



How about the beautiful garden we are building at Hollander House! As you can see, the construction is well underway! I hope many were able to see the proposed garden video playing at Margie's birthday celebration, or caught it playing in the lobby or on channel 8 in your apartments. If you missed it, a proposed rendering will be posted in the lobby for your viewing pleasure. The Staff and Board of Directors are excited to have an opportunity to bring such beauty to the grounds of Hollander.

Speaking of beautifying the grounds, we are also power washing the entire outside of the building and doing a deep clean of the garbage chute. Don't forget to close and then **lock** your windows on the day the power washing team is on your side of the building. See further down newsletter for more details. We have a busy September with lots of housekeeping task and projects that must get done, so please be patient.

We say goodbye to summer this month and welcome Autumn. Make sure you get out to the last Farmer's Market trip of the season to grab those fresh veggies and soak up the last rays of the summer sun. As you all know, I love summer, however, you will be pleased to know, I enjoy fall very much too! How about you? Who here is a fan of Autumn? Do you look forward to the chilly mornings, crackling of the fallen leaves underfoot and the golden yellow, brown and orange hues that cover our New England landscape. And, did someone say pumpkin spice! I definitely can already smell and see the Pumpkin Spice worldwide takeover! Relish the Autumn Season and appreciate all we get to enjoy.

-Jolene

Thank you to our wonderful Donors and Community Helpers!



The Erlich Family, Monthly Sustainers to Friends of Hollander House



Sandy Small, In Memory of Erin Heneghan



Betty James, In Memory of Erin Heneghan & the Meditation Garden.



Thank you, residents and Friends of Hollander House, for all the recyclables; Marj Freeman, Jean Hermele, Bob Hillman & Congregation Or Hadash



Thank you, David, our trusty recycling aficionado!

BOTTLE REDEMPTION \$189.90!

REMINDERS / HOUSEKEEPING

Staff Medical Leave

Margie will be out of the office on medical leave for about 4 weeks starting **September 18th**. It's not life-threatening and it's not cosmetic. Not to worry. Amy Gershberg will be here part-time and will handle the February, 2025 annual rent redetermination starting with the interview process. There are several tenants on the February list. When you get your 120- day notice on October 1st, make your appointment right away. Thank you!



REMINDERS / HOUSEKEEPING, Cont.

Home Improvements-Pressure Washing

The pressure washing and garbage chute deep clean begins.

The schedule for the cleaning of the outside building will be as follows:

Tuesday, September 3rd, at the rear of the building beginning at Hollanders entrance and the Handicapped Parking Area and continue to the back patio area.

Wednesday, September 4rd, they will start washing the front of the building, beginning at the smoking /Handicapped parking area and continue along the entire front side.

Thursday, September 5th they will wash the rear of the building, the side where staff parks/garbage bin area etc.

There will be a bucket truck moving around the outside of the building. There will be a flyer with instructions telling you which cars need to be moved during the power washing.

During the cleaning of the trash chute, **Sept 3rd, Tuesday**, nothing should be dropped down the chute. The chute doors on each floor will be covered with a notice not to use the chute at that time.

We thank you for your cooperation during these projects and **don't forget to close and lock your windows** during the washing!

Inspections & Maintenance

JCI Simplex will be here on **Monday, September 9th**, to do an annual fire pump inspection followed by the quarterly inspection of the sprinklers in every apartment (beginning at **8:30am** in the apartments). This is a mandatory safety inspection and will be done whether the tenant is home or not.

Battery replacing Maintenance

Adrian will be replacing the batteries in both the smoke detectors and the heating thermostats in your apartments on **September 11th and September 12th**. He will need to do this whether you are home or not. He plans to start on the 5th floor and work his way down.

Smoke Alarms

We understand the smoke alarms go off, it happens. If something burns on the stove and your kitchen fills with smoke and the smoke alarm goes off, **keep your front door to the hallway closed, turn on the overhead oven fan and open your living room window**. If staff is in the building we will respond. The fire department may also show up to verify that all is well. Better safe than sorry.



