



Tropicana Village News

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LOT RENT INCREASE

Lot rent increased by \$10 on 02/01/2022. Please be sure that you are paying the appropriate lot rent.

MIND MANGLER

A man was taking a walk outside when it started to rain. The man didn't have an umbrella, and he wasn't wearing a hat. His clothes got soaked, yet not a single hair on his head got wet. How could this happen?

Send your answer to: Tropicana_Village_MGR@outlook.com or call the office (636) 366-9009 by the 10th 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

I have noticed a lot of home maintenance issues this winter but taking the below freezing temperatures into consideration, I did not send out any maintenance letters concerning these issues. Now that the weather is getting better, please take care of any maintenance on your home, such as missing or fallen skirting, fallen guttering, and missing or broken doors on sheds.

Beginning in March, I will be going around the community and looking for repairs that need to be done on decks, sheds and other home maintenance items including staining and painting. I understand that not everyone has the time and money to keep their homes and yards in top shape but even if your yard is simply picked up, mowed, trimmed and basic maintenance kept up, it makes such a nice difference.

Thanks, in advance, for your help and consideration.

GET THE NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

We now offer the **newsletter delivered to your email**. If you'd like to sign up, please send your email address to: tropicana.newsletters@gmail.com and we will happily email each issue to you. We will not share your email address with others, nor will we send you any spam.



March 17, 2022

Fun Facts about St. Patrick's Day



St. Patrick was actually born in Britain (not Ireland). At age 16 he was kidnapped by Irish raiders and sold as a slave to a Celtic Priest in Northern Ireland. He worked as a shepherd for six years and then escaped back to Britain. He eventually returned to Ireland as a Christian missionary.



Leprechauns are likely based on Celtic fairies. The original Irish name for them is "lobaircin," meaning small-bodied fellow. Celtic people believed fairies could use their magical powers to serve good or evil. In Celtic folktales, leprechauns were cranky souls, responsible for mending the shoes of the other fairies.



The shamrock has been associated with Ireland for centuries. It was called "seamroy" by the Celts and was considered a sacred plant that symbolized the arrival of spring. Legend has it that St. Patrick also used the shamrock as a visual guide when explaining the Holy Trinity.



The first St. Patrick's Day parade was actually held in America. It was held on March 17, 1601 in a Spanish colony in what is now known as St. Augustine, Florida.



Corned beef and cabbage was an American innovation. While ham and cabbage were eaten in Ireland, corned beef offered a cheaper substitute for poor immigrants.

St. Patrick's Day Humor

Why do leprechauns hate running?

They'd rather jig than jog!

MOSCOW MILLS POLICE

Police Station Phone Number: 636-356-4612
Radio Dispatch Phone Number: 636-528-6100



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STRAY CATS

Remember **do not feed** stray cats or any wild animals. While it may seem like a nice thing to do, it causes issues with overpopulation and un-healthy, suffering animals. When people feed stray cats they increase in population and the neighborhood becomes over-run with diseased, flea-ridden animals that can carry parasites to yours or your neighbor's pets. Additionally, in an effort to stay warm, cats can burrow underneath your home and in the process tear up the underpinning. This can result in higher utility bills due to heat/cooling loss. It also leaves room for varmints to get underneath your home and chew on wiring, cause foul odors, etc. We need to discourage stray animals from "moving in" in any way we can.

BUILDING PERMITS

The City of Moscow Mills requires residents to obtain a building permit when installing permanent structures such as decks and sheds. If you have any questions, please call City Hall at 636-356-4220.

TEN WAYS TO BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

1. Welcome new neighbors with an introductory note or a friendly chat.
2. Maintain the area around your home so that it's neat and attractive.
3. Be conscientious about noises that might disturb your neighbors, such as vacuum cleaners, music, loud talk and barking dogs.
4. End parties at a reasonable hour. While you're at it, invite your neighbors to come too!
5. Return anything that you borrow from your neighbor, such as tools or appliances, as soon as possible. Express your gratitude when you do so.
6. Replace anything that belongs to your neighbor that you, your children, or your pets break or soil.
7. Respect your neighbor's privacy.
8. Offer to collect mail, water plants and watch pets while your neighbors are away on a trip.
9. Invite your neighbor for a leisurely cup of coffee to discuss any problems you may have, or to share good news.
10. Throw a block party once a year on a weekend or holiday to socialize with your neighbors.

