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Neighborhood Events

Over the next few weeks there are several neighborhood events going on that you may be interested in participating in.

This Thursday, September 15, from 6:30-8:30, at the Linwood Recreation Center (at Victoria and St.Clair) there is going to be a **public meeting** to get input from residents and businesses **on ways to improve parking along and near Grand Ave.**

<http://www.summithillassociation.org/Committees/framework.php>

The Summit Hill neighborhood garage sale is Saturday Oct. 1st. There will be lots of garage sales throughout the neighborhood.

You can **be more involved in the community** by running for the neighborhood board of directors. Anyone who lives in the neighborhood, especially renters, are eligible to be on the Summit Hill Association 21-member board. **Contact Jeff at 651-222-1222** for more information. **Elections** are going to be held the evening of **October 11th** at the Linwood Recreation Center.

Saturday, October 29 is the Grand Avenue Boo Bash! There will trick-or-treating, fall food samples, costume contests, pumpkin patch, harvest picture taking., sidewalk sales and more.

Current Availabilities

We just had a **3 bedroom apartment** come available for November at 657 Grand Ave.

The rent is \$1,440/month and includes heat, water, trash, and off-street parking for 2 cars. The security deposit is \$1,440. One year lease.

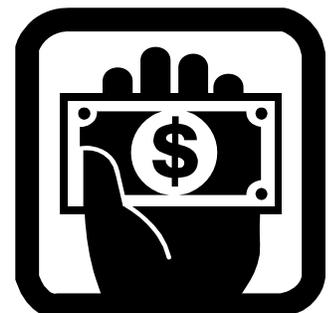
The apartment is over 1,500 square feet with: 3 bedrooms, living room, dining room, kitchen, sunroom, 2 bathrooms, and a balcony on Grand Avenue. The apartment has hardwood floors, ceiling fans, built-in buffets, and great woodwork.

Call Chad to set up a time to see the apartment.

Remember that current residents are allowed to transfer to another apartment. Also if you refer someone who rents this apartment you will receive \$100 off your next months rent, and they will receive \$100 off their first months rent.

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Walk Thrus

In the next month we will be walking thru apartments. Some of the main things we check are smoke detectors and plumbing. We will be sending out a letter to each building letting them know when we will be walking thru apartments.

As always if you have any maintenance concerns let us know via

- 1) the maintenance request box in the laundry room
- 2) email:
maintenance@skallys.com
- 3) 651-298-1188

Safety Tip

Don't wait for a fire in your apartment to test your smoke detector ... Do it now: test it, replace its batteries, and sleep with peace of mind.

Every year in the United States, approximately 5,000 people are killed by residential fires. Most fire victims die from inhalation of smoke and toxic gases, not as a result of burns. Most deaths and injuries occur in fires that happen at night while the victims are asleep.



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How to be a good Neighbor

Living in an apartment is very different from living in a house, and being a good neighbor in an apartment building entails different considerations. Perhaps this is most obvious in the fact that walls, parking lots, laundry facilities, and more are shared with virtual strangers. While this situation may be intimidating at first and certainly can make for some difficult situations, there are steps you can take to be a good neighbor and make apartment living a pleasant experience.

Get to know your neighbors.

They don't have to become your best friends, but there are many reasons why knowing your nearest neighbors is a good idea. So, as you see them in the halls, laundry room, lobby, or by the mailboxes smile and say hello; if they appear to be receptive, introduce yourself, "Hi, I'm Joe, and I just moved into number 6."

Understand and follow the community rules.

Many apartment communities have rules for things like where you can park, where your pet can be, when certain facilities are open, quiet hours, trash pickup, and more.

Observe reasonable hours for noisy activities.

Vacuuming, hanging pictures, moving heavy furniture, all these activities produce noise which can travel beyond the walls of your apartment. Make every effort to restrict these activities to daytime hours. A good rule of thumb is to restrict these extra noisy activities to the hours telemarketers can legally call you: 9am - 9pm. Check your lease and rental regulations, and follow any specified quiet hours for your community.

Be considerate, be ready to compromise a little, and keep the lines of communication open, and you will be able to live quite happily with your neighbors.

Keep Warm: Fall Tip

Throw down some floor mats and rugs over wood and ceramic tiles. Use rugs and mats in the bathrooms. Use draft-dodgers, which are special air-blockers you can put up against the bottom of doors to prevent drafts from leaking into a nice warm room.