REMINDERS / HOUSEKEEPING, Cont.

Pest Control

On **Tuesday, September 17th**, FMG exterminator will inspect and treat **FIFTH-FLOOR**



all

units. Please have your bare mattress exposed and closet floors cleared.

Going Away? Please let us Know!

When you plan to be away, please let us know so we don't worry about you as we do monitor the comings and goings of our community for your safety. Kindly let the staff know when you plan to be away from the building for an extended period of time. Also, please make arrangements to have your mail and prescriptions



held/paused or picked up by a family member or friend. Thank you!

HOLLANDER HOUSE EVENTS & OUTINGS

Shopping Trips

Please be sure to sign-up!

9/4 12:30am ShopRite & Walmart, Stratford

9/10 10:30am Hobby Lobby, Milford

9/12 3:15pm Farmers Market, B-port Hosp.

9/18 Stop & Shop, Villa Ave

9/25 Trader Joe's, Fairfield

Blood Pressure Checks

On **Tuesday, September 17th, 10am**, Nurse Lee will be here at 10:00 a.m.

Please sign in when you arrive, and she will take you in order



Movie Club Fridays

Come on down! Watch a movie!

These movies are thoughtfully curated by Gwen, for your enjoyment! We realize you may be able to stream a movie in your apartment, but why not bring a snack and come down and watch with friends and neighbors. Then discuss the movie afterwards. Shows start at 2:45pm in the Community Room, unless otherwise noted:

Sept. 6th A Family Affair

Sept. 13th Find Me Falling

Sept. 20th The Dig

Sept. 27th Aloha





HOLLANDER HOUSE EVENTS & OUTINGS

Mandala Adult Coloring

Friday September 13th at 11am. Another great event to get you out to socialize and keep your brains engaged. Come on down to the community room where it's bright and welcoming and color a page or two!



Flu Clinic

On Monday September 30th, from 10am-12pm the staff from Griffin Hospital will be offering Flu shots on site in the community room. We are currently awaiting more details from Griffin. Please watch out for flyers for more details. There will be a sign-up sheet, what to bring etc. Please await more info but mark your calendars and don't forget to wear short sleeves!



Mercy Learning Center

Mercy Learning Center provides free literacy and life skills education to low-income women in the greater Bridgeport area using a holistic approach within a compassionate, supportive environment. MLC focuses on empowering and providing dignity, economic self-sufficiency, and hope to their students. By educating women, MLC provides critical learning for students to improve their skills and earning potential, creating a more solid future for themselves, their families, and their community.

Please see the back-to-school wish list! Anything you can give to help support the mission of Mercy Learning Center is greatly appreciated.

**Mercy Learning Center's
Back-to-School Checklist**

- Pencils
- Spiral Notebooks
- Pocket Folders
- Highlighters
- Sharpies
- Colored Pencils
- Scissors
- Reusable Water Bottles
- Erasers
- Index Cards

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September 2024 at the Hollander House



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2  Happy Labor Day — We are closed —	3 Power washing ← begins. Garbage Chute cleaning.	4 12:30pm Walmart/ShopRite Stratford  6:00pm Bingo	5	6 2pm Armchair Exercise 2:45pm Movie A Family Affair Candles 6:58pm	7
8	9 8:30am Sprinkler Insp.  6:00pm Bingo	10 10:30am Hobby Lobby, Milford	11 Changing ← batteries in Smoke Detectors & Thermostats	12 3:15pm Farmers Market, Bridgeport Hospital	13 11am Mandala 2pm Armchair Exercise 2:45pm Movie Find Me Falling Candles 6:46pm	14
15	16  6:00pm Bingo	17 10am Exterminator 10am Blood Pressure Checks	18 12:30pm Stop & Shop, Villa Ave	19	20 No Armchair Exercise 2:45pm Movie The Dig Candles 6:34pm	21
22 	23  6:00pm Bingo	24	25 10:30am Trader Joe's, Fairfield	26	27 No Exercise 2:45 Movie- Aloha Candles 6:2pm	28
29	30 10am FLU Clinic  6:00pm Bingo					