

# RANDOLPH POINTE



December 2011

## Community Management Office

### Hours of Operation

M-F 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SAT 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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### In Case of Emergency Dial 911

From Your Cell Phone Dial

910.432.0911

**From the desk of Stephanie Kegler,**  
*Randolph Pointe Community Manager*

**Dear Randolph Pointe Residents,**

**Tis the season!**

Happy Holidays! Thanks to all who came to the free Randolph Pointe Thanksgiving Luncheon on Thursday, November 17. We love kicking off the holiday season with all of you! Be sure to check out the Randolph Pointe Holiday Luncheon on Friday, December 16. Read on for more information.

Your staff at Randolph Pointe would like to thank you a successful and fun year. We have enjoyed getting to know all of you, and we are looking forward to all the events that we have planned for 2012.

#### **Holiday decoration guidelines**

With the holidays quickly approaching, holiday decorations are all over the community. Holiday lights are a beautiful part of the season, but they also use plenty of electricity. Be smart with your energy consumption this holiday season. Please read this month's holiday decorating article for more tips on how to decorate your apartment in an energy efficient way.

Randolph Pointe and Picerne Military Housing require that all Christmas tree ornaments and decorations be noncombustible. Lights and lighting sets for use with Christmas trees must bear the label of Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL) and must be in good condition.

- Never use electric lights on a metallic tree.
- If you use outdoor lights, make sure they have been certified for outdoor use.
- To hold lights in place, string them through plastic holders. Never use metal nails, hooks, staples or tacks.
- Outdoor lights must be turned off by 10 p.m. each night. Remember to turn off all holiday lights when you leave the apartment or go to sleep. They could short and start a fire.

Sincerely,  
**Stephanie Kegler**  
Community Manager

**Scholarship and grant applications now available**  
**Any military branch at seven installations is eligible**

Our Family for Families First, John G. Picerne's private charitable foundation, was established to support the educational goals of children and spouses of active-duty Service Members. The Foundation offers \$50,000 college scholarships for active-duty Service Members' children, and \$5,000 educational grants for active-duty Service Members' spouses. Children and spouses are eligible to apply if their Service Member is stationed at one of the following bases: Aberdeen Proving Ground, Fort Polk, Fort Bragg, Fort Meade, Fort Rucker, Fort Riley, or Fort Sill.

Scholarship and grant applications for 2012 are now available. The applications are available online at [www.ourfamilyfoundation.org](http://www.ourfamilyfoundation.org). The Foundation is now accepting applications from children and spouses of active-duty Service Members in any military branch based at these seven installations. Please review the information located on the website for eligibility requirements and to learn more about the Our Family for Families First Foundation.

The Foundation is committed to supporting military families in the pursuit of higher education, instituting a tradition of community service and encouraging professional career paths through education, internships and mentoring programs and has awarded more than \$3 million since 2006. It also serves to further the primary mission of Picerne Military Housing – putting military Families First®.



# Holiday Luncheon

**Friday, December 16**

**11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**



Join the Randolph Pointe staff and your fellow residents for a free holiday luncheon at the Clubhouse! Coffee, hot chocolate, apple cider, egg nog, cold cuts, and desserts will be waiting for you! We hope to see you there.

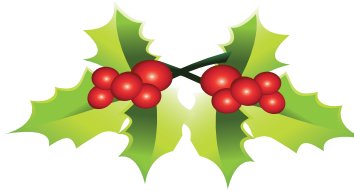
## Receiving a package for you or a friend?

With the holidays approaching, packages are delivered to the Randolph Pointe Clubhouse in large quantities. If you are expecting a delivery, please make sure you follow your tracking information (if applicable) so you are aware of when it will arrive. Some packages are too large to be placed in the mailboxes, so services like UPS and FedEx will deliver them to the Randolph Pointe Clubhouse.

In the event of a package delivery, the Randolph Pointe staff will attempt to contact you via telephone, if possible. If you see on your tracking information that your package has been delivered and signed for, please come to the Clubhouse and pick up your delivery in a timely manner. This will help reduce the number of boxes in the Clubhouse, and will ensure that you receive your package when you had expected.



