

MHA will be closed  
Monday, May 27, 2019  
in observance of Memorial Day



The MISSION of MHA is to provide drug-free, decent, safe and sanitary housing for eligible families and to provide opportunities promoting self-sufficiency and economic independence for families.

# Neighborhood news



## Executive Directors Desk



It is hard to believe that school is almost out and summer is upon us. I would like to congratulate all of our seniors who are graduating this month! This is a very exciting time in your life when you have many opportunities on the road ahead of you. I encourage all of you to follow your dreams; with hard work and determination, you can achieve whatever you put your mind to.

If you haven't already, I strongly suggest you learn more about how you can continue your education. Whether that's through vocational training, a two-year program such as those offered by Walters State Community College, or going to a four-year college or university, continuing your education is the most valuable thing you can do right now that will, without a doubt, benefit you for the rest of your life. If you need any assistance or guidance, contact one of our staff members at our Computer Learning Center. We're always more than happy to help.

To students of all ages, as school comes to an end, I hope you'll make the best of the last few weeks of school, and also begin to think about the ways you can continue learning new things throughout the summer! We have a surplus of activities happening around our community and summer camps being offered by our resident support staff (see this month's newsletter). Henry Ford once said, "Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young." Let that inspire all of us to keep learning, every day.

One final note, Happy Mother's Day to those mothers that nurture, support, encourage and care for children both old and young. Your job is one of the hardest in the world and we salute your hard work! I hope you all feel loved and appreciated not just on Mother's Day, but every single day of the year. May you have a happy day surrounded by those you love and that love you.

Sincerely,

*Marilyn J. Medley*

Executive Director

## Officer Johnson's Sticky Notes...

### Teach Your Children How to Stay Safe and Protect Themselves.

#### Children Need to Know:

- Never take anything like candy, ice cream or money from a stranger.
- Never take a ride from a stranger; check with parents or trusted adult before accepting a ride even from someone they know.
- Never give their name or address to a stranger.
- Never say that they are home alone when answering the telephone.
- Check with a parent or an adult guardian before leaving the yard or play area. Always try to take a friend when playing outside.
- Create a commotion by yelling and screaming if a stranger tries to take them by force. Try to get away and immediately tell a parent or trusted adult what happened.



*Use the Buddy System. That means, wherever you walk, walk with someone — a friend from school, a brother or sister, a parent or grandparent.*

**Morristown Police Department--Morristown Housing Authority  
Liaison/Crime Prevention Officer--Office: 423-587-0376  
Network Center--1149 Kennedy Circle**

*"I don't have to draw a line in the sand. I already have one. It's thin. It's blue. It's mine and if you cross it, I will protect it." Anonymous*

# Important Information >>>

## Cable TV and Telephone Installation

All dwelling units are pre-wired with a minimum of one TV cable service outlet for use by the residents. These outlets are generally located in the living area of the apartments. Pre-wired telephone service outlets are similarly installed in each dwelling unit. The general location is in the living area; however, this may vary and could be additional pre-wired locations in the kitchen or bedroom areas as well.

### **CABLE AND TELEPHONE SERVICE IS ESTABLISHED BY THE RESIDENT WITH THE LOCAL CARRIERS.**

At the resident's expense, Morristown Housing Authority will allow additional outlets to be installed as long as they are installed by a professionally licensed electrical contractor or by the cable or telephone provider. All cables shall enter through the gables of each building into the attic space. Cables shall then be fished down through the interior wall with the proper outlet boxes, outlets, and cover plates installed into the interior wall.

Under no circumstances will any cable, wire, communication, or transmission line be allowed to be fastened, attached, tucked into or mounted on any interior walls, floors, or on the exterior of any apartment building. No drilling, boring punching or otherwise penetration of the exterior wall surface is allowed. Additionally, no cables are allowed to enter through any entry doors or windows.

