

October Community Newsletter

Tips for Living, Laughing and Loving Your Apartment Life

October 2020
Buzz Alert



FUN APARTMENT

Deep Clean Your Oven

Is your oven in need of a good cleaning? Good news! Deep cleaning your oven doesn't have to be a daunting task! Remove the racks of your oven and wash them separately in the sink or bathtub. Use a soft brush, sponge or SOS pad to scrape off food remnants like melted cheese. Then, if you have a self-cleaning oven, just flip the switch! Once the cleaning cycle is finished, use a cloth to wipe out the remaining ashes. Don't have a self-cleaning oven? No problem! Apply the oven cleaner yourself and start scrubbing. Once everything is dry, put the shelves back in. Then, enjoy your sparkling oven!

Important Information

Management

Park Properties Management Co,
LLC

Community Manager

Lisa Bryant

October

Breast Cancer Awareness

APARTMENT LIVING

Be a Polite Pet Owner

If you're a pet owner, you probably consider Fluffy or Fido to be an important member of your family. Pets bring joy to our lives, but they also bring additional responsibility. Here are three tips to help make sure you -- and your pet -- are good neighbors.

- When you take your dog for a stroll, always bring along a few pet waste baggies to clean up after him.
- Keep your pet on a leash when outdoors. If you pass a neighbor, make sure to give him or her plenty of space to pass by.
- All dogs bark, but if yours barks constantly, it can get annoying for your neighbors. If you receive complaints from your neighbors, don't get defensive. Instead, research what you can do to curb the barking, such as investing in doggie daycare or playing music in your apartment so Fido isn't so conscious of every move your neighbor makes.

SEASONAL RECIPE

Roast Pumpkin Seeds

Scoop out the seeds of a pumpkin. Discard the stringy fibers and rinse the seeds well. Bring a medium pot of water to a boil.

Add the seeds, reduce heat and boil gently for 10 minutes. Drain seeds well and pat dry. Place seeds in a bowl and toss with oil. Spread seeds in a single layer on a baking dish. Roast seeds at 250 degrees, stirring every 10 minutes, until just crisp and golden brown, for about one hour. Add salt/seasoning while warm. Cool completely and enjoy!

Fun Fact: The largest pumpkin ever grown weighed 1,140 pounds!



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MY QUESTION

What's the best way to get a quick reponse when I have problems or questions?

Organization and clear communication is always the key to getting a problem solved quickly. For example, if you must leave a message or a note for management, make sure to be specific.

Though a "please call me" will get you a call back, it might not come at a time when you're available, and it might be just the first step if further action is required.

A message that describes your problem, clearly states what type of action you're looking for and includes clear instructions as to when you'll be available and at what telephone number will make it much easier to move forward efficiently.

That way, management can gather any additional information or schedule a maintenance visit before returning your call, and reach out to you at the time you're most likely to connect.

COMMUNITY TIP

Brighten Your Own Day with a Smile

We're more likely to smile when we're already feeling good, but making the effort can lead to increased happiness. Smiling releases endorphins and serotonin, boosting mood.

It also lowers your blood pressure and strengthens your immune system. On the flipside, people who frowned during an unpleasant procedure reported feeling more pain than those who didn't.

It seems that the cause and effect between our moods and our facial expressions works both ways. Controlling your expression may be the easiest way to alter your outlook.

As an added bonus, smiling is contagious. That means that your smile will inspire others to do the same, spreading those same benefits to those around you.

Big Sky Calendar - October 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Rent Due Sock-Tober Fest Begins	2 World Smile Day	3 National Poetry Day
4 National Taco Day	5 World Teachers' Day	6 National Noodle Day	7 National Frappe Day	8 National Fluffernutter Day	9 World Post Day	10 World Mental Health Day
11 National Sausage Day	12 Columbus Day	13 Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day	14 National Dessert Day	15 National Mushroom Day LAST DAY OF FOOD DRIVE	16 National Boss's Day	17 National Pasta Day
18 National Chocolate Cupcake Day	19 National New Friends Day	20 National Sloth Day	21 National Apple Day	22 National Nut Day	23 National Mole Day	24 United Nations Day
25 National Art Day	26 National Pumpkin Day	27 National Black Cat Day	28 National First Responders Day	29 National Cat Day	30 Big Sky's Outdoor Boo Bash Express 4:30 - 7:30 pm	31 Halloween