## Garbage disposals, grease and the holidays



The holidays are a time for celebrating with food, but holiday cooking clean-up is the number one cause of clogged sinks and unpleasant sewer back-ups. Follow these recommendations to keep your pipes clear this holiday season and year-round.

- Do not pour grease, oils or other fatty substances down your sink, toilet or sewer drains. These materials should be discarded with your regular trash.
- Allow fatty substances to cool and then scrape them into a sealable container. You may then place the container in your trash cart, or bring it to the DPW recycling facility located behind building 3-1137 on Reilly Road. DPW is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- To keep your garbage disposal working properly, do not use it to dispose of large quantities of food waste. Egg shells, potato skins, pasta, rice and other vegetables and meats can cause your disposal to clog and jam.
- Discard large food scraps into your regular trash prior to washing plates and pans.
- Use your garbage disposal only to dispose of food residue left in your sink after washing dishes.

## Holiday crime prevention tips

The holidays are a time of cheer, but they're also the peak season for crime nationwide. Using good judgment can help prevent crime and can help keep you safe this holiday season.

- Lock your car doors, roll up windows, and secure your valuables each time you exit your car. Do not store your keys in your car.
- Store valuable items like CDs, mp3 players, GPS systems, purses and wallets out of view in your car and remove suction cup marks from your windshield if you have any. Store holiday packages and purchases in your trunk and keep receipts with you.
- If you have a garage, be sure your garage door remains closed.
- Secure all exterior doors and windows before leaving home.
- Keep your exterior storage space locked at all times.
- When traveling out of town, make your home look lived-in. Install timers to turn lights on and off during evening hours.
- If you will be away from your home for an extended period of time, please inform the Leasing Office.

## Don't miss the Army/Navy game!



One of the year's most highly anticipated sports events is nearly here. Kick-off for the Army/Navy football game is Saturday, December 10 at 2:30 p.m. Sports USA will be offering free food during half time. For more information, please call Sports USA at (910) 907-0739.

## Register to vote and request your ballot now!

Early Presidential primary elections are quickly approaching! Submit a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) now to ensure you have the opportunity to vote in these elections. For more information or to submit an FPCA, please go to [www.FVAP.gov](http://www.FVAP.gov) or call (800) 438-8683.



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## December and Holiday Leasing Office Hours:

Thursday, December 1: Closed 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Friday, December 9: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday, December 23: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday, December 24: Closed

Sunday, December 25: Closed

Monday, December 26: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday, December 31: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sunday, January 1: Closed

Monday, January 2: Closed



## Energy saving holiday lights: Six reasons to choose LED holiday lights

Don't let your tree be the only "green" decoration in your home this holiday season. Switch to light-emitting diode (LED) holiday lights!

1. LED lights use about 90 percent less energy than traditional mini-lights.
2. LED bulbs are cool to the touch, reducing the risk of fire.
3. LED lights last as long as 100,000 hours, compared with only 1,500 for traditional mini-lights.
4. LED bulbs are more durable because they are made of plastic instead of glass.
5. LED bulb colors won't fade. Unlike traditional mini-lights, LED bulbs are not painted, so the colors do not fade or flake off.
6. If one LED bulb goes out, the others will stay lit.



## Holiday trash and recycling reminders

Please place all Christmas trees by the Randolph Pointe dumpsters prior to the morning of Friday, January 13. This is a bulk trash day and all trees will be picked up then.

After the holidays are over, you will most likely have several empty boxes. When recycling these boxes, please remember to break them down, and remove any packing materials from the boxes. As a reminder, holiday wrapping paper is not recyclable. Please dispose of it with your regular household trash.

## Holiday balcony decorating contest

Last year's holiday balcony decorating contest was a huge success, so we are doing it again!

Between Monday, November 21 and Monday, December 19, get in the holiday spirit and decorate your balcony for the season! Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place winners. Winners will be notified on Tuesday, December 20. Be creative!

