

# September Community Newsletter

Tips for Living, Laughing and Loving Your Apartment Life

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Buzz Alert

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Big Sky

## APARTMENT LIVING TIP

### Harvest Good Health

It may seem that eating healthy, particularly fresh produce, is easiest in the summertime. Fresh fruits abound, and make a refreshing treat on hot summer days. But, there's a reason Fall is known as the "harvest season".

Plenty of fruits and vegetables are ready to eat at this time of year, including grapes, apples, carrots, cauliflower, broccoli, many varieties of squash, greens, peppers, tomatoes and eggplant. Take advantage of this fresh crop to experiment with new recipes, or just chop up some veggies to snack on the way you might have a fresh peach in summertime.

## Important Information Management

Park Properties Management Co, LLC

### Community Manager

Lisa Bryant

### September

Blood Cancer Awareness Month

### Birthstone - Flower

Sapphire - Aster and Morning Glory

### September Events

Better-N-Grandmas Donut Truck and Canned Food Drive

## COMMUNITY TIP

### Free Local Events Build Community

When you hear about a Labor Day festival in the local park or a Pumpkin Parade downtown, you probably don't think of it as a way to help strengthen your community. However, this type of event only happens when funding is available, and that usually depends on local businesses sponsoring the event, setting up food booths or bringing in games, musicians or other entertainment.

A company's willingness to make that investment depends in large part on attendance numbers, so simply showing up for a festival and bringing a few friends helps ensure that those free events remain available to your community and have the funds to offer fun for everyone.

Want to make an even bigger difference? Talk to your employer about becoming a sponsor for your favorite local event or volunteer your services.

## SEASONAL RECIPE

### Baked Cinnamon Apple Chips

It's apple season! Try these crispy, yummy apple chips that'll disappear as fast as you can make them. Healthy and kid-friendly, too!

- 2 to 3 apples
- Ground cinnamon
- Sugar

Preheat oven to 220 F. Line baking sheets with parchment paper. Cut apples in thin slices and spread in single layer on sheets. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar and place in the oven. Bake for two hours flipping them over halfway through baking. Turn off oven and let cool off inside the oven. This will help give them a crunchier texture. Store at room temperature for up to one week.

The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on September 5, 1882 in New York City.



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## FUN APARTMENT

### Skirt Space Issues with Decorative Cloth

Storage space presents a challenge for many renters, but a little creative thinking can provide some extra space to stow your belongings and brighten up the apartment at the same time.

Stand up sinks, end tables and side tables and even benches can be transformed into mini-closets with a simple decorative skirt. And, the ease of attaching and detaching a skirt means that you can readily transform your apartment any time you're ready for a change of décor.

Use seasonal colors, holiday prints or just switch out your pattern when you're ready for something new. You can find a wide variety of ready-made sizes and colors or create your own with the fabric of your choice, elastic and a little Velcro.

## MY QUESTION

### Who is Responsible if I Have a Break-In?

Random crime can occur even in the nicest neighborhoods. Residents are responsible for their own belongings. That's one reason that management recommends renter's insurance for all occupants; that small monthly fee can ensure that your personal property is protected in the event of a burglary.

In order to take advantage of these protections, it's important that you follow certain procedures. For example, most insurance companies will require a police report before considering a claim based on a break-in, so you'll want to contact the police immediately. And, you'll need to contact management right away to determine what kind of information and paperwork is required.

Failing to take action, document the incident, report to law enforcement or provide required documentation could end up costing you money. And, you may be liable if your negligence caused the break-in, so be sure to follow your lease terms and take reasonable security precautions.

## Big Sky Calendar - September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Rent Due Canned Food Drive begins	<b>2</b> Extermination 600-700 Bldgs	<b>3</b> Nat'l Tailgating Day
<b>4</b> Nat'l Wildlife Day	<b>5</b> Labor Day - Office Closed	<b>6</b> Nat'l Read a Book Day	<b>7</b> Inspections 600 Bldg	<b>8</b> Nat'l Ampersand Day	<b>9</b> Nat'l Teddy Bear Day	<b>10</b> Full Moon
<b>11</b> Patriot Day	<b>12</b> Nat'l Chocolate Milkshake Day	<b>13</b> Inspections 700 Bldg	<b>14</b> Nat'l Virginia Day	<b>15</b> Nat'l Dbl Cheeseburger Day	<b>16</b> Exterminations 1200 - 1300 Bldgs	<b>17</b> Nat'l Apple Dumpling Day
<b>18</b> Nat'l Cheeseburger Day	<b>19</b> Nat'l Butterscotch Pudding Day	<b>20</b> Inspections 1200 Bldg	<b>21</b> Nat'l Chai day	<b>22</b> Inspections 1300 Bldg	<b>23</b> Better-N-Grandmas Donut Truck here from 7 - 11 am	<b>24</b> Queen City Mischief and Magic Weekend Downtown Staunton
<b>25</b> Nat'l Daughter's Day	<b>26</b> Nat'l Family Day	<b>27</b> Nat'l Chocolate Milk Day	<b>28</b> Nat'l Good Neighbor Day	<b>29</b> Nat'l Coffee Day	<b>30</b> Nat'l Hot Mulled Cider Day	