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# 10 ways to prevent Christmas tree fires

Dear Residents,

Your beautifully decorated Christmas tree can also be a deadly fire hazard. Christmas tree fires are infrequent, but when they do occur, they are serious, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

Fire departments responded to an average of 230 home fires caused by Christmas trees each year from 2007-2011. The result was a yearly average of six deaths, 22 injuries and \$18.3 million in property damage, the NFPA reported. Here is a list of holiday fire safety tips from NFPA and FEMA's U.S. Fire Administration:

1) When choosing a tree, look for one that is fresh and has green needles that don't fall out. Brownish needles mean the tree is dried out and more prone to catch fire.

2) Water your tree daily to prevent it from drying out.

3) Check the manufacturer's labels to ensure you use only lights and decorations that are flame-retardant. Look for a nationally recognized testing laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories, Intertek or the Canadian Standards Association, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

4) Check holiday lights for frayed wires or excessive wear.

5) Don't connect more than three strands of mini-string sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.

6) Keep your tree at least 3 feet away from any heat source, such as a fireplace, radiator, candles or lights.

7) Make sure your tree is not blocking an exit. In case there is a fire, you want a way to get out.

8) Always turn off lights on a tree before going to bed or leaving your home.

9) Get rid of a tree when its needles start

dropping. It means the tree is drying out. 10) Check that your smoke alarm is working properly.

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#### REMINDER

- When bringing your Christmas tree into the building residents must enter through receiving and use the service elevator.
- Your Christmas tree must be wrapped in a Christmas tree removal bag & Skirt or tarp to prevent needle mess.

Christmas tree removal bags & Skirt may be purchased at Home depot for an estimated cost of \$4.

Residents who do not follow procedures and create messes will be sent to the grievance committee where they may be fined up to \$100.



Pursell's Christmas Tree Preservative Christmas Tree Removal Bag

Website:https://www.homedepot. com/p/Pursell-s-Christmas-Tree-Preservative-Christmas-Tree-Removal-Bag-377872/202526962

Store Sku: 377872 Internet Sku: 202526962 Model# 377872

# **Smoking is Not Allowed in Common Area and Individual Units**

#### Under the Rules and Regulations of Centro Downtown Condominium Association, Inc.

- 1. No owner, family member, tenant, resident, guest, business invitee, or visitor shall smoke cigarettes, cigars, or any other tobacco product, marijuana or illegal substance in outside common areas, enclosed common areas, and exclusive use common areas (balconies) within the Association.
- 2. Smoking shall include the inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying of any lighted cigarette, cigar or other tobacco product, marijuana, or illegal substance.
- 3. Business invite shall include, but is not limited to, any contractor, agent, household worker, or other person hired by the owner, tenant or resident to provide a service or product to the owner, tenant, or resident.
- 4. Any owner who sells his/her unit shall specifically disclose to all potential buyers and Realtors that smoking is NOT prohibited within all common areas in the building. Any owner who rents or otherwise allow someone other than the owner to reside within or occupy the unit shall disclose to all persons who reside within his/her unit that smoking is NOT prohibited within all common areas prior to their residency or occupancy.
- 5. Each owner is responsible for the actions of all other persons residing within or visiting his/her unit and shall be subject to disciplinary action or court action for an injunction, or any remedies available for the violation. The association is required to hire legal counsel to enforce these rules, the resident or the association shall be entitled to recover his/her or its attorney's fees and costs incurred, whether or not litigation has been commenced. The association may collect the attorney's fees and costs it incurs through the use of a special assessment levied against the owner of the unit and an assessment lien, if necessary.

*Please note that drifting smoke from within a unit that enters another unit is also prohibited and will be enforced under the Nuisance provision.* The Association respectfully demands that you comply with the Associations Rules and Regulations, as the foregoing rules are designed to make living for all Residents pleasant and comfortable.





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# Leftover Turkey Pot Pie

A perfect way to use leftover turkey. This pie tastes yummy, and will feed up to eight hungry people.

#### INGREDIENTS

- 1 recipe pastry for a (10 inch) double crust pie
- 4 tablespoons butter, divided
- 1 small onion, minced
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 carrots, diced
- 3 tablespoons dried parsley

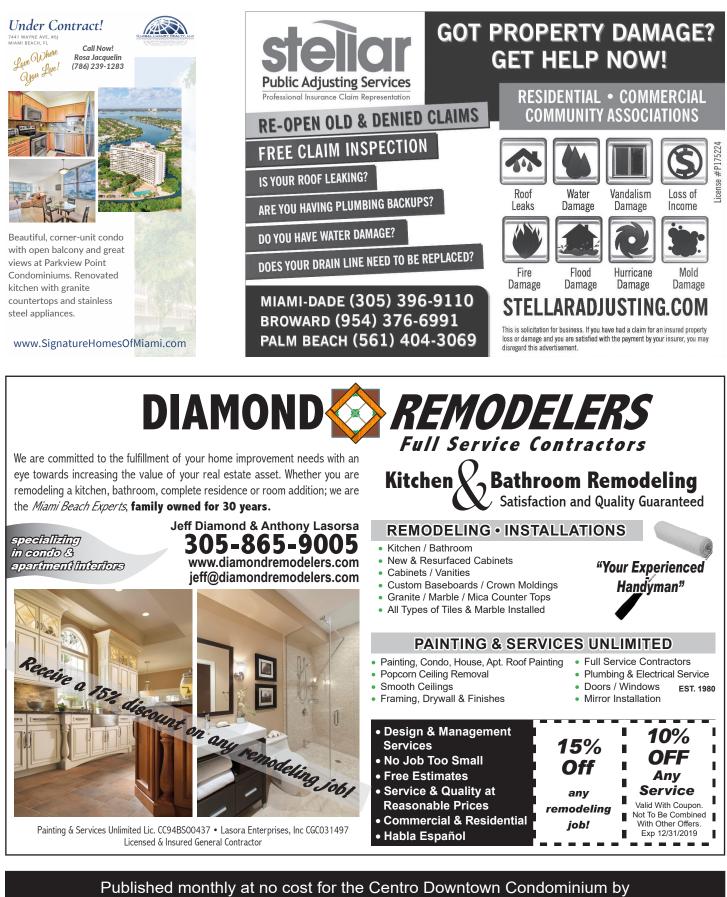


- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- salt and pepper to taste
- 2 cubes chicken bouillon
- 2 cups water
- 3 potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 1 1/2 cups cubed cooked turkey
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup milk

**DIRECTIONS:** Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Roll out bottom pie crust, press into a 10 inch pie pan, and set aside. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a large skillet over medium heat; add the onion, celery, carrots, parsley, oregano, and salt and pepper. Cook and stir until the vegetables are soft. Stir in the bouillon and water. Bring mixture to a boil. Stir in the potatoes, and cook until tender but still firm. In a medium saucepan, melt the remaining 2 tablespoons butter. Stir in the turkey and flour. Add the milk, and heat through. Stir the turkey mixture into the vegetable mixture, and cook until thickened. Cool slightly, then pour mixture into the unbaked pie shell. Roll out the top crust, and place on top of filling. Flute edges, and make 4 slits in the top crust to let out steam. Bake in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C), and continue baking for 20 minutes, or until crust is golden brown.



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