

# NORTHGATE NEWS

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## Important Dates

*Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> – Ice Skating  
Trip*

*Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> – Meagan’s  
Goodbye Ice Cream  
Party*

*Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> – The office will  
be closed for the Holiday*

*Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> – NROC Board  
Meeting*

*Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> – Culture  
Potluck*

*Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> – Echo Center*

*Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> – Afterschool  
Service Meeting*

*Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> – Sunset  
Watching and Picnic*

*Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> – Family BBQ*

*Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> – Lunch and the  
Old time Radio Show*

*Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> – Buy-out  
Celebration*

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## BACK TO SCHOOL

School is just around the corner. That means new schedules, new teachers and new friends. Please check with your school exactly when school will start for your child. If he or she is going into 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> grade, then the student will return back to school on September 2<sup>nd</sup> to become adjusted to a new school according to Hunt Middle and Burlington High School. As parents and guardians of students it is very important to get the proper information that you need for your students such as needed school supplies, proper clothing, class schedules, summer reading list, afterschool activities and much more.

If you don't have a student in your household, but would like to help out with the school there is many ways to help. Such as you can volunteer with an agency to help out with students or become a mentor or become a coach or become part of the Parents Teachers Association at the local schools. All of these activities are very rewarding and benefits the school systems in a great way. In additions to help out others it also help out you too.

If you are looking to get your child or children ready for school there are plenty of Van trips in August that will travel to businesses that have some great deals on school supplies and needs. If you need any help getting assistance with the lunch programs or afterschool programs or anything else. Please call or stop by the office and ask for Kristen; the new Residents Service Coordinator or you can call Kristen at

658-2722 ext. 16.

## Northgate Residents Activity Calendar August 2009

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**All residents must have a permission slip and RSVP for the event.**

**Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2pm HIKE:** The kids are going on a hike at Centennial Woods next to UVM. The hike is 1.5 miles long and we will only have a snack. So please feed your children before they leave for the hike; ages 8 to 16 years old. Please have sunscreen on and a lot of water for the kids. If parents want to go they must drive themselves. We will provide directions.

**Aug 4<sup>th</sup> at 10am BIKERIDE:** We are going north on the bike path for about 12 miles round trip. Please have breakfast before we go on this trip. Also have sunscreen on and water. We will provide a snack and a small lunch. This trip will be to 12 year olds and above. *Participates must wear Helmets.*

**Aug 5<sup>th</sup> at 4pm ICE SKATING:** This field trip will allow the kids to ice skate for an hour and a half at Leddy Park Ice Arena. The ages are 8 to 12 years old.

**Aug 6<sup>th</sup> at 12pm YOUTH COOKING:** We will be cooking mini pizzas, salad and octopus cupcakes.

**Aug 10<sup>th</sup> at 2pm YOUTH MOVIE:** The movie will be shown at the Community Hall and we will be watching "DEIGO" rated PG.

**Aug 12<sup>th</sup> at 5pm YOUTH DROP – IN:** This will be held in the community hall. The ages are 6 to 13 years old.

**Aug 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm MEAGAN'S GOOD BYE ICE CREAM:** Meagan will be leaving her position at Northgate and we will be wishing her good luck with her life while eating Ice cream. This will be held at the community hall.

**Aug 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm ARTS & CRAFTS:** This event will be held in the community hall. The ages are 6 to 13 years old.

**Aug 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm TEEN DROP – IN:** This will be held in the community hall. The ages are 14 to 18 years old.

**Aug 20<sup>th</sup> at 11am HIKE:** We will be hiking at Ethan Allan Homestead; located off North Avenue; for a couple of hours. Please send the kids with sunscreen on and a lot of water. Lunch will be provided for the kids.

**Aug 20<sup>th</sup> at 5pm CULTURE POTLUCK:** Please bring a dinner from your culture. All families are invited to the community hall to share food from their individual cultures. Please reserve a spot for your family as soon as possible.

**Aug 21<sup>st</sup> at 11am ECHO CENTER:** We are taking the kids to the Echo Center for a fun free day of learning and exploring. A lunch will be provided for the kids. The age group for this trip is 10 to 16 years old and I can only take 10 residents.

