# **Swatara Shores Community News**

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**Checks** must be written to **Rent A Lot**, not A. Hunter. Rental payments can be made online at: www.ahunter.com

# **Heat Tape**

With cooler weather approaching, it is imperative that you make sure your heat tape is on and working. Heat tape is the tape that wraps around the pipes under your home to prevent them from freezing. Just because the light is on doesn't mean that the heat tape is working. It must be warm to the touch. Every year, when the temperatures drop below freezing, we begin getting emergency calls that residents have no water. 99.9% of the time the water is fine, the resident has not installed heat tape or has not ensured it is working properly.

If your lines freeze, it is very time consuming to thaw them. We have seen tenants with hairdryers under their homes trying to dethaw their lines. It's cold and uncomfortable and avoidable! In addition, it can be costly. Frozen lines can crack. If your lines crack, you will have the expense of replacing the water lines under your home. You also risk freezing and cracking the water meter. (The cost to install a new water meter is around \$400.) The very simple step of installing heat tape and making sure it is warm to the touch when you turn it on can save you a lot of headaches such as; avoiding freezing lines, being outside in freezing temps dethawing your lines, and the expense of replacing lines or the meter. If you are unable to install or check your heat tape, we recommend contacting a plumber to have it done.

#### **Insurance Required**

Your lease requires you to carry liability insurance and homeowners insurance on your home. This insurance would cover any damages to your home and/or injuries that happen inside your home. Effective January 1, 2022, you need to provide the office with proof of your insurance. We will need that every January.

#### **Rent Reminder**

Rent is due on the 1st day of the month.

To avoid late fees, please make sure your rent is paid on time.

#### **Snow Removal**

When it snows, please keep streets free of vehicles so the plows can get through. Please remember that you are responsible for your driveway and sidewalk snow removal.

## **A Doggone Problem**

We continue to receive complaints about dog feces and dogs running loose in the community.



Please be considerate of your neighbors: leash your dog and clean up after your dog. If you do not clean up your dog's feces, you risk losing your dog.



### Are you selling your home?

Please remember if you are going to sell your home, and the home will remain in the community after the sale, **the** 



buyer must be approved as a resident of this community. You are legally the responsible resident until a new resident is approved or the home is removed from the community. If you sell your home and the buyer is not approved, but moves into the community, your buyer is an unauthorized occupant that can be removed from the community. Knowing this and selling your home without having the buyer contact us to get approval, can result in the buyer coming back after you if he is not approved to live in the community. Please remember, anyone wanting to purchase your home, should be completing an application before you have settlement on the house. We can email you an application or you can find an application online, on our website: www.ahunter.com

## **Office Holiday Hours**

The A. Hunter office will be closed on the following dates so our staff can enjoy the holidays with their families. We are always available for emergencies.

#### Thanksgiving:

Open: Wednesday, November 23rd, 9am - Noon Closed: November 24th and 25th

#### **Christmas**:

Closed: December 23rd - 26th

#### **New Year's:**

Closed: December 30th - January 1st

# **Find Your Dream Home**

















#### A. Hunter Homes is now selling homes.

New homes are reasonably priced and are available within a few weeks. They are built to high standards, have open floor plans, and have options like never before. Each model can be customized to suit you.

Call A. Hunter and let us help you move in to your brand new *home*.

Call A. Hunter Homes at 717 274-2104



#### **Do Not Feed Stray Cats**

Please don't feed feral cats in the community! You may think you are helping, but **feeding stray cats hurts them**. Feeding causes a bunch of cats to congregate in one area and become dependent on human feeding. An increase of cats in one area causes an increase in breeding, they fight, they quickly spread disease between each other, they can damage property, and the population grows too large to feed. Please do not feed stray cats.

#### **Check Us Out:**

on Facebook

A. Hunter Property Management, Inc. and A. Hunter Homes

on Our Website:

www.ahunter.com

# Community Notices and Items for Sale

This is your section. Please email us anything you would like advertised in your newsletter.

Email: ahunternewsletter@yahoo.com.

Submission dates are as follows: Winter Newsletter: November 20th

Spring Newsletter: February 5th

#### **Vacant Lot Available**

#### 140 Eby Lane, Middletown, PA

Bring your approved existing home or call us and let us help you design your dream home. Rent: \$408 per month. Security Deposit \$408. Water billed monthly based on usage. Sewer is a flat fee of \$25 per month. Pets: \$10 for 1 dog and \$15 for 1 cat. Electric not included, but provided by Met Ed 1-800-545-7741. Trash removal service is included.

Visit ahunter.com/communities for details or call us at 717 274-2104.



