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A Very Happy Birthday to All of You in August!

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A WORD ABOUT ELECTRIC BILLS

Every year at this time, we notice a “bump” in electric bills. There are several reasons for this, and we thought it might be helpful to you to discuss them.

First, because we are “all-electric” here at Southlake Village (we pay for no gas), we receive a 20% discount from KG&E 9 months of the year! For October through June, we get 20% off our total electric bill! In July, August, and September, however, there is no discount, and so for these 3 months, we pay the same as our neighbors do.

Second, some residents don’t use “summer procedure” in their apartments. Simply put, you should keep your drapes and shades closed during the sunlight hours (particularly if your door or window faces south or west). The heat from unblocked sun can make your unit so hot that it will take all night to pull that temperature down. (Conversely, this winter you can naturally heat your apartment by leaving those drapes open during the day!)

Third, a huge energy-waster is an open fireplace damper. These must be closed, or you’ll be cooling the outside! If you don’t know how to close the damper, call the office and we’ll be glad to instruct you.

With the thermal-pane windows and glass doors, the thick wall and ceiling insulation, and the high EER (energy-efficient-rated) heating/cooling system that we utilize at Southlake Village, you should be enjoying reasonable, acceptable electric bills. Remember, too...in two more months while most of the rest of the city continues to pay “regular” electric rates, your rate returns to 20% less!

CLASSIFIED ADS

BOAT WANTED: Bonnie Scott in Building #5 would like to contact the owner of the canoe stored behind her building by the lake. Please call her at 524-1121 if you own this boat and are possibly interested in selling it.

TENNIS PARTNER WANTED: 50-something male seeks tennis partner. Call David at 554-1453 if interested.

PLEASE READ! - NOTICE OF DISPOSAL

If you own a trailer or boat that is parked in the parking lot, it is imperative that you contact the Southlake Village office to identify it. We will be disposing of unidentified trailers and boats near the end of August. This is the **ONLY** notice that will be posted.

Just a Few Reminders...

- **PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT THE POOL OR AT THE LAKE!** We also do not allow visiting pets. Only pre-approved small, mature pets are allowed (with additional deposit and rents) and must be registered and approved by the office.
- Please do not discard cigarette butts, beer & soda pop cans, or other trash items on the lawns, in the parking lot, and in the stairwells. The trash dumpsters are there for that purpose. And if you smoke, please refrain from smoking in the Laundry Rooms.
- We have a **LOST & FOUND** located in the office. If you have **LOST** keys, jewelry, pagers, cellular phones, or other personal items, come by to identify them. If you have **FOUND** anything, please bring it by and we will attempt to locate the owner.
- School will be back in session soon so please slow down (10 mph max.) and be on the lookout for children in the complex.

Thank You For Your Cooperation!

A Word on Security

We have found that the best “preventive medicine” in regard to security is a “proprietary interest” on the part of all who live here. Take an extra 30 seconds whenever you leave or come to your apartment and look around. If you see anything suspicious or unusual, call 522-4855 (24 hours). That small act can make your living environment better!

In conjunction with the above, there is a standing offer of a \$500.00 reward to any resident who furnishes information that leads to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons committing an act of burglary, theft, or vandalism against Southlake Village or the residents thereof. If you observe such an act, do not attempt to apprehend, but report immediately to the Wichita Police Department by calling “911” or our own 24-hour number, 522-4855.

You know what they say.....

"TWO WRONGS DON'T MAKE A RIGHT"

Well, it just so happens that two wrongs do make a right. Not only that, but as the number of wrongs increases, the whole thing goes up exponentially. So that while two wrongs make one right, and four wrongs make two rights, it actually takes sixteen wrongs to make three rights, and 256 wrongs to make four rights. It seems to me that anyone who is stringing together 256 wrongs needs counseling, not mathematics.

Remember, this is your newsletter. We accept announcements, classified ads, and newsworthy items. You may call us at 522-4855, email us, or drop your ad by the office. Please submit your item(s) no later than the sixth of each month. Made on a Mac!

Headline: Bear takes over Disneyland in Pooh D'Etat!

What has four legs and an arm? A happy pit bull.

$2 + 2 = 5$ for extremely large values of 2.

24 hours in a day...24 beers in a case...coincidence?

It doesn't matter what temperature a room is, it's always room temperature.

- Steven Wright

The possibility of something going wrong is directly proportional to the number of people in attendance.

If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence you tried.

Synonym: a word you use when you can't pronounce or spell the other one.

If at first you don't succeed, then skydiving is not for you.

Always proofread your work carefully to be sure you have not left an important out.

Never use a preposition to end a sentence with!