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The Gem Newsletter

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Eco-Living Tips

Looking to live a little more green? Here are some great tips for living an eco-friendly life!

- **Junk Mail:** Did you know the average person spends eight months of their life opening and sorting through junk mail? To keep your name and address off lists contact the Direct Marketing Association at www.dmachoice.org/dma/member/resgist.action
- **Credit Card Applications:** Want to stop those pesky credit card applications? Contact optoutprescreen.com
- **Paper Products:** An easy way to save paper is by replacing your paper products with cloth ones. Cloth napkins are inexpensive and come in fun colors and patterns!
- **Printing:** Remember to print double sided as often as possible!
- **Recycle:** Recycling rooms are available on floors 1-6 as well as outside in the trash areas.

Upcoming Events

Movie Nights:

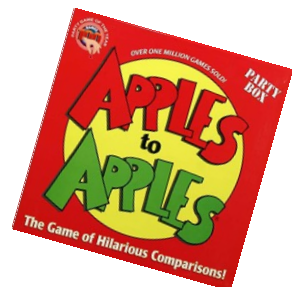
To celebrate National Music in School's month and National Nutrition Month we will be showing two movies:

- Friday, March 12th: Across the Universe
- Tuesday March 23rd: Super Size Me!

The movies will start at 6pm. As always popcorn, beverages, and candy will be provided for all those who attend. Movies will be shown in the 2nd floor lounge.

Apples to Apples Game Night!

Join us for a game of Apples to Apples! We'll meet in the 3rd floor lounge on March 7th at 7:00pm. Winners will receive Trader Joe's gift cards and reusable shopping bags!



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Ira's Corner

Helpful hints from The Gem's favorite facility man!

Smoke Detector Safety

When smoke detectors have a low battery you will hear a loud chirp every few minutes. When this happens to you, please do not remove the cover, instead contact The Gem office or call the emergency phone after office hours. We will replace the low battery with a new one. This must be done by a Gem staff member. (Note: This is a fire safety issue and must be dealt with quickly, not only for your safety, but also for the whole building.)

If your smoke detector is damaged in anyway please let us know as soon as possible. This alarm system will respond to both smoke and heat, so if you are planning to bake, cook or both at same time, your alarm may go off due to heat or nuisance smoke. If this happens just press the reset button. This will put your smoke detector into "silence mode". It will beep once a minute for 15 minutes to remind you. During this time open the window, pull blinds up so all that heat/smoke built up in your room can be released. **DO NOT** open your door and let smoke air into the hallways, this will set off the entire buildings fire alarm.

We are here to help in any way and to make your stay here safe. So please do your part too. Report any beeping or chirping, do not replace the battery yourself, and air any smoke out your room window. If you let the chirping go without reporting it we have the right to enter your room and correct the issue.



Thank You!

We in The Gem Housing Office want to thank all the residents for making the parking permit process run so smoothly!

In hopes to deal with missing, stolen and broken parking permits we have switched over to decal stickers. These stickers should be placed in the back window on the drivers side of the car. If you have any questions or concerns about the new parking permits please come into the office and let us know.

Comcast Cable

At The Gem we strive to provide our tenants with outstanding service. We know that there have been issues with the cable TV service. This is a campus wide issue. Please be assured that The Gem and UHDS are working together with OSU Telecommunications and Comcast to fix the issues. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

