



Housing Happenings



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FUN FACTS

Fun facts about December!! Did you know that on December 5, 1901 a little magic came into the world along with the birth of Walt Disney! Disney released his first cartoon, featuring Mickey Mouse, called Steamboat Willie! On December 8, 1991, the wheels and cogs of the USSR came to a screeching halt as it was dissolved! The Bill of Rights came into effect on December 15, 1791. The Bill of Rights included the first ten amendments to the US constitution, rights which are said to be the pillars of modern US society and government. December 28th has been considered to be the unluckiest day of the year for thousands of years. The origins of this superstition lie in the story of Christ, as it was reportedly on the day that reigning King Herod ordered all baby boys to be put to death in an attempt to kill Jesus Christ. Up until relatively recently it was considered unlucky to start work, set sail on new ventures, or generally do anything on this day. December 21st was a rather painless day in Britain, at least for one man. For the first time in Britain anesthesia was used on a patient by Dr. Robert Liston at the University College Hospital in London in 1846. On December 30, 1803, the United States of America essentially doubled in size when it formally took control of Louisiana. The US acquired the territory of Louisiana, some 885,000 square miles from France through the Louisiana Purchase, costing the US government \$15 million.

FOLKLORE FOR DECEMBER

- ◇ *December changeable and mild, the whole winter will remain a child.*
- ◇ *Thunder in December presages fine weather.*
- ◇ *Frost on the shortest day is said to indicate a severe winter.*
- ◇ *December cold, with snow, brings rye everywhere.*

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!



Pest control will be for Upper Terrace, Walnut and Dalton. Staff will be wearing personal protective equipment for you safety and theirs. We will be resuming the housekeeping inspections and the \$25 gift card for the cleanest apartment. THE WINNER FOR Bluff, Echo and Oakcrest is Judy Jones! CONGRATULATIONS AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Please remember!!!

Don't forget!!! Rent is due by the 5th of the month, every month. If it is not paid by the 6th, you will receive a \$5.00 late fee, then it will be an additional \$1.00 for every day late after that. If you see that you are going to be late and there is NO WAY around it, please come in and sign a rent extension so that we know what is going on. This is very important!!!

You are only allowed 3 rent extensions each year

WANT TO PAY YOUR RENT ONLINE?

Go to :

pha1320.com

Set up your account here and you can also receive text updates and emails about important dates and events.

RATHER BE SET UP ON BANK DRAFT?

We can do that too, Just contact Kelly or Stephanie at the office, 870-892-9278.

HAVE A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT?

Look us up

[@pokeyhousingauthority](https://www.facebook.com/pokeyhousingauthority)

[@Patrickmanor](https://www.facebook.com/Patrickmanor)

[@Riversidemanor](https://www.facebook.com/Riversidemanor)

HOUSEKEEPING!

The Housing Manager, Stephanie Thatch, would like to send a HUGE thank you to all of our residents for the massive improvement on the housekeeping. She said that she had to biggest list to date to pick from for the \$25 gift card. She knows you all have been working hard and she wanted you to know that she really appreciates it! Keep up the good work!!

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

This month I would like to talk about why it is important not to go off and leave your apartment unattended for an extended period. Let's face it many of us like to take advantage of vacations and usually when we do, in the winter we turn down the heat to keep it from using so much gas.

Why should you not turn the heat down when you are gone? We live in an area that the wintertime weather can change in a matter of minutes. If you turn the heat down and the temperature drops below freezing for an extended period, there could be damage to the water lines in your apartment. If this were to happen your apartment would suffer damage as well as your personal belongings.

If you plan on being gone from your apartment for an extended period, have someone check on it to make sure these issues are not happening with your apartment. That way, the place your call home can be protected and will not led to hassles and headaches for you or the landlord.

I would also like to remind you that if you have a water hose hooked up outside, now would be the time to unhook it and put it away. The temperatures are getting cooler and could freeze and mess up your hose and the pipes.

