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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!

As you may know, all Southlake Buildings have been treated for termite control. At this time of year, termites "swarm" and it is that swarm that lets us know if we need additional treatment. Therefore, if you notice such "swarms" or if you see tiny pin holes in a wall, please contact the office immediately (522-4855) so that we may inspect for damage, and make repairs and treat if necessary.

A Word From the Wichita Fire Department

Records of the Wichita Fire Department indicate that in previous years, a large percentage of property loss was attributed to improper use of outdoor cooking grills on or near apartment balconies. With compliance, that amount was reduced by almost 90%.

The current edition of the UNIFORM FIRE CODE, Section 7903.2.1.4, prohibits the use of cooking appliances that utilize Class I liquids (ie., LP Gas) within a building or structure. Therefore, in the interest of fire safety, it is recommended that all apartment complexes with multiple story buildings establish and implement a house policy prohibiting the use of outdoor cooking grills and smokers on individual apartment balconies. (We agree with this recommendation and request your compliance with it in not grilling on your balcony. You may grill on the ground away from the buildings or on any of the provided charcoal grills around the community.)

In addition, the Fire Department recommends the following:

- Never use gasoline or other highly flammable liquids to start grills.
 - Never leave grill unattended.
 - Do not place ashes in plastic, cardboard, or wooden containers. Use metal containers with metal lids.
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Important Notice!

We will be commencing routine insect exterminating and furnace filter cleaning this month. If you have a pet, please change its water after treatment. There will be an acknowledgment slip left by our personnel indicating your apartment has been treated.

Southlake Village Lock-Out Policy

- During normal business hours (excluding holidays), residents may borrow a key at the office to let themselves in. There is no charge.
 - Any other time, there is a \$15.00 fee for a representative to travel to resident's apartment and unlock the door. You must call our 24-hour number, 522-4855, to arrange service. Please pay representative at time of service.
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A Couple of Reminders

- Parents: Keep an eye on your children! Do not let them play near the lake unattended. And make sure they understand how dangerous the parking lot can be. We have received several reports of children almost being ran over while running and biking in between cars.
 - When using the laundry facilities please keep in mind that the Washers run approximately 30 minutes and the Dryers run approximately 45 minutes. If you encounter a machine that has stopped and still has laundry in it, you may remove such laundry and place it on top of one of the dryers so you may use that machine. Also, please do not prop the doors open while you are not there. And finally, please do not smoke in the laundry rooms. Your cooperation is appreciated!
 - Please don't throw ANYTHING off of your balcony, including cigarette butts, trash, or food for the ducks. Your neighbors living on the ground floor will appreciate it! Also, we will be doing our Spring Cleaning of the backyards this month. Anything that appears to be junk or trash will be collected and thrown away. So if you live on the ground floor and are storing anything other than outdoor furniture, we highly recommend you move it indoors or risk having it disposed of.
 - Please report any parking problems to the office such as vehicles parking in No Parking spaces or vehicles that have not moved in several weeks.
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Points to Ponder

When you open a new bag of cotton balls, are you supposed to throw the top one away?
Why are cigarettes sold in gas stations when smoking is prohibited there?
It doesn't matter what temperature a room is, it's always room temperature.
How much deeper would the ocean be if sponges didn't live there?
If knees were backwards, what would chairs look like?
Why isn't phonetic spelled the way it sounds?
Why do we play in recitals and recite in plays?
How can there be self-help groups?
Why are there interstate highways in Hawaii?
Where are Preparations A through G?
Are there seeing eye humans for blind dogs?
Why does your nose run, and your feet smell?
I live on a one-way dead-end street.
Why in a country of free speech are there phone bills?
Yesterday, my eyeglass prescription ran out.
Hermits have no peer pressure.

Remember, this is your newsletter. Items for publication are taken all month long at the Southlake Village office. Call 522-4855 or drop your ad by the office. We accept announcements, classified ads, and newsworthy items. Please submit your item(s) prior to the sixth of each month. *Made on a Mac!*