

COMMUNITY NEWS
CANDLEWOOD PARK
AUGUST 2022



Current Events for August 2020

- 1st Homemade Pie Day
- 3rd National Watermelon Day
- 6th National Wiggle your Toes Day
- 8th National Pickleball Day
- 13th International Lefthanders Day
- 21st Give a dog a bone week
- 25 National Burger Day
- 26th National toilet Paper Day
- 30th National Beach Day

Happy Birthday

To all residents who are celebrating
a August Birthday.....

We hope you have
A great one!

Sorry to Say the Well is too low for tenants to use. Only the park will be watering at night, well will be trying to recover during the day. So, Please turn off all outside irrigation spigots.

How to Save Water in your Garden

1. Water your Garden in the morning.

Early morning there is less evaporation, and plants can utilize the moisture for afternoon heat. Leaves will be dry going into the evening preventing fungal disease on foliage.

2. Mulch, Mulch, Mulch,

Up to 70% of water can evaporate from the soil in a hot day if you don't have mulch as a protective layer on top. Mulch is one of the best moisture holding strategies.

3. Water- wise pot choice

Terracotta plant pots are very porous and do not hold moisture for you plants very long. Glazed or plastic pots will hold moisture longer

MANAGER'S CORNER:

Can't believe its August already! Where did the summer go? Where did the well water go? Hopefully we will have a good rainy, snowy (mountains) winter so, we have well water next year. I was looking online and there are many beautiful drought resistant plants out there for if the water situation doesn't improve.
FYI: We have installed cameras at the office, park shed and the compactor. Sometimes we have some shady characters that wonder through the park. The camera's make me feel better, Hope you do too..
Everyone is doing great at the free shed. Just one reminder, please don't put anything there that no one would want or if its broken. Please take your broken things to the dump yourself. With this warm weather remember to watch for tenants and their pets walking on the road ways, keep it to the speed limit please!.

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WHAT A GREAT TIME WE HAD AT THE 4TH OF JULY PICNIC. If you missed it, you missed a lot of good food, great friends and LET'S not forget that great MUSIC by our own PK Hallinan. A Big Thank You from us for all that showed up to the picnic. Let's do it again for Labor Day. What do you think???? Pot Luck.

August 21st is Senior Citizen's Day "For all they have achieved throughout life and for all they continue to accomplish, we owe older citizens our thanks and a heartfelt salute. We can best demonstrate our gratitude and esteem by making sure that our communities are good places in which to mature and grow older." --President Ronald



Preventing dehydration in your pets In hot weather, your dog can overheat very easily, causing heat stroke. Be sure to always have fresh cool water available for them. If you take your pet out playing, you must not forget to bring along a jug of water, not only for yourself, but for your dog, too. They make some really neat water containers that can strap right onto your pets back, making it possible for them to carry their own water supply.

Never leave your dog or cat in the car on hot days, because they can overheat extremely quickly. Be sure your cats have plenty of fresh clean water, too. Providing a drinking fountain with running water or adding a couple ice cubes to the water bowl will sometimes encourage them to drink more water.

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Reminder to Dog Owners in the Community

Most of the dog owners in our community are responsible dog parents, we appreciate your care of your dog, your lot and the community. For all who are not so careful, please read this article and follow the community guidelines so everyone can enjoy their life here at Candlewood Park. **4 REASONS WHY YOU NEED TO PICKUP YOUR DOG'S POOP** Responsible dog owners pick up after their pets in public places. However, there are times when owners neglect to pick up their dog's waste, perhaps they are in a rush, don't have poop bags, or they don't see why it's so important. And because of this, you've probably stepped in more than your share of undisposed dog poop. Chances are you've stepped in dog poop and not even been aware of it until you smell it wafting through your car. This is just one of many reasons why it is so important to clean up after your dog.

1. IT WILL NOT BREAKDOWN ON ITS OWN If you believe that dog poop will break down or just wash away, you're wrong. Dog waste can take up to 12 months to fully break down. Plus, when rainwater washes over dog poop, it flows into the drainage systems. Then the contaminated water is carried into lakes, streams, and rivers. What this means is the next time you go swimming in your favorite spot, you could be swimming in fecal water. Studies have shown that up to 30% of bacteria found in watersheds come from pet waste! According to livescience.com America's 83 million pet dogs produce about 10.6 million tons of poop every year!

2. DISEASE-CAUSING BACTERIA AND PARASITES The parasites and bacteria in dog waste can spread disease to other dogs and even you if not properly picked up. E. coli and salmonella are some of the bacteria which are carried in dog waste. Even if your dog does not show symptoms of being sick their waste can carry diseases that are harmful to humans and other pets. Plus, Coronavirus, Giardiasis, Parvovirus, Cryptosporidiosis, Salmonellosis, and Campylobacteriosis, along with several types of worms like ringworm and tapeworm. The parasites and bacteria can stay in the soil for years. By not picking up after your dog, you're putting other people's pets at risk for exposure to harmful bacteria. Children who play outside and gardeners are at the most risk for contamination. This harmful bacteria also affects water quality. There are nutrients and pathogens that can pollute the water if the poop is not disposed of correctly. When your furry best friend does his business and the waste ends up in the water, it decomposes and releases harmful nutrients that will cause excessive growth of algae and weeds in the water. The water will become smelly and unusable for locals to swim, fish, or boat in. When water is polluted with this kind of waste it can cause severe illness for humans. You should avoid letting your dog poop within 200 feet of a body of water and remember to never throw dog waste into a storm drain.

3. IT'S COMMON COURTESY TO PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG Picking up after your dog is not only common courtesy but your duty as a pet owner. When feces is left lying in yards, grassy areas, parks, and even the sidewalk the smell can quickly become overwhelming! **IT STINKS!** When you take your dog for a walk away from your home, you are entering public property. Because you own your dog, what waste your dog makes is your responsibility to pick up. It is even the law to clean up after your pet in some urban and suburban areas. Plus, it's just good manners. While it may be convenient to re-use plastic grocery bags, a more environmentally-friendly option is biodegradable baggies made specifically for the job.

4. DOG POOP IS NOT A FERTILIZER If you think, as many people do, that dog waste is a natural fertilizer, think again. Since most dogs' diets are high in protein, it has the reverse effect of fertilizer. Dog poop is exceptionally high in nitrogen and phosphorus, so if you let your dog's waste lay in your grass, it can actually cause burns in your lawn. Since it's so acidic, it will kill your grass if it isn't picked up. Dog waste isn't the same as cow manure since cows eat plant matter. While cow poop can be used as compost in gardens and fields. In fact, dog poop can contaminate fruits, vegetables, and surrounding areas with harmful bacteria if not composted properly. You might think that your dog's poop cannot do much harm. However, it can throw off the balance of an ecosystem especially in heavily populated areas. An ecosystem can handle about two dogs per square mile. However, in many cities, there are close to 125 dogs per square mile! Which is plenty to throw off an ecosystem especially if some owners are not picking up pet waste on a regular basis.

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