







BULLETIN BOARD

Resident Referral

Do you love calling Mission Heights home? When you refer a friend and they sign a lease and move in, you'll receive a great referral reward! What could be better than that? Stop by the office for more details!

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NOTES & NEWS

What To Remember At Rent Time

To ensure that we are quickly able to post rents, please help us by reviewing the following items concerning rent payments.

DO

- Do have residents name and address printed on the check
- **Do** have your apartment number on the check
- Do remember payment is due in full
- Do use a black or blue ink pen

DON'T

- Don't submit a postdated check
- Don't submit a check from a third party
- Don't place sticky notes on checks
- **Don't** place checks in an envelope
- Don't bend check

Please remember there is also the option of paying online at our website. Go to www.missionheightsapts.com and **click** on **resident services** and then **click pay rent online** and follow the prompts. It can even be set-up as a recurring payment monthly to make it easier for a busy life style.

HIGHLIGHTS

--VEHICLE THEFT AND BURGLARY PREVENTION TIPS--

- Always lock your vehicle! It is a good idea to lock your glove box and center console as well.
- Close all windows—professional thieves have tools that help unlock vehicles through a minimum of open space.
- Remove all valuables from your vehicle. This includes your GPS, iPod, designer sunglasses, tote bags, shopping bags, purses, clothing, laptops, briefcases, stereo faceplates, wallets, etc.
- Keep valuables out of sight and not visible on the front seat or dashboard. Even if you are just going to be away from your vehicle for a few minutes, it is worth your time to take valuables with you or place them out of view. Most thieves are looking for an easy way to acquire valuable items, so if it appears that there is nothing of value in your vehicle the chances that it will be broken into are greatly reduced.
- Anti-theft devices such as alarm systems and steering wheel locks are highly recommended.
- Call the police if you see a suspicious person(s) or vehicle(s) around the area.

Mission Heights Team

Community Manager	Jeff Clarke
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Office Hours

Monday–Saturday	9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Tues. & Thurs.	Open 'til 7:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am – 5:00 pm

TRIVIA WHIZ

Examine the Explorers

Have you ever considered that the very places we call home were, at one time, uncharted territory? From the beginning of civilization, man has sought to unravel the mysteries of his own land and beyond. Many men and women have shown courage and a sense of adventure in their quests for discovery. Here are a few of these explorers:

Marco Polo. The namesake for a swimming pool game, Marco Polo was a Venetian merchant and traveler in the late 1200s. Polo wrote a book about his travels that effectively introduced Europeans to China and Central Asia. Polo was an inspiration to many subsequent explorers, most notably Christopher Columbus.

Louise Boyd. A socialite from California, Louise Boyd passed the Arctic ice pack on a sea voyage to Norway in the 1920s and immediately organized an Arctic excursion. She eventually led five expeditions to the areas surrounding Greenland and wrote three books about her travels and discoveries. During World War II, she used her expertise to work on secret assignments for the U.S. military. Her valuable photographs, documents and other information have been used by civilians and the military alike.

Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins. While not the first to go into space, the crew of Apollo 11 was the first to successfully land on the surface of the moon. The information gathered during their 1969 mission has played an important role in learning about the vastly unexplored territory outside of our atmosphere.

> "Exploration is really the essence of the human spirit." —Frank Borman



Fall Fun for Everyone

Fall's cooler weather makes it a perfect time for outdoor activities. Plan one of these outings and enjoy what autumn has to offer:

Apples for all. In addition to the opportunity to pick your own apples, many apple orchards also have a cider mill you can tour. Be sure to take home plenty of fruit and try your hand at apple pie, applesauce and baked apples. Store any unused fruit in a cool, dry place.

Pick a pumpkin. A trip to the pumpkin patch to find the perfect pumpkin is fun for all ages. Get a few extra to decorate your home. Some pumpkin patches also offer wagon rides and a corn or hay bale maze.

Take a tour. Many parts of the country offer views of colorful fall foliage. Go for a drive, and take a camera to record nature's beauty. Consider spending a day exploring a town you've never visited. Pack a picnic or stop at a family-owned restaurant for a one-of-a-kind meal.

Friday night lights. Go to a high school football game and root for the home team. The atmosphere and excitement may bring back memories of your own high school days.

Find a fair. Get a head start on your holiday shopping with a trip to an area craft fair. You will be sure to find unique gifts for friends and family. Don't forget to get something special for yourself!



Plan a fall outing and enjoy what the season has to offer



Find These Items For Rent

Instead of buying rarely used items, renting can save money as well as space in your home—and it preserves resources, too. Many businesses offer a variety of items for rent, including:

Recreational equipment. Whether at home or away, you may be able to rent equipment for activities such as skiing, snorkeling or bicycling. Infrequent campers can rent tents, camping stoves and other supplies. Some companies will even ship items to your vacation spot, saving you the hassle of transporting them.

Women's clothing. Consider renting formal gowns for special occasions. Websites also offer designer clothing, handbags and shoes for rent, allowing women the opportunity to sample these luxury items for less.

Tools and trucks. If you need to tackle a special project for yourself or a friend, most towns have rental services that can supply the tools to get the job done. You can even rent a truck to haul it all home.

Furniture. Rented furniture can provide extra seating and help your home look its best for an event.

