



March Resident Newsletter



February 28, 2019

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 3:30 p.m.	Resident Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 4:00 p.m.	Neighborhood Watch Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2019, 3:00 p.m.	Big Rapids Housing Commission Meeting

All meetings will be held in the High-rise Conference Room. All residents are invited to attend.

Rent is due on March 1st. Late fees will be assessed at 8:00 a.m. on Wed., March 6, 2019.

Signatures Needed Please come to the office to sign your most recent rent recertification paperwork: **1A 1C 1D 2A 2B 3C 4A 4B 4C 5A 5B 5D 7A 7B 7D 8B 8CU 8D 17B 22B 31C 101E 104B 107A 110C 111B 112A 112D 113E 116A 116B 116C 117A 118A 118B 118D 119D 120B 120C 121B 121D 121E 122D 123C 123D 123E 124B 125C 125D 126B 127C 127D 127F 128B 128C 128D 129A 129C 131E 132B 132D 133B 134B 134C 134D 135A 135B 135F 135G**

Parkview & Evergreen SENIOR Apartments - REMINDER

Annual rent recertification paperwork is now ready to be signed in accordance with the notice sent on 1/20/19. All senior and disabled resident rent reviews will become effective 06/01/19. Please stop by the office to sign your paperwork by 03/1/19. The following tenants still need to sign: **16A 17A 18C 20A 101D 107D 109B 113D**

Neighborhood Watch

Members are needed. Available duties would include 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 about home and personal safety while setting a standard for the local community. If you are interested, please contact Laurie and plan to attend the next Neighborhood Watch meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. Attending Neighborhood Watch meetings and activities count for community service.

Neighborhood Watch & Resident Council News

The Neighborhood Watch board positions & Resident Council board positions for President, Vice-President & Sec/Treasurer will be elected at the April 2019 meeting. If you are interested in running for position or nominating someone else for a position, please contact Laurie or Linda at 231-796-8689. The election will be on April 9, 2019 during the Regular Meetings.

Day Lights Savings Time

Remember to spring clocks ahead on March 10, 2019 at 2:00 a.m.

Reporting Income Changes

Reminder to all residents to report **ALL** income changes within 10 days of the change. Please don't wait until your first paycheck to report it.

Laundry Room Rule Reminder

Please do **NOT** use detergent pods in the front-loading washing machines.

Resident Council – Game Day

On Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. the Resident Council will be having a game day in the Highrise dining room. Please bring a drink and/or snack to pass. All residents are invited to attend!

Spring Clean Up

On Monday, April 22, 2019 we will be having Spring Clean-Up. On this day you may place any large items out for pick up & 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 on the following dates:

Parkview Highrise (201 – 408)	Friday, April 19, 2019
Parkview Family (Apts 1A – 8D & 115A – 117C)	Monday, April 22, 2019
Evergreen Village (Apts 118A – 126E)	Tuesday, April 23, 2019
Evergreen Village (Apts 127A – 135G)	Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Parkview South Senior (10-A – 31-C)	Thursday, April 25, 2019
Parkview North Senior (101-A – 114-D)	Friday, April 26, 2019

If this time is not convenient for you, Thursday, April 18, 2019, will be the alternate date. You must contact the office by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, April 12, 2019 in order to reschedule your inspection.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are on monthly/quarterly inspections, your Spring inspection will be on the above date.

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 or not you are home.

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.

Health Department – Cooking Classes

The District Health Department #10 will be offering cooking classes in the Highrise Dining Room from 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19 & 26. All residents are invited! Please call Lacey to register at (231) 305-8673.

Security Cameras For your protection we have installed security cameras throughout the Big Rapids Housing Commission complexes.

Bed Bugs

Eliminate Clutter - Clutter is a bed bug's best friend and a pest management professional's worst enemy. Clutter provides an infinite number of areas for bed bugs to hide and creates areas that cannot be effectively treated by your pest management professional. These areas are a safe haven for bed bugs. Cluttered areas can cause the complete failure of a bed bug control program. Do your best to eliminate clutter. Contact the office immediately if you suspect you may have bed bugs. **Please clean out your bed bug monitors and make sure they are free of dirt and lint on a regular basis. Call the office immediately if any bed bugs are visible.**

Maintenance Treatment for Bed Bugs

The Housing Commission contracts with Rose Pest Solutions to inspect all apartments for bed bugs, inspect and/or install monitors on all the accessible beds and couches, and spray the door jambs and doorways throughout the apartments. Residents will receive an additional notification. This is the tentative schedule for this month:

Apt #	Date	Apt #	Date	Apt #	Date
121B	3/13/2019	122E	3/20/2019	124C	3/27/2019
121C	3/13/2019	123A	3/20/2019	124D	3/27/2019
121D	3/13/2019	123B	3/20/2019	124E	3/27/2019
121E	3/13/2019	123C	3/20/2019	125A	3/27/2019
122A	3/13/2019	123D	3/20/2019	125B	3/27/2019
122B	3/13/2019	123E	3/20/2019	125C	3/27/2019
122C	3/13/2019	124A	3/20/2019	125D	3/27/2019
122D	3/13/2019	124B	3/20/2019	125E	3/27/2019

Residents with allergies will have an opportunity before the treatment date to notify the office if anyone residing in the apartment has asthma/respiratory ailments or sensitivity to petrochemicals. Do not call now.

You are required to contact the office immediately or within 24 hours if you suspect you see a bed bug or other vermin in your apartment.

Spring time Reminders

Please do not allow your children to climb the fences at North Parkview Village and Evergreen Village 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!

Resident and Community Activities Held in BRHC Highrise Dining Room

Euchre: Mondays at 1:00 p.m. and Fridays at 6:30 p.m.
The 2nd Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m. with a potluck to follow at 5:00 p.m.

Bible Study: Tuesdays 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Bingo: Thursdays 3:15 - 5:30 p.m. Bingo is expected to start back up on Thursday, April 4, 2019.

