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Rationalisation measures are bearing fruit

We had a historically hot summer, and the number of hot days almost reached a record level. Now the summer is behind us and we are starting to already think about Christmas and next year's challenges.

At the time of writing this magazine, the budget is being drawn up. For larger undertakings, a contract competition for the Vaahterakuja and Ristinarkuntie supplement construction contracts is about to begin. The work on both sites is expected to begin in the spring of 2019 if the contractors provide us with viable tenders. In addition, there are also numerous pending development projects regarding new flats and our existing housing stock, and we will provide more information if and when the plans are realized.

Due to the decision by the Finnish Tax Administration regarding our status as a non-profit corporation, we had to review our rents this year. When writing this article, the case is still being processed by the Supreme Administrative Court of Finland, and we will provide more information as soon as we have received a decision. The measures taken during the current and previous year to rationalise operations and our careful financial management and improved utilisation rate are now bearing fruit. At this point, the budget suggests that there will no

need to raise the rents significantly in 2019. The Board will discuss and decide the budget in December when the amount of rent will also be decided.

The wide-scale modernisation project concerning the locking systems of our properties is proceeding as planned. This year, we have modernised the locking systems of three major sites, and next year the project will proceed in accordance with the plans. The aim is to modernise the locking systems of seven properties in 2019 and the locking systems of the rest of the properties in 2020. During the current year, we have also strongly developed our own property maintenance organization, which will hopefully be visible to the tenants in the form of improved service.

In order to be able to develop our operations more effectively, we deployed a customer service portal this year. We collect valuable feedback from our tenants both while they are living in a POAS flat and when they are moving in or out. We also collect feedback on experiences concerning maintenance measures taken in the flats. We hope that our tenants answer the questionnaires actively, as answering them is very quick and easy and we do not often send such questionnaires. The feedback we receive helps us develop our operations further. Thank you for your answers already in advance!

We wish you a happy end of the year and a peaceful Christmas!



TIMO JOKINEN
 CEO
 Pirkan Opiskelija-asunnot Oy



Harmony in a confined space

Space and storage solutions were the starting point for Aino Urpiola's interior design, as the 26-square-metre studio in POAS's Lompanlinna building requires compromises. When Aino moved to a new home, she had to give up her corner sofa, but the white sofa bed has fortunately proved to be a comfortable lounging place.



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The general look of the room embodies the union of old and new. The light tones give the room an airy appearance and a stylish feel of space.

As the decorative items and other objects have their own carefully considered places, the aesthetics of the room exude harmony. It is, however, difficult for Aino to choose which items to put on display, since she has so many lovely objects that are nice to look at. Some pieces of furniture and objects are from Aino's childhood home, and the rest she has acquired

over the years. The interior reflects, in its own way, the life the resident has led.

Aino considers interior design a never-ending project with endless opportunities for fine-tuning and making changes. Interior design blogs, online discussion forums, and interior design fairs are a source of inspiration for Aino. Aino recommends Housing Fare Finland, as the annual event provides a great deal of interior design ideas.

Aino spares no praise when she speaks about the building where her flat is located. It is absolutely charming. Modernised, but

still has an old feel to it, and even the old fireplaces have been preserved. The surroundings are also very beautiful, and the location is extremely good. When asked to provide interior design tips, Aino encourages the readers to just keep their eyes open and look around, to experiment boldly and play with the surfaces and colours, as there are no rules to interior design.

All kitchen utensils do not have to be hidden in drawers. Here is a creative solution that meets the needs of a small cooking space.

We take responsibility for the environment.

We use EcoCompass.

POAS constructs the Ekokompassi system in the course of autumn 2018. Ekokompassi is a practical environmental system, with the aid of which POAS carries out environmental work.

As part of this work, POAS trains its personnel and updates and increases the amount of information provided for the tenants about the environment and sustainability. We wish to provide the tenants with enough information on the means of affecting environmental matters in everyday life and reducing the consumption of, e.g., energy and water and the amount of produced mixed waste.



Waste sorting guide

Furniture and other scraps left to the waste collection points of the buildings, burden the nature and have an effect on rent prices. Leaving furniture to buildings waste collection point or to other common areas is forbidden. If you notice that