

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday  
8-Noon & 1-5 PM

**By Appointment**

**Saturdays**  
by Appointment

**Sunday**  
Closed

**Phone:**  
814-833-6516  
option 2

**Emergency Maintenance**  
**After Hours**  
814-833-6516  
Option 9

*Or submit requests through  
your AppFolio portal*

## LOCATIONS & DROP BOXES:

**West:** 2315 Jamestown Dr  
**East:** 5355 Rome Dr

**Property Manager**  
Natalie Washburn  
[natalie@malenohomes.com](mailto:natalie@malenohomes.com)

## AMENITIES

**Pool: Closed**  
Reopens Memorial Day

**24/7 Fitness Center**

**Gift Wrap Center**  
2315 Jamestown Dr Office

**Little Free Library**  
2315 Jamestown Dr Office

## A Message from Our Property Manager

Dear Residents,

The coronavirus and resulting guidelines and limitations have been difficult for everyone. Emotions veer from “we’re in it together” to frustration and anger. Believe me, I understand.

Recently, we had to inconvenience you with the Bank inspections. While these types of inspections are beyond our control, we know it’s no fun having people coming into your home, especially during these challenging times.

I want you to know the Maleno Property Management team and I both appreciate the cooperation and generally good spirits you gave to the inspectors and our staff. We have always said, and truly believe, we have the best community of people in Erie, PA!

Fall is just around the corner. It may bring a new set of challenges, but I know we can make it—together. I hope our newsletter provides you with a few minutes of relief from the outside world.

Stay safe!

*Natalie*

Natalie Washburn



## Entertainment Ideas

If you’re stuck at home and running out of ways to entertain yourself, we found a few online suggestions for you at BuzzFeed! Read on:



1. Put together online jigsaw puzzles at <https://www.jigsawplanet.com/>
2. Listen to comedy podcasts like “How Did This Get Made?”: <https://www.earwolf.com/show/how-did-this-get-made/>
3. Watch free documentaries online: <https://documentaryheaven.com/>
4. Play a game where you guess locations in the world from Streetview pictures: <https://www.geoguessr.com/>
5. Listen to different radio stations around the world from different eras: <https://radiooooo.com/>

Last, but certainly not least, follow our blog and social media posts and “share” them With your friends and family! <https://www.malenohomes.com/blog>



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### Top 3 Maintenance Tips for Residents

Keeping certain items maintained will keep your home comfortable and enjoyable for you. Here are 3 tips from our team everyone should do:

#### 1. Keep Your Appliances Clean and Running

Use appliances as instructed. Wiping down and cleaning them on a regular basis goes a long way. Never overload your dishwasher or washing machine, and always use the right detergent for each one. Every few months, clean your refrigerator and stove thoroughly, and vacuum the refrigerator coils. Keep your garage disposal blades sharp by inserting ice cubes periodically, and fresh smelling with orange or lemon peels occasionally.

#### 2. Your Floors Deserve Attention

The floors in your home put up with a lot, don't they? Be sure to [vacuum carpets](#) at least once a week. Any vinyl, laminate, and wood floors should be swept daily to keep dirt from collecting and scratching them. Then, damp mop weekly with the proper cleaner.

#### 3. Control the Moisture

If you allow too much moisture to form, you'll see mold and mildew develop in certain areas. Keep your bathroom fan before, during, and after your shower—until all the steam is gone. Make sure windows are closed during wet weather. Wipe blinds clean with a damp cloth and mild soap once a week.



Enjoy, knowing your home is a happy one!

### Keep America Beautiful – And Your Community, Too

Please dispose of garbage properly in the dumpsters! This helps keep away unwanted critters and keeps your community beautiful!



### Junk Station Discount Exclusive to Maleno Residents

If you have large items that need to be hauled away, contact Junk Station, and mention you're a resident in our community. You'll receive **\$10 off** when [providing their flyer](#). A few examples of the items they'll take are:

- Electronics & TVs
- Couches & Sofas
- Clothing & Toys
- Mattresses & Beds
- And more!

Call 814-250-4264 or go to [junk-station.com](http://junk-station.com)



## Pools Are Closed

After the beautiful weather we've enjoyed this summer, it is disappointing to see the Lake View and Shadow Pines pools close for the season. Don't worry, though, they will be ready and waiting for you on Memorial Day, May 31, 2021.

## Resident Referrals Earn You Money

All resident referrals will receive a \$50 Rent Credit. Just make sure your referred friends let us know you brought them here! They should reference your name in the Notes section of their application.

### Odds 'n Ends for Fall

Wearing brightly colored clothing can be a mood booster. Studies show wearing colors such as yellow and orange can help produce positive feelings. They are all perfect fall colors!



Fall is caused by the Earth's tilt, not our distance from the sun.

The pumpkin currently holding the Guinness World Record for the heaviest pumpkin is 2,624.6 lbs. and was grown by a man in Belgium.

The first Oktoberfest was held in Munich, Germany in 1810. It started as a celebration for a royal wedding between a prince and princess. The celebration became a yearly tradition every year afterward.

Leaves change colors to red or purple due to the sugar trapped in the leaves.

