

# **MOUNT VERNON**



**Fall 2022** 

# **Luminest Homes for Sale Near Completion**



Luminest is building two three-bedroom, 1.5 bath homes for sale in Waynesboro now available for purchase if eligibility criteria are met. These homes are part of a First Time Home Buyer project designed to help revitalize a neighborhood and provide affordable homes for sale to those who have not recently owned a home. If you are interested in the criteria and how to apply to purchase you can contact Lydia at llfrech@luminest.org or 717-977-3900 ext 110. Visit luminest.org "Communities-Coming Soon-Waynesboro First Time Home Buyers " for more info.

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#### **Luminest News**

Luminest has had several new hires recently. Below are photos of some of the newer staff to help you match a name with a face:



Part-Time Front Desk Admin Clerk: German Sanchez

German will be working at our front desk in the mornings & will be one of the friendly voices you hear when calling our administrative office. German is multilingual.



Front Desk Admin Clerk: Amanda Imwald

Amanda has been with Luminest at the admin front desk for over a year but we thought you might like a face to put with the voice. New Maintenance Staff: Greg and Steve are still our primary Waynesboro maintenance staff but we have added new team members to Chambers-burg who will help out when needed



Michaelangelo Rivera



Christian Sprenkle



Mike Lightfoot

#### **Mount Vernon Events**



## Fresh Express

Fresh Express is a food program that is offered through Central PA Food Bank in Harrisburg. This is an in person food selection event held at the Valley Terrace Community Center on usually the last Tuesday of the month. Residents bring bags and make food selections from items provided by the Central PA Foodbank. Usually there is a protein, milk, eggs, cheese, fresh produce and dry goods. Please note: For the month of December Fresh Express has been moved earlier in the day and ahead in the month to Tuesday, December 13th at 11am. Please do not arrive after 12pm as it will close at noon. January will return to the last Tuesday of the month and 11:30.

Senior boxes (CSFP & Eldershare) with additional shelf-stable items are also available for those who meet eligibility income levels (\$18,210 and below for 1 person, \$24,690 for 2 person household) and are age 60+. You must enroll ahead of time for these programs and commit to picking up your box every month. If interested schedule a time with Lydia to enroll.

# Free Meals Brought To You by Restoration Church and Be The Village

Restoration Church of Waynesboro continues to deliver homemade free meals on the last Monday of the month from 5:20-5:45. For November this is Monday the 28th. Please note, the delivery location has changed from the Valley Terrace Community Center to the Wayne Gardens Community Center. You are welcome to continue to take your meals to go or stay and eat in Wayne Gardens Community Center. You also have the option of being added to a list to receive a meal every month. If you do that you do not need to RSVP each month. Please RSVP by the Thursday before.





# Presentation on SAD By Martha Swope

Franklin/Fulton counties mobile psychiatric nurse, Martha Swope, will return on **Wednesday, December 14th at 1pm** to the Wayne Gardens community room to discuss seasonal affective disorder and loneliness. The community room is in the 900 Wayne Gardens building which is the building further back towards the end of the culdesac. Mount Vernon residents are welcome to attend. If you have questions about where the Wayne Gardens Community room is located contact Lydia. Wayne Gardens doors are locked but if you knock at 1pm someone will let you in.

# Weekly Produce Boxes

We are still receiving produce boxes weekly from The Gleaning Project. If you are not already signed up for a produce box and would like to start receiving one please contact Lydia. She will add you to the list and then you can pick up your box at the Mount Vernon Terrace office. Boxes generally contain potatoes and onions and then other contents that varies weekly. Please note: boxes come to us sealed so occasionally there may be produce that aged or became damaged after being packaged. Please check your produce, wash before using and discard anything not up to standards.

# **Annual Block Party Recap**

The weather was beautiful and we had fantastic turnout out for the annual resident block party! Thank you to everyone who came out and Antietam Dairy, B & L Dogz and face painter Yu! Hope to see everyone at Block Party 2023!















# October's Kids Pumpkin Paint

Last month we got creative with our kids pumpkin paint!









#### Resident Reminders



#### <u>Trash</u>

Mount Vernon has accessible units with a ramp and their own trash bins. These bins are for the use of the residents who live in those apartments-please do not dispose of your trash in someone else's bin. Please use the dumpsters in the Mount Vernon office parking lot. Please do not use the dumpster designated for Valley Terrace.

Electronics such as computers & televisions, chemicals and bulky items including mattresses and furniture cannot be disposed of in or beside the dumpsters and will not be taken by the collectors. Residents are responsible for arranging for items to be hauled away and disposed of properly. There is a refuse center at 12721 Buchanan Trail East that most of these items can be taken to. The phone number is 9717) 762-4413 or visit

# Maintenance Time of Entry of Premises

To support maintenance issue in a timely manner please be advised that maintenance may now enter units as early as 8am for work orders, inspections or other issues.



#### **Parking**



Lately we have noticed Mount Vernon residents and visitors parking in the Wayne Gardens parking lot. **Only Wayne**Garden residents and visitors are permitted to park in the Wayne Gardens lot. Please ask your visitors to park along the street if your space is occupied.

## **Heating Odors**

Residents may notice a burning or "hot" odor when first running heat.

This is typical and does not require a work order unless the smell is persistent and lasts longer than an hour.





