

SIERRA ESTATES

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PROPERTIES

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BULLETIN BOARD

MLB's Annual Battle

The first pitch of the 2019 World Series is set for Oct. 22.

Pounds of Pumpkins

About 2 billion pounds of pumpkins are harvested in the U.S. each year.

Smile!

Put on a happy face on World Smile Day, the first Friday in October. Research shows that the simple act of smiling can help strengthen the immune system and reduce blood pressure, pain and stress.



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NOTES & NEWS

Office Hours

Monday	08:30am-05:00pm
Tuesday	08:30am-05:00pm
Wednesday	08:30am-05:00pm
Thursday	08:30am-05:00pm
Friday	08:30am-05:00pm
Saturday	09:00am-06:00pm
Sunday	Closed

Sierra Estates Staff

Eric Silva	Community Manager
Laura Ramos	Assistant Manager
Kelsey Richie	Administrative Assistant
Robin Passey	Sales
Phillip Oates	Maintenance
Vicente Saldivar	Maintenance

Save the Dates

- 1- Rent Due
- 1- Coffee&Donuts, office open at 6:30a
- 7- Late Fees
- 21- Manager's Meeting 5:00pm
- 25- Open House
- 30- Bulk Trash Pickup
- 31- Halloween Event

🔥 Fire Prevention Week 🔥

HIGHLIGHTS

AUTO-PAYMENT OF RENT

If you sign up for auto-payment of your lot rent using the Rent Cafe app, you can spin the prize wheel for a chance to get up to a \$100 rent credit. If you are already signed up for auto-pay, please come to the office to spin the wheel and claim your prize. Please stop by the office if you need help signing up for this convenient service.

VANDALISM and Behavioral Issues

In recent weeks we've had vandalism to our pool / patio umbrellas and pool furniture spread out. Please know that the pool is yours to enjoy as a resident, but we also expect each resident to take care of the pool for your use and for other residents to enjoy as well.

Halloween Event

This year we will be turning your Activity Center into a Haunted House. If you dare, come by and walk through the haunted house starting at 4pm. We will also have treats and bags for trick or treating. We hope to see everyone there. Please contact the office if anyone wants to assist in planning out this year's festivities; the help and feedback are always greatly appreciated.



PARKING!!!

Please note that per your Rules and Regulations, no parking is allowed on the landscaping at any point of the day. Street parking is allowed during the day and up to 10pm. We will continue tagging vehicles during the day parked on the landscaping. If you have any questions regarding the parking, please contact us at the office.

TRIVIA WHIZ



Nuts About Squirrels

Squirrels are a common sight in big cities, small towns and suburbs. Since October is Squirrel Awareness Month, it's the perfect time to squirrel away some tidbits about these clever critters.

- Besides North America's familiar tree squirrels, the roughly 285 squirrel species around the world include flying squirrels, chipmunks and prairie dogs.
- The majority of a tree squirrel's diet consists of acorns, hickory nuts, walnuts, seeds and fruit. Squirrels eat their own body weight, about 1.5 pounds, in a week.
- In summer and fall, squirrels hoard nuts and seeds for the winter, digging small holes in the ground to bury their food. Abandoned burrows, hollow trees and flowerpots are other favored hiding spots.
- Thanks to a good memory and strong sense of smell, squirrels recover up to 80% of what they store. What they leave behind often germinates, helping to maintain forest tree populations.
- Squirrel nests are called dreys and can be spotted in the forks of trees. About the size of a football, dreys are made of twigs and lined with grass, bark, moss and feathers.
- A squirrel's big, bushy tail is used as a parachute to ensure a soft landing when the animal jumps or falls.
- Squirrels are very vocal, and communicate with each other by barking, chirping, chattering and purring. They also use body language, such as twitching their tails and stomping their feet.



Plan Some Festive Fall Adventures

Fall's cooler weather makes it a perfect time for outdoor activities. Plan one of these outings and enjoy what autumn has to offer:

Apples for all. In addition to the opportunity to pick your own apples, many apple orchards also have a cider mill you can tour. Be sure to take home plenty of fruit and try your hand at apple pie, applesauce

and baked apples. Store any unused fruit in a cool, dry place.

Pick a pumpkin. A trip to the pumpkin patch to find the perfect pumpkin is fun for all ages. Get a few extra to decorate your home. Some pumpkin patches also offer wagon rides and a corn or hay bale maze.

Take a tour. Many parts of the country offer views of colorful fall foliage. Go for a drive, and take a camera to record nature's beauty. Consider spending a day exploring a town you've never visited. Pack a picnic or stop at a family-owned restaurant for a one-of-a-kind meal.

Friday night lights. Go to a high school football game and root for the home team. The atmosphere and excitement may bring back memories of your own high school days.

Find a fair. Get a head start on your holiday shopping with a trip to an area craft fair. You will be sure to find unique gifts for friends and family.

Pasta Swaps

Pasta is a versatile and delicious food, and with dozens of options available today, there are plenty of opportunities to experiment with different flavors. Whether you are reducing carbs, have a gluten allergy or simply want to try something new, consider giving these noodle alternatives a "twirl."

Zoodles. These are made from zucchini that's been spiralized with a kitchen device that cuts vegetables into long strips. You can use this same method on carrots, turnips, beets and sweet potatoes, as well as buy packaged spiralized veggies in stores.

