they are not to turn on or light appliances.
2. **KEEP COMBUSTIBLES** (curtains, paper, fluids, etc.) away from open flame.
3. **IF LIGHTING IS REQUIRED** always light match first and hold it at point of lighting before you turn on the gas.
4. **REPAIR AND INSTALLATION** is a job for experts – **NEVER** attempt to do it yourself.
5. **USE EQUIPMENT FOR THE JOB** it was designed to do – for example – an oven must not be used to heat a room.



Gas appliances, equipment and transmission lines are safe and are constantly being tested and improved. However, it is possible, through misuse or accident, to have a **GAS LEAK**. Your senses can help you discover a gas leak...

1. **SMELL** – A distinctive odor has been added to natural gas so that less than 1% of gas in the air can be detected.
2. **SIGHT** – In some appliances you can SEE the flame so you know it is working.
3. **TOUCH** – With some appliances you can feel overheating or cold in the burner area which would indicate trouble.
4. **HEARING** – If the flame sounds unusually noisy it may not be burning properly.

### **IF YOU SUSPECT A GAS LEAK...**

1. **AVOID FLAME and operating of electrical equipment. Never light a gas appliance if an odor of gas is present.**
2. **If odor is EXTREMELY STRONG evacuate the building ... call for help from a neighbor's home.**
3. **HAVE A QUALIFIED PERSON turn the gas back on and relight appliances.**

**REMEMBER...** Natural gas is not dangerous but its misuse is.

**TEACH YOUR CHILDREN...** to respect gas...to play it safe...to know what to do in an emergency.

**DON'T TRY TO MAKE YOUR OWN REPAIRS.**

**KNOWLEDGE plus CARE equals SAFETY.**

**THE PLACE TO CALL: HAGERSTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY MAINTENANCE OFFICE**

**301/733-6916. Calls are answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**



Eat at least 5 fruits  
and vegetables a day.

### **FOOD FACTS: What is a Serving?**

**FOR KIDS:** A typical serving is the size  
of the palm of their hand.

- Add fruit to your cereal, pancakes, or other breakfast foods.
- Serve at least one fruit or vegetable at every meal and snack. Try all the different colors.
- Try the 3 bite rule. Offer new fruits/vegetables different ways and try at least 3 bites each time - it can take 7 to 10 tries before you like a new food.
- Many fruits & vegetables taste great with a dip or low fat dressing, yogurt or peanut butter.
- Do not underestimate the importance of family mealtime: take 10-15 minutes to sit down together.

## **Free Classes for Kids**



### **Lowe's Build and Grow**

There's a wide selection of free classes at Lowe's Build and Grow Clinics for kids. Projects in the past have ranged from wooden toys, birdhouses, games, kaleidoscopes, treasure boxes and more. Lowe's Build and Grow Clinics are on every other Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. and they last around an hour. Children must be 5 or older to participate in the Lowe's Build and Grow Clinics.



### **Michaels' The Knack**

Michaels' The Knack is a free club for kids sponsored by Michaels craft stores. The free craft classes at Michaels ranges from projects like gifts, holiday decorations, cards, totes, flower arrangements and food decorating. No matter what your child is interested in, they're sure to find a Michaels' The Knack class that interests them. You don't need to register for The Knack craft classes, just show up at the time the event is set to begin. Call 1.800.642.4235 for class dates and times..



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