



the Meadows at Elk Creek



February 2018

All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt. - Charles Schulz

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9:00 am - 6:00 pm

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10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sunday

Closed

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Paying Rent On Time

Paying rent on time offers more advantages than just avoiding a late fee. Paying rent on time helps increase your chance of getting a good reference for future landlords and keeps your credit score healthy. Rent is always due on the first of each month and we give you a grace period until 5:00 pm on the 5th. Please make it a priority to pay on time. Also, please make sure you pay your water, sewage, and trash bill on time or ACOBI will transfer your past due balance to us and it will become part of your rent ledger and will be treated as rent due.

Three Valentine's Day Crafts You Can Make in Thirty Minutes or Less!

1) To make cupcake liner heart wreaths, cut a large heart out of a scrap piece of cardboard. Then, use red and pink cupcake liners to cover the cardboard heart completely, attaching the bottom of the liners with tape or glue. Use as many cupcake liners as possible and attach them very close together. 2) Make a Valentine "Tree" by arranging 5-10 twigs in a clear vase. Cut tiny red, white, and pink hearts out of construction paper and hot glue as many as you like to the portion of the twigs sticking out from the top of the vase. 3) Spell out L-O-V-E with "Love Letters"! Print out images of your family and/or friends on basic copy paper. Cut the images out and glue them to wooden block letters available at any craft store. Cover the wood completely by bending the images around the letter corners, tops, bottoms, and sides. Enjoy!

Get Ready for the Big Game!

This year's Big Game is slated for February 4. Are you ready? Whether your favorite part is the food, the rivalries, or the commercials, the experience continues to appeal to millions of people year after year! Here are a few fun facts: 1) The NFL never holds the Big Game in stadiums in cities where there is a climate of less than 50 degrees Fahrenheit, unless it is an enclosed stadium. 2) The trophy presented to the winning team weighs seven pounds, is 21 inches high, and worth \$25,000. 3) Did you know that the TV show that airs immediately after the Big Game is usually one of the year's most watched shows. In years past, shows like The Wonder Years, Lassie, Friends, and The X-Files aired after the Big Game.

Many Apartment Choices

Is your lease about to expire? We hope you'll renew with us! Even if you are ready for an apartment change, consider checking out the units we have available in different sizes, styles, and floorplans. We'll be more than happy to discuss your options.

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Three Ways to Turn Your Conservation Efforts Into Social Events

One of today's top concerns is environmental conservation for our existing population of over 7 billion people, as well as future generations. Many experts agree that recycling is one of the most effective ways to preserve the environment, as it reduces the amount of waste that goes into our landfills and oceans. But, did you know that recycling also helps to conserve energy? Around 66 percent of the energy consumed in the production of plastics from raw materials can be saved as a result of recycling. Unfortunately, about 90% of the plastic we've used over the past few decades, which equates to billions of tons, was not recycled. The good news is that there are many ways we can change this.

Many of us already do our part for the environment. But have you ever thought about bringing sustainable living into your social life? There are many ways to combine these two aspects of your life, and potentially make an even bigger impact on our planet! Here are three unique ideas:



1 Host a conservation potluck dinner party!

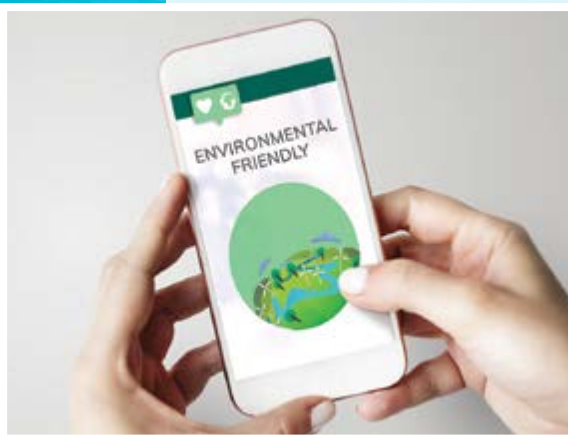
First, schedule your dinner early enough in the day that natural lighting will suffice. Then, ask guests to prepare dishes that require as little cooking as possible. That means minimal-to-no stoves, ovens, microwaves, blenders, food processors, or other electronic appliances, with the understanding that some refrigeration is necessary. Opt for vegetarian or vegan dishes, as large-scale livestock production accounts for a portion of our environment's degradation. We're talking crisp veggies with savory dips and sauces, salads, spring rolls, chilled soups, and more! Your meal will be eco-friendly and taste delicious, fresh, and nutritious. Remember to recycle the containers, fill your plate with what you know you can eat, and save the rest as leftovers!

