

"Hello Darkness My Old Friend"

In Last months newsletter I wrote a bit about fall or autumn, I guess either one works. It's the only season I know that has two names.

Seasons are periods of the year with distinct weather conditions and day lengths.

The four seasons — winter, spring, summer, autumn — can vary significantly in characteristics and can prompt changes in the world around them. Here, we explore the seasons of the year in more detail.

Attributes of the seasons may vary by location, but there are still broad definitions that cross most of the boundaries.

In the autumn, or fall, temperatures cool again. Plants may begin to grow dormant. Animals might prepare themselves for the upcoming cold weather, storing food or traveling to warmer regions.

Various cultures have celebrated bountiful harvests with annual festivals. Thanksgiving is a good example. "Thanksgiving in the United States is a historical commemoration but it has a spiritual dimension strongly associated with homecoming and giving praise for what has been bestowed upon us," Cristina De Rossi, an anthropologist at Barnet and Southgate College in London, told Live Science. Ever since the pandemic of 2020 it feels as if people go out of their way to avoid others. The world continues to become more digitalized. Simon and Garfunkel wrote the "Sounds of Silence" in 1964. This song has been played in movies and T.V. shows several times. *Hello, darkness, my old friend / I've come to talk with you again, the song immediately grabs the attention, its words casting vague, but stirring imagery across the delicate acoustics. Because a vision softly creeping / Left its seeds while I was sleeping / And the vision that was planted in my brain / Still remains / Within the sound of silence*

"It wasn't something that I was experiencing at some deep, profound level — nobody's listening to me, nobody's listening to anyone — it was a post-adolescent angst," Simon continued, "but it had some level of truth to it and it resonated with millions of people."

The narrator has no one to talk to and the only thing that understands him is the darkness and his own loneliness. *In restless dreams I walked alone / Narrow streets of cobblestone. But the song reaches beyond the perspective of a single narrator, a flash of light revealing a mass of people, humanity all seeking refuge in their own darkness and their own silence. I say let's not let the darkness blind us from what's out there. There are fall festivals galore in the metro. Instead of avoiding people let's take on the darkness and embrace the season.*

Bob



The Boys by Lin



I ♥
MY NEIGHBORS

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Oct 14 Closed for Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day

REMINDERS!



The Housing Authority will be providing a Taco Bar on:

Wednesday, October 16 at noon in the community room. We will be going over some things for the inspection and just plain old socializing.

Bridge Street Construction: The city is starting the Bridge Street streetscape project in October. There will be new sidewalks poured like the ones downtown. Hopefully, pedestrian traffic won't be impeded. Travel by vehicle will require a detour, more information to come.



CAUTION

Vehicle Registration: All vehicles parked on our property, with the exception of visitors need to be registered with our office and need a parking sticker. We have been contacted by several residents lately reporting suspicious vehicles, without SHA stickers. License plates need to be up to date.

There is no assigned parking, first come, first serve. If you have a guest that is going to stay for 3 days or more let us know so that we are aware when these vehicles are reported by other tenants. Please have your visitors park in the visitor lots.



This vehicle needs a license and a sticker.

EASY PUMPKIN BREAD

INGREDIENTS

1 CUP GRANULATED SUGAR
1/2 CUP LIGHT BROWN SUGAR
1 3/4 CUP ALL-PURPOSE FLOUR
1 TEASPOON BAKING SODA
3/4 TEASPOON SALT
2 TEASPOONS PUMPKIN PIE SPICE
3/4 CUP CANNED PUMPKIN PUREE*
2 LARGE EGGS, BEATEN
1/2 CUP FLAVORLESS OIL
1/3 CUP WATER
1 TEASPOON VANILLA



INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350, & spray a 9x5" bread loaf pan with cooking spray. Ensure a rack is in the center position of the oven.

In a large bowl, whisk together the sugars, flour, baking soda, salt, and pumpkin pie spice.

Make a hole in the center of the mixture, and add all remaining ingredients: pumpkin, eggs, oil, water and vanilla.

Stir everything together very well, but try not to over-mix.

