WHIDBEY ISLAND INSIGHTS

NEWS & STORIES



School is Back in Session September 4th - Be Safe!

Yes, its that time again when the children will be traveling to school. To ensure the safety of everyone during this season, give yourself plenty of time when driving during the morning and late afternoon hours and take the following precautions:

- Be alert; children often take risks and are unpredictable and tend to ignore hazards on the road
- If a school bus is stopped with red or yellow blinking lights while loading/unloading children, never pass the bus in either direction.
- Watch for bike riders turning in front of you without looking or signaling; children especially have a tendency to do this
- Check side mirrors before opening your car door
 - Be extra vigilant when driving through school zones and residential neighborhoods

Our President's Message:



As we progress through August, everyone is focused on getting the kids back to school and thinking about all those chores that were put on hold while having fun over the summer. At Hunt, we've been focused on finding more ways to support our military families. This month, Hunt launched the **HEART** Program. HEART stands for **Hunt** Embraces: **Activities**, **Resources** & **Training** and this new program provides ser-

vices and educational training in the areas of navigating military life, how to access base resources, and activities for children and families. Some new services you can look forward to include: a comprehensive Resource Guide including on-base and local community resources, introduction and guidance when navigating through new local school systems, extra maintenance hours to deployed spouses so when requested for thing such as removing Christmas trees, assisting with hanging pictures, etc., and special events in support of deployed service members such as preparing and mailing care packages twice a year and delivering special treats to spouses on Valentine's Day. And there is much more. Get in touch with your Resident Service Specialist for more information or to take advantage of these great programs.

Best,

John Ehle President Hunt Military Communities

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Pets & Compliance

Living in family housing has its benefits: proximity to base activities and services as well as creating a real sense of community. But living so close together can have its challenges, too. By following a few simple rules, it will help ensure a positive environment for all.

PETS: Clean up after your pets in your home, in your yard and especially whenever they are in the community. Pets must be leashed at all times and cannot be left unattended outside and tied to common area trees, posts or other fixtures. When we can identify a pet owner who is not picking up after their pets, and we have to pick up after the pet we will charge the pet owner \$20 per pile picked up. Do not feed your pets outside as pet food attracts wildlife. Also, it is a provision in the lease that all pets be registered with the office and, current rabies vaccination records, microchip number

record and photos must be turned in as part of a resident's file. To report a stray or possibly neglected pet, please call Animal Control at: (360)679-9567.



"i Read" Closeout Party



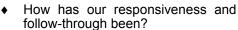
On August 10th, Whidbey Island Family Housing partnered with MWR during their "i-Read" back-to-school program. The event had many activities and entertainment to include a reptile petting area. More than 70 school bags filled with various school supplies were handed

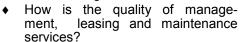
out. We are looking forward to continuing our participation with MWR and other organizations throughout the NASWI area in the near future.

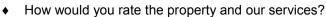
CEL Resident Satisfaction Survey Coming in October

Caring. Engaged. Listening

Your participation in the annual CEL Resident Satisfaction Survey is so important to our team. We are very interested to know how your experience has been while living in our community.







This important survey (which is completely anonymous to ensure you can be as candid as you would like) will come directly to your email inbox. We are aiming for 100% participation. We'll be giving away some great prizes, too! Thank you in advance.

Do We Have Your Current Email Address?

The annual CEL survey will be delivered via email this year! In order to ensure you receive a survey, please let us know if you've changed your email address. It is extremely important that we have your current e-mail address on file. Addresses with the ".mil" domain will not receive the survey. Feel free to call or stop by the office and our staff would be happy to assist you with updating your information!

As I approach my first year as you Community Director, I'm looking forward to all of your comments to see how we can improve your quality of life as we strive to provide 5 star service that each and everyone of you deserve.

Very Respectively,

Warren Brown

Community Director,

Whidbey Island Family Housing



SAVE THE DATES

SEPTEMBER 5th

Let's Paint! Social (MWR)

Oak Harbor Old Fashion Parade & Fireworks

Cost includes all paint supplies, appetizers and beverages. Must be 18 or older to attend . Only 50 spots. Open to all base access ID cardholders and their quest(s). Fee includes drinks and light appetizers. All paint nights require a prepaid reservation at (360) 257-2505.

SEPTEMBER 6th

2nd Annual Wine & Jazz Festival (NEX)

Relax, sip and grab a bite to eat while enjoying the smooth sounds of Jazz! Entertainment for all includes 2 Jazz bands. Cascadia Groove and Hook Me Up (Seattle Area), wine tasting, beer garden, bounce houses, caricature artists and more! Seaplane Base Navy Exchange 6-10 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 14th

Community Preparedness Expo (Fleet & Family)

Are you and your family ready if disaster hits? If not come learn how to be prepared. North Whidbey Island Middle School, 10:00a.m.- 3:00p.m.

SEPTEMBER 19th

"Make & Sip" Craft Event (Hunt)

The adult resident event will include paint and decorating your own personnel sign and will have non-alcoholic drinks and snacks. Only 25 spots, Call 360-679-4241 to register. Victory Terrace Community Center 10:00a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Marijuana Prohibited

Despite the fact that recreational marijuana use is allowed in Washington State, it is still considered a Schedule 1 of controlled substance at the federal level and is therefore a criminal offense to possess, distribute or use

it anywhere in the housing community. Even if prescribed by a physician for medicinal use. Whidbey Island Family Housing is owned by the Navy and is therefore considered federal property. This prohibition is listed under section 12 of your community handbook. Any reported offenses will be directed to Naval Base Whidbey Island security for follow up.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Neighborhood Management and Maintenance Offices open Monday-Friday 8-5; Closed Saturday & Sunday

Maintenance Shop - 2372 Robin St.

Victory Terrace - 2205 Egret Dr. - 360-679-4241 Crescent Harbor - 1930 Magnolia Way - 360-679-4241

Available for Emergencies 24/7 866-616-3267 Website: www.northwestmilitaryhousing.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/whidbeyislandfamilyhousing

ALL WEAPONS MUST BE REGISTERED WITH NASWI AND WITH YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD MANAGEMENT OFFICE - UNREGIS-TERED WEAPONS ARE GROUNDS FOR LEASE TERMINATION.