KEEP TROPICANA VILLAGE CLEAN

What can you do to support a litter-free community? When you are out walking, pick up pieces of litter and dispose of them in a garbage receptacle. Always put your trash in a garbage receptacle. If one isn't readily available, hold on to your garbage until you find somewhere to dispose of it. Put your garbage out for collection as close to pickup time as possible. Set a good example! Don't be a litterbug. Inform others of the negative aspects of littering.

Recipe Corner

Corned Beef & Cabbage



Ingredients:

- 3 pounds corned beef brisket with spice packet
- 10 small red potatoes
- 5 carrots, peeled and cut into 3-inch pieces
- 1 large head cabbage, cut into small wedges

Instructions:

1. Place corned beef in large pot or Dutch oven and cover with water. Add the spice packet that came with the corned beef. Cover pot and bring to a boil, then reduce to a simmer. Simmer approximately 50 minutes per pound.
2. Add whole potatoes and carrots, and cook until almost tender. Add cabbage and cook for 15 more minutes. Remove meat and let rest for 15 minutes.
3. Place vegetables in a bowl and cover. Add as much broth as you want. Slice meat across the grain.

Yield: 5 serving

Prep time: 10 minutes

Total time: 2 hours 35 minutes

Recipe source:

<https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/16310/corned-beef-and-cabbage-i/>



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UNLICENSED/DERELICT VEHICLES

Vehicles parked on private property must be kept in operable condition and have current tags and registration. If you are restoring or repairing a vehicle, you must keep it in storage. A derelict vehicle is one that is in wrecked, dismantled, or inoperable condition, or lacking current tags and registration.

If you have these or receive a letter from management for unlicensed/derelict vehicles, please repair, register, or remove them from the property immediately or you will be subject to eviction. **Covering the vehicle is NOT permissible.**

PET COMPLAINTS

Don't leave your dog out unattended to bark or run loose in the neighborhood. No one likes to step in animal litter or have their plants and grass die because of damage done by pets. Please keep your pet litter picked up. When walking your dog, it is advisable to keep a plastic bag with you to properly dispose of pet litter. Also, do your best to keep your pet in your yard and out of other people's yards. **If pet complaints continue you will be asked to get rid of your pet.** Please care after your pets. Thank you!

PARKING RULES

Buses, totes, dump trucks, tractor trucks, large box or flatbed trucks are not permitted to park in any driveways in Tropicana Village. Boats, trailers and campers are not permitted in the driveway for more than one (1) day. All vehicles must have current state license displayed. All boats, trailers, campers or unlicensed vehicles may be stored at the parking facility for a monthly fee.

SPEED LIMIT REMINDER

The speed limit in Tropicana Village is 15 MPH with the exception of Tropicana Village Drive which is 20 MPH. There have been numerous complaints regarding speeders. Please obey the posted speed limit and all stop signs in the community. There are approximately **200 children** here – please drive carefully!

LOUD MUSIC

There have been several complaints about loud music and bass from vehicles at night. Please turn down your radios before you enter the community. Please tell your guests to do the same, as you are responsible for their behavior. Loud activity, partying, yelling and racing engines in the late hours have also been a complaint. Please be considerate of your neighbors and keep the noise down.

Classifieds have moved to the Tropicana Village website at:

<https://tropicnavillage.com/classifieds>

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

MIND MANGLER WINNER

February Winner: None

Last month's answer: Tea

BEST KEPT YARD WINNERS

2022 Winners

JAN Donna Rodgers
720 Tropicana Village Dr.
FEB Peter Gentile
132 West Port Au Prince