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#### **RENEE'S REMINDERS** TENANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

In an effort to maintain a five-star reputation, the owners of Homestead Run and the Business Office will be publishing a series of reminders and modifications to standard lease, rules, and regulations. This column will be called Renee's Reminders, and Renee means business!

🦕 Look, people, you know I talk a lot about rules, regulations, and common courtesy. Regarding the pool, the rule has been and always will be that, beginning in May, you're required to bring up your original title (if you're a homeowner) and a copy of your current insurance declaration page. Doing so will get you a renewal of your pool pass (or your first issue). This is NOT just for the pool. It is a benefit. We choose to do it at this time of year to simplify, but IT'S A REQUIREMENT OF YOUR LEASE. There are no special privileges. Each person is treated equally. This year, you had all of May and all of June to obtain your pool pass. We were closed 4th of July weekend, and while the pool did open, I don't want to hear that you didn't have time to get your pass. You had months to get your pass. We really do try to make it easy for you. You have to follow the rules!

The pool parking lot is not a storage area for your unused vehicles. If you're not actively using the vehicles, they should NOT be there. There are plenty of storage facilities up and down Routes 70 and 9. A brand new Extra Space Storage is right down the road. Use it. 🖕 I want to thank all of those that attended the community BBQ. Although it was quite warm, there was a nice breeze. Food was great. The owners and staff were happy to see so many smiling faces. There were people that did come up that did not have a wristband and said they didn't know about the party. How could you possibly not know? We have posters in the mailroom. We print notices in the newsletter, and there were several phone blasts via One Call Now. Pay attention. We don't like to see our homeowners disappointed, and we don't relish saying no. We want everyone involved, but there are responsibilities that you have, too. Think about it.



The Golden Rule

#### "I'VE LEARNED THAT PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU SAID, PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU DID, BUT PEOPLE WILL NEVER FORGET HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL." - Maya - Angelow

I had an awesome high school experience. I know we're going way back, but I enjoyed myself. I was one of those kids that somehow straddled the line of the different cliques. I was well socialized in my earlier years, and that afforded me to know kids in every crowd. I knew the jocks. I knew the artsy kids. I knew the types in theatre. I was even friendly with a cheerleader or two, which, quite frankly, was never my crowd. I also had an amazing core group of gal pals. We were a trio, and we did virtually everything together. We had sleepovers. We went to the football and basketball games together to watch the boys. We went to all of the dances. You name it, and I was there. Popular? No, but I did have the social experience.

I'm lucky that my parents taught me, from a young age, to keep my mouth shut if I didn't have anything nice to say about someone. Did my girlfriends and I sometimes say a thing or two in private? Maybe, but I never took part in shaming someone or bashing someone. In fact, I always offered kindness towards kids that didn't seem to find their tribe. I imagined what it would be like if I didn't have a tribe of my own, and I didn't want anyone to feel that loneliness.

Unfortunately, cliques and mean whispers don't go away as we get older. You would think they would. You would think, as we age and mature, we'd sit back and realize that we never really know what a person is going through. Because of that, if we don't have a kind word, we should probably keep our mouths shut. It's baffling to me that there are grown adults in this world that still belittle. It's saddening to me that there are grown adults in this world that invest their time and energy into making life more challenging for others. I wish that everyone knew better. I wish, if a person wasn't necessarily raised properly, that they would have grown into their own, grown into being softer. There's no weakness in being a kind person. There's no weakness in having a softness. It doesn't make a person stronger to be tough and rigid, to be cold and unfeeling. That's not to say that we all need to be mush, but having consideration for others is something that should be a no brainer at any age.

I'm not a person that would ever say that I know everything. I'm so, so far from perfect. (Aren't we all?) I'm not well traveled. I haven't done half of the things that I'd like to do in my lifetime, but of this, I am certain -- I will never regret being kind to another living thing. It also needs to be noted that if someone is unkind to you, it has everything to do about them and nothing to do about you. More often than not, when someone is cutting, I've found it's wholly about their own insecurities hidden by a wall of aggression. This is something that I try to keep in mind, and it helps me to stay centered in a world that is sometimes full of BS. Why give people like that power?

