



Lighthouse Bay Apartment Homes

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Office Hours

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Sunday ~ Closed

For after-hours' emergencies, call 813.831.2684, select option "0" to speak to the answering service and report your emergency. Remember that you must provide a telephone number in order for the on-call maintenance tech to speak to you regarding your emergency before they come out to the property.

December 2009 Community Newsletter

The Staff at Lighthouse Bay would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year! However you honor the holiday season, we hope that everyone has a safe and happy one!

Christmas Tree Removal

When it comes time to remove your Christmas tree, we will have a dumpster located at the back of the property for its' disposal. *Do not put your tree in the compactor.* Please be sure to remove all of the tinsel, lights and ornaments before you deposit it into the dumpster.

Package Notes

As a courtesy to our residents, we do accept UPS & FedEx packages at the leasing office. We ask that everyone be prompt in picking them up during the holiday season as we have limited space and packages can pile up quickly! Please note that we may not be able to accommodate oversize packages.

Renter's Insurance

Did you know that your possessions are not covered in the event of flood, fire or disaster if you do not have your own renter's insurance policy? Most companies who offer homeowner's insurance will also provide insurance for renter's at a fraction of the cost. You may also check with your vehicle insurance provider as they may offer renter's insurance at a discounted rate.

Community Channel

Good News! Our Bright House Networks provided Community Channel is back up and running! Please tune into BHN channel 95 for Lighthouse Bay community information, events, calendars and updates.

Office Holiday Hours

Thursday, December 24th - 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Friday, December 25th - Closed

Thursday, December 31st - 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Friday, January 1st - Closed

Candy Cane Cookies

1/2 cup butter or margarine, softened

1/2 cup shortening

1 cup Confectioner's sugar

1 1/2 teaspoons Almond Extract

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 1/2 cups flour

1 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon red food coloring

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Mix thoroughly butter, shortening, confectioner's sugar, egg and flavorings. Blend in flour and salt. Divide dough in half; blend food color into one half. Shape 1 teaspoon dough from each half into 4 inch rope. For smooth, even ropes, roll them back and forth on a lighthouse floured board. Place ropes side by sides: press together lightly and twist. Complete cookies one at a time. Place on ungreased baking sheet: curve top of coolie down to form handle of cane. Bake about 9 minutes or until set and very light brown. If you wish, mix 1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy and 1/2 cup granulated sugar. Immediately sprinkle cookies with candy mixture ; remove from baking sheet and cool.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Teresa 12/1

Arthur 12/1

Matthew 12/1

Peter 12/1

Cameron 12/2

Eric 12/3

John 12/3

Catherine 12/4

Sarah 12/6

Gladys 12/7

Luciano 12/5

Miqel 12/11

Sherita 12/12

John 12/13

Brandy 12/14

Pablo 12/15

Paul 12/15

Gwen 12/16

Andrew 12/18

John 12/18

Mona 12/18

John 12/18

Jennifer 12/20

Robert 12/20

Joseph 12/22

William 12/22

Annette 12/23

LauraLani 12/24

Tonya 12/26

Ken 12/28

Maira 12/28

Donielle 12/29

Sabina 12/30

Amber 12/31



Three Christmas Gifts You Can Make at Home

During Christmas there can be no better gift than something that you make by yourself for your loved ones. During recent times the trend of providing a home made gift is much more appreciated than something that you can simply pick off the shelves from the shopping malls.

1 ~ You will not find a single person who does not love cookies; and if they are home made you will be able to catch them without words of appreciation. There are a lot of easy cookie recipes online that you may adopt. Martha Steward in the website squido.com has a collection of some excellent and easy to bake recipes that will surely be appreciated by whoever receives them. Simply pick up the recipes of your choice, bake some cookies and present them in the spare cookie jar that you have lying around in your home or inexpensive tins bought at a dollar store. Do not forget to decorate the jar with some Christmas tree decoration and of course label them as "For Christmas Cookies baked with love by"

2 ~ If cookies are not your thing you may try making some Christmas cakes. Pick up a recipe of your choice. You will need to free up your calendar for a day in order to prepare this gift. Bake the cake of your choice. Instead of picking a very complex cake recipe, if you do not have a hand in cooking, try selecting an easy one. Once ready to serve use your imagination in presenting them. You can slice up your cake and wrap them individually in foils, put it in a gift box and of course, wrap the gift box and use some Christmas decoration.

3 ~ On the other hand if you would like to present them with a gift that will help them relax rather than satisfy their appetite you may think of preparing your own blend of a relaxing bath salts. This is a fairly easy gift to prepare. Simply buy 3 bags of coarse sea salt, 3 bags of baking soda and some essential oils like lavender, or other flavor and of course some small jars to put them in and gift wrap. Once you have all the components put equal parts of the salts and baking soda in the jar and finally add a few drops of the essential oils. Put the jar in a gift box and wrap the gift box with decoration of your preference.

Tis the Season for Compassion
Metropolitan Ministries Community Outreach

Our community will be sponsoring a donation drive for Metropolitan Ministries this holiday season. In the past we have sponsored food drives for Thanksgiving and Christmas, however this year we are going to sponsor a **Gift Drive** for one of their greatest areas of need during December - **Infant and Teen gifts**

Some suggested items include:

Infants

Crib toys
Stroller Toys
Early Learning Toys
Strollers
Car Seats

Teens (12-17)

Sports equipment
CD/DVD players/headphones
Electronic Games & Toys
Gift Sets (cologne, make-up, bath & body, manicure, etc)
Cameras & Film
Gift Cards (\$15)

Lighthouse Bay encourages you to give what you can this holiday season. Help us make this a special year for children and families less fortunate than our own.

The items listed above are only suggestions. Anything and everything will be greatly appreciated by the young child or teenager who receives your donated gift - it could be the only gift they will receive this season!

There will be two barrels provided by Metropolitan Ministries set up in the Leasing Office to receive your donations beginning **December 2, 2009**. We only have three weeks to collect as many gifts as possible - the last day to donate is **December 23, 2009**.

We would like to thank everyone in advance for their thoughtful and caring contributions to a wonderful cause!

THANK YOU!



DECEMBER 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Rent is Due!	2	3 Pest Control Bldg 9 Outside	4	5
6 Rent is Late! Add \$25	7 Pest Control Bldg 10 Outside	8	9	10 Pest Control Bldg 11 Outside	11	12 Hanukkah Begins
13	14 Pest Control Bldg 12 Outside	15	16	17 Pest Control Bldg 13 Outside	18	19 Hanukkah Ends
20	21 Pest Control Bldg 14 Outside	22	23	24 Pest Control Bldg 15 Outside	25 Merry Christmas <i>Office Closed</i>	26
27	28 Pest Control Bldg 16 & 17 Outside	29	31	31		