Scrape the batter into the pan, and place in the oven. Bake for 60 minutes, and then test the center of the bread for wetness with a long toothpick. If the toothpick comes out clean, the bread is done. If not, add another 5 minutes of baking time and test again. Ensure the bread is fully done before you remove it from the oven or it will sink as it cools!



PEST CONTROL FOR OCTOBER

The Housing Authority has a pest control company come in every month to our facility and usually covers 1/3 of our apartments and inspects other areas reported by our staff.

Due to changing weather patterns and environmental issues pest issues are ever changing. Please do not leave garbage or trash outside on your porches and please make certain to keep food in your homes (both human and animal) sealed and get rid of spoiled and outdated items.

The exterminators primary job is to inspect the apartments to see if any treatment is needed. If you do not want them to spray please notify the pest control specialist. If there are roaches or other infestations due to housekeeping issues that will be reported to our office. Please contact us with any questions.

Pest control on October 15 will be apartments **141 through 171**. You do not need to be home for the exterminator. They will always be accompanied by one of our staff members.

Please secure your animal.





Inspection October 21st, 7:00 A.M.

HUD has required annual inspections since the 1930's. We have done well for the most part. We currently are a high performing agency which is beneficial for our property regarding funding and HUD scrutiny.

We have been alarmed by the condition that some of our tenants have allowed their apartments interior and exteriors to become. We have 2 apartments that are in violation of HUD compliance as well as City Codes.

We sent a letter through the mail to every tenant recently as a reminder of the upcoming inspection.

These are not SHA rules or issues, these are Federal Compliance rules.

If you fail the inspection due to tenant negligence you will be violating your lease. Please get to work now and be ready for the 21st.



Take Mr. Twain's advice, time is ticking until October 21

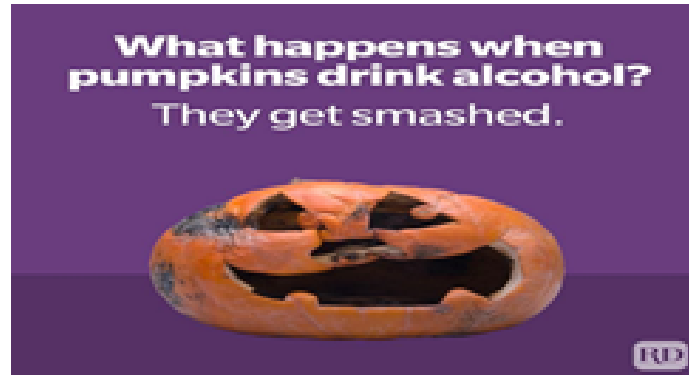


OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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A Hunting we will go



- How do monsters stay cool in the summer? They use scare-conditioning.
 - Who won the skeleton beauty contest? No body.
 - How do ghosts score touchdowns? They get the ball across the ghou-line.
 - Did you hear about the black cat that ate a lemon? Now it's a sour puss.
 - Why don't mummies gossip? They don't want to get a bad wrap.
 - Why was the witch late for work? She over-swept.
 - Why do monsters love Halloween? It's the most wonderful time of the fear.
 - How do French ghosts greet each other? They say "bone-jour!"
 - Where do baby monsters go when their parents are at work? Day-scare.
- Did you hear about the invisible man who went to the doctor? He's still waiting to be seen.

Compliance Issues

Rent Due Dates

Just a reminder that rents are due within the first 5 days of the month. We are very flexible with this and will work with you if you communicate that you are going to be late and when you can pay. We understand that things come up and we are more than willing to work with folks that com-

municate with us. Please do not write an insufficient funds check .

Communication is the key.



October Entertainment in the Ville



This is always a popular event. It will be down town Oct. 5, 3-11PM



October 11 downtown 6:00 PM



This is at Maplewood's JUCO Oct. 19



Smith Forks Park Saturday October 26
3:30 to 6:30



October

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14  Office Closed	15  Pest Control Units 141 thru 171	16 	17	18	19
20	21 BOC	22	23	24 	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 		
						

