



## **HUNT MILITARY COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES THIRD ANNUAL PATRIOT ESSAY CONTEST**


Children between the ages of 8 and 16 are invited to share their thoughts on what it means to be patriotic or how they show patriotism in their community.

To apply, children can visit [Patriot.HuntHeroesFoundation.org](https://Patriot.HuntHeroesFoundation.org) and submit an essay of no more than 200 words or a video message of less than 2 minutes.

The Hunt Military Communities Foundation members will review all applications, and up to five winners will be selected. Each winner will receive a \$100 monetary gift, a Hunt Little Hero Challenge Coin, and will be featured on social media and through a media release.

Having our youth share what it means to show patriotism has become an annual tradition. It is heartwarming to hear their thoughts and celebrate their patriotism when we reflect on the events of 9/11/2001 and recognize National Patriot Day annually on September 11th.

The deadline for submissions is September 5th, 2023. This contest is open to any child between the ages of 8 and 16.

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# IMPORTANT EVENTS

## Popsicle Fridays

Come to the Community Management Office from 8:00 PM to 5:00 PM every Friday starting June 2nd to get a free popsicle while supplies last. What a great way to say hello to your neighbors and friendly AFAMC staff while cooling down this summer.

## Community Yard Sale

Do you have stuff you would love to get rid of and make a buck or two while you're at it? AFAMC is hosting a Community Yard Sale on Saturday, July 22, 2023, from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. If you are interested in participating, email [AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com](mailto:AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com) by Wednesday, July 19, 2023, with your address and items being sold and AFAMC will advertise for you FREE of charge. A list will be compiled of all the addresses and items that will be for sale. This list will be emailed and posted on social media on July 20, 2023, by 5:00 PM. If you have any questions, contact the Community Management Office at [AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com](mailto:AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com) or (719) 982-4800 option #2.

## Safety Alert & Reminders

Don't forget to replace your air filter at least monthly. We recommend the 1st of every month. This will help keep your heater working properly this winter season. If you need a replacement air filter at no charge, visit the Community Management Office during business hours to pick up a FREE air filter. Be sure to test your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide sensors twice a month. We recommend doing this every payday, so you do not forget.

## LOOSE PETS

We have noticed an influx of calls and emails about loose pets throughout the community. As a friendly reminder to our pet owners, you must keep your pet restrained at all times when outside the home or fenced-in yard. If this continues to be a regular occurrence, the resident is at risk of having their pet privileges revoked and the pet removed from the community immediately.



## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Trina Lee

Trina Lee is a Leasing Specialist here at Air Force Academy Family Housing. Trina loves to travel and have adventures with her family, and she loves live music and dancing. When asked what she loves about her job, Trina said, "I love working with the amazing team at USAFA. They are all rock stars!"



**PET OF THE MONTH**  
Megan Dolans pup Aspen



**PET OF THE MONTH**  
Criss Davs cat Lint



**PET OF THE MONTH**  
Savannah Strobacks pup Max

## WHOLE HOUSE FAN TIPS & TRICKS

Here are some helpful tips on how to use your whole house fan, if your home is equipped with it. Using the whole house fan according to these best practices will prolong the lifespan of the system, optimize the benefits, and maximize utility cost savings.

When the outside air temperature is cooler than inside your home or attic, do the following:

1. Open at least three (3) or more windows 4 to 6 inches.
2. Turn on your whole house fan using the switch.
3. Feel the nice, cool breeze as air passes through to the attic and fresh air replaces stale, trapped air.
4. Experience complete indoor air exchanges in your home every 3 to 4 minutes.
5. Save energy as warm air passes right out of your attic, allowing the entire home to stay cool for hours.

**Don't forget:** While some choose to benefit from a good fan in the morning and evening, because of Colorado's cool, dry climate, using your whole house fan and ventilation system when appropriate can remove indoor air pollutants year-round.

**Managing intake:** It is vitally important that you open enough doors and windows to support the airflow generated by your whole house fan. *If you do not, you risk the chance of the whole house fan extinguishing the water heater's pilot light; meaning you will not have hot water in your home.*

**Directing airflow:** Direct indoor airflow by opening specific doors and windows in your home. If you want to direct a strong airflow through your bedroom, open windows in that room only. It is important to note that with any combination of openings, you must ensure that you have provided enough air intake. Opening more windows will result in less breeze coming through each window.

**Optimizing timing of use:** For best results, run the whole house fan for at least 10 minutes first thing in the morning to bring a cool breeze through the house and into the attic. This will expel any hot stale air buildup from the night before. Then, close windows, doors and the blinds on the sunny side of your home. Experiment with your fan and home openings to maximize both your comfort and the performance of the fan.

**Do not run your whole house fan during the day** unless the temperature outside is cooler than the house is inside, though you may want to run the fan during the day to push air out of the attic. To do so, direct airflow from either the basement or the shady side of the home.

You will get better cooling results for the next day if you run your fan longer into the evening, though, running the fan too long may cause you to become cold. Set your fan timer accordingly, if applicable. Your whole house fan may also be used on mild winter days to bring fresh, clean air into the home, expel indoor air pollutants, and moisture buildup in your attic.

## MOVING SOON? THE NOTICE TO VACATE PROCESS

Are you and your family moving soon? If so, please remember you must provide Air Force Academy Military Communities (AFAMC) a written 30-Day Notice to Vacate and a copy of your Orders if applicable. If not, you will be financially responsible to fulfill a 30-Day Notice to Vacate.

### Where can you get a 30-Day Notice to Vacate?

You can visit the Air Force Academy website at [AirForceAcademyHousing.com](http://AirForceAcademyHousing.com) and download the 30-Day Notice to Vacate form or we will accept a written 30-Day Notice to Vacate on any piece of paper as long as it states your full name, current address, telephone number, the date you wish to vacate your home, and your signature. NOTE: An email is NOT a valid 30-Day Notice to Vacate.

### How can you submit a 30 Day Notice to Vacate and a Copy of your Orders to AFAMC?

There are three (3) different ways to submit:

- Deliver your Notice to Vacate and a copy of your Orders if applicable to the Community Management Office.
- Scan a PDF file of the 30-Day Notice to Vacate with a copy of your Orders if applicable to [AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com](mailto:AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com).
- Or email [AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com](mailto:AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com) and a 30-Day Notice to Vacate will be sent to you for signature via DocuSign.

### What if you cannot give a valid 30-Day Notice to Vacate because of short notice Orders?

Short notice Orders are when you receive official Orders not allowing you to give the required written 30-Day Notice to Vacate. As long as you provide a Notice to Vacate in writing, a copy of your Orders, a letter from your Commander validating the Orders, and are approved by the Community Manager and/or Community Director you will not be held financially responsible to fulfill a full 30-Day Notice to Vacate.

## MEET OUR FRIENDLY STAFF

**Stuart Campbell**  
Community Director

**Brianna Montoya**  
Resident Service Specialist

**Jennifer Adams**  
Community Manager

**Norma Perez**  
Resident Service Specialist

**Trina Lee**  
Leasing Specialist

# 2023

# JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><b>Bulk Trash:</b> If you have bulk trash that you need picked up, email <a href="mailto:AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com">AFAContact@HuntCompanies.com</a> before 3:00 PM the Wednesday prior to pick up with your address and list of items you need removed for bulk trash.</p>						<p><b>Change Your Air Filter!</b> 01</p> <p><b>Rent is Due!</b></p> <p><b>HMC Foundation's Patriot Essay Contest Start</b></p>
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