

YOUR MANAGERS' REPORT

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The Worth Ross Tenant Newsletter Service



*Have A Safe
& Happy
Fourth of July
from*

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Summer Means...

Summer signals fun and making changes in your residence after winter. Here are a few tips to help you enjoy the warmer months in your residence.

Summer means changing outside maintenance

The cold weather is over and now it is time to make certain the following are ready for summer:

- Hot weather means adjusting sprinkler/irrigation controls to ensure there is plenty of water. It does not take plants long to die in the summer heat.
- However, watering can promote weeds and flowerbeds will need more attention.
- In addition, lawns will need increased water, fertilizer, and mowing.
- Promptly clean up all food or spills to avoid unwanted pests such as ants and mice.
- Secure garbage cans since heat can promote smells that are more inviting to foraging animals.
- Avoid putting too much raw food in your garbage can until it is time for pick up to avoid other pest, animal, and odor problems.

Summer often means going on vacation

When going on vacation, there are many things to consider before leaving. The following column has some items to check before leaving:

- If going out of town for an extended period, please notify your property manager of how long you will be gone, and supply an emergency telephone number. Then should any problems arise concerning your residence, there is someone to contact.
- Check your rent payment to ensure it will not become delinquent. It would be a sad thing to come home to a late notice and charges.
- Notify all necessary parties such as your next-door neighbors, the paper delivery person, the post office or any related service people. By doing so, you will avoid any panic that something is wrong.
- Select someone to pick up items on your doorstep to avoid giving signals to dishonest people.
- If leaving a vehicle in the driveway, remove any valuables and garage door openers that can be stolen, giving access to your home.
- Avoid leaving a message on your answering device telling people you are out of town and for how long.
- Since windows are often opened during warm months for more air, be sure to check all windows, window locks, and doors before leaving. If you have an alarm, be

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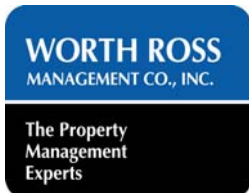
Report Your Maintenance On The Internet!

Did You Know?

Did you know that you could report your maintenance on our updated Web Site? It's easy, just go to www.worthross.com and choose Resident Information, and then, Maintenance Form. Just fill in each item, tabbing from one to another, and send. We will send a confirmation e-mail to you.

Know someone who is looking for a home?

Know a homeowner who would like to rent out their home? Refer them to us and we will reward you. We just need a name and telephone number of the person you are referring, or simply have them mention your name when they call us. Call, fax, or send us an e-mail to earn your reward today.



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- sure to set it.
- Check that all appliances are turned off, large and small, such as stove burners, coffee pots, irons, curling irons, etc. Turn your water heater to low or "vacation" setting, but do not turn off the water heater - this could cause damage
 - Anything else living in your house besides you, such as plants or pets? Then be sure to water plants and have someone take care of your animals. Do not leave pets in the residence unless a reliable person is going to care for them daily.

Summer means celebrations, such as the Fourth of July

Enjoy the celebration, but if participating, take the following precautions to prevent a home disaster:

- Do not use illegal, dangerous, or explosive devices.
- Only buy legal fireworks and check where they can be used.
- Use common sense safety rules with fireworks.
- Do not use fireworks in or around your residence.
- Keep all fireworks away from any dry grass, trees, or roofs.

Have fun, but above all, have a safe and happy summer!