Though my mother is gone now, I can still hear her in my mind. "Laur, if you don't have anything nice to say, keep your mouth shut." I'd much rather have a legacy of being the person that took an extra moment in kindness than the person who only had the time for pettiness.

Until next time,

Laura Langone (LLANZONE@HOMESTEADRUN.COM)

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## Women's Charity Club

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### Stop, Drop & Go Auction (June 12, 2022)

(sponsored by Women's Charity Club)

#### A MESSAGE FROM WOMEN'S CHARITY CLUB PRESIDENT, SHIRLEY KNAPP

I want to thank the members, residents, family, and friends of the Women's Charity Club for supporting us throughout the year and especially for their support for this year's gift auction. It was a **huge** success. I wish you could read the thank you letters that we receive from our charities. It would bring tears to your eyes, so thank you for being a part of that. Every time you support Women's Charity Club events, you allow us to make meaningful contributions. We appreciate you.



#### PHOTO ALBUM COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### Tribute to the Greats feat Lamar Peters (June 18, 2022)

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#### Homestead Run Homeowners Appreciation BBQ (July 2, 2022)

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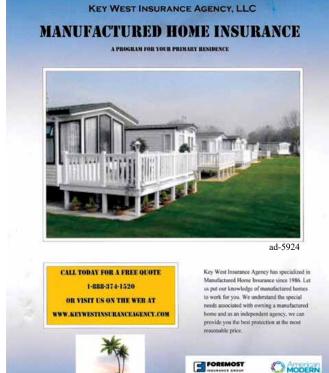
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#### **ROTISSERIE CHICKEN OR ROTISSERIE PIGEON?**

So I go into my local supermarket in New Jersey, and after dodging the pigeons pooping all over the sidewalk and the customers at the front entrance, I finally make it in the door unscathed, this time.

As I approach the deli counter, I can smell what I believe to be rotisserie chicken in little plastic boxes. I immediately noticed the size of the birds, then the weight and the price per pound. A two pound chicken, is selling for \$8.99; that is \$4.49 a pound.

If you were to go to the Costco Warehouse right down the road, they also have rotisserie chickens. A three pound bird there will cost you \$4.99; that is \$1.66 per pound for a very delicious chicken.

Another thing I have noticed in recent weeks is less pigeons at the local supermarket entrance. Hmmm, could they be selling Rotisserie Pigeon? They certainly have that appearance.

Vinnie Boombots@ItsMySoapBox.com



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**BYOB, Snacks, & Chairs** 

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#### EASY MEDITERRANEAN PASTA SALAD

Submitted by Renee Stanzione

#### INGREDIENTS

- Pasta We are using bow ties or farfalle, today. You can use whatever you have on handor whatever shape you prefer.
- Extra virgin olive oil
- Garlic
- Kalamata olives
- Cherry Tomatoes
- Marinated artichoke hearts
- Red chili flakes
- Oregano
- Parsley
- Feta chees

#### INSTRUCTIONS

#### Make the cake:

- 1. Boil the pasta according to the directions on the package.
- 2. Chop everything up. We like to cut the garlic into thin slices and halve the kalamata olives and cherry tomatoes.
- 3. Heat the olive oil over medium heat. Add in garlic and red chili flakes and stir for a minute or two, then add in cherry tomatoes for another minute or so.

#### **PUZZLE SOLUTION**

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#### HOMESTEAD RUN CALENDAR AUGUST 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Women's Charity Club Bingo 7pm	2	3 Social Club Meeting, 6:30pm	4 Water Aerobics (Must Register) – 11am-12pm	5	6
					(GARBAGE PICK UP)	
7	8 Women's Charity Club Bingo 7pm	9	10	11 Water Aerobics (Must Register) – 11am-12pm	12	13
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21	22 Women's Charity Club Bingo 7pm	23	24	25 Water Aerobics (Must Register) – 11am-12pm	26	27 Summer Blowout Party, 6-9pm
	(RECYCLE PICK UP)				(GARBAGE PICK UP)	
28	29 Women's Charity Club Bingo 7pm	30	31		Office Hours are Monday-Friday from 9:00AM- 5:00PM.	

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