**Aug 25<sup>th</sup> at 2pm ADULT AFTERNOON MOVIE:** We will be showing an afternoon movie for adults 55 years and older. We will be serving refreshments and snacks. We will be showing “Gone with the Wind.”

**Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30 to 6:30pm BURLINGTON AFTER SCHOOL SERVICE MEETING WITH CHILDREN SERVICES:** We will be hosting a pizza party telling all the residents about the Burlington Afterschool services and what they have to offer to our residents. This is a very important meeting that every parent should attend, if they would like their children to be a part of these services.

**Aug 26<sup>th</sup> at 5pm YOUTH DROP – IN:** We will hold this event in the community hall with healthy snacks and drinks. The ages are 6 to 13 years old.

**Aug 27<sup>th</sup> at 10am ROCK CLIMBING:** We are going to Petra Cliff to do some indoor rock climbing. The ages for this fieldtrip are 8 to 14 years old. Please bring water with you. It is a first come first serve activity and can only take 10 residents.

**Aug 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm SUNSET WATCH:** We will be heading down to the waterfront to watch the sunset for two hours with a picnic dinner. This trip is for our adult residents only.

**Aug 28<sup>th</sup> at 2pm HOMEMADE ICE CREAM:** We will be making homemade ice cream in the community hall meeting. Everyone is welcome.

**Aug 29<sup>th</sup> at 11am FAMILY BBQ:** **Come to the community hall and have dinner with your neighborhoods.** Residents are encouraged to bring a dish to this event. Please make reservations as soon as possible.

**Aug 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 LUNCH AND OLD TIME RADIO SHOW:** Come down to the community hall to have great food and deserts, while listing to great old time radio shows. Lunch will be provided for those attending.

To get a permission slip or to RSVP contact Kristen by calling 658-2722 ext. 16 or e-mail [rsvp@northgateapartments.org](mailto:rsvp@northgateapartments.org)

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## ***New Partnership with Heineberg Senior and Community Center***

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We would like to let everyone know that Northgate is now partners with Heineberg Senior and Community Center. Heineberg has many activities, lunches, field trips, dinners, and events that are a wonderful to attend. All of their lunches are just \$3 per lunch and reservation is a must. The lunches are very nutritional and healthy. Also they are made by the Burlington Community Senior Meals. A calendar is added to this newsletter to let you know about their events and meals for the month. If you will need transportation please let Kristen know in two days in advance. On September 21st at 11:30 am we will be having a Lunch and Old Time Radio Show with the Heineberg Senior and Community Center. Please come out and meet new friends that day.

## ***Seasonal Fuel Assistance***

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Please apply for fuel assistance this year. It is an outstanding way to get help if you need it. If you need forms, please stop by the office and pick one up. Even if you do get denied assistance this year you become eligible for Crisis Fuel Assistance. Crisis Fuel Assistance is when a home or a rental gets into a crisis and is unable to pay for heating or electric. You must be in a crisis situation to get this assistance. Then seasonal fuel assistance will step in and help you pay for heat in your home during the winter months. So please go ahead and apply for fuel assistance even if you get denied ever year for it, because it might benefit your home later in the year.

## ***Afterschool Homework Help***

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After school this school year the residents service coordinator is going to have an afterschool homework help. It will be held down in the community hall from 3:00pm to 4:00pm Monday through Thursday. Kristen is going to be hosting an hour of quit homework help for any students in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Kristen can help with any subjects in any level from any grades. She will not have any time to tutor any students one on one for the whole hour, but will be able to help with any homework assessments. If the student needs a tutor this school year please feel free to stop by the office or call Kristen to help find a proper tutor for the school year or a short period of time. Please let Kristen know if your child/children can walk home by themselves after the homework help. This will start up the first week after school starts in September.

