

PETRA COMMUNITY HOUSING THE COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

MAY 2017



Community Connector—Newsletter Update

The Resident Newsletter is undergoing some changes in format and frequency. Beginning with this issue the newsletter will be delivered to each resident on a monthly basis. In addition to sharing photos of past events and announcements of future events, the newsletter will serve as a communication between management and residents. Reminders and important announcements from management will be in each newsletter so please be sure to read each one thoroughly. If you have any questions or need further clarification please contact the office.

Air Conditioning at Flag and Bard

HUD guidelines state that the heating season runs from Oct. 1 to May 15. Traditionally, the AC units are operational around the last week of April or first week of May of each year. However, for the AC to work in each building, the chillers must be maintained, cleaned and filled with water before they can be started. In order for this to happen the outdoor temperatures must stay above freezing since freezing temperatures would damage the units.

Due to the recent high temperatures and any threat of a freeze now over, we have started the chillers early so A/C is now available in all build-

Happy 150th Birthday!

“Celebrating the past, embracing the future”

Spring City will be celebrating their sesquicentennial over the next several months. An old fashioned marching band kicked off the celebration on March 25th. The volunteer band made its way down Main Street stopping at the Bard Complex. Residents were treated to entertaining music from an array of musicians who shared their talent.

The next scheduled event is May 20th when a community wide yard sale takes place from 8 am—noon, followed by Community Day at Brown Street Park from noon to 4 pm. Vendors, live music and good food will highlight the event.

You will want to mark the following events to make sure you don't miss any of the celebrations:

- June 3rd — Beef & Beer, 8 pm at Liberty Fire Hall
- June 17th — Car Show, 11 am—5 pm on Main Street
- July 15th — BBQ Fest, 11 am—3 pm at Brown Street Park
- Aug. 6th — Convocation Service & Council Cookout, 4 pm at Brown Street Park
- Aug. 11th — Hot Air Balloon Festival, 4 pm at Spring City Elementary School
- Aug. 12th — Community Parade, 10 am on Main Street
- Oct. 7th — Music & Market Festival, 11 am—4 pm on Main Street
- Dec. 2nd — Christmas Tree Lighting, 5 pm—7 pm SC Public Library

For Complete Details Visit the Spring City Website at
www.springcitypa.gov



Flag House Laundry Room

Thanks to the maintenance department, Flag House has a new and improved laundry room. The walls have been painted and a new floor installed. Additionally, a laundry tub and clothes folding table have been added to make the room more convenient for resident use.



REMINDER: Recertification

It has recently come to our attention that several residents have questioned why the recertification process begins four months prior to the move in anniversary date. Please be aware that HUD lays out a precise schedule that they expect management and residents to follow. They require the process to begin four months in advance of the residents anniversary date. If unforeseen events prevent you from attending your scheduled recertification dates, please contact [Natalie](#) at 484-933-4956 immediately to reschedule the date as soon as possible in order to stay in compliance.

May Dates

May 8th Legal workshop at Cornerstone (flyers to be posted)

May 17th Flag House Community Meeting

May 23rd Petra Fun Run to IHOP

May 24th Survival Workshop at Flag House

May 25th Bard Community Meeting

May 29th Office closed for Memorial Day

June 1st Freedom House Community Meeting

No Bus run during last week of May

FAMILY & FRIENDS DAY SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

REMINDER: Kitty Litter Disposal

If you have a pet that happens to be a cat, please **do not** place kitty litter down the garbage chutes. To properly dispose of kitty litter, place the kitty waste in a plastic bag and place in the outside dumpsters. Kitty Litter must be scooped at least once each day and replaced weekly. When replacing kitty litter be sure to thoroughly wash the kitty litter box.

REMINDER: Maintenance Work Orders

If you have a maintenance issue in your apartment, please fill out a work order form or call the office to report the problem. Please do not mention the work order to maintenance staff and expect them to remember your request. They often go from one repair to another and by the time they return to their office they may have forgotten.

Meals on Wheels -If you receive Meals on Wheels or know someone who does, please save the containers for our Annual Spaghetti Dinner. If you have washed containers and would like us to stop by and pick them up please call the office at 610-948-1797 and ask for [Mary](#).

Volunteers Needed at Flag and Bard to help deliver Meals on Wheels (MOW) that are dropped off for your neighbors. MOW volunteers are currently overbooked. Your help would allow more people to take advantage of this service. If you are interested please see [Beverly](#) for more information.

Friendship Ambulance

On April 18th representatives from the Friendship Ambulance Company visited Flag House and Bard Complex to share with residents the benefits of the Senior Membership program. For an annual fee of \$40, members can enjoy the security of knowing all ambulance trip co-pays and denied or unpaid trips are covered for an entire year. The program runs from March to March but residents can sign up at any time. If you missed this opportunity, it's not too late. See [Beverly](#) or call [Natalie](#) in the Petra Office.



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