

July

2026

Newsletter

Calendar

- 1 Rent Due (Can be paid any time between 1st and 10th with out a late fee). Payments may be made with cash or check at the Cashier's Office (M-Th 1-5 p.m.) or online with credit/debit card (2.95% convenience fee) or electronic check (free)
- 3 All Campus Schools: Independence Day Holiday—no classes
- 6 University-level Schools: Summer Session 3: Classes begin; registration 9 a.m.—5 p.m.
- 23 FREE Snow Cones (Beechwood—outside); 12-4 p.m.
- 31-8/2 University-level Schools: Full Summer Session, Session 3 and Combined Sessions 2 & 3: Classes end
Summer Graduation Services, 7/31-8/2

Have you ever thought about your country's beginning? When did it begin? How did it start? Who were the main people forming your country? Was there a war or some kind of protest over independence from another country? Whatever the case, I'm sure the main reason was a wish for freedom. Freedom is one thing that we always seem to want. We want freedom from our parents, maybe, when we are in our teen years. Then, we may want freedom from something else as we grow older. Maybe freedom to retire.

What is it about freedom that makes it so important to us? I think it may have something to do with our need to do things for ourselves. We don't like to have to be dependent on someone else to do for us. We don't like having someone else tell us what to do or how to do it, either. We are unique individuals and we know what we want done and how we want it done. I think we are born that way.

This is not necessarily a bad thing as it can help us learn leadership, use creativity, and be able to advocate for ourselves. However, there is a line. I think Jesus showed us that line very clearly.

Jesus never let anyone walk all over Him. He knew who He was and He spoke up for Himself very well. He was a leader. He was creative. (Who would think to use mud on a blind man's eyes when One was able to simply speak and make it happen?)

However, Jesus also spent hours alone with His Father surrendering all to Him. Jesus didn't have to surrender to His Father. He is God. He has the power to do anything.

But, we are not God. We do not have the power in and of ourselves to do anything. Jesus came to show us how God can work in and through us. We need to surrender to Him.

Wait!, you say. I thought this was about freedom!

It is. This is about true freedom. The kind that can only be found in God. You see, God is in the business of growing us and building for a time where we will be happy—filled with the joy only He can give. True freedom is found in following the will of God as He knows what eventually will make us the most happy.

This July 4th (or whatever day is celebrated by your country as its day of independence), consider the One who came and died for us to offer us the ultimate freedom. He gave us the option of eternal life whereas before our only choice was death (eternal death). Talk about freedom!

Enjoy the holiday!

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Thursday, July 23

Andrews University
Office of University Apartments

Thank you for your cooperation in the following matters:



Congratulations, Graduates!

You are almost there! Remember, per your Lease Agreement:

1. You will need to turn in a 30-day notice.
2. You will have 7 days to move out after graduation.
3. If you stay longer than 7 days, \$10/day will be charged in addition to your rent.
4. Your rent will be prorated according to the number of days you are in the apartment.

Are you moving?

Have you turned in a notice?

Rent will be charged for the number of days you and/or your personal items are in the apartment.



The weather is certainly warming up now. Some of you may be feeling that your apartment is really hot. Here's an option: **Though our office does not offer any for sale or rent,** personal air conditioners may be used. An extra charge of \$20 per month for the electricity will be added to apartment rent during the months of June, July, and August if there is a unit in your window. The charges will be incurred whether the air conditioner is used or not. If you will not be using your unit and do not wish to pay the extra charge, please remove the air-conditioner from your window. Units requiring 220 volt circuits may be used in Garland apartments only. Beechwood and Maplewood apartments will handle 115 volt units only.

If you live in Beechwood, please contact our office (269-471-6979) before installing your unit.



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



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.

It is summer and people are out running, walking, playing sports and riding bikes/skateboards. Parents, please remind your children that riding bikes/skateboards near the apartments is VERY dangerous for them and for someone who may accidentally be hit. The long sidewalk between Garland and Beechwood is where bikes and skateboards should be ridden.



Also please remind them that our residents are students and need quiet time for study and sleep. There are playgrounds by Garland G and Garland F as well as basketball courts behind Garland F and Garland G that are very good places to play. Please remind them to play there instead of in and around the buildings.

Lastly, please be cautious when driving along the roads beside/behind the apartments and in the parking lots. Someone (especially a child) could run/ride out in front of a car at any time. Driving slowly and cautiously can help ensure the safety



Please remember that most of our residents are students. They may be either trying to study or trying to sleep. Thank you for thinking of others and keeping your conversations and other activities quiet in and around our buildings.

Fireworks in this area

Baroda	July 3, 2026 (rain date July 4)	dusk End of 2nd & 3rd Street (\$10/car park)
Berrien Springs	July 4, 2026	at dusk (Fairgrounds) Parking @ Fairgrounds (\$5)
Niles	July 4, 2026 (rain date July 5)	dusk Apple Festival Grounds (17th St.) Parking (\$\$)
St. Joseph	July 3, 2022	at dusk Silver Beach

