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Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

Our President's Message



Hunt Military Communities celebrates the youngest members of our communities. The smallest warriors, the children, often make some of the most significant sacrifices moving from state to state, school to school, and having parents deployed for long periods, along with the miriad other challenges military families face. We are

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proud to acknowledge and support the tremendous strength and resiliency children of our military families display. To recognize military children, we have launched our 2nd annual "Hunt Little Heroes." We ask that your children share stories of what they think it takes to be a hero and how they've been a positive influence in their community. Applicants are asked to submit a 300-word essay, a video no longer than 2 minutes, or a drawing telling their "Hero Story" in their own unique way. For the "younger" heroes, a photo with a short caption may also be submitted. All applicants will receive a complimentary Hunt Little Heroes cape and mask. We will select the top three submissions and give a cash prize to each. Applicants can visit https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/huntheroesscholarship/ to see if they qualify, and to submit their story. From all of us here at HMC, thank you for your service and sacrifice.

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John Ehle President Hunt Military Communities



Meet Brande Brandon

Brande is one of our Resident Service Specialists originally from The Golden State of California. She grew up an Army brat and has several years of military housing property management experience. She is not only a die hard competitive cheer mom to her 15 year old daughter, but is dedicated to giving back to those who have given their all for us. If you get the pleasure of meeting Brande she is sure to put a smile on your face.



Reminders:

Please keep our installation great. Our Hunt staff is now being joined by both our command as well as MHO in implementing weekly property drives to make sure residents are following all resident guidelines. Please remember to pick up after yourselves including newspapers, pet waste, yard toys, etc. If you are unaware of the resident guidelines, please reach out to your community office for a digital copy or visit randolphfamilyhousing.com

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10 Spring Cleaning Tips for a Fresh Start

Spring cleaning is upon us. It's time to spring into action and get your home in order for the rest of the year. Housekeeping sometimes gets a bad rap for being time-consuming and fairly costly when you add up how many products you need to clean every room. Lucky for you and just in time for seasonal cleaning, we're sharing some of our best time-saving and cost-effective pointers, repurposing household items throughout the tidying process.

These are our top 10 spring cleaning tips and tricks to refresh your home and get organized this season.

How to Spring Clean Your Home the Easy Way

1. Freshen Up Your Fridge

There's no time like the present to get rid of old food and condiments, wipe down your refrigerator shelves and clean the bins and crisper drawer. Remove the bins to clean them in warm, soapy water, and let them dry before placing back in the fridge.

2. Refresh Your Garbage Disposal

First, run a few ice cubes through the disposal to sharpen and clean the blades. Then, add a few lemon or orange peels in while the disposal is running to remove odors and start fresh with a mild citrus scent.

3. Naturally Freshen Drains

Freshen up your shower drains with this inexpensive DIY spring cleaning tip. Mix $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of baking soda and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of table salt and pour down the drain, immediately followed by 1 cup of warm vinegar, which will foam with the mixture. After 15 minutes, run hot water down the drain for 30 seconds.

4. Clean Your Cleaning Supplies

This may sound like an oxymoron, but if you clean your house with dirty supplies, how clean can it really get? Spring cleaning is the perfect time to spruce up your most-used appliances and cleaning tools too.

How to Clean Your Vacuum

To clean your vacuum, make sure it's unplugged, then empty the bag or dust compartment and use a damp cloth with mild detergent to wipe down the casing, hoses and all attachments. Using scissors or a seam ripper, you can easily remove hair and other fibers stuck on the beater bar and bristles to clean the vacuum's brush.

How to Clean Your Washer and Dryer

To clean your washer and dryer, wipe down the outside of the machines with a damp microfiber cloth and some mild dishwashing liquid. Then, rinse with a little bit of water and wipe dry. Wipe down the inside of your washing machine with a damp cloth to remove lint and detergent residue.

5. Clean Windows on a Cloudy Day

One of our favorite spring cleaning tips is to wash your windows on a cloudy day, using a microfiber cloth. Since cleaner dries much quicker on warm windows, washing them in direct sunlight can cause streaks, as can wiping down your windows with paper towels.

To clean your window treatments, you can use your vacuum's upholstery attachment to remove dust, or you can put most curtains in the dryer on low with a fabric softener sheet for a deeper refresh.

While you're cleaning the windows, make sure to dust your blinds. Another tip for cleaning your blinds shows that keyboard cleaner doesn't just have to be useful in the office. Use a can of keyboard cleaner to quickly clear dust and dirt off your blinds, and vacuum the room when you're done.

6. Wake Up on the Right Side of the Bed Again

Nothing says "spring cleaning" like fresh linens. Now is the time to flip your mattress, wash your pillows and air out your comforters. We recommend washing your pillows with ½ cup of baking soda added to your detergent in the washing machine. To fluff and extend the life of your pillows, use the air cycle of your dryer and dry with two tennis balls in socks. Take your comforter and blankets outside to shake them out, and run them through the air cycle of your dryer with a fabric softener sheet for extra freshness.

7. Clean Carpets and Tile at the Same Time

Your carpets and tile flooring take a beating throughout the winter, and this spring cleaning trick lets you clean both with a single product. While you're freshening the carpeting with a foam carpet cleaner, like Resolve, you can also use it to clean your tile grout. Spray the carpet foam around the edges of each tile, and let sit for 10 minutes. Then, scrub the cleaner off with a scrub brush or old toothbrush. As you scrub, have a rag to wipe up the dirt that is released from the cracks.

8. Use Dryer Sheets to Tackle Dust and Residue

Use dryer sheets to dust items like electronics, lamp shades and appliances. The sheets have anti-static properties that will prevent dust from settling back onto the screens or stainless steel. Dryer sheets can also be used to scrub soap scum off your shower doors, clean food residue off pots and pans, clean your blinds, pick up pet hair from your couch and more.

9. Clean Scuffs, Marks and More Around the House

House cleaners rejoice – Mr. Clean saves the day yet again. Armed with a Magic Eraser or similar product, you can tackle everything from marks to mildew across the rooms in your home. Put on some cleaning gloves, and you can use a Magic Eraser to erase scuffs from walls and baseboards, clean cabinets, eliminate soap scum and remove mildew from shower curtain liners.

10. Remove Hard Water Without Being Harsh

If you have hard water build up around your faucets, sink sprayer, shower head or refrigerator water tray, we have a natural spring cleaning tip to remove it with ease (and without harsh chemicals). Saturate the area you're cleaning with distilled white vinegar, and let sit for 20 minutes. The easiest way to saturate your faucets is to fill the vinegar into a spray bottle and wrap vinegar-soaked paper towels around the handles. Then, use an old toothbrush to scrub the hard water right off.

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