## **RENT REMINDERS**

- Rent is due May 1st.
- Rent is late if received after 4:30 p.m. on May 5th.
- A charge of **\$30** will be assessed on the **6th** day of each month for late rent.
- An additional \$20 will be assessed if rent is not paid by the 20th of each month.
- No partial payment is accepted.
- Check, cashier's check, or money order only.
- If you mail your payment please allow at least 7 10 days.

Any questions, please call 402-727-4848 or on Tuesdays 9:00 - 3:00 (closed 12 - 12:30 for lunch)

## Instructions for reporting Work Orders.....

You need to report any/all of these things *immediately* to Tammy so she can submit a Work Order for you. Once that step is done, Dave, your Maintenance Technician, will go to work resolving the issues.

**REMEMBER:** DO NOT stop Dave while he's working to tell him you have a problem. Use the proper channel, call and let Tammy know, so she can put it into a Work Order form for Dave. 402-654-2229 (Tuesday, 9:00 - 3:00) 402-727-4848 (Monday & Wednesday thru Friday, 8:00 - 4:30).

**Container gardening** with flowers is a great way to instantly introduce color, fragrance, and beauty into our lives. It makes flowers part of any landscape—even on a deck, patio, porch, or balcony! **Perennial Flowers** 

Perennials offer some of the most beautiful flowers out there—with the added bonus that they'll come back every year!

#### Container Gardening Tips

- $\Rightarrow$  Be sure that any container you use has drainage holes.
- $\Rightarrow$  Avoid small containers. They often can't store enough water to get through hot days, so will need constant care. Large pots also insulate roots better.
- $\Rightarrow$  Clay pots are usually more attractive than plastic ones, but plastic pots retain moisture better. Consider a plastic pot inside a larger clay pot to get the best of both worlds!
- $\Rightarrow$  New, lightweight materials, such as fiberglass, plastic, or foam composites, make moving pots easier.
- $\Rightarrow$  Use soil-free potting mix; not only is it light, but the fluffy blend provides roots with more oxygen and nutrients.

## How to Plant in Containers

- To plant, place the container where you want your flower to grow. Be sure it receives enough sun.
- Add a one-inch layer of fine gravel, horticultural charcoal, or clay pot shards to the bottom of the container so that water doesn't collect.
- Fill the container 2/3 full with soil-free potting mix.
- With your hands, make a hole in the potting mix about the diameter of the pot.
- Knock the flower out of its pot, spread its roots slightly, and place it in the hole.
- Add more potting mix to bring the level up to 2 inches below the container top.
- Water gently, press the mix to reduce air pockets, add more mix if necessary, than water again.
- Feed container plants at least twice a month with liquid fertilizer, following the instructions on the label.
- Keep the planting medium moist. The container plant is totally at your mercy for water.
- As winter approaches in cold climates, you'll need to store the container flowers inside.



The Hooper Housing/Fremont Housing Monday, May 29 **OFFICE CLOSED** (FHA Office *windows* closed) Thursday, May 25

# **Memorial Day**

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Memorial Day 2023 will occur on Monday, May 29.

Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season.

## The Birthplace of Memorial Day and Early Observances

The Civil War, which ended in the spring of 1865, claimed more lives than any conflict in U.S. history and required the establishment of the country's first national cemeteries.

By the late 1860s, Americans in various towns and cities had begun holding springtime tributes to these countless fallen soldiers, decorating their graves with flowers and reciting prayers.

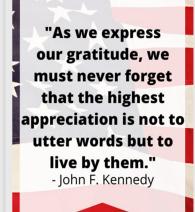
It is unclear where exactly this tradition originated; numerous different communities may have independently initiated the memorial gatherings. And some records show that one of the earliest Memorial Day commemorations was organized by a group of formerly enslaved people in Charleston, South Carolina less than a month after the Confederacy surrendered in 1865. Nevertheless, in 1966 the federal government declared Waterloo, New York, the official birthplace of Memorial Day.

Waterloo—which first celebrated the day on May 5, 1866—was chosen because it hosted an annual, community-wide event, during which businesses closed and residents decorated the graves of soldiers with flowers and flags.

Did you know? Each year on Memorial Day a national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00 p.m. local time.



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Call the Fremont Housing Office at 402-727-4848 to put in a WORK ORDER. You can also tell Office Staff on Tuesdays at the Hooper Office, 402-654-2229.

For Maintenance Emergencies ONLY! Call - Ed (Maintenance Supervisor) 402-720-1264 or Rita (Executive Director) 402-720-9643.

## **QUARTERLY** PEST CONTROL TREATMENT

February, May, August & November

The last Tuesday of the month, starting at 10:00 a.m. Be prepared for this visit to your apartment. Even if you are not at home the treatment will be done.

Remember to report anytime you suspect there is an issue.

Being proactive and catching things early is the way to successfully avoid or eliminate any issues.

Always have items moved out of the way to make it easier for the Pest Controller to move around your apartment and do his job! Keeping food and trash put away will help in preventing infestation. Thank you for your help!

Hooper Board Meeting Notice..... Wednesday, May 31, 2023 Public Meeting 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting will follow at 6:30 p.m. in the Parkview Apart-

ments Community Room

## **Outdoor Grilling Hand Safety Tips**

#### **USE GLOVES**

When turning food or removing items from the grill, always use potholders or insulated gloves to protect your hands from the heat. The flame could flare up without notice. Gloves will also protect your hands from hot skewers.

## LONG UTENSILS

Use long utensils that are meant for grilling when placing food on the grill, turning it, or removing it. Do not let your hand get too close to the flame.

## **AVOID WINDS**

Do not grill while there are high winds. The wind can cause the flame to jump which may burn your hands or start clothing on fire.

## **KEEP YOUR DISTANCE**

When measuring the temperature of the grill with your hand, keep your hand at a safe distance from the grates. Start by feeling the heat from a far distance and slowly bring your hand closer to the grill. DO NOT touch the grill!

**Hooper Office Hours** ——— **Tuesday** - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. ——— (closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.) <u>.</u>



A Time To Laugh.....

## The Birth Of A Military Tradition

At an Army camp in Biloxi, Mississippi, the newly appointed Commander is inspecting facilities.

As he's walking around the camp, he notices a soldier who appears to be guarding a bench on the side of the parade ground.

The Commander walks over and asks the soldier what he's doing.

"Sir! I'm guarding this bench. Sir!" the soldier responded, immediately and respectfully.

"Why, soldier?" the Commander inquired, slightly puzzled.

"Sir! The last Commander issued an order that this bench must be guarded at all times. Sir!" said the soldier.

"Yes, but why?" said the Commander, even more puzzled.

"Sir! It's a tradition. Sir!" said the soldier.

Now, this situation made the Commander really curious, but as he knew his predecessor well, he decided to call him.

"Hey Jim," said the Commander to his predecessor on the telephone. "When you were here in Biloxi, you issued an order for a bench on the parade ground to be guarded at all times. I was wondering why?"

"To be honest Mike, I'm not sure why," said the Commander's predecessor. "My predecessor had issued the same order and I just carried on with that tradition."

The Commander was a thorough man, and he decided he would get to the bottom of this story to establish the reason.

Conversations followed with six more of his predecessors until eventually, he got through to the man who had issued the original order.

He spoke on the telephone with a retired General, who was now in his 90s. "Sir, I'm Mike Gomez and I've recently been appointed Commander at Biloxi and I was wondering why you issued an order to place a guard by the bench on the parade ground, some 50 years ago?" said the Commander.

"What?" the old General responded, slightly puzzled. "Is the paint on that bench still wet?"