Children's items. From cribs to car seats, you can rent a variety of baby items. This option could come in handy when visiting out-of-town family or friends.









Winterize Your Wardrobe

Summer is over and sweater weather is back. Now is the time to stow tank tops and shorts and bring out your cold weather gear.

First, gather large plastic bins for clothing that will be stored and bags or boxes for the items you no longer need; they can be donated. Next, take clothes out of your closet, one by one. For each piece, consider these questions: Does it fit? Is it flattering? Did I wear it this past summer? If the answer to any question is "no," place the item on the donate pile. The items that get three "yes" answers go on the keep pile.

There may still be some warm days, so choose a few items to leave out. Also set aside some tank tops or T-shirts for layering later in the season. Pack your summer items into the bins and label them "seasonal clothes."

While your closet is empty, wipe down shelves and vacuum the floor. Now it's time to restock. Assess your winter wardrobe. Make sure each item fits. Ask yourself, "If I saw this at the store today, would I buy it?" If the answer is no, into the donate box it goes.

As you hang garments in the closet, put them on the rod with the hanger backwards. As you wear items throughout the season, put them away with the hanger facing the right direction. When winter is over, you will be able to tell which items were never worn; this will make it easier to decide what to donate when you transition back to your warm weather wardrobe.



Autumn Acorn Squash Soup Ingredients:

- 1 small onion
- 1/4 cup chopped celery
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon chicken bouillon
- 1/2 teaspoon dill weed
- 1/4 teaspoon curry powder
- Dash cayenne pepper
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk
- 3 cups cooked acorn squash, mashed
- · Salt and pepper to taste
- · 6 bacon strips, cooked
- and crumbled

Directions:

Sauté the onion and celery in butter in a large saucepan. Stir in flour, bouillon, dill, curry and cayenne pepper. Gradually add chicken stock and sweetened condensed milk.

Boil for 2 minutes. Add the squash, salt and pepper.

Place in blender; blend in batches until smooth. Pour into bowls. Garnish with bacon.

> For more recipes, visit www.EagleBrand.com.



WIT & WISDOM

"Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting and autumn a mosaic of them all." ---Stanley Horowitz

"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower." —Albert Camus

Autumn arrives in early morning, but spring at the close of a winter day. —Elizabeth Bowen

"Delicious autumn! My very soul is wedded to it, and if I were a bird I would fly about the Earth seeking the successive autumns." —George Eliot

"It was one of those perfect English autumnal days which occur more frequently in memory than in life." —P. D. James

"Bittersweet October. The mellow, messy, leaf-kicking, perfect pause between the opposing miseries of summer and winter." —Carol Bishop Hipps

"Autumn is a season followed immediately by looking forward to spring." —Doug Larson

"How beautifully leaves grow old. How full of light and color are their last days." --John Burroughs

"Youth is like spring, an overpraised season more remarkable for biting winds than genial breezes. Autumn is the mellower season, and what we lose in flowers we more than gain in fruits." —Samuel Butler



October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Rent Is Due	2	3	4	5 Don't Miss It! Last Day to Pay Rent Before Late Fees Begin!	6 Rent Is Late
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Don't Say Good-bye! Stop by Today to Renew Your Lease	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

San Francisco 49ers

Home Games Candlestick Park

(415) 464-9377

www.49ers.com

- Oct. 7 vs. Buffalo Bills • Oct. 14 vs. New York Giants
- Oct. 18 vs. Seattle Seahawks

Oakland Raiders

Home Game Coliseum (800) 724-3377 www.Raiders.com • Oct. 21 vs. Jacksonville Jaguars

Through Oct. 7 Avengers Assemble! Cartoon Art Museum (415) 227-8666 www.CartoonArt.org

Through Oct. 8

Stage Presence: Theatricality in Art and Media San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (415) 357-4000 www.SFMOMA.org

Through Oct. 14

Man Ray | Lee Miller: Partners in Surrealism Legion of Honor (415) 750-3600 LegionOfHonor.FAMSF.org

Through Oct. 19

San Francisco

"The Capulets and the Montagues" War Memorial Performing Arts Center (415) 864-3330 www.SFOpera.com

Oct. 3 Nightwish The Warfield (888) 929-7849 www.TheWarfieldTheatre.com

Oct. 3-21 "Of Thee | Sing" 42nd Street Moon (415) 255-8207 www.42ndStMoon.org

Oct. 6-Feb. 17, 2013 **Rudolf Nureyev:** A Life in Dance The de Young Museum (415) 750-3600 DeYoung.FAMSF.org

Oct. 17-21 **Disney on Ice Celebrates** 100 Years of Magic Oracle Arena (510) 569-2121 www.Coliseum.com

Oct. 25-28

Van Zweden Conducts Brahms's Fourth Symphony Davies Symphony Hall (415) 864-6000 www.SFSymphony.org

Upcoming Events:

Nov. 2-Dec. 16 "The Submission" New Conservatory Theatre Center (415) 861-8972 www.NCTCSF.org

Dec. 1-March 3, 2013

South Africa in Apartheid and After: Photographs by David Goldblatt, Ernest Cole and Billy Monk San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (415) 357-4000 www.SFMOMA.org

Dates and venues are subject to change.



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