



# Cranberry Chronicle

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### **DUE TO COVID- 19**

**THE VOTING POLL PLACE  
HAS BEEN MOVED TO THE  
SOUTHWEST LIBRARY**

**7979 38<sup>th</sup> AVENUE**

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### **Day Light Savings**

Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour on November 1<sup>st</sup> . It is recommended that you change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

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### **Holiday Office Hours**

Closed November 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

Closed December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>

Closed January 1<sup>st</sup>

### **HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

Thanksgiving is a harvest festival. Traditionally, it is a time to give thanks for the harvest and express gratitude in general. It is at this time of the year G & S Properties would like to thank you for making Cranberry Apartments your home. Whether you have lived here for just 1 day or have been here since the beginning, we are happy to have you as our residents.

Residents please remember when decorating for the holidays that you keep in mind the safety of the holiday when plugging in your lights. Always read the number of strands that can be plugged into another. You may decorate your patios and balconies, Remember to use only outdoor UL approved lighting and extension cords. We ask that you take the decorations down in a timely manner. Santa should not celebrate St Patrick's Day.

**Real Christmas Trees;** Be sure to water it regularly and remember you found a way to get it here, you must find a way to take it to one of the city's many drop off sites.

How ever you celebrate Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa, Feliz Navivad, Happy Hanukkah or any other way. We wish you a joyous season

Tammy, Dee Dee Jeff, Nick, Heather

### **PACKAGES**

We are not responsible for any packages that come up missing. You will need to contact the shipper for any missing packages.

## Energy Bills

Energy assistance dollars are available for the 2020-2021 heating season.

The Wisconsin Home Energy Plus Program provides energy assistance to help pay winter heating bills. Check out the following chart if your total monthly household income before taxes and deductions is equal to or less than the amount shown, you may qualify for energy assistance.

Family size	Monthly Income	Family size	Monthly Income
1	\$2,490.08	2	\$3256.33
3	\$4022.50	4	\$4788.67
5	\$5554.83	6	\$6321.00
7	\$6464.67	8	\$6608.33

Find out if you qualify and get application locations in your area by calling:

WISCONSIN HOME ENERGY PLUS PROGRAM AT **866-432-8947**

Beware of higher bills around the holidays your bills in November, December and January may be higher because: The weather is colder, you may use more energy with the holidays cooking and baking more and, decorating with lights.

Because of the holidays billing period are longer. A typical billing period is between 29-31 days. Bills in November, December, and January can average between 33 - 37 days.

Adjust your thermostat when you are sleeping or away from home. You can save as much as 10% a year on heating and cooling costs by simply turning your thermostat back 7-10 degrees from its normal setting for 8 hours a day. Never turn your thermostat down below 50 degrees in the winter months. You must maintain a reasonable amount of heat in the cold weather to prevent damages to the premises and if damage results from your failure to maintain a reasonable amount of heat, you will be held responsible.

## Manage your energy service on line with MY ACCOUNT

You have the power to take control of your homes energy use simply by logging on your computer, phone or tablet. Enroll in MY ACCOUNT at [we-energies.com](http://we-energies.com) to:

Get personalized money saving tips. Answer some basic questions about your home and MY ACCOUNT suggests specific energy efficiency improvements. You will also learn how much these improvements may cost to implement, and how much you can expect to save.

Learn why your energy bill changes from month to month. Understand how changes in the weather, price and use can affect how much you pay for energy each month. MY ACCOUNT compares your current bill to your previous bill and highlights the reasons why it changed.

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## **BUDGET BILLING**

Budget billing spreads out seasonal variation in your energy bill over 12 months. While you still pay for all of the energy you actually use, Budget Billing gives you more consistent monthly bills.

After 6 months, We Energies reviews and updates your Budget Billing amount so there are no surprises.

After 12 months WE Energies reviews your account again. You will receive a credit or owe the balance based on the difference between your total Budget Billing payments and your actual energy use.

You receive an updated Budget Billing amount for the next 12 months.

To enroll, have your account number handy and call 800 242 9137. Sign up using the automated phone system or speak directly to a customer consultant who will help you with your questions

## **2020 WE ENERGIES COOKIE BOOK**

Every year WE ENERGIES puts together a cookbook. This year it will be distributed by drive-thru only. This has been a tradition for WE ENERGIES since 1928. You can get a copy on November 12, 2020 at the We Energies on Highway KR just west on Sheridan Rd between 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. The cookbook can also be downloaded. The cookie cookbooks are archived from 1935 and also can be downloaded.

## **HEAT NOT WORKING?**

If your heat is not working, check your breaker box before calling maintenance. All breakers should be turned inward. If they are all turned inward and you still do not have heat call maintenance 262 945 6536.

## **RECYCLING**

We are still being charged for contaminated recycling containers. Every time a dumpster is contaminated there is an additional charge of **\$20.00 per container per week**. We have 11 recycling container. **All recyclables are to be put into the container without the use of plastic bags. Bags are no longer an accepted piece of recycling.** A new recycling do's and don't from Waste Management is with this newsletter. Please read the information to help us stop the increasing costs from contaminated dumpsters. We are looking for quotes for a concrete slab to use 1 large container that will be placed behind the office building. You will have to bring your recyclable to this container once we can get a concrete pad poured. This will eliminate the contamination of multiple containers.

