Happy New Year! It is a new year and some are already busy with their resolutions. I stopped making resolutions long ago because, being the perfectionist I am, I became frustrated with my lack of follow-through. I could never stick to the plan and this irritated me. Then there are all the times I have failed in following God. You know, God never shames me, though. Sure, He may gently remind me of the direction of the path, but even then, He lets me choose. When I ask for forgiveness, He gives it willingly. I am so thankful for a God who has a perfect record with His resolutions, aren’t you?

—Sue

Don’t forget our winter, fun-filled activity at Five Pines this month.

Here are the details:

What: Tubing Party
When: January 23, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Where: Five Pines, 6597 Smith Rd., Berrien Center, MI 49102
Who: University Apartments Tenants and guests***
Why: We love to have fun and hang out with you.
Meal: hot dog with condiments, chips, cookies, lemonade and hot chocolate

***Guests: $1/person for meal & $8/person for tubing
**Tickets are required for everyone, but are FREE to our AU Apartments tenants. Pick yours up at our office (along with a map if needed).

Calendar

1  Rent Due (Can be paid any time between 1st and 10th without a late fee) Payments may be made with cash or check at the Cashier’s Office or online with credit/debit card or electronic check
3  All Campus Schools: CIEP Paper-based TOEFL, Register at andrews.edu/cas/ciep/toefl, 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. (Also on 1/5/19 and 1/7/19 from 2-5 pm)
5  New University-level Students: Registration, 12-5 p.m.
6  University-level Schools: Classes begin—last day to register for the first time without a fee
7  University-level Students: Late Registration fee in effect for first-time registrations for spring semester classes; notification of cancellation of low-enrollment classes
8  All Campus Schools: Cancellation of unconfirmed course reservations SEM: New Student Q & A Session
12 New Spring Graduate Students: Graduate Experience Orientation, 12-5 p.m.
14 University-level Students: Cancellation of classes with below-minimum enrollment
15 University-level Students: Last business day to complete the following by 5 p.m.: enter spring semester classes; drop a class with FULL tuition refund; make a change in registration by Drop/Add Form without a fee or entry on permanent academic record; change audit to credit
16 University-level Students: Fee in effect for changes in registration (classes added or dropped) Graduate Students: Last day to apply for May graduation University MLK Forum: Austin Channing Brown (HPAC), 11:30 a.m.
20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration, MLK educational events replace classes Office of University Apartments is closed
23 University Apartments Tubing Party (Five Pines), 6-8 p.m. FREE to University Apartments residents (Others invited: $8/person-tubing & $1/person-meal)
Thank you for your cooperation in the following matters:

Are you moving?

Have you turned in a 30-day notice?

Rent will be charged for a minimum of 30 days after we are informed that you are moving.

If your lease has not expired and you are not graduating, you will have to find someone to take over your lease or pay rent through the expiration of your lease.

Please Note: If you have a balance of $50 or more after the 10th of the month, you will receive a late fee and a hold will be placed on your account.

Please do not put wipes down the toilet. Our plumbing will not handle it and you will end up with a clogged toilet. Thank you.

The garbage disposals were only made to take care of your table scraps. Please DO NOT place anything else down them or they will break.

Since winter is here—it is time to get out your snow shovel. Tenants are responsible for shoveling their parking spaces. Tenants living in Beechwood and Maplewood are responsible for shoveling the area in front of their apartments from the door to the far end of their living room window. Thank you for keeping these areas shoveled and clean.

Driving safely on snow and ice can be a tricky matter. Here are some tips that may help you when navigating dangerous roads in the winter:

1. Get a grip. To have adequate snow traction, a tire requires at least 6/32-inch deep tread, according to The Tire Rack. (New passenger-car tires usually have 10/32-inch of tread.)
2. Turn on your lights to increase your visibility to other motorists.
3. Decrease your speed and leave yourself plenty of room.
4. Brake gently to avoid skidding. If your wheels start to lock up, ease off the brake.
5. Watch carefully for “black ice.” If a road looks slick, it probably is.
6. If your front wheels skid... take your foot off the gas and shift to neutral, but don’t try to steer immediately. As the wheels skid sideways, they will slow the vehicle and traction will return. As it does, steer in the direction you want to go. If your rear wheels are sliding left, steer left (or right, steer right).
7. If you get stuck... do not spin your wheels. This will only dig you in deeper. Turn your wheels from side to side a few times to push snow out of the way. Use a light touch on the gas to ease your car out.

For more tips see: http://www.weather.com/activities/driving/drivingsafety/drivingsafetytips/snow.html

Please walk carefully up and down the stairs as they may be slippery. This includes the ones inside the buildings at Garland.

Maplewood and Beechwood tenants, please use the stairs between the buildings rather than the outside stairs. These may not be as slippery.

Our laundry room doors and windows need to remain shut. Otherwise, we may have problems with the water lines freezing up. If this happens, the washers and wash tub will not work.

Please note the following on heaters:

1. This is radiated heat so air will not blow out, but you will feel warmth if you put your hand up to the register.
2. The temperature is regulated between 68 and 72 degrees.
3. The heater won’t come on unless it is below 60 degrees outside.

If you have mail that is not addressed to you and/or members of your household, please bring that to the office regularly. We will take care of it. It is a Federal offense to hold onto the mail of someone else.

Please note: If it is addressed to “Resident” or “Occupant,” that means you. If you do not want it, please throw it out.

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