#### Resources & Info

#### Community Health Worker-Now by Appointment

Ashley Corradino is our WellSpan Community Health Worker. Ashley is transitioning to meeting by appointment only due to under utilization. If you need help with communicating with your doctors (scheduling appointments, asking questions, figuring out medical bills and appointments) Ashely can help with that. Ashley can also assist with applying for resources, both medical and otherwise. To schedule for Ashley to come out and meet with you leave Ashley a message stating your name, number, where you live and what you would like some help with at

(717) 264-0081

Email: acorradino@wellspan.org





# Roasting Chickens, Children Christmas Gifts & Christmas Food Boxes Available from WCHS

Waynesboro Community and Human Services is providing roasting chickens/ turkeys for Thanksgiving and boxes of ingredients for Christmas meal prep for those who meet income eligibility (185% FPL or less). Call 717-762-6941 to reserve a turkey for Thanksgiving and/or a Christmas ingredient box. The deadline to register for the turkey is November 16th. Pickup of the turkey will be curbside on November 18th from 9-12 and the December box pickup will be December 16th.

Christmas toys, gift cards, and clothing are provided for children and youth through the Rotary Children's Gifts Program (ages 0-12) and the Teen Gifts Program (ages 13-18). They also coordinate Adopt-a-Family Gift Program where local businesses, churches, and individuals can host families to donate gifts for the holidays.

RECIEVE GIFTS: To sign up for Christmas Gifts for children, teens, or adopt-a-family, you will need to show proof of income from the past 30 days for all adults in your household. (Household income should be 185% FPL or less.) All gifts sign-ups will be in person this year at WCHS during our operating hours (see hours/location below).

\*\*Gift sign up ends December 2nd.\*\*

DONATE: We accept new toy, clothing, and gift donations for these programs; please bring unwrapped donations to our office during our hours (below). You can also Adopt-a-Family by calling our office for further details and to sign up: 717-762-6941.

LOCATION & HOURS: Walnut St., Waynesboro, Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9am-3:30pm (closed from noon-1pm for lunch), Wednesday from 9am-Noon, and Thursday from 1-6pm.

## PA Rent Rebate Deadline Extended

The deadline to file for the Pennsylvania rent rebates has been extended to December 31st, 2022. You may check on the status of your Property Tax/Rent Rebate Claim form online through myPATH or by calling the automated toll-free number, 1-888-PA TAXES (728-2937)



## **One Day Only-Coats for Kids**

Kids under 5 please bring Birth Certificate, 5-17 please bring proof of school enrollment \*\*\*Adults in need of a coat will be given a ticket to our Thrift Store\*\*\* Donations of new and gently used kids coats will be accepted October 24th through November 11th at the William F. Sellers Funeral Home, Inc 297 Philadelphia Avenue,

Chambersburg PA



# LIHEAP Heating Assistance Open

LIHEAP is a federally funded program administered by DHS that provides assistance for home heating bills, so low-income Pennsylvanians can stay warm and safe during the winter months.

LIHEAP is distributed directly to a household's utility company or home heating fuel provider in the form of a grant, so the individual or households do not have to repay assistance.

Maximum income levels to qualify are 20,385 for 1 person household, 27,465 for 2 people There are two initial ways to apply for LIHEAP\*

**Online:** Apply for benefits online using <u>COMPASS</u>, the online tool for Pennsylvanians to apply for health and human service programs and manage benefit information. You will need an email address.

**By paper:** You can download a paper application, print it, fill it out, and return it to your local county assistance office which for Franklin County is:

Franklin County Assistance Office

620 Norland Avenue

Chambersburg, PA 17201

Your SSC Lydia can provided you with an application and help you apply. Call her at 717-977-3900 ext 110 to schedule an appointment.

## Medicare Open Enrollment Counseling

Medicare open enrollment is October 15th-December 7th. During this period each year Medicare beneficiaries can join, switch or drop their Medicare Part D or Medicare Advantage Coverage. Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage plans change the coverage costs each year so it is important to review your plan and compare it to others on the market that are available to Franklin County residents.

There will be health counselors available during open Annual Open Enrollment Period to help you understand your options in comparing Part D and Medicare Advantage plans. This counseling program was previously known as APPRISE but is now renamed PE MEDI. Scheduling for free Medicare counseling appointments will be open soon. The Franklin County Office on Aging has opened scheduling appointments. To schedule call PA MEDI-Franklin County Area Agency on Aging at 717-263-2153

### Pennie Insurance Enrollment Open

Pennie is Pennsylvania's official health and dental marketplace for insurance. Open enrollment period runs from November 1st to January 15th. Visit Pennie.com to find out more and shop for health coverage.

Waynesbpro Community and Human Services hosts a Keystone navigator in one of their offices who can help with enrollment questions and the process. To set up an appointment to meet with a Keystone Health Navigator at the WCHS office (Thursday and Friday afternoon only) call 717-709-7969





#### Maintenance calls-

When calling in a work order, please speak clearly/slowly and provide: name, address (development name), and issue. Maintenance will usually only return your call if it is an emergency work order call made after hours—however, if your phone blocks unknown calls they will not be able to reach you if they have questions. Please remove this feature after calling in your workorder particularly if it is after hours. Please be aware that usually maintenance does not return calls for work orders that are non-emergency nor for emergency calls during regular hours unless they need more information

#### **Dates to Remember**

11/28 Restoration Church Meals

11/24-11/25 Offices Closed. Happy Thanksgiving!

12/13 Fresh Express

12/14 Martha Swope SAD Presentation

#### **Contact Information:**

Call 717-977-3900

<u>Patty Phillips</u> (Management) Ext 109 or email at pphillips@luminest.org

<u>Lydia Frech</u> (Supportive Services) Ext 110 or email at lfrech@luminest.org



#### When mailing payments please use our office address:

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