

# CARRIAGE HOUSE COOPERATIVE

## JUNE 2020 NEWSLETTER



**Covid-19:** The global coronavirus pandemic has created a truly unprecedented situation which affects all of us. However, we still want to offer our residents the best service possible. Unfortunately, we do have some outstanding work orders and our staff is working diligently to get them all completed in a timely manner. Your patience during this time is truly appreciated.

**Office Door Remains Locked:** To comply with the Governor's current executive order to suspend all nonessential visitors the office door will remain locked during normal business hours. If you need to speak to us in person you must make an appointment by calling the office at 586-731-7482 or email us at [carriagehousecoop@att.net](mailto:carriagehousecoop@att.net)

**Annual Meeting:** The annual meeting was conducted on June 16, 2020. Thank you to all of the members that submitted the absentee ballot. We had two positions available and four residents that were running. Your Board of Directors is as follows:

Robyn Ferkovic	President
Karen Hartley	Vice President
John Burnett	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President
Mary Bauer	Treasurer
Carol Tanner	Secretary

Please remember that these members volunteer their time to help run the cooperative. Members should contact the office, submit a letter or attend a board meeting to discuss a concern, problem or suggestion. Members should not call these members or go to their homes to discuss cooperative business. At this time, we would also like to thank Dolly Popovich for her numerous years of service to the cooperative.

**Window Project:** We are happy to report that we are getting ready for our second phase of the Window Replacement Project. Wallside Windows was contacted and we will begin within the next few weeks. Residents will receive communication every step of the way. Once the new windows are installed, a survey will be sent to you. We value your feedback so please take a minute to complete and return the survey.

**Concrete:** The Board of Directors approved U.S. Concrete to repair or replace concrete throughout Carriage House. The work is scheduled for June 23 & 24, weather permitting.

**Bulk Trash:** We were informed by Waste Management that they have now resumed picking up bulk items. If you have a bulk item to dispose, please take it to the dumpsters located on Messmore Street. As a reminder, please break down boxes and throw trash bags toward the back of the dumpster.

**Ring Doorbells:** Last year, the membership was informed that due to privacy issues security cameras were not allowed. We always want members to feel secure in their units. Therefore, the Board of Directors voted to allow Motion Sensor Doorbells such as RING and other brands. However, an alteration permit MUST be submitted prior to installation. The motion sensor doorbell can ONLY be installed in the front of the unit where the current doorbell is located.

**Mats:** Nancy is collecting plastic grocery bags to make mats for the homeless. If you are inclined to help, please drop them off by her front door @ 45891 Kensington. (bags from units with service animals not accepted) Thank you!

**Flower Day:** Unfortunately, we had to change the routine of our Annual Flower Day. We were so happy that approximately 85 residents participated. The hard work paid off because the flowerbeds look so nice!

**Units for Sale:** There are currently three units for sale at this time. If you have a friend or family member that is interested in moving into Carriage House, please let them know. Information and the application are available on our website [carriagehousecoop.com](http://carriagehousecoop.com)

**Yard Waste:** Weeds, grass, etc. should not be placed in the dumpsters. We have separate containers for yard waste and they are located in front of the garages on Messmore and Kensington.

**Alteration Permit:** We love when residents want to improve their units. However, we must ask that the proper procedures are followed. Prior to doing work an Alteration Permit must be obtained from the office or the website located on the "Current Members" page. This form must be submitted to the office for approval. Depending on the improvement, such as; electrical or plumbing, a permit from the City of Utica may also be required. Keep in mind that you do not need a permit for items of decoration such as paint, wallpaper, and carpet.