

APARTMENT LIVING TIP

Bring Spring Indoors

That fresh spring air is invigorating, but most of us spend most of our days inside. And, if you've had the place closed up all winter with the heat running, the air inside probably isn't quite so pleasant. Let the spring freshness in! That could be as simple as opening a window, but if you have allergies, it's still a bit chilly outside or your modern windows don't open up, there are plenty of other options.

Bring flowering plants indoors to lend their scent to the room (and a splash of color, too), or set out a bowl of cut orange and lemon to give a light, citrusy aroma to your kitchen or bath. You can even add a tablespoon or two of lemon juice to the humidifier to disperse the scent throughout the apartment.

Important Information

Management

Park Properties Management Co, LLC

Community Manager

Lisa Bryant

March

National Nutrition Month

March Flower - Birthstone

Daffodil - Aquamarine

March Events

Prep Cancer Care Packages Details TBA

FUN APARTMENT

Q: What Are Ways to Help Keep Our Community Clean?

A: We've received inquiries at the manager's office from residents here, asking what they can do to help keep things nice and clean. Such calls are encouraging. We're all in this together, so it's up to everyone to do their part to clean up after ourselves. As outdoor enthusiasts say, "always leave the campground cleaner than you found it." The same idea can apply to our apartment community. With that in mind, here are some handy tips to help us keep our apartment community a clean and welcoming environment.

* Don't leave trash bags or empty boxes outside your apartment door to leak and stink up the breezeway. Double bag if they have liquid that could leave a messy trail. There is a \$25 charge per item (trash bags or boxes found by maintenance) left outside your door or found on the ground at the dumpster. Trash around the dumpster causes vermin and will not get picked up by the trash service, the bags get torn and trash blows around everywhere on the property.

* Don't be a litterbug. Sometimes folks are careless or distracted and accidentally drop a candy wrapper or other piece of trash on the ground. The parking lot is no place to empty a car's ashtray. If you or your guest smokes, make sure cigarette butts are not thrown on the ground. Be mindful of your surroundings.

* Pick up after animals. It's easy to carry plastic doggie bags so you can get rid of the waste as soon as your pet makes a deposit and then by taking it to the nearest dumpster immediately.

* When doing your laundry, clean the dryer's lint filter so it does not build up causing it to blow out the vents onto the grounds.

Go above and beyond! There's more to do than picking up after yourself. For example, when out for a stroll, if you see a piece of litter on the ground, pick it up and put it in the nearest can. Think how nice the complex will look and feel if everyone did this!

SEASONAL RECIPE

Peanut Butter Energy Bites

- 2/3 cup creamy peanut butter
- 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup old fashioned oats
- 1/2 cup ground flax seeds
- 2 tablespoons honey

Combine all ingredients in a medium bowl. Stir to combine. Place in the refrigerator for 15-30 minutes so they are easier to roll.

Roll into 12 bites and store in the fridge for up to a week.

Fun Fact: St. Patrick wasn't Irish and wasn't born in Ireland.

Live for the buzz!

COMMUNITY TIP

Taking Precautions Never Hurts

While no one can ever assure your safety around your apartment and elsewhere in life, taking precautions can always help your cause and set your mind at ease. While some of us may be ready for anything, many of us out there have no idea where to start.

When you are at home, keep your doors locked and dead-bolted. You should also keep your windows locked whether you're home or away. An unlocked window is simple for a professional thief to break into and don't let the screen fool you. A simple pocket knife makes the screen non-existent, so never leave your windows open or unlocked when you aren't at home.

Lastly, one of the greatest benefits of living in our community is having many neighbors close by who can keep an eye out for you. Make a point to introduce yourself to some of them. This may be the best precaution of all.

MY QUESTION

What To Do About a Pesky Stray?

We've all seen it before...whether it's a cat gone feral or a rogue dog, strays can cause all kinds of headaches for us residents. Not only do they dig into trash bags and carry fleas and disease that can transfer to your pets, but they can also damage your apartment and the community grounds as well.

Let us know if you see any strays! Contacting us should always be the first course of action in trying to solve some type of apartment related issue with neighbors or the community. The second course of action would be to contact Animal Control. Many times though, Animal Control may not come take care of the stray unless it is causing direct harm to humans or is in danger itself.

When all else fails, think about what is causing the stray to come around and then try to take that element out of the picture. Remember not to cause the animal any harm and be very careful when dealing with them as they may carry disease or be aggressive towards you.

Big Sky Calendar - March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Rent Due Nat'l Mom and Pop Business Owners Day	2 Old Stuff Day	3 Caregiver Appreciation Day	4 Exterminations 600 & 700 Bldgs	5 Multiple Personality Day
6 National Oreo Cookie Day	7 National Cereal Day	8 Inspections 600 Bldg	9 Get Over It Day	10 Inspections 700 Bldg	11 Johnny Appleseed Day	12 Plant a Flower Day
13 Daylight Savings begins 2 am	14 National Pi Day	15 Inspections 1200 Bldg	16 Giant Panda Bear Day	17 St. Patrick's Day Inspections 1300 Bldg	18 Exterminations 1200 & 1300 Bldgs	19 Let's Laugh Day
20 International Earth Day	21 World Poetry Day	22 Nat'l Agriculture Day	23 National Puppy Day	24 National Cheesesteak Day	25 Waffle Day	26 Nat'l Spinach Day
27 National "Joe" Day	28 Something on a Stick Day	29	30 Nat'l Doctor's Day	31 Nat'l Crayon Day		