#### **Pay it Forward this Holiday Season**

- 1. Buy coffee for the person behind you in line.
- 2. Compliment the first three people you talk to today.
- 3. Send a positive text message to five different people.
- 4. Post inspirational sticky notes around your neighborhood, office, school, etc.
- 5. Donate old towels or blankets to an animal shelter.
- 6. Surprise a neighbor with freshly baked cookies or treats!
- 7. Leave quarters at the laundromat.
- 8. Leave a note on someone's car telling them you wish them an amazing day.
- 9. Write a kind message on your mirror with a dry erase marker for yourself or a family member.
- 10. Set an alarm on your phone to go off at three different times during the day. In those moments, do something kind for someone else.
- 11. Send a gratitude email to a coworker who deserves more recognition.
- 12. Know parents who could use a night out? Offer to babysit for free.
- 13. Return shopping carts for people at the grocery store.
- 14. While you're out, compliment a parent on how well-behaved their child is.
- 15. Leave a kind server the biggest tip you can afford.
- 16. Purchase extra dog or cat food and bring it to an animal shelter.
- 17. Send a 'Thank you' card or note to the officers at your local police or fire station.
- 18. Leave a box of treats in the mailbox for your mail carrier.
- 19. Tape coins around a playground for kids to find.
- 20. Email or write to a former teacher who made a difference in your life.

# Fall Family Bucket Sixt



Rake the leaves and then jump in them!



Go to a pumpkin patch



Go to a football game



Or tailgate at home!



Go apple picking



And then bake an apple pie or caramel apples



Go to a corn maze



Bake and decorate Fall themed cookies



Carve a pumpkin



Drink apple cider



Go on a nature walk



And collect leaves for a Fall themed craft



Go to a costume store



Have a Halloween themed movie night



Halloween Mani/Pedis



Go trick or treating



Eat and drink pumpkin everything!



Make yummy soups in the crockpot



Burn Fall themed candles



Give thanks for all of our blessings!



#### Quiche

Assuming you are using premade pie crust: Put in plate, prick with fork, line with foil and fill with dried beans or pie weights. (Bake at 375 for 10 minutes. Serves 8

#### Filling Ingredients:

- 8 strips of lean bacon cooked and crumbled (or turkey, ham, chicken, asparagus, broccoli, etc)
- 4 large eggs
- 1 ½ cups half-and-half
- ¼ teaspoon dried leaf thyme (for bacon, chicken or ham filling)
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese (or your favorite)

#### Instructions:

- In a small bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, thyme and pepper.
- Crumble bacon over top with the shredded cheese.
- Bake at 375 for about 30 minutes or until quiche filling is set and top is lightly browned (or toothpick comes out clean).

\*Tip: My children love ham and broccoli quiche. I make 2 (double the recipe) so we can enjoy the leftovers for a quick & easy breakfast.



# **Holiday Party Mix**

Ingredients: (Serves 8)

- 5 cups rice square cereal (chex mix)
- 5 cups cheerios
- 2 cups peanuts, cashews, or walnuts
- 1 lb m&m's
- 1 bag small pretzels (10oz)
- 2 bags of white chocolate chips
- 2 tablespoons of oil

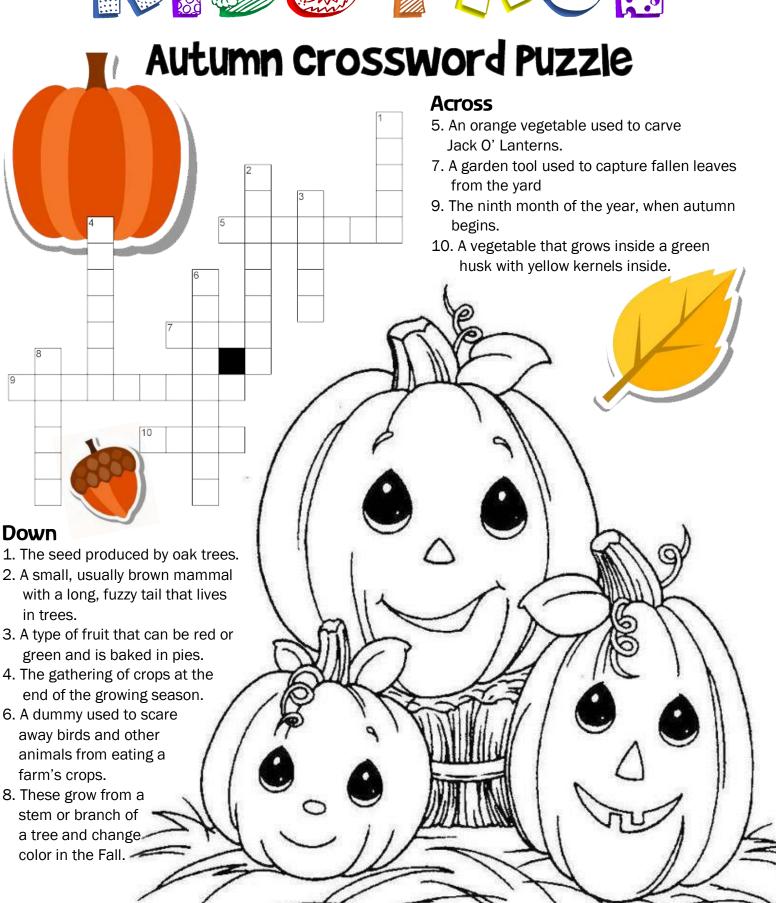
#### Instructions:

- Mix chex mix, cheerios, nuts, m&m's and pretzels in a large bowl.
- Melt vanilla chips and oil in a pan.
- Pour vanilla mixture over the other ingredients.
   Stir well, but gently.
- Place on cookie sheet to harden.
- When cool, break up and store in a sealed tin or glassware. Plastic containers not recommended.









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