

Big Sky

Tips for Living, Laughing, & Loving Your Apartment Life

Apartment Buzz Alert July

FUN APARTMENT

Shelving Space

Need some shelving space for your sweet apartment? Get free-standing shelving units that you can pack up & move easily from Target or DIY furniture stores like IKEA. They're affordable and really easy to put together.

If you just want a few shelves for books or DVDs, you should look into mountable single shelf units. Then grab some storage boxes or baskets. Don't forget about corner shelving, either. They're great when you don't have room for shelves but you definitely need some extra storage. Some are more complex than others, so shop around to find the ones that fit your needs and space.

Extended Info

Resident Referral

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APARTMENT LIVING TIP

Beat the Summer Heat

With hot summer days here, you'll stay cool and refreshed in your apartment by following these tips. For those of you who want to save energy and money on bills, there are other options besides blasting the air conditioner if you are unbearably hot. Have ice in your freezer, pitchers of water and even watermelon slices in your fridge. Your glass of iced tea or water should never leave your side. While in your apartment, especially if the sun is shining brightly, be sure to dress in light fabrics. Keep the heat out of your apartment by making sure doors and windows are properly insulated. However, doors and windows facing north-south can be opened to let in a breeze. Be certain to close the blinds and curtains of windows facing east-west.

Using fans will not impact your bill as much as using your air conditioner. Place floor and table fans where you are, then place a bowl of ice between you and the fan for a continual refreshing breeze. Another tip is to place damp wash cloths in the freezer, after a few minutes they will be cold and perfect to cover your head and back. Avoid running your clothes dryer as this produces more heat. By turning off the heat cycle on your dishwasher you'll also stay cool and save energy. Try drenching some sheets in water and drape over the windows. The water evaporates into the breeze and creates a nice cooling effect.

Seasonal Recipe

Creative Serving for Outdoor Events

Open up your options and cut down on trash with edible serving options at your next picnic or outdoor event. For example, waffle cones aren't just for ice cream! Use these handy (and tasty) containers to offer your guests fresh chopped fruit and berries, trail mix, nuts, candy and other finger food.

Fun Fact: Our 2nd & 3rd Presidents, John Adams & Thomas Jefferson, died on the same day--50 years to the day after the signing of the Declaration of Independence.



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MY QUESTION

"My dog gets restless in my apartment. What should I do?"

As the dog's owner, there are steps you can take to have your dog change from his restless, whining self to his happy, warmly wagging his tail self. Your dog's restlessness can be curbed by exercise. Take your dog for a walk or a game in the park. There may be a dog park in the area, or find a new hike for you to explore and bring your four-legged friend. Know the amount of activity that your dog's breed needs and see to it that he or she receives it.

Dogs thrive under an established routine. Feed and walk your dog the same time every day, even the weekends. This way your dog knows what to expect and won't get anxious or restless. Ideally, walk your dog in the morning, middle of the day and in the evening. If you can never be home for lunch, perhaps look into a pet-walking service or find a neighbor who can walk your dog. Dogs will be especially restless if they are used to roaming freely in a big backyard and will need time with the new routine. Make sure his favorite toys are out for an energy outlet during the day. Soon your dog will be happy and healthy- your best friend once again.

COMMUNITY TIP

Childproofing Your Apartment

Your little one will soon be mobile and curious about the world around them. They will be getting into everything as they explore their home. As babies grow, it is important that you prepare your home to best keep your little ones safe. Place child guards on all windows and gates around all stairs. The wobbly coordination of little children leads to accidents in just moments. Place latches on all doors to the outside. Cover sharp corners with padding. Young children are notorious for putting objects into their mouths. Make sure coins, jewelry, paper clips, cleaning supplies and other choking hazards are behind locked cabinets and cupboards. Keep window blind chords tied up high and out of reach. Wires should be hidden or secured firmly against the wall.

The most important aspect of childproofing your apartment is to have an ever watchful, loving eye on your young child. Never leave a child unattended, especially in the bathtub. When cooking, have the pan handle turned inward so curious little hands don't reach up and pull scalding hot food down on them. Make it a routine to move through the house like a child to spot and remove potential dangers.

Big Sky Calendar - July, 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Rent Due
2 Rent Due	3 Rent Due	4 Rent Due Happy 4th!!	5 Rent Due	6 Rent Late	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Exterminations 100 - 300 Bldg Annual Luau 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	22
23	24 Inspections 100 - 300 Bldg's	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					