

# Tropicana Village News



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December 2021

## LOT RENT INCREASE

Please be advised that lot rent will be increasing by **\$10** beginning **2/1/2022**. Our last rent increase was two years ago.

## MIND MANGLER

What is harder to catch the faster you run?

Send your answer to: [Tropicana Village MGR@outlook.com](mailto:Tropicana_Village_MGR@outlook.com) or call the office (636) 366-9009 by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. Winner will be drawn at random, and will receive \$50 rent credit. Must be current on rent to be eligible.

## WORDS FROM THE MANAGER

Dogs will be allowed outside on a leash or in their fenced yard if the owner is home, and cannot be left out overnight. We will not allow dogs to be left out to bark, or endure extreme heat or cold. Additionally, if your neighbor's dog is barking and the neighbor is not responding to the pet's needs, please call the police and then let us know. Remember, you are legally responsible for the behavior of your dog. Police will issue a summons for this offense. Additionally, please keep pet litter picked up. When walking your dog, keep a plastic bag available to dispose of your pet's litter.

## LARGE ITEM PICKUP

Large trash pickup is being done quarterly on the first Monday of each quarter. **The next scheduled pickup is January 3, 2022.** If you need a pickup outside of this, there will be an up-front cost of \$20 to be paid prior to scheduling the pickup. Alternately, you may contact Meridian Waste at 314-291-3131 to schedule a pickup directly from them. We can **no longer schedule pickups without advance payment.** If items not scheduled for pickup are left out in driveways or open lots, you will have **3 days** to remove the items prior to the issue being forwarded to the attorney.



December 25, 2021

## Fun Facts about Christmas



Christmas wasn't always on December 25<sup>th</sup>. There's no mention of December 25<sup>th</sup> in the Bible. In fact, many historians say Jesus was actually born in the spring.



The Dutch gave us the idea to leave cookies and milk. If your kids leave Santa a little snack, thank the Dutch. On St. Nicholas' feast day on Dec. 6, Dutch children would leave him food and drink to be exchanged for gifts overnight.



Hanging stockings started by accident. Legend has it we hang stockings by the chimney thanks to a poor man who didn't have enough money for his three daughters' dowries. Generous old St. Nick dropped a bag of gold down their chimney one night after the girls had hung their freshly-washed stockings there to dry. That's where the gold ended up, and the tradition stuck.



Black Friday isn't the busiest shopping day. Actually the most hectic days are actually the Friday and Saturday before Christmas.



Silent Night is the most recorded song. It has more than 733 different versions copyrighted since 1978.

Christmas  
Humor

What do Santa's elves learn in school?

*The elf-abet.*

## MOSCOW MILLS POLICE

Police Station Phone Number: 636-356-4612

Radio Dispatch Phone Number: 636-528-6100



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## HOME EXTERNAL APPEARANCE ISSUES

It is each tenant's responsibility to maintain their home and adjacent grounds in a neat and orderly fashion, pleasant in appearance and free of litter, debris and unsightly conditions. Clear your yard or deck of clutter (toys, broken items, trash, etc.). Additionally, there are homes with broken mini-blinds and sheets as curtains. This is unacceptable. Some homes also have mold on the siding, which is unsightly and needs to be cleaned. In addition there are homes with missing/fallen skirting, fallen guttering, and missing/broken shed doors. A few notices have been sent out to let you know what needs to be corrected. Please take a look at your home and correct anything that needs attention. Thank you for your cooperation.

## WINTERIZE

Make sure your heat tape is plugged in and working to keep your pipes from freezing. If you do have frozen pipes, please exercise caution. **Propane torches or an open flame can ignite flooring and other materials around pipes.** Use a hair dryer to thaw frozen pipes. Pipes that warm too quickly can burst. Make sure the taps are open while the pipes are heated in order to remove all the ice from the system once the main blockage is eliminated. There is a greater chance the main supply pipe will freeze at the point where it enters your home. Apply heat directly to that pipe from the point where it leaves the ground to where it enters your home.

## CONTEST RULES

You can only win a contest once in a calendar year. Example, if you win a contest in 2021 you cannot win another one until 2022. This includes yard decorating contests. This is done to spread the wealth and give more a chance to win. Also you cannot win if your account is not current or you have rule violations.

## WIN A FREE MONTH'S RENT!

Best decorated for Christmas!



