

WATERTREE NEWSLETTER

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Electrical Inspections - The maintenance staff has finished the "first sweep" of electrical inspections completing 266 of 320 units. Approximately 40 electric baseboard heaters were found to be modified in the same way that caused the fire last July.

A letter will be sent to the units that were not inspected giving them the option of hiring their own electrician to perform the inspection or setting an appointment with the Watertree staff. Thanks to all who were able to work within the initial schedule.

Disposal of televisions, computers and computer monitors.

- The Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCCRA) has announced that televisions, computers and computer monitors will no longer be accepted with "regular trash" and must be recycled. These items may be disposed of in the following ways:

- You may take them to the Community Collection Center located at 6085 New Court Rd (5 minutes from Watertree). You will be charged \$10 per item, maximum of two.
- You may take them to Best Buy where you will pay \$10 per item, however, you will receive a \$10 gift certificate in return.

It will cost Watertree \$35 per item to dispose of TV's, computers and monitors. Please, take personal responsibility for these items and report neighbors who ignore this directive.

Structural Changes - Homeowners are reminded that permission must be obtained from the Board of Managers before any structural change is made to the building. Structural changes include removal of load bearing walls, replacement of windows and exterior doors and installation of additional windows. Reference Article VIII. Section 7 of the by-laws. Feel free to call the office for more information.

Window Air Conditioners Those who installed window air conditioners are asked to remove them and to re-install the glass.

Landlords - Do we have your and your tenant's contact information? Contact the office for a "tenant information form" that will provide names, phone numbers and car information in the event of an emergency.

Halloween falls on Friday night this year, so it is likely to be busier than usual. Many residents look forward to Halloween and distribute candy from their doors in the traditional way. Others have organized an effort in their buildings to distribute candy at the entry to the stairwell, taking shifts to distribute the goodies. This prevents kids from running up and down the stairs, ringing every doorbell. Others choose not to answer their door on Halloween.

Winter Parking - As Watertree's population ages, more and more of our residents spend all or part of the winter down south. This can create a snow removal problem if a car is left in the parking lot. Therefore, the Board of Managers approved the following guidelines for winter parking.

1. Residents who will be vacating their premises for an extended period of time should contact the office and leave emergency contact information.
2. Residents who vacate their premises for more than a month, may not store their vehicle in the parking lots.
3. Residents who vacate their premises for less than a month, may leave their vehicle in the parking lot provided it is moved and cleared of snow at least once per week. The phone number of the person responsible for the car should be provided to the office.

Watertree staff can no longer clean or move resident's cars. You must find a friend or neighbor who will take responsibility for your car or store it someplace else.

Send us your email address.