

Hunt Newsletter

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Holiday Gift Wrapping



Join us at your Neighborhood Center for some hot chocolate and quiet time to get all of your gifts wrapped just in time for the holidays. All wrapping essentials will be provided.

Neighborhood Center open:

December 1 - December 22

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:30pm & additionally at the Welcome Center on Saturday from 9am- 12pm

Happy Holidays

With the holidays upon us, we'd like to take this opportunity to reflect on our gifts - we have a wonderful community of neighbors. Keep in mind those who may be alone on the holidays and find ways to include them. There are opportunities small and large to better someone's holiday - volunteer at a shelter or donate, make a donation at the food bank, be extra kind to the cashier when buying groceries for your holiday feast. Invite someone who can't get home for the holidays to join yours. Resolve to spread some cheer well into the New Year.



Make-A-Wish Foundation

Fort Lee Family Housing is participating again this year in the Macy's Believe Campaign Letters to Santa. Children, accompanied by parents, may stop by their local neighborhood center from now through December 20th and write a letter. Completed letters must be submitted to the staff members at our neighborhood centers, to ensure delivery. For every letter received, Macy's will donate \$1 to Make-A-Wish Foundation, up to \$1 million - to grant the wishes of children with critical illnesses.

Days of December

12/1 National Pie Day

This national day actually falls on two times of the year. One being in January and the other this month. If you are a dessert lover, pie is the way to go today!

12/4 National Cookie Day

The word cookie comes from the Dutch word 'koekie' which means little cake. Cookies arrived in America in the 17th century and have been phenomenal every since.

12/13 National Violin Day

The bowed string instrument is honored on this day. It's such a versatile instrument which can be used in every genre of music nowadays.

12/17 National Maple Syrup Day

Today is the perfect day to have pancakes or french toast. The United States was the leader in syrup production through the 1930's, but now Canada is the largest producer. Vermont is the largest producer within the U.S. today.

12/25 Christmas

Today is a wonderful time to gather with family or friends to enjoy the holiday season.

12/28 National Card Playing Day

For centuries, card games have spread throughout the world in a variety of fun. If you have a chance today, gather with some friends or family and play a card game.



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Holiday House Decoration Contest

Fort Lee Family Housing is excited to announce our First Annual Holiday House Decorating Contest.

This contest will run through December 20, 2018. The judging will be done at 5:00pm on December 20, 2018. The winners will be announced December 21, 2018 Each neighborhood will be awarded a winner.

Please follow the guidelines from your resident handbook



Fort Lee Grand Illumination

Kick off the holidays with Fort Lee's Grand Illumination on Thursday, December 6th, at 4.15pm, when we light up the corner of Mahone Avenue and Battle Drive with our special holiday tree. There will be cookies, carolers, and a performance by the Fort Lee Army Band. Kids can "fish" in the ice pond, play the penguin fish fling game or ride the Candy Cane Express through the winter wonderland. Santa is scheduled to arrive at 5 p.m. to visit with the kids and pose for photos. For more information, call (804) 765-1539.

Celebrate Safety

We want to promote holiday safety and below we have a few points which can help us all to enjoy a safe holiday season:

- Unplug lights before leaving the house or going to bed at night. More house fires occur on Christmas than any other day except Thanksgiving
- Consider using LED lights which are cooler than other types
- Be extra cautious if using candles. Employ a one foot circle of safety to insure that nothing gets burned
- Don't overload extension cords and don't run them under hazardous materials
- Ensure lights and cords use outside are rated for exterior use
- Develop and practice a home fire escape plan

