

GOODBYE WINTER, HELLO SPRING!



Hi Neighbors!

Spring has officially sprung! We hope you are all finally enjoying the warmer weather. Hopefully now that it's May, the nice weather will be a little more consistent and we can all spend a little more time outdoors!

We are really excited to introduce you to our new seasonal e-newsletter! Hopefully, these newsletters will be helpful to you as a community member of one of our Aspire Communities. We are planning on using these quarterly emails to give you project updates, upcoming events, helpful homeownership tips, contests, and a few other fun things to keep it interesting. We've got a lot of great things in the works that we know you will be excited for!

If you have ideas of things you'd like to see in later newsletters, please let us know!

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Great things are happening at all of our communities! Check out some of the upcoming projects, updates, and community improvements that are under way for the 2022 season!

Building Communities with New Homes and New Neighbors

As some of you may have noticed, we are continually bringing new homes into our communities with the goal of having all our communities full. At Lakeview Village, we anticipate being full by the end of the year and Woodland Estates is also getting very close. Many of our new homes this year will be going in to our Northern Estates South community. We anticipate at least 20 new



homes going in before the end of the year! We are really excited about all the new neighbors who will get to call our communities home!



Central Office Construction Update

If you live in one of our Belmont communities, you can tell that our new central office is progressing rapidly. The building will be divided into two "wings." One will house our sales and leasing office and the other will be home to our Northern Estates South clubhouse/community center as well as the office of the Community Manager. The building is expected to be completed between the end of the summer and mid-fall, and unless something changes, we will be able to allow for the clubhouse spaces to be signed out for resident use in time for the holiday season.



Welcoming New Members to the Aspire Team

As the company grows, we've brought on new team members, while also moving current team members into new roles. Our newest additions are Jesse Heiney, Community Manager of Northern Estates South, Stephanie Pigeon, Community Manager/Maintenance, Mason Francis, Groundskeeper/Maintenance, and Loretta Heiney, Executive Assistant. This has allowed Jen Edwards to step into full-time Sales Consultancy and Community Management Support, Stacy Vanderploeg as Community Manager of Northern Estates North, and Nicole Knapp as the Kent County Regional Community Manager.



Community-Wide Yard Sales!

Believe it or not, summer is right around the corner and with the coming of summer, it also means that Yard Sale season is upon us! Community-wide yard sales are not just a way to find new treasures and get rid of unneeded items, they are also a great way to get out and meet your neighbors! We are really hoping for high participation this year, so if you are ready to declutter or just want an excuse to get outside, then take part in this year's community yard sale! Our tentative date for all communities is June 10-11, 9am-5pm.

WANT FREE WHITECAPS TICKETS? HERE'S HOW!

Looking for a fun (and free) way to spend an evening with the family? Look no further because we have Whitecaps tickets we want to give you! You can get tickets easily by doing one of these things:

1. Signing up for ACH automatic payments.





Complete one or both of these and get 4 free tickets plus a free parking pass to a game this Spring!

SPRING CLEANING CHECKLIST FOR YOUR HOME

Besides being the season when nature bursts back into life, spring is also the perfect time to get outdoors and tackle some larger home projects. With so many things to do around a home, you may not know where to start! This home maintenance checklist outlines the most important chores you should complete in the spring in order to get your home ready for the summer.

✓ Inspect and Clean Your Air Conditioning System, Ductwork, and Vents

When inspecting your air conditioning system, make sure that you clean the outside of the unit, the evaporator coil, and the condenser coil as well. Additionally, you should replace the blower filter, clean the ductwork and vents, and check the thermostat. If you have a ductless cooling system, you'll never have to worry about cleaning the air ducts and vents.

✓ Clean and Inspect Your Home's Siding

Cleaning your home's siding and inspecting it for damages every spring can help you extend its life and delay the need for replacement. Whether you have vinyl or aluminum siding an annual cleaning will allow you to remove dirt, grit, grime, and mold. The easiest way to clean your home's siding is to scrub it using warm, soapy water and a soft-bristled brush attached to a long handle. After scrubbing one section of your siding, rinse it thoroughly with clean water to remove any remaining traces of dirt and soap. Make sure you check for damage and get it repaired as soon as possible.

✓ Check Your Roof

The easiest way to check your roof in the spring is to carefully inspect your home's ceiling for common signs of roof damage, including discolored spots, stains, peeling or cracking paint, and mold growth. If you observe any of these problems, check the exterior of your roof for loose, cracked, or missing shingles.

✓ Check Your Home's Skirting and Underbelly

As the rain and snow from the winter may have damaged the skirting, start by visually inspecting it. If you observe any damage, you can either repair the area affected or replace the entire skirting. Repairing your home's skirting makes sense if the affected area is relatively small or out of sight. If the skirting is in bad shape, it may be more cost-effective to replace it entirely.

Next up, inspect the underside of your manufactured home for damage, like small holes and older insulation. While small holes can be sealed with polyethylene or spray foam insulation, older insulation should be replaced with new insulation products. When checking your home's underbelly, make sure that you also remove any debris that may have accumulated during the winter and inspect your plumbing system for leaks. If you observe any leaks, your pipes may have frozen over and burst in the winter.

You should also check to ensure that the vapor barrier under your manufactured home is intact. The main role of this barrier is to prevent residual moisture from rising up and causing different problems, which may range from mold growth and musty smell to structural damage. Don't forget to open the vents in your manufactured home's skirting and remove any objects that may obstruct them. Ventilation is very important for the skirting because it allows the excess moisture in this area to evaporate.

If you don't feel comfortable completing these tasks yourself, you can always call in professional contractors, who are able to identify and fix any problems that could affect your home. With their help, you'll be able to keep your manufactured home in tip-top shape for many years to come.







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We believe it takes all of us to make this community all it can be. That's why we are always open to feedback and hearing what gets you excited about the future.

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