

# The Enlightener

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## From the Executive Director's Desk

We have now entered the summer months and it is imperative that all parents keep a watch on their children. Make sure your children do not leave their bicycles or toys on the sidewalk and lawn. These items should be put up every evening. Lawn service will not stop to move your child toys when they come and cut the grass. Now that the days are hot and long, many of you are using your grill. We ask that all barbeque grills be placed on or near the back porch. Grills should not be on the front porch or yard. Old furniture, tires and toys cannot be stored in the back yard, they must be disposed. Please keep your yard clean and free of debris.

Those who have teenagers, there will be no loitering on the property at night. Security will be enforcing a 10:00 p.m. curfew.

### Inspection

During my inspection, I noticed several doors damaged in the units. Please know that if any doors or windows have been damaged or broken, you will be charged for the replacement. We appreciate all of you who keeps their unit in good condition.

Smoke detectors are not to be tampered with. If your smoke detector is beeping, call the office for a work order request. Do not take the battery out or remove the smoke detector off the ceiling. If you have any furniture blocking a window, it must be removed immediately. HUD requires that you cannot block a window unless there are two windows in a room.

There will be other inspections coming up this summer. We will inform you of the dates of these inspections so you can have your apartment ready.

## THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

July 4th for Independence Day  
September 4th for Labor Day

## After Hour Emergency Phone Numbers

If an emergency exists after office hours tenants should immediately dial **662-252-2971**. Your call will be transferred to Call-Max, or call Maintenance @ **662-544-0451**, Security @ **662-306-3097**, or **911**.

### Emergencies are:

1. Major water leaks
2. Overflowing toilet
3. Electrical problems that could cause injury to a resident or cause a fire.
4. Gas leaks/smell of gas
5. Drugs, gang or other criminal activity on the property.

**If your toilet is leaking or overflowing, turn the valve off, the valve is located behind the toilet. This will stop the water from flooding your apartment.**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC AWARENESS Natural Gas Safety Tips

Please read the attached information on Natural Gas Safety. Always remember safety first when operating natural gas appliances of any kind. If a leak is suspected **IMMEDIATELY** notify The City of Holly Springs Housing Authority at 662-252-2971 or 911. Remember **never try to find the leak yourself**. Please do not remove batteries from you **SMOKE/CARBONMOXIDE** detector.



# Important Reminder for Our Residents

We are required to file eviction each month for current month unpaid balances. Therefore, all balances should be paid in a timely manner to avoid an eviction.

- Rent is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month
- Late fees apply after 12:00 a.m. on the 5<sup>th</sup>
- Late fees apply after 12:00 a.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup>
- Evictions will be filed on the 25<sup>th</sup>

The **No Cash** policy is in effect. All rent must be paid by **Money Order** or **Cashier's Check** only.

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## GARBAGE

Each resident is required to keep trash and garbage picked up. Rugs should not be left hanging on clothes lines, nor should other items be stored on your back porch. It is your responsibility to pull your garbage can to the curb for pick-up and to the back of our apartment beside your back porch the same day of pick-up. Furniture and large items can only be placed out on Tuesday night as maintenance go to the dump on **Wednesday**.

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## MOLD/MILDREW

Mold and mildew are fungi that develop due to excessive, unchecked moisture. Controlling moisture levels is the best way to prevent mold and mildew growth.

**The following actions can help prevent mold and mildew growth:**

- Keeping humidity levels low, between 30-50%
- Using dehumidifiers, fans and opening windows, especially during humid months
- Ventilating bathrooms, laundry rooms, kitchens, basements and damp areas
- Drying water-damaged areas within 24-48 hours

If you find small concentrations of mold on easy to clean surfaces like windows, walls, tubs, tile and sinks, it can usually be cleaned with disinfectants, mold & mildew cleaner or a bleach and water solution.