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*Please make a note that most Van Trips will leave Northgate at **9:00am**!!!!*

## **Community Van Schedule July 2009**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Destination</u></b>
Mon, Aug. 3	9:00am	Hannaford, Banks
Mon, Aug 3	12:00pm	Commodities
Wed, Aug 12	9:00am	Williston Stores
Fri, Aug 14	9:30am	Costco
Tue, Aug 18	9:00am	Hannaford, Banks
Fri, Aug 21	9:00am	Food Shelf
Fri, Aug 21	2:30pm	Imani Food Drive
Tue, Aug 25	9:00am	Williston Stores
Wed, Aug 26	9:00am	Price Chopper, Banks, TJ Max

## PLEASE REMEMBER

- Anyone riding in the van must sign the van waver.
- There are no special trips or stop without Kristen's approval.
- If you need to be picked one up please call Kristen (ext. 16)

The Northgate would like to make a note that the PetWise section will return next month. A big thank you goes to Mrs. Russell for all the wonderful information that she contribute to the newsletter and PetWise for the last 20 years.

# MANAGEMENT & MAINTENANCE NEWS

## TRASH

Please be sure to only put your trash out curbside on Friday mornings! We have noted that there has been trash being put out on Thursdays. Also be sure to bring your trash totters and recycle boxes in once they have been emptied—please don't leave them out on the property. Let's all work together to keep Northgate looking it's very best.

## CONTRACTORS AND EQUIPMENT ON SITE

We have several contractors on site completing various projects such as bathroom upgrades and wood trim repair. We have received several calls from concerned residents who are seeing kids climbing on top of the storage containers and playing in the port-a-lets. Parents, **PLEASE** keep your children safe by telling them not to play on or near this equipment.

## NOISE

It's summertime at Northgate and everyone's windows are open! Please be mindful of the noise both in your apartment and in your fenced in area. While we appreciate everyone's right to enjoy the beautiful summer weather, please be mindful of noise by not disturbing your neighbors.

## BASEMENTS

Please remember that Northgate does not guarantee dry basements! All belongings stored in your basement should be placed on pallets to avoid damage in the event of water entering your basement.

## SERVICE DOG OWNERS

The Northgate Pet Policy states that all animal droppings are to be cleaned up **immediately**. This also pertains to your backyard. Do not allow animal waste to accumulate—this is a health risk and very unsightly (and smelly!) to your neighbors.

## CABLE INSTALLATION

Prior permission must be obtained from the management office before having a second cable outlet or a satellite dish installed. **If you wish to have this service, you must pick up a Home Improvement request form at the office and fill it out for approval.** You will also be given written installation guidelines for the installer to follow.

We have been informed by Comcast that they will not install a second cable outlet in the upstairs bedroom. Anyone who would like this service, the installation will need to be done by a licensed electrician at the resident's expense.

If this process is not followed and there is damage to the vinyl siding or trim, the resident will be charged for repair.



## August News from Community Builder, Abby Russell

### Upcoming dates-

- **Next Board Meeting-** Aug.18th at 6:00 in the Board Room
- **Buyout Celebration-** scheduled for Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- **Budget Committee Meetings-** Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> a committee to review Northgate budget for 2010 is now forming. If you are interested in learning more about this process please contact Abby.

**Playground Rehabilitation Project-** The Playground Project will be started in small steps. In the next few weeks you should see new swings and mulch go into the play areas.

**Common Area Policy-** A new Common Area Policy was mailed out for resident comment. Comments will be taken till July 31<sup>st</sup> and presented at the Aug. board meeting for consideration. Residents are welcome to attend.

**Buyout Celebration-** NOW scheduled for **Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.** This event will celebrate the most recent Buyout of Northgate and marks *20 Years* of resident leadership. The event will have a variety of activities such as a bounce castle, face painting, and magicians. We will have foods and performances that represent Northgate's global community. We will hear from local supporters and The Anne Marie Denis Award will be given out. Look for your invite in your mail.

## NORTHGATE OFFICE HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday	12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Thursday	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Friday	8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.*

\*special summer hours through 8/29

### **Northgate Apartments Office # 658-2722**

OFFICE EXTENSION NUMBERS

#### **Work Order & Emergency Line - 11**

Donna Deal – 14

Wendy – 11

Sara Noth – 15

Kristen Robinson – 16

Abby Russell - 19

### **If you need this translated please contact the office.**

#### **(French)**

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.contacter le bureau

#### **(Albanian)**

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#### **(Croatian)**

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#### **(Vietnamese)**

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.phòng

#### **(Slovak)**

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#### **(Russian)**

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