2 Start (or join) a conservation challenge on social media!

Challenge your social media friends and contacts to join the eco-friendly movement by tagging them in pics of your own efforts, creating a group or page specifically to open a dialogue about environmental issues, or schedule in-person events, like picking up trash or starting a community garden, for people in your area.

3 Go on a conservation trip!

Through Earthwatch.org, you can join dozens of expeditions all over the world, and work alongside scientists, environmentalists, and other eco-conscious citizens of the world just like you! From helping conserve wildlife in Africa to monitoring the health of coral reefs off the coast of Australia, you can make a big impact and make amazing friends along the way. You may even score discounts on airfare, room and board, and equipment.



Trivia

Day by Day

1. What was Bill Murray's profession in the movie *Groundhog Day*?
2. In what city was the sitcom *One Day at a Time* set?
3. What was the name of the high school dean who was trying to catch Ferris Bueller in the movie *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*?
4. Which First Lady wrote a syndicated newspaper column entitled *My Day*?
5. "That'll Be The Day" was the only #1 song by what 1950s singer?

Think you know the answers?

Email your answers with "Trivia: Day By Day" in the subject line to triviamaster@scuttlebuttsm.com for your chance to win cool stuff! Deadline for entry is February 28, 2018. Five winners will be selected by March 15, 2018.

10 of the Most Romantic Pop Songs Since 1961!

This Valentine's Day, share ten of the most romantic pop songs going all the way back to 1961 with 1) Elvis's ballad, "Can't Help Falling in Love." 2) Foreigner's "I Want to Know What Love Is" (1984), featuring the New Jersey Mass Choir. 3) Stevie Wonder's "I Just Called to Say I Love You" (1984), winner of a Golden Globe for Best Original Song. 4) *Billboard* #1 hit, "Because I Love You" (1990) by Stevie B. 5) Whitney Houston's "I Will Always Love You" (1992), originally written and recorded in 1973, by Dolly Parton. 6) Celine Dion's "My Heart Will Go On" (1997), which went straight to #1 all over the world and was featured as the theme song of the movie *Titanic*. 7) Beyonce's, "Crazy in Love" (2003),

featuring Jay-Z. 8) Jason Mraz's "I'm Yours" (2008), which spent 76 weeks as a Top 100 track. 9) Rihanna's "We Found Love" (2011), featuring Calvin Harris. 10) John Legend's, "All of Me" (2013), which became one of the top streaming songs of 2015.



Recipe

Love Struck macarons

Ingredients:

- 1 cup almond flour
- 4 cups powdered sugar
- 1/2 cup butter (1 stick), softened
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 Tbsp cocoa powder
- 2 egg whites
- 1/4 tsp cream of tartar
- 1 Tbsp red food coloring
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 1 Tbsp milk
- 1/2 teaspoon red icing gel



Instructions:

Sift together the almond flour, 1 cup of the powdered sugar, and cocoa powder in a large bowl. In a separate bowl, beat the egg whites and cream of tartar on medium with an electric mixer until it becomes foamy. Increase speed to high and add the granulated sugar and red food coloring. Beat the mixture until peaks form. Then, fold in the dry ingredients and mix on low for 3 minutes. Drop spoonfuls of batter onto a baking sheet lined with a silicone baking mat and let sit for 20 minutes. Then, bake for 20 minutes at 300 degrees F (148 degrees C) and transfer to a wire rack. Make the icing by combining the rest of the powdered sugar and butter in a small bowl and beating them with a clean electric mixer. Add the vanilla, milk, and red icing gel and stir vigorously with a spoon. When the macaron halves have cooled completely, smear a spoonful of icing between two macaron halves. Repeat until you have used all the ingredients.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Rent Is Due	2	3
4 Superbowl Sunday	5 Rent is due by 5:00 PM Rent is late after 5:00 PM	6 Rent Is Late	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day Snacks in the Leasing Office	15	16	17
18	19	20 Pest Control P200,P201,P202, P203,P205	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

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Best Wishes
TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS WHO ARE
CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES
THIS MONTH!



WOW! **\$250 FREE!**
Receive \$250 for referring a friend to our community!

If your referral signs a lease and joins our community, you will receive \$250 off your next months rent!

Contact the office for details!