Christmas

T M N V N E I S O E W H R Z N Y Z U V K
 H B E V K E O C G C K V E Z Z Z M F S U
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 J O A C D N D R T S H R Z L E A D F V S
 D Q W O M S T M Q N E R H D G M Y L A A

Christmas Tree	Three Wisemen	Baby Jesus	Santa Claus
Presents	Rudolph	Cookies	Magical
New Year	Frosty	Joseph	Sleigh
Lights	Manger	Grinch	Family
Holly	Ribbons	Elves	Snow
Mary	Reindeer	Bows	Milk
Joy			

Ingredients

2 10 oz packages vanilla
 baking chips
 1 14 oz can sweetened
 condensed milk
 1/2 tsp peppermint extract
 1 1/2 cups crushed candy
 Canes
 1 dash red or green food
 coloring

Directions

1. Line and 8 inch square baking pan with aluminum foil, and grease the foil.
2. Combine the vanilla chips and sweetened condensed milk in a saucepan over medium heat, Stir frequently until almost melted, remove from heat and continue to stir until smooth. When chips are completely melted, stir in the peppermint extract, food coloring and candy canes.
3. Spread evenly in the bottom of the prepared pan. Chill for 2 hours, then cut into squares.



PET ADVENTURES

I would like to challenge you to send me some stories for the newsletter. This newsletter is put out for your information and entertainment and I hope it does just that. I have been putting stories in about our pets but the stories can be about what ever you would like to write about, as long as it is clean please.

I would like to read what is on your mind. It doesn't have to be a story, it can be an editorial as well. We would prefer it not be about really heavy subjects such as politics or religion. They can be funny, light hearted and even learning a lesson. That is what I tried to do with my *Pet Adventures*. I wanted to try and have them have a teachable moment or a moral of the story kind of thing. There are times that I cannot write one for every edition and I would like for you to help me out.

You can send your stories through email at kwaymon@pha1320.com or you can drop them off in our rent drop box. I will also give you recognition that you submitted the story or editorial or thought or whatever you want to submit. Please remember to try and keep it light and uplifting or informational. We would even take a submission about life hacks or a personal experience that you have learned. For example how to get stains out of something, or to do a craft on a budget. It can be anything.

I will be looking forward to reading your submissions and putting them in your newsletter. This will be for fun and it is not anything that is mandatory. If you don't want your name in the newsletter just let me know and I will honor that and just put it in as an anonymous.

I thank you in advance for your time.

I added an editorial to our newsletter, so if you have something on your mind that you would like to discuss please send it to my email and I will get it in the next edition.

Just remember to be mindful and respectful of others. This will not be used for hate speech or anything like that. If you have a real statement or opinion that is not hurtful or hateful please by all means send it in. I would like to read about what everyone thinks. Difference of opinion is one of the great things about this country!

DECEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 RENT DUE TRASH DAY TERRACE WALNUT DALTON	2	3 TRASH DAY FOR PATRICK AND RIVERSIDE	4
5 LAST DAY TO PAY RENT	6	7 TRASH DAY ECHO, BLUFF OAKCREST	8 TRASH DAY TERRACE WALNUT DALTON	9	10 TRASH DAY FOR PATRICK AND RIVERSIDE	11
12	13	14 TRASH DAY ECHO, BLUFF OAKCREST	15 TRASH DAY TERRACE WALNUT DALTON	16 PEST CONTROL FOR UPPER TERRACE, WALNUT & DALTON	17 TRASH DAY FOR PATRICK AND RIVERSIDE	18
19	20	21 TRASH DAY ECHO, BLUFF OAKCREST	22 TRASH DAY TERRACE WALNUT DALTON	23 OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	24 TRASH DAY FOR PATRICK AND RIVERSIDE OFFICE CLOSED CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	25 
26	27	28 TRASH DAY ECHO, BLUFF OAKCREST	29 TRASH DAY TERRACE WALNUT DALTON	30	31 TRASH DAY FOR PATRICK AND RIVERSIDE OFFICE CLOSED NEW YEAR HOLIDAY	