Soba noodles. These Japanese noodles are made with buckwheat flour and have a slightly nutty taste. They're often the star of cold Asian pasta salads or served in a bowl of hot broth.

Spaghetti squash. This gourd provides a healthy and affordable pasta substitute. Once cooked, the

squash's yellow-orange flesh can be separated with a fork into strings that mimic spaghetti noodles.

Shirataki noodles. Made from the fibrous root of an Asian plant called konjac, shirataki noodles contain virtually no fat or calories, and are therefore the perfect partner for a rich, hearty sauce.

Pasta made with kelp, brown rice, quinoa, lentils and chickpeas can also be found on store shelves, so why not use your noodle to come up with ways to try them all?





Migrating Monarchs

Each autumn, millions of monarchs take to the skies to begin their journey to a warmer climate for the winter. The annual migration is one of nature's most fascinating spectacles.

Cooler temperatures and shorter days alert the orange-and-black butterflies to take flight. Those west of the Rocky Mountains head to Southern California, where thousands hibernate in forests along the coast. But swarms of the eastern population travel much farther, from Canada and the northeastern U.S. to the mountains of central Mexico—a distance of nearly 3,000 miles. Monarchs numbering in the millions take shelter in the fir trees there.

How the butterflies find their way to the same sites year after year is a mystery to scientists, but they believe the insects use the sun as a compass. Even more remarkable is that new generations arrive each fall and settle in the same trees as their ancestors did!

When spring comes, monarchs begin their flight back north, laying eggs on milkweed plants along the way. When the caterpillars hatch and transform into butterflies, they continue the trip northward. Up to five generations take part in the annual migration.

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neMinute Chef

Maple Apple Grilled Cheese

Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 1/4 teaspoon apple pie spice
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 8 slices whole-wheat bread
- 8 slices sharp cheddar cheese (1-ounce slices)
- 1 medium Golden Delicious apple, cored and cut into 16 thin slices
- 4 slices cooked bacon, coarsely chopped

Directions:

Mix maple syrup and apple pie spice. Set aside.

Butter one side of each bread slice. Layer two slices of cheese and four slices of apple on each of four bread slices with buttered side down. Sprinkle with chopped bacon, then drizzle with maple syrup mixture. Top with remaining bread slices with buttered side up.

Place sandwiches in large skillet or griddle on medium-low heat. Cook 3 to 4 minutes per side, or until bread is browned and cheese is melted. Cook in batches, if necessary.

Find more recipes at www.McCormick.com.



WIT & WISDOM

"The moon puts on an elegant show, different every time in shape, color and nuance."

—Arthur Smith

"I still say, shoot for the moon; you might get there."

—Buzz Aldrin

"Every phase of our life belongs to us. The moon does not, except in appearance, lose her first thin, luminous curve, nor her silvery crescent, in rounding to her full."

—Lucy Larcom

"I love to think that animals and humans and plants and fishes and trees and stars and the moon are all connected."

—Gloria Vanderbilt

"The moon is a friend for the lonesome to talk to."

—Carl Sandburg

"Those are the same stars, and that is the same moon, that looks down upon your brothers and sisters, and which they see as they look up to them, though they are ever so far away from us."

—Sojourner Truth

"Summer ends, and autumn comes, and he who would have it otherwise would have high tide always and a full moon every night."

—Hal Borland

"To some people, the impossible is impossible. One fine day, they wake up in the morning knowing that they will never hold the moon in their hands, and with the certainty, perfect peace descends on them."

—Elizabeth Bibesco



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Rent Due 1 Office open at 6:30am : Come in for coffee and donuts!	2	Trash Pickup 3	4 Community Street Sweeper	5
6 Don't Miss It! Last Day to Pay Rent Before Late Fees Begin!	Trash Pickup 7	8	9	Trash Pickup 10	11 Community Street Sweeper	12
13	Trash Pickup 14 Columbus Day	15	16	Trash Pickup 17	18 Community Street Sweeper	19
20 	Trash Pickup 21 Manager's Meeting	22	23	Trash Pickup 24	25 Open House : Bring your friends and family to view all our available brand new homes!	26
27	Trash Pickup 28	29 Can Put Bulk Trash Items Out Before Pickup	30 Bulk Trash Pickup : Please Contact Right Away Disposal to Schedule	Trash Pickup 31 Halloween Event!!!	OCTOBER	

"This Month In History" OCTOBER

1908: Called America's other national anthem, "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" becomes a bestselling hit. It is now an MLB tradition for fans to sing the song during the seventh inning stretch.

1913: The Lincoln Highway, the country's first coast-to-coast roadway, is formally dedicated.

1949: American novelist William Faulkner wins the Nobel Prize in literature.

1959: Thousands line up for the opening of the Guggenheim in New York City. The modern art museum's unique spiral shape was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright.

1982: At Florida's Walt Disney World, the Epcot theme park opens and features attractions that celebrate technological innovations and world cultures.

1998: The first American to orbit the Earth, John Glenn returns to space aboard the shuttle Discovery. At age 77, he was the oldest person to travel into space.

2006: The U.S. population reaches 300 million.

2015: "Spectre," the 24th film in the James Bond series, premieres in London.