

Turtle Times

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Merry Christmas!

Turtle Facts



A turtle's shell is made up of keratin, the same material as human fingernails. As the turtle grows, new keratin develops around each scale of the shell.

December Stone



Tanzanite

December Flower



Holly



Time to break out the tinsel & lights! Decorate your patio/balcony, front door, or patio home for judging on December 19th. See complete list of contest rules on back. Prizes are as follows:

Best All Around – \$75.00 Visa gift card

Best Patio – \$50.00 Visa gift card

Best Door - \$25.00 Visa gift card

December Holidays

Happy Birthday

to all residents celebrating a birthday in December!

December 21

Winter begins

December 25

Christmas Day

December 31

New Year's Eve

Pet of the Month

Zeus



Meet Zeus, a 10 month old male tabby! He loves playing with his toy mouse all hours of the day, licking foreheads, and meeting new people. No one is a stranger at Zeus's place!

We want your photos, pet pictures, recipes, and announcements! Send to abigail@turtlecreekbranson.com

Turtle Creek is Energy Star Certified.



The EPA Energy Star certification is earned by commercial buildings that use an average of 35% less energy than typical buildings and also release 35% less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.



Turtle Creek Staff

Doris Adams Property Manager
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Safe House

The Turtle Creek Office is designated as a Safe House during business hours. This is for children locked out or who feel in danger. This is not a baby sitting service.



Turtle Up!



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Upcoming Events

Turtle Creek Events - at the Clubhouse

Wednesday, December 6 & 20 Men's Coffee Talk, 10 a.m.

Friday, December 8 Turtle Creek Game Night, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13 & 27 Ladies' Coffee Talk, 10 a.m.

Area Events

December 1 - 24 Santa's Wonderland, Bass Pro, Branson Landing

December 1 - 31 Trail of Lights, Shepherd of the Hills Homestead

December 1 - January 1 An Old Time Christmas, Silver Dollar City

December 1 - January 1 Branson's Gift of Lights, off Shepherd of the Hills Expy

December 2 - 3 Christmas at the Ranch, Sycamore Creek Family Ranch

December 3 Santa Train, Hollister Train Depot, 1:30 p.m.

December 3 Adoration Parade, downtown Branson, 5:15 p.m.

December 9 Breakfast with Santa, Branson Rec Plex

December 23 BAC's Snowdeer Christmas Story, Owen Theater, 2 p.m./7:30 p.m.

December 31 New Year's Celebration, Silver Dollar City



- RULES -

1. Refrain from applying stickers or appliques to glass.
2. Do not use nails or screws to adhere decorations.
3. Do not attach lights to the building. Make sure they are electrically compliant.
4. Do not block access to the breezeways.
5. Decorations must be tastefully done & family-friendly.
6. Judging is on December 19th.
7. Decorations must be torn down by January 5th.

Apricot Jewels

Submitted by Dick, one of our Turtle Creek residents



Ingredients

- 1 1/4 cup flour
- 1/1 cup sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/3 cup cream cheese (3 ounce package)
- 1/2 cup flaked coconut
- 1/2 cup apricot preserves

- 1 cup sifted powdered sugar
- 1 Tablespoon soft butter
- 1/4 cup apricot preserves

Directions

- Sift together flour, sugar, baking powder and salt.
- Cut in butter and cream cheese until fine.
- Add coconut and 1/2 cup apricot preserves. Blend well.
- Drop onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 350° for 15 - 18 minutes. Let cool.
- Mix powdered sugar, butter, and 1/4 cup of apricot preserves. Use to frost each cookie.

Makes about 50 small cookies.