## **LAUNDRY ROOMS**

The laundry rooms in the common hallway buildings have been left a mess at times. There is no fairy godmother that lives here to pick up after you. It isn't that hard to make sure the soap gets into the washer or to pick up the lint and or fabric softener sheets. The faucet on the laundry tub in 7914 was left on. Making sure the water is turned off can also help keep costs down.

## **Snow Plowing**

If you are going to be gone during the winter months and your car will still be in the lot, you will need someone to be able to move it for snow plowing.

## **Shovels**

You may use the shovels that will be placed in the common hallways but please put them back for other to use. The salt is for the walkways.

## **Alternate Parking**

The Kenosha Police Department would like to remind residents and visitors in the City of Kenosha of the following Alternate Side Parking Restrictions that are in place for December through March of each year.

Alternate Side Street Parking begins on December 1st and is enforced from 1:00 am – 6:00 am. The parking restrictions end on April 1st. On odd-numbered days, the motorist must park on the side of the street with odd-numbered addresses. On even-numbered days, the motorist must park on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses. (Example – If you park your vehicle at 10 pm on January 3rd the vehicle needs to be parked on the even side of the street, as the enforcement period is from 1am – 6am January 4th).

These restrictions do not apply to city streets where parking is limited to one side of the street or where other parking restrictions would be in effect from 1:00 am – 6:00 am. Remember, there are two occasions in which odd-numbered parking is required on consecutive nights, December 31 and January 01, as well as January 31 and February 01. The initial penalty for violating this ordinance is \$30.00, and your vehicle may be towed.

You may also call 605-5200, option 1 will explain it.

## **Winter Parking Regulations**

The Kenosha Police Department would like to remind residents and visitors in the City of Kenosha of the following winter parking restrictions and regulations.

Posted Snow Routes are in effect when two or more inches of snow has fallen. Streets that are snow routes are posted with signs. Vehicles in violation of this ordinance may be towed and the initial penalty for violating this ordinance is \$30.00.

A Snow Emergency can be declared by the Director of Public Works, or in his/her absence the City Administrator, or in their absence, the Director of Engineering, may, in their discretion, declare an emergency to exist in the City, or in a section or sections thereof, for one (1) or more periods of seventy-two (72) hours, where snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, snow drifts, flooding or other phenomena cause, or are likely to cause, hazardous road conditions on City streets or highways, which conditions will or may endanger the public health, safety or welfare, or which conditions will or may impede the movement of emergency vehicles or other vehicular traffic. During the period of a snow emergency, no motor vehicle, motor vehicle trailer, semi-trailer, mobile home or other form of conveyance shall park, stop, stand or otherwise be unattended on any City street or highway:

Vehicles in violation of the snow emergency may be towed; the initial penalty for violating this ordinance is \$30.00. Vehicle owners are responsible for all towing and storage costs.

## THINGS TO DO IN November / December 2020

### **Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Tree Lighting Ceremony at the public museum. November 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

### **Rhode Center for the Arts**

Keep checking the website of the Lakeside Players as the organization starts to once again provide live entertainment at the historic Rhode Center for the arts. They were suppose to have The Christmas Story in December.

### **Sledding**

Go sledding at Alford Park, Washington Park, Petrifying Springs Park, Fox River Park, and Silver Lake Park.

### **Visit Kenosha**

Visit Kenosha on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and You Tube for the latest updates. I am not sure what is updated since I don't have any of these.

Want to share some love for the Kenosha Area? Use this handy I (Heart) Kenosha frame to take photos of your favorite places and spaces, foods and fun, and more in the Kenosha Area ... then share them on your favorite social network! Don't forget to use the #KenoshaFun hashtag

### **I (heart) Kenosha frame**

Pick up your free I Heart Kenosha frame-magnet from one of these locations:

- I 94 Visitors Center
- Kenosha Public Museum
- Civil War Museum
- Dinosaur Discovery Museum

Take photo's of your Kenosha Favorite with your frame. Share your photos on these social networks. Any submitted photo's can be used in the I (heart) Kenosha Photo Gallery.

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram

Visit the [visitkenosha.com/Things-To-Do/Fun-101](http://visitkenosha.com/Things-To-Do/Fun-101) to look for updated things to do during COVID-19

## STAFF

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### Office Hours

M - F

8 am - 4 pm

Saturday - by Appointment



The secure rent drop box is located on building

**7919 60<sup>th</sup> Ave**

## WEB SITE

We are in the process of creating our own web site that will launch sometime in January. We are very excited about the ways that it will allow us to come into 2021 with virtual tours, online newsletters, online applications and so much more. We will announce at a later date when it goes public. Cranberryapts.com

## Facebook

We now have a Facebook page. Please go there and like us.

## PUMPKINS

Do you still have a pumpkin on your patio/balcony? Remember to get rid of them before they have to be shoveled. They will turn into a liquid if not removed in a timely manner, especially if they are carved.



Earn \$50.00 off your next months rent. We are offering you an opportunity to save on your rent. Receive a referral bonus of \$50.00 off your next months rent when someone you recommend signs a lease with us. Be sure to tell them to write your name on the applicaton.

### Safeway Pest Control

Do you have spiders, centipedes, or ants? Remember that Safeway Pest Management is here on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month. This is a **FREE** service we offer you for common household insects. If you need to have Pest control come to your apartments please contact the office to be put on the schedule for the next available date.

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