## PETS

According to your lease pets have to be approved by management. Size and breed restrictions apply. Make sure your pet is approved. Additionally a city license is required. All Moscow Mills city ordinances must be followed, in addition to the rules set forth by Tropicana Village.

## Recipe Corner

### Caramel Corn



Ingredients:

7 cups plain popped popcorn  
2 cups dry roasted peanuts (optional)  
2 cups brown sugar  
½ cup light corn syrup  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup margarine  
½ teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Instructions:

1. Place the popped popcorn into two shallow greased baking pans. Add the peanuts to each pan (if using).
2. Preheat the oven to 250 degrees F. Combine brown sugar, corn syrup, margarine and salt in a saucepan. Bring to boil over medium heat, stirring enough to blend. Boil for 5 minutes, stirring constantly.
3. Remove from heat and stir in baking soda and vanilla. Mixture will be foamy. Immediately pour over popcorn in the pans, and stir to coat.
4. Bake for 1 hour, removing the pans and giving them each a good stir every 15 minutes. Line the counter with waxed paper and dump the corn out onto the waxed paper, and separate the pieces. Allow to cool completely. Store in airtight containers.

Yield: 28 servings

Prep time: 15 minutes

Total time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Recipe source:

<https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/74950/my-amish-friends-caramel-corn/>

# CLASSIFIEDS

Tropicana Owner's Address:  
4884 Mette Road  
Moscow Mills, MO 63362

## VEHICLES, TRAILERS, BOATS AND CAMPERS

Trailers, boats and campers are not permitted to be parked in the driveway for more than **one (1) day**. All boats, trailers, campers or unlicensed vehicles can be stored at the parking facility for a monthly fee.

Vehicles parked in the community must be kept in operable condition and have **current tags/registration**. If you are restoring or repairing a vehicle, you must keep it elsewhere. A derelict vehicle is one that is in wrecked, dismantled or inoperable condition, or lacking current tags and registration. If you have such a vehicle or receive a letter from management, please repair, register or remove the vehicle from the property immediately. Failure to do so may result the vehicle being towed and impounded at the owner's expense. Repeated violations can result in eviction. Covering the vehicle is not an acceptable solution!

## MIND MANGLER WINNER

November Winner: Jim Heine, 256 West Port Au Prince

Congratulations on \$50 off rent!

Last month's answer: A Casket.

### All Climate Heating & Cooling

Tom  
636-978-1283  
636-248-4085  
Reasonable Rates

### Arco Mobile Home Parts & Supplies

101 Arco Drive  
St. Charles  
636-947-4111

### Complete Mobile Home Parts & Service

2549 N. Hwy. 61  
573-384-6216

### Evans Guttering, LLC

Reggie Evans  
636-668-8205  
314-267-6873

### Excalibur Manufactured Housing Services

Damon Fravell  
636-566-6583

### Farm Bureau Insurance

Sandy Glass  
636-356-1520

### Grass Cutting

Jerry  
Cut & Trim for \$20-\$25  
636-734-0302

### The Home Specialist

Michael Reed  
636-728-8237

### Warren County Pest Control

"Ridding the world of bugs one house at a time."  
636-456-1408

## BEST KEPT YARD WINNERS

### 2021 Winners

**JAN** Dominic & Sharon Gentile  
145 West Port Au Prince

**FEB** Francis Mills  
1485 Trinidad

**MAR** Thomas & Mary Nowak  
323 Tabago

**APR** Richard Blanchard  
271 West Port Au Prince

**MAY** Tammy & Joe Koster  
283 West Port Au Prince

**JUN** Linda Austin  
163 West Port Au Prince

**JUL** Brenda Ambrose  
425 Tabago Lane

**AUG** Deborah Ingram  
85 West Port Au Prince

**SEP** Patricia Toomey  
1389 Trinidad

**OCT** Michael Eads  
1470 Trinidad Lane

**NOV** John Richardson  
43 West Port Au Prince

If you have a business you'd like to add to the classified section, please contact the office.

#### Reminders:

- Contact Moscow Mills City Hall at 636-356-4220 for shed permits
- Suspicious activity, trespassing, or property damage should be reported to the Moscow Mills Police department at 636-528-6100 (non emergency number available 24 hours per day). Remember to dial 9-1-1 in the case of an emergency