

# **GOING GREEN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

The festive season has arrived, and this year HMC is celebrating with some exciting and far-reaching initiatives including the YES program aimed at taking control of our community's energy consumption. We've also partnered with organizations such as Tree City USA, hosted numerous community cleanups, and made the switch to LEDs in our communities as well as offices.

Our families and yours can reflect the joy of the holidays in your home while also focusing on safety and energy conservation. As you contemplate commitments for the new year, consider making a difference in your community. One impactful step is switching your holiday lights to LED. By doing so, you can reduce energy consumption by up to 90% compared to using incandescent lights. It's a small change that yields significant positive effects for both your community and the environment. LEDs are more efficient, last much longer, and produce less heat, so your home is safer. You can save even more by using LED lights on a timer.

During this season of thankfulness and generosity, consider contributing to the future of us all by living consciously.

### **IMPORTANT COMMUNITY EVENTS**

#### **Letters to Santa**

Write a letter to Santa, drop it off at the Community Management Office by December 18, 2023, and DeLuz will mail it to the North Pole just for YOU. Make sure to check your front door for your letter back from Santa on December 22, 2023. As a reminder, please include your first and last name and your home address so Santa can write back to you!

### **Popcorn Fridays**

Pop into the DeLuz Community Management Office every Friday in December for a FREE bag of popcorn. See calendar for times Popcorn Friday will be available.

### **Christmas Day Celebrated Closure**

Our offices will be closed on Monday, December 25, 2023. If you have a maintenance-related emergency, contact 760.281.2900 to be connected with our on-call maintenance technician.

### **Safety Alert & Reminders**

Don't forget to replace your air filter at least once a month. We recommend the 1st of every month. This will help keep your heater working properly this winter season. If you need a replacement air filter at no charge, visit the Community Management Office during business hours to pick up a FREE air filter. Be sure to test your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide sensors twice a month. We recommend doing this every payday, so you do not forget.

# HOLIDAY LIGHTING AND DECORATIONS

With the holidays quickly approaching, we wanted to send out a quick reminder about holiday lighting and decorations. Holiday lighting is authorized for use between the hours of 5:00 PM and 10:00 PM from Thanksgiving Day until the second weekend in January. Decorative lighting for other time periods may be installed/displayed three weeks prior to the holiday and removed no later than two (2) weeks after the holiday. All lighting must be removed from Premises and stored properly. Overloading of circuits and the overuse of extension cords must be avoided. Resident accepts any and all liability for damages to Premises or injuries caused by holiday or decorative lighting and other decorations.

- Any lights or decorations attached to the Premises must not cause any physical damage. Gutter clips or similar clip devices are required for affixing exterior lighting; nails/screws/tacks are not permitted.
- Resident will be held financially responsible for any incidental damage to the Premises.
- Roof decorations and lighting above the first-floor roofline are not permitted. Residents will be required to immediately remove such decorations when discovered. Non-Holiday lighting such as patio "party" lights are permitted and must look nice and neat. Must not be the stringed holiday lighting type. They must not be permanently attached to the house, trees or fencing.
- Canned "snow" or other similar substances must not be sprayed on windows, siding, or brick facades.



# **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**

### **Emily Ramirez**

Emily Ramirez is a Community Director here at DeLuz Family Housing. Emily loves spending time with family, going to the beach with her golden buddy and loves reading new books and watching new TV shows. When asked what she loves about her job Emily said, "Being able to help service members and their families through different situations. I also love all the education I'm receiving and how open everyone is to help and answer any questions."

## CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY

As we approach the Christmas season, we would like to provide you all with some Christmas Tree Safety. Below you will find some tips to keep you and your family safe this holiday!

- Natural trees should be cut at a 45° angle at the base and placed in water.
- Place trees away from sources of heat.
- · Use only non-flammable decorations.
- Use only lighting evaluated by a nationally recognized laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Inspect lights for frayed wires or other defects before use.
- Do not leave lights on unattended, throughout the night, or when you are away from the home.
- Keep natural tree stands filled with water at all times.
- When tree becomes dry, discard it properly.







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# DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Bulk Trash: If you have bulk trash that you need picked up, email deluzleasing@huntcompanies.com before 3:00 p.m. the Thursday prior to pick up with your address and list of items you need removed for bulk trash.					Rent Due! Change Your Air Filter! Pet of the Month Starts Facebook Popcorn Friday Community Management Office 8 AM - 5 PM Letters to Santa Starts Recycle/Trash/Bulk Pick Up	02
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New Year's Eve						