### **NO SATELLITE DISHES ALLOWED AT ANY MHA APARTMENT!**



### **Maintenance After Hours Emergency Number 423/273-2489**

If you are unsure if you have an emergency, please refer to your "Emergency Calls" refrigerator magnet. Hearing impaired residents, should call TN Relay Center at 1-800-848-0298

### **Notice to New Residents**

Filters will be replaced by the maintenance department during the second week of the month as follows:

- Furnaces (during winter months)
- HVAC – monthly

### **Morristown Housing Authority's Trash Truck Runs Each Monday**

Place on curb Sunday afternoon or before 7a.m. Monday mornings

## PEST CONTROL PROCEDURE

*All units/buildings will be treated every month.  
Treatments are not optional.*



- Units will be treated when they become vacant and monitored during turnaround for any needed follow up treatments.
- Heavily infested vacant units will be treated aggressively until pest are eliminated.
- Heavily infested occupied units will be noted and treated on 14-day intervals.
- Any housekeeping issues will be noted by the technicians and followed up by MHA staff to insure compliance.

### **Bed Bug Treatments Is A Service That Is Provided By The Housing Authority at No Cost to Compliant Residents**

If you get Bed Bugs, it is imperative that you completely follow, step by step, the pest control providers prep list to begin the extermination process. MHA will continue to provide this service at no cost for residents who comply with the pest control provider's prep list. **Lack of cooperation on the part of some residents has caused our pest control provider to request additional charges from MHA.** We have negotiated with the pest control provider to hold these additional charges to a minimum. These charges are only what will be charged by the pest control provider. MHA will not add additional charges.

### **New Guidelines for Bed Bug Treatments:**

- Non-Compliance for Bed Bug Treatments
- First Attempt – Documentation (Write Up)
- Second Attempt - \$100.00 -owed by resident**
- Third Attempt – Lease Termination



## Pest Control Schedule

### Thursday May 2nd

Charles Turner Homes (38-6)  
Mountain View Village (38-2)  
Mountain View Village E (38-4)  
John R. Johnson Homes (38-9)

### Thursday May 9th

C. Frank Davis Homes (38-1)

### Thursday May 16th

C. Frank Davis Homes E (38-5)

### Thursday May 23rd







Lon Price Homes (38-3)  
Julia Bales Callaway Homes (38-7)  
S.S. Surratt Homes (38-8)

### **Treatments will begin on Thursdays and be completed by noon on Fridays.**

Residents will be notified if additional treatments are required. Should this schedule change for any reason, residents will be notified 48 hours prior to new start date.

(This does not include Bed Bug or Termite Treatment)

