

PARKWAY VILLAGE

December Community Newsletter 2019



Traveling tips for the holidays!

- 1) Make sure all windows and doors are locked securely
- 2) Take trash to the compactor
- 3) Set thermostat to a good temperature
- 4) Turn off your computer, TV, fans, and any other electricity consuming items

4 CHRISTMAS TREE IDEAS FOR YOUR HOME

Just because you live in an apartment doesn't mean that your decorating can't be festive and unique. Here are some tree ideas for your home that will make the most of your space and maximize the holiday spirit.

- 1) Miniature Christmas Tree - There aren't many things cuter than a miniature Christmas tree! Decorate these table top trees, real or artificial, with miniature lights, garland, tiny ornaments, and top it off with a little star on top.
- 2) A Half Christmas Tree - Yes, there really is such a thing! You can even buy a quarter tree to tuck into a corner and they won't take up half the space of a traditional Christmas tree. You'll be sure to have the most unique display in your apartment.
- 3) The Wall Tree - There are several ways that you can use an open wall space to make a tree. You can hang lights on the wall in the shape of a tree, use decals, or hang ornaments in the pattern of a tree. Simply place your presents in front the tree for Christmas morning.
- 4) The Upside-Down Christmas Tree - One of the hottest fads this holiday season is the upside-down tree. It's either on a stand or can be hung from the ceiling. This was, in fact, first used in Medieval Europe when people lived in smaller homes. You'll have more space on the floor and these also come in corner and half-tree shapes for additional space-saving.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

REFERRAL PROGRAM

The holidays with food and gifts to buy are coming up fast! We can help pay for some of it.

Simply refer a friend, relative, co-worker, anyone into our office for a tour. If they rent with us, you get \$150 for each person you refer. Fast, easy, cash. Simple!

Who can you refer?

**rules do apply- see office for details. Bonus paid upon referral's move in.*

ANGEL TREE FOR THE SALVATION ARMY

This holiday season we will have our annual Angel Tree set up for the Salvation Army. What is The Salvation Army's Angel Tree? It is a program that provides new clothing and/or toys for children of needy families. We will have a special Christmas tree decorated with numbered paper angel tags with the first name, age, and gender of a child who is in need of a gift. All you have to do is remove one or more tags from the tree and purchase appropriate gifts for the child or children described on the tags! Please drop off all gifts here at the office. The last day is December 12th.



HOLIDAY GIVEAWAY

We will be having a 12 Days of Christmas Gift Card Giveaway!

All you have to do is pay rent on or before the 1st to enter. Each day we will draw a name.

It's that easy!

You may be the lucky winner of a name brand gift card.



Seasonal Recipe

Italian Christmas Cookies

INGREDIENTS

COOKIES

4 eggs
1 cup sugar
½ cup butter
2 tsp. vanilla
3½ cup flour
4 tsp. baking powder

Directions for Cookies

In a bowl sift together the flour and baking powder, set aside.
In a large mixing bowl, cream together the butter and sugar.
Add the eggs, one at a time, mixing well. Mix in the vanilla. Add in the flour mixture.
Knead until dough is firm and not sticky, adding more flour if necessary.
Refrigerate 1 hour.
Cut off small amount of dough and roll on floured surface into 6 inch strips.
Twirl into shape and place on greased cookie sheets.
Bake at 375 degrees for 8-10 minutes (the bottom should be lightly browned but the tops should remain light).
Remove cookies to wire rack and cool completely before glazing.

ICING

2 cup sifted confectioner's sugar
2 tsp. vanilla
6 tsp. water

Directions for Icing

Combine the Icing ingredients in a bowl until just smooth. You want it more thick than thin, but still runny.
Dip the tops of the cooled cookies into the glaze, then return to the wire rack, allowing the glaze to drip down the sides of the cookie.
Top with sprinkles, while glaze is still wet.