"America was not built on fear. America was built on courage, on imagination and an unbeatable determination to do the job at hand."  
—Harry S. Truman

Source: [nuventrurere Travels.com](http://nuventrurere Travels.com)

### Election Day

Election time is drawing near. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Click here to verify your polling location and to get driving directions:  
<https://www.votespa.com/Voting-in-PA/Pages/Voting-at-a-Polling-Place.aspx>

Polling Places:

#### Lake View

Abiding Hope Lutheran Church  
2402 W Grandview St  
Erie, PA 16506

#### Scenery Hills

Grover Cleveland School Gym  
1540 W 38<sup>th</sup> St – East End  
Erie, PA 16508

#### Shadow Pines

Belle Valley Social Hall  
1514 Norcross Rd  
Erie, PA 16509

#### The Village on Pacific

Abiding Hope Lutheran Church  
2402 W Grandview St  
Erie, PA 16506



### A Few Things...

#### Be a Contributor

We'd love to have you contribute items and articles for our quarterly newsletter! Submit your articles to [wendy@malenohomes.com](mailto:wendy@malenohomes.com), including your name and contact information.

#### R. E. S. P. E. C. T.

With more people being at home nowadays, it's easy for the noise levels to increase. Please remember to respect your neighbors—above, below, and next door. They may be working, not feeling well, or simply trying to enjoy their own space.



#### Decks & Balconies

It's tempting to store trash on the decks in cold weather, but please do not do so. Not only is it unsightly, it can cause damage and attract unwanted insects and vermin. Dumpsters are the proper place for trash.

#### National Guacamole Day

It's September 15<sup>th</sup>. Make your own and enjoy: *Peel and mash avocados in a medium serving bowl. Stir in onion, garlic, tomato, lime juice, salt, and pepper. Season with remaining lime juice and salt and pepper to taste. Chill for half an hour to blend flavors*

## Recipe Corner

This month, we've gathered two delicious recipes to help welcome in the cooler temperatures. There's nothing better than the aromas of this Stuffed Pepper Soup to warm you up, followed by the yummy Sweet Potato Cream Cheese Bars to comfort you. Bon Appetit!

*Recipe #1*

### STUFFED PEPPER SOUP

<https://www.laurainthekitchen.com/recipes/stuffed-pepper-soup/>

Cook time: 1 hour

Ingredients: Serves 6

- 3 Tbsp of Olive Oil
- 1 bell pepper, diced
- 1 yellow onion, diced
- 2 carrots, peeled & diced
- 2 stalks of celery, diced
- 3 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1lb. of ground beef
- 1 28 oz. can diced tomatoes
- 7 cups of beef stock
- 1 teaspoon of Italian seasoning
- ½ cup of Arborio rice
- Salt to taste
- ½ cup of shredded provolone
- Freshly grated parmesan



Directions:

1. Preheat a large Dutch oven or soup pot, preheat over medium high heat with about a tablespoon of olive oil. Add the beef, season with some salt, break up with a wooden spoon and cook until cooked through. Remove to a plate and set aside.
2. In the same pot, add a couple tablespoons of oil then add the onions, carrots, peppers, and celery. Add another pinch of salt and cook on medium heat for about 10 minutes or until they caramelize a bit and cook down.
3. Add the beef back in along with the garlic. Cook for about 30 seconds, then add in the broth, tomatoes, and Italian seasoning. Bring to a boil, partially cover with a lid, reduce the heat to low and simmer for about a half hour.
4. Add the rice to the soup. Cook according to package instructions. When done, adjust the seasoning to taste and stir in the parmesan and provolone and serve with crusty pieces of bread!

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## SWEET POTATO CREAM CHEESE BARS

Prep time: 20 Min Bake time: 45 min + chilling

*They're even better refrigerated overnight!*

<https://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/sweet-potato-cream-cheese-bars/>

Ingredients: Makes 2 dozen

- 1 pkg white cake mix (regular size)
- 1 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- ½ cup cold butter, cubed
- 1 pkg (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- ½ cup sugar
- 3 large eggs, divided
- 1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk, divided
- 3 cups cooked and masked sweet potatoes (about 3 medium)
- 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice



Directions: Heat oven to 350° F.

1. Combine cake mix and pecans; cut in butter until crumbly. Press mixture onto bottom of a greased 13x9-in. baking dish.
2. Beat cream cheese, sugar, 1 egg and 2 tablespoons milk until smooth; set aside. Stir together sweet potatoes, remaining eggs, remaining milk and pie spice; pour over pecan mixture. Dollop cream cheese mixture over sweet potato mixture. Cut through cream cheese mixture with a knife to swirl into sweet potato mixture.
3. Bake until set and slightly golden on top, about 45 minutes. Allow to cool completely; chill before cutting into bars.

Source: TasteofHome.com

To toast nuts, bake in a shallow pan in a 350° oven for 5-10 minutes or cook in a skillet over low heat until lightly browned, stirring occasionally.

Nutrition Facts: 1 bar: 304 calories, 15g fat (7g saturated fat), 51mg cholesterol, 240mg sodium, 40g carbohydrate (27g sugars, 1g fiber), 5g protein.



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Did you know [Maleno Real Estate](#) is a full-service agency? Whether you, or your family & friends, are looking to buy or sell a home, we are here to help you. Since our roots are in the home building industry, we know homes! Whether you're building a custom home or are interested in purchasing that resale home you found on Zillow or [our website](#), give us a call and we'll assist you with buying a home. The best part? Our services are FREE when helping you look for your perfect home.

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