



April Resident Newsletter

March 28, 2024



Rent is due on April 1, 2024. Late fees will be assessed at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Upcoming Meetings

Upcoming meetings are as follows and will be held in the Highrise Conference Room:

- Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 3:30 p.m. Resident Council Meeting
- Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 4:00 p.m. Neighborhood Watch Meeting and Election
- Thursday, April 11, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Big Rapids Housing Commission Meeting

All meetings will be held in the Highrise Conference Room. All residents are invited to attend.

Prevailing Wage Laborer Temporary Position Available for Residents Only - Section 3 Resident Needed

RAO Roofing has been contracted to replace the roofs on several buildings. The contractor is looking for a laborer to assist them with grounds cleanup. The project is anticipated to start in the early part of April. You must be a resident to apply. Applications are available at the Housing Commission Office.

Friendly Reminder*

Please remember to lock your apartments and vehicles.



Signatures Needed

If your apartment # appears on this list, then you need to stop by the office and sign your completed rent review:
1C 2A 3C 4B 4C 4D 5A 5D 6A 6D 7A 7B 7C 8CU 11B 11C 12A 12C 13A 14C 15A 15C 16A 16B
16C 17A 17B 17C 18A 18B 18C 19B 19C 20A 20B 20C 21C 22A 22C 23B 23C 24A 24B 25A
26C 27C 28B 28C 29A 29C 30A 30B 31C 101C 101D 101E 101F 102B 102D 102F 104A 104C 104E
105A 105B 105C 106A 106C 106E 107C 107D 108B 108C 108F 109A 109B 110B 111B 112A 112B
112C 112D 113A 115C 117B 118A 118B 118C 119B 119E 120B 121A 121E 122C 122E 123C 123D
124B 125C 126A 126B 126C 126D 127C 127D 127E 128D 128E 129C 129D 131B 131C 131D 131E
131F 132B 132D 134C 134D 135C 135E 135F 135G 201 202 204 205 206 301 302 303 304 305
306 307 401 402 403 405 407 408

Spring Clean Up

On Tuesday, April 9, 2024, we will be having Spring Clean-Up. On this day you may place any large items out for pick up and we will pick them up free of charge. It is your responsibility to transport items to the curb by noon.

Annual Inspections

Unit Inspections have been scheduled for all apartments in the senior section on the following dates:

- Parkview South Senior (10-A – 31-C) Monday, April 15, 2024
- Parkview North Senior (101-A – 114-D) Tuesday, April 16, 2024
- Parkview Highrise (201 – 408) Wednesday, April 17, 2024

If this time is not convenient for you, Friday, April 12, 2024, will be the alternate date. You must contact the office by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, to reschedule your inspection.

If any needed repairs are identified during the inspection the maintenance staff may be re-entering your apartment on your inspection day to complete the repairs whether you are home or not.

We will be making sure that your stove is clean, including oven and under stovetop. We will also be making sure you are taking proper care of your floors (mopping and waxing when needed) and take an overall look at your general housekeeping. We will be checking for damage to the unit and looking for any work orders that are not being reported to the office in a timely manner. Please be reminded it is your responsibility to call the office if you need a work order completed. It is also important that the areas in front of and behind your unit are clean, including your shed. Residents in violation of the Curtain Policy will receive a lease violation notice. If you need curtains, please stop by the Curtain Pantry located in the Highrise for free curtains.

BEFORE THE INSPECTION: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE IN QUARANTINE DUE TO COVID-19 EXPOSURE OR POSITIVE TEST. IF YOU ARE SICK OR HAVE EXPERIENCED ANY OF THE FOLLOWING COVID-19 SYMPTOMS: FEVER, COUGH, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, SORE THROAT OR VOMITING/DIARRHEA.

Neighborhood Watch

The Neighborhood Watch’s Executive Board and Board Members are up for election in April. The Executive Board consists of a President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer. The Board can consist of 7 members. The election will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Highrise Conference Room. The term for the Executive Board is 2 years and for Board Members it is 1 year. The purpose of the Neighborhood Watch is to observe, log, and report to Big Rapids Housing Commission and/or law enforcement suspicious persons/activity, safety concerns, and suggestions for improving our neighborhood in a coordinated effort to resolve issues as well as educate the residents on home and personal safety while setting a standard for the local community. If you have any questions or would like to run for any of the positions mentioned, then please call the office and ask for Lisa.

Resident Council

The Resident Council’s Board Member election will be held at the Highrise, on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. The board can consist of 8 members. Anyone who is a resident of Parkview and Evergreen and if you are interested in being on the board or if you have any questions, please call the office and ask for Lisa. The term for a board member is 3 years. Anyone on the board will attend the monthly meeting. The purpose of the Resident Council is to be representative of all residents by working with the Big Rapids Housing Commission for the betterment of the community. To be a source of information, for the exchange of information, and provide activity among residents that contributes to the welfare and edification of the community. This is a great way to be involved and meet some of your fellow neighbors.

