

May Community Newsletter

Tips for Living, Laughing and Loving Your Apartment Life

Apartment Buzz Alert May

APARTMENT LIVING TIP

Shield Your Eyes from Summer Sun

Sunglasses do more than just make you look good, and they aren't just for cutting down the glare when you're active outdoors on a summer day. Wearing sunglasses with UV protection outdoors in the summer protects your eyes, cutting down the risk of cataracts in later life.

Cataracts cloud the eyes, impairing vision and sometimes requiring surgery. As an added bonus, a good pair of UV-blocking shades help to prevent those fine wrinkles around your eyes that sun damage can cause. A good pair of sunglasses helps keep you looking good and seeing well, when you're wearing them and when you're not.

Important Information Management

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FUN APARTMENT

Summer Holiday Decor Does Double Duty

With Memorial Day and the 4th of July just weeks apart, you can get more mileage from your red, white and blue summer accents than the typical holiday décor. Reds, blues and patterns against a backdrop of white are bright enough to light up the room with patriotic spirit, but easy to swap out for entertaining or a later-summer look.

For example, a white tablecloth layered with smaller red and blue cloths, or topped with red and blue place-mats, gives you a holiday-appropriate table that can easily be muted for formal dining or remixed when you're ready for a change. The same goes for white curtains with red or blue tie-backs or valances. If you're hosting a holiday party, step up the accents with red, white and blue flowers, fairy lights and other quick and easy additions.

SEASONAL RECIPE

Grab-n-Go Healthy Treats

Frozen yogurt is a summer favorite, but you can create your own in popsicle form with fresh berries or other favorite fruits. Simply wash and hull a pound of your favorite berries, then blend with a cup of plain yogurt and two tablespoons of honey. Pour into molds, insert sticks and freeze overnight for an easy snack that's cool and healthy.

Fun Fact: May is International Respect for Chickens Month



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COMMUNITY TIP

Summer Space Sharing is on the Horizon

During the winter months, you and your neighbors may have made less use of shared space like courtyards, pools and walkways. But, with the weather getting warmer and summer just around the corner, people and pets will once again be pouring outdoors to soak up the sunlight and fresh air.

That means more noise, more activity and more opportunity to step on one another's toes. As you get ready to venture outdoors this summer, stop to think about the others who will be sharing your space.

Make sure to clean up after yourself when picnicking or using athletic equipment outdoors, to keep pets leashed and clean up after them, and to be mindful of noise – especially in the evening hours when your neighbors will be winding down for the evening.

MY QUESTION

What can I do if my roommate isn't pulling his/her weight?

Ideally, you and your roommate will have come to a specific agreement about sharing of expenses, chores, rules for guests in the house and other day-to-day issues before trouble erupts. If you're already beginning to experience frustrations and don't have such an agreement, don't put off a resolution. The longer you pick up the slack or tolerate unwanted guests or ignore the dirty dishes stacked on the counter, the harder it will be to turn things around.

Approach your roommate calmly and without accusation and suggest that you lay out a specific plan for shared chores and any other issues of concern to either of you. Don't expect her to be ready to have that conversation immediately; ask when she's available over the next couple of days to have a longer discussion. When you've talked the issues through, commit your agreement to paper to ensure that your understanding of the agreement matches and that you'll have something concrete to refer back to if questions or disagreements arise.

If you don't have such an agreement and aren't yet having trouble, take advantage of this opportunity to get the details nailed down before problems arise.

Big Sky Calendar - May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Rent Due	2	3 Exterminations - 800 & 900 Building	4 Star Wars Day
5	6	7 Inspections - 400 Building	8	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day Police Week 12th-18th	13	14 Inspections - 500 Building	15	16	17 Exterminations - 400 & 500 Building	18
19	20	21 Inspections - 800 Building	22	23	24	25 Office Closed
26	27 Memorial Day Office Closed	28 Inspections - 900 Building	29	30	31 Food Festival Pot Luck @ Clubhouse 6 - 8 pm	