

October Community Newsletter

Tips for Living, Laughing and Loving Your Apartment Life

Halloween Safety Tips for Our Community

With little ones out trick or treating and adults heading to parties, Halloween can be a very busy night in our community. So, to keep our little ghouls and goblins safe on this festive night, we ask that our residents be extra vigilant and do the following:

- ~ Parents, please accompany your young children as they make their trick or treating rounds.
- ~ Carry a flashlight or wear a head lamp.
- ~ Young children should not wear masks as they can obscure their vision.
- ~ To make children more visible to drivers, add wearable lights -- such as a necklace of flashing LED pumpkins or light-up ears -- to their costume.
- ~ Drive slowly and carefully in the community on Halloween night.
- ~ Secure your pets in a room, so they can't escape out your front door.
- ~ Use fake candles in your pumpkins rather than the real deal.
- ~ Don't let your children eat any homemade or unwrapped treats.
- ~ If you will be attending a Halloween party where drinking will be involved, make sure to have a designated driver or use a cab or a ride-hailing service to get home.

Happy Halloween!

3 Trends to Give Your Kitchen and Bathroom a Fresh Reboot

When you look around your apartment, does it scream "so last year"? If the answer is yes, then it's time to let one (or more) of these design trends for 2023 inspire a new look for your kitchen and bathrooms.

Go Rustic ~ Freshen up your kitchen and bathroom with accessories made from natural elements, such as wood, stone, or glass. For instance, replace tired-looking plastic bowls with beautiful wood or glass ones.

Replace Your Bath Towels ~ According to Home and Garden, one of the easiest ways to give your bathroom a fresh look in 2023 is to swap out your boring bathroom towels with luxurious textured ones, similar to the type you'd find in a high-end spa.

Art it Up ~ Display an eye-catching artistic piece in your kitchen or bathroom, such as that unique vase you picked up on vacation or a hand-painted trivet. Even better -- find a piece that can do double-duty, such as a custom Charcuterie board with a stunning resin design. When not in use, the board can also be used as a decorative piece in your kitchen.

Pumpkin Pie Smoothie

Indulge in the velvety goodness of a protein-rich pumpkin pie smoothie, expertly crafted with luscious pumpkin puree, ripe banana, creamy yogurt, nut butter, and a delightful medley of warm spices. Whether enjoyed as a satisfying breakfast or a wholesome snack, this nutritious pumpkin smoothie recipe is destined to become your top pick for the autumn season. Add all ingredients to a blender and blend until smooth. Serves 1.

Ingredients

- 1 frozen banana
- ½ cup plain or vanilla yogurt
- 1/2 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/2 cup unsweetened almond milk
- 1 tablespoon almond or pecan butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- pinch each of nutmeg, ginger & allspice

Important Information

Management

Park Properties Management Co, LLC

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October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Birthstone - Flower

Pink Tourmaline and Opal - Marigold and Cosmos

October

Sock-tober Fest - Sock Drive

FUN FACT: In Sweden, there's a hotel made entirely out of ice! It melts in the spring, so a whole new hotel has to be built every year.

Live for the buzz!

Question: How Do I Winterize My Apartment?

Answer: Winterizing will help keep your apartment at a comfy temperature while also trimming your utility costs. Even better? Most of the items on the following checklist are easy to complete and relatively inexpensive.

~ Use draft stoppers on your windows and doors. Also called draft guards or blockers, these are long fabric tubes that are stuffed with different types of fillings, such as batting, uncooked rice, or sand. Draft stoppers are placed at the bottom of a door or window to prevent chilly air from seeping into your apartment. They can be purchased from a store, but if you're crafty, they can also be a quick DIY project.

~ Change to flannel sheets in the winter. Flannel has a napped surface that will trap and retain your body heat, which should keep you warmer than regular sheets on frosty winter nights.

~ Hang thermal insulated curtains. When closed, these curtains are designed to keep cold air from entering your apartment by trapping it against the window. Another plus? During the summer months, they also block hot air from entering your apartment.

Bright Ideas: 3 Fun Ways to Decorate with Lights

Decorating with lights is an inexpensive and easy way to add a touch of magic to your apartment. Here are three of our favorite ways to give your home a nice new glow up:

Curtain of Lights ~ Adding a cascading curtain of fairy lights to your window or a wall will give any room a soft, romantic glow. You can either buy pre-made curtain lights or create your own display by hanging individual strands of LED fairy lights.

Neon signs ~ Let your personality shine through with a fun neon sign. They're available at home decor and lighting stores in a wide range of sizes, styles, and prices. Look for a favorite saying or an interesting design that will add a touch of whimsy or playful inspiration to your apartment.

Flameless candles - We love the soft flickering light provided by candles. But they can be fire hazards. That's why we highly recommend using battery-operated flameless candles, which offer the same romantic flickering as a real candle, but without the danger.

Big Sky Calendar - October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Rent Due Sock-tober Fest Begins	2 Consignment Day	3 Techies Day	4 Pumpkin Seed Day	5 World Teachers' Day	6 Exterminations 100, 200, 300	7 Glo Fiber Tent 10 a- 2 p
8 Pierogi Day	9 Columbus Day Pumpkin Painting 2-4 @ Clubhouse	10 Inspections 100 Bldg	11 Inspections Partial 300 Bldg	12 Inspections 200 Bldg	13 Bagel Friday begins @ 9:30 am	14 Costume Swap Day
15 Grouch Day	16 Boss's Day	17 Inspections 800 Bldg	18 Office Closed - Corporate Event	19 Get Smart about Credit Day	20 Exterminations 800 - 900 Bldgs	21 Witch Hazel Day
22 Mother-in-Law Day	23 IPOD Day	24 Inspections 900 Bldg	25 Sourest Day	26 Pumpkin Day	27 Boo Bash @ Clubhouse 6:30 - 8:30 pm	28 Internal Medicine Day
29 Cat Day	30 Candy Corn Day	31 Halloween Trick-or-Treat 3-6 pm @the Clubhouse				