Maintenance Treatment for Bed Bugs

Residents will receive an additional notification. This is the tentative schedule for April 2023:

Apt #	Date	Apt #	Date	Apt #	Date	Apt #	Date
29C	4/10/23	101A	4/17/23	102C	4/24/23		
30A	4/10/23	101B	4/17/23	102D	4/24/23		
30B	4/10/23	101C	4/17/23	102E	4/24/23		
30C	4/10/23	101D	4/17/23	102F	4/24/23		
30D	4/10/23	101E	4/17/23	103A	4/24/23		
31A	4/10/23	101F	4/17/23	103B	4/24/23		
31B	4/10/23	102A	4/17/23	104A	4/24/23		
31C	4/10/23	102B	4/17/23	104B	4/24/23		

Highrise Community Room Activities

- Euchre schedule is as follows: Mondays at 1:00 p.m., Fridays at 5:00 p.m., and the 2nd Sunday of every month at 3:00 p.m.
- Bible Study on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.
- Mexican Train on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m.
- Bingo on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.
- Uno on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.



Reminders and Lawn Maintenance

Please move patio furniture, grills, tables, bikes, toys, etc. when you see the mowers around the complex. Please remind your children not to hang on the clotheslines, stand on picnic tables, and to respect neighbors' personal property and belongings. Any flowerbeds that are not being properly maintained by the residents will be mowed down. Charcoal lighter fluid should be stored in the shed.

Do not fill the garbage totes in South Parkview Village with yard waste. Put yard waste in bags, and maintenance will be happy to pick it up. Call the office to let us know you are placing yard waste in a secure bag by the curb, so we can pick it up.

Free Tax Preparation –AARP Tax Program for 60 and older

AARP Foundation Volunteer Tax Program is designed for taxpayers with low and moderate incomes, with special attention to those age 60 and older. The program is run entirely by volunteers from Tuesday, February 6, 2024, through Thursday, April 11, 2024. You must have all of the necessary paperwork at the time of the appointment. Appointments can be scheduled beginning Thursday, January 25, 2024, by calling the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 231-796-4848.

Free Tax Preparation- for all ages

Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency is offering tax filing services. Please call 231-660-0271 to make an appointment. Virtual and in-person appointments are available.

ALL RESIDENTS – Garbage Reminder

Please be reminded that dumpsters are for regular bagged garbage only and garbage must be placed inside the dumpsters. We are having issues with tenants placing large items in the dumpsters – couches, mattresses, etc. If you have a large item that needs to be disposed of, please contact the office to make special arrangements for pickup. When a large item such as a couch gets put in the dumpster it fills the dumpster and makes it difficult for other tenants to put regular garbage in the dumpster. Some residents are sending their children out with the garbage, and most of them just set the garbage next to the dumpster, then animals get into it, and garbage is strewn everywhere. This has been an ongoing issue. If the dumpster is full, please try to wait until it has been emptied before putting more garbage out.

Leave Pest Control to the Professionals

NEVER USE THESE PRODUCTS IN YOUR APARTMENT FOR PEST CONTROL!

The Housing Commission has a pest control contract that will resolve pest issues.

By using these products, you are increasing the problem and hindering the treatment process. Any suspicious bugs should be placed in a Ziploc baggie and brought to the office immediately for identification.



VEHICLE PERMITS

The parking policy states, “All vehicles must be registered with the management office and must have a sticker.” If your vehicle does not have a parking sticker it will be necessary to come to the office with your registration to register your vehicle. If you sell your vehicle, you will need to register your new vehicle with the office. We will update our records to remove your prior vehicle and issue a new parking permit if necessary.

All vehicles must be operable at all times and must currently be licensed. Any vehicle improperly parked, inoperable, or unlicensed will be tagged and towed, after 24 hours, at the owners’ expense.

Do NOT flush wipes

Please be reminded that wipes are not flushable! Even if the package claims they are sewer safe and flushable, they **ARE NOT** and this eventually leads to clogged sewer lines. A charge will apply if personal wipes are found to be the cause of your sewer back up.

Reminder: Community Room Rentals and Highrise

The Evergreen and North Parkview Village Community Rooms are available for rent by residents. The fee for a private event is \$20 plus a \$5 key deposit that is returned when the keys are turned in. Please contact the office if you are interested in reserving a community room for an event.

Friendly Reminder

Please do not close or lock any of the doors in the Highrise at any time. We have staff to make sure this is taken care of after we close. The laundry and recycling room are to remain open after office hours.

Recycle

Recycle is no longer taking batteries of any kind. Please do not take any batteries to the recycle room.



Laundry Room Reminder

Please do not over fill washers and dryers, by doing so, this creates potential fire hazard and/or mechanical issues to the machine. If you are doing your laundry, you need to stay in the laundry room until it is done.

PET OWNERS – Please clean all pet droppings from the area around your unit now that the snow is melting.

Springtime Reminders

Please do not allow your children to climb the fences as this is damaging the fences and your children could get seriously injured by doing this. Please keep the areas around your unit debris/clutter free, and remind your children to throw away wrappers, trash, papers etc. into the garbage.

DO NOT feed the animals!! It attracts all kinds of critters, including skunks. One tenant may call to complain of skunks while the neighbor next door is throwing out all kinds of food for them. Please work together to keep the wild animals away!

Local Resources

Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency (231) 660-0271
Project Starburst (231) 796-5342
Angels of Action (231) 629-8140
Salvation Army (231) 796-5597
Manna Pantry (231) 408-2940
Meals on Wheels (231) 972-2884
Hope House (231) 598-9500