**(Revised 4/2016)**

<b>May</b>	<b>2019 Community Events</b>	
Monday May 6 <sup>th</sup> 2:00pm		<b>Perishable Food Give-Away</b> Computer Learning Center-1149 Kennedy Circle--Pickup between 2:00 & 3:00pm Call 423/200-5584 for more information
May 1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Financial Literacy Sign-Up</b> Wednesday May 1 <sup>st</sup> through Friday May 3 <sup>rd</sup> -10am to 12pm	
Tuesday May 7 <sup>th</sup> 8:30 am		<b>Free G.E.D. (HiSet) Pre-Test</b> Computer Learning Center-1149 Kennedy Circle It will take about 4 hours to do the math and reading pretest Students need to bring a SS Card and photo ID.
Wednesday May 8 <sup>th</sup> 9:00am	<b>Senior Dandridge Field Trip</b> The Residents Activities Department will take 12 senior residents to enjoy the day visiting historical Dandridge sights. This will include the Shoppes at Roper Mansion (and inhouse art gallery), Revolutionary and Civic War Graveyard and the world-famous Bush's Beans Museum and Visitor Center. Lunch and transportation will be provided. Please RSVP by calling the Computer Learning Center to register at 423-200-5584.	
Thursday May 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mother's Appreciation Day</b> Please RSVP by calling the CLC @ 423-200-5584 <b>Thursday, May 9th at 09:00am</b> 10 spots available <i>Each Mother will have a choice of getting hair done or nails painted!</i>	<b>Mother's Day Luncheon</b> Community Room --815 Tulip Street <b>Thursday May 9th at 12:00pm</b>
Monday May 13 <sup>th</sup> 7:00pm		<b>Women's ABC Counseling Group</b> John R. Johnson Community Room-815 Tulip Street --7:00pm--Dinner Provided <i>Women of all walks of life coming together supporting &amp; building up one another...</i>
<b>MHA SUMMER TIME, FUN TIME</b> Computer Learning Center--1149 Kennedy Circle --8:00am-5:00pm (423)200-5584 School is Closed May 7th --The CLC will be open! --Last Day of School May 15th Summer Camp begins June 3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Wednesday May 15 <sup>th</sup>		<b>All Saints Bingo</b> 601 W Main Street--12Noon--Call to CLC schedule transportation
	<b>Diet Club-Register at CLC</b> Weigh-ins & before and after pictures are required – Must give \$1 at each weigh-in. At the end of the summer, the person who loses the most weight will WIN THE MONEY. The more people involved the more money to be won! Weigh Dates are every Monday in May, June & July! <b>Call CLC for more information-423-200-5584</b>	
<b>Are you 18-24 years old looking for employment? Call/Text Andrea 423/273-9082</b>		
<b>Elderly or Disabled &amp; need assistance? Call Jammie 423/736-3489</b>		
<b>Do you need Community Service Hours? Call Bryan 423/586-5115 ext. 8017</b>		
<b>Employment Opportunities-Call Andrea for more information</b>		
<b>Be a CENSUS Taker</b> -Great Pay-Flexible Hours-Weekly Pay- Paid Training	<b>Be a Home Health Aid</b> Medication Reminders-Personal Care-Light Housekeeping	
<b>What Home Means to Me Poster Contest Winners</b>		
	<b>Raylie Parks</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Place	<b>Gwendolyn Osborne</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
<b>Please congratulate them both on their accomplishment!</b> <b>Both posters will be entered into the Regional Council Competitions!!</b>		
		

# Happy Birthday to everyone born in May!

## May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
				Financial Empowerment 10am-12pm	Financial Empowerment 10am-12pm	
5 <b>Bible Study 9:30am (CR)</b>	6 Perishable Food Give-Away 2-3pm (CLC)	7 <b>HI Set Testing</b> Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm School is out Election Day	8 <b>Senior Trip 9:00am</b>  <b>Ready by 6</b>	9 <b>Mother's Day 9:00am</b>  <b>Mother's Day Luncheon 12:00pm</b>	10	11
12 <b>Bible Study 9:30am (CR)</b>	13 Women's ABC (CR)—7:00pm  <b>Hamblen Commodity</b>	14 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	15 <b>All St. Bingo 12p</b> <b>Last Day of School</b> <b>Ready by 6</b>  <b>Jefferson Commodity</b>	16	17 Grade Card & Graduation Day	18
19 <b>Bible Study 9:30am (CR)</b>	20 <b>Summer Program</b>	21 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	22 <b>Ready by 6</b>	23	24	25
26 <b>Bible Study 9:30am (CR)</b>	27 Memorial Day	28 Hillcrest Food Pantry 5:00pm	29 <b>Ready by 6</b>	30	31	

**Congratulations Graduates on your well-deserved success!**

### MHA Van Service

Transportation is provided locally for residents. The van operates the following days:

**Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday  
9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

Please call 423/586-5115 extension 0 to schedule a ride **one** day in advance!

**Each resident may only ride 2 days out of the week!**

### Computer Learning Center (CLC)

1149 Kennedy Circle, Morristown

### Community Room (CR)

815 Tulip Street, Morristown

### Whitepine Community Room (WPCR)

1429 Main Street Apartment #231, Whitepine

### Andrea Stewart

Service Coordinator  
423/586-5115 ext. 8026  
Call/Text 423/273-9082

### Bryan Parks

Service Coordinator Assistant  
423/586-5115  
Extension 8017

### Jammie Smith

Community Cares  
Call 423/736-3489