



The Tide Mill Bulletin

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Quick Tips ~ Proper Hot Ash Disposal

It may be well known around the community already that there was a large dumpster fire in front of our 706 building. Luckily, no one was hurt, nor was any resident's home affected. The reason for this fire was due to improper ash disposal, though, even the simplest lit cigarette could have caused the same disaster.

Accidents will happen, however, it is very important to understand how to properly dispose of your hot ash, cigarette butts, and any other hot item. This information may also be found in your welcome packet received at move in.

When it comes to your fireplace, hot coals are often concealed in a bed of ashes. Therefore, ashes should never be emptied directly into the dumpsters, sacks or cardboard boxes, nor should they be stored on balconies or porches since the wind and weather can potentially affect the ash storage.

Placing ashes into a metal container and dumping cold water over them, aids in their rapid cool down, however, make sure they are cold before disposing of them entirely.



The same goes for cigarette butts. Earlier this year, we also encountered a small fire in the mulch of our garden beds from a partially lit cigarette butt. Again, luck was on our side and we caught the problem quickly and devastation was avoided. Eight homes could have potentially caught fire based off this careless act.

Thus, we cannot stress enough the importance of properly disposing of your ash and cigarette butts, as well as the fines we associate with violators of our policy.

Please feel free to contact us should you have any additional questions regarding this matter.

Happy New Year!



We hope you had a fantastic holiday with friends and family! Whether you have been with us for a while or just recently moved in, we would like to thank you for being a valued neighbor in our community. We are looking forward to another exciting year with you at Tide Mill in 2017.

This is just a reminder that you may pay your rent online, without additional service fees, by visiting:

www.tidemillapartments.com

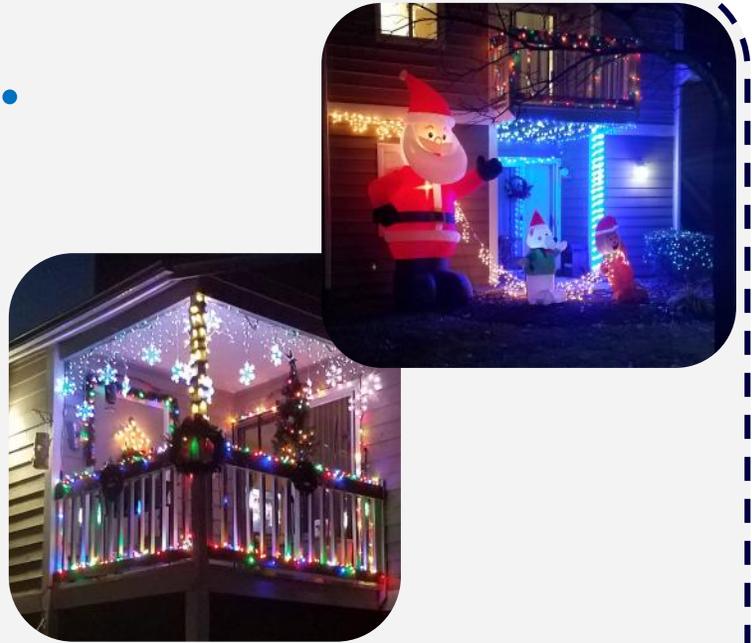
We look forward to seeing each and everyone of you in the coming year!

And the Winner is...

What another year of wonderful holiday decorations. With so many beautifully lit up balconies and patios we could not come to just one winner. So to make it more fun, we picked 2 winners.

Without a doubt the Harbolds have outdone themselves again, however, they have won in the last 3 years. So to be fair, we chose two other winners this year. We had a tie between two lovely lit up patios/balconies. Between Amy, and Justin, their spaces were fighting for a win with their beautiful lights and other festive decorations.

With so many participants and such amazing decorations, it was very difficult to come to a decision. We had several honorable mentions including all the



adorable inflatables and other colorful lights hanging in patios and balconies throughout the community! Congratulations everyone and we hope to see these beautiful decorations again next year!

You may view your prizes on your Resident Portal. Keep up the wonderful work and holiday spirit!

Adopt Me!



Adoption of the Month: Muk

Muk is a 3 month old, Neutered male, Labrador mix.

He is a super sweet and playful puppy, and will give a lifetime of love to a special home. Like all babies, Muk will need training. .

For more information on all animals at the shelter, please feel free to visit:

www.wicomicohumane.org

Tips to Keeping Resolutions

It's that time of year again! A new year, could mean a new you. Many set resolutions for themselves with good intentions, but with no follow through.

Here are some tips from the American Psychology Association for sticking with those new year goals:

1. **Start small.** Replace dessert first, don't cancel meals.
2. **Change one behavior at a time.** Too much change too quickly is hard to manage.
3. **Talk about it.** Share your experience with family and friends.
4. **Don't beat yourself up.** Change is hard work. If you miss the gym today, go tomorrow.
5. **Ask for support.** Ask a friend to start meeting you at the gym or a co-worker to go for a walk on lunch break.