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**NO Trespass List:** *Persons listed below are prohibited and **CAN NOT** be on the premises of the Holly Springs Housing Authority. If seen on the premises of the Holly Springs Housing Authority, he or she will be arrested and charged with trespassing. A tenant hosting/entertaining a person on this list on the housing authority property will be evicted.*

Admin Jeffries, Allen Whitelow, Alonzo Wise, Anthony Jeffries, Antonio Lesure, Bernie Byers, Jr. Carlos Stinson, Carolette Pegues, Cedric Cannon, Cedric Snow, Chris Perkins, Coneshia Blackmon, Cortez Cowan, Courtney Freeman, Darwin Campbell, David Irving, David Thomas, Debra Vaxter, Demetrius Steward, Derrick Page, Dewey Lawrence, Diane Spencer, Dwayne Holloway, Dwayne Simmons, Earl Stephenson, Eldridge Ingram, Eric Laws, Eric Thomas, Eric Webster, Ernest Sanderson, Ferdcello Moore, Fitzgerald Richmond, Illicia Jones, James Jackson, Jason Bailey, Jeronica Vaughn, Joe Dukes, Joey Lewis, Jonathan Lewis, Jose Reyes, Karen Jones, Keisha Alexander, Kenneth Butts, Kenneth Garner Jr., Kenyata Scott, Larry Mitchell, Lavandez Howell, Lawanda Stewart, Lee Pegues, Lois Miller, Marcus Clayborn, Marquez Hasberry, Mark Spencer, Marticus Layrock, Melvin Sims, Nathan Lumpkin, Quintess Sims, Randy Whitey, Robert Dean, Robert Holloway, Robert Perkins, Roy Hearn, Roy Hughes, Sammy Jones, Sanchez Holloway, Sandra Johnson, Shantay Thomas, Sharon Steward, Shun Moore, Steve Norris, Tasha Bell, Terrance Jones, Tony Terrell, Travarious Scott, Travis Jefferson, Travis White, Tyrone Hampton, Willie Daughtery, Rosemary Ukaegbu Johnson, Roydrickas Hearn, William Henley III., Candice Malone,

## Natural Gas Safety

Natural gas is one of the safest, most reliable, efficient, and environmentally friendly fuels in use today delivering natural gas for heating our homes as well as fuel for other natural gas appliances. Holly Springs Housing Authority owns and operates the jurisdictional master meter natural gas distribution system serving four apartment complexes. From design and construction to operations and maintenance of the natural gas system, we set high standards to keep our residents, employees and the community safe. Like any form of energy, though, it must be handled responsibly.

Always remember safety first when operating natural gas appliances of any kind.

### Damage Prevention

Although safe, tested, and regulated, the system's most common hazard is from 3<sup>rd</sup> party damage from excavation.

Always call before you dig. It's as easy as dialing 811, and it's the law!

Please report any excavation or unusual activity to the Holly Springs Housing Authority at 662-252-2971.

Natural gas is a nontoxic, colorless, and odorless fuel that is lighter than air. This lighter-than-air quality is an important safety factor. If a leak occurs, natural gas will mix readily with air and rise into the atmosphere.

### *Detecting a Natural Gas Leak*

Three keys to recognizing a possible natural gas leak.

- **Look.** Blowing dirt, bubbling creeks or ponds, dry spots in moist areas or dead plants surrounded by green, live plants.
- **Listen.** An unusual hissing sound near gas lines or appliances.
- **Smell.** In its raw state, natural gas is colorless and odorless. As a safety measure natural gas has a harmless odorant added similar to rotten eggs so that you can easily detect even the smallest amount of gas that might escape. You should take action even if you detect only a faint odor of natural gas in air.

### *Natural Gas Safety Tips:*

Here are some key words to help you remember what to do if a natural gas leak is suspected:

- **LEAVE** the area immediately. Do not try to find or stop the leak.
- **DO NOT** light matches or cigarettes
- **DO NOT** ring door bells, use phones
- **DO NOT** turn ON or OFF any electrical switches
- **GO NO FOOT** no vehicle or equipment that could create a spark.

*If a leak is suspected IMMEDIATELY notify Holly Springs Housing Authority at*

**662-252-2971 AND 911.**

Remember -Never try to find the leak yourself!!!

For additional information call Holly Springs Housing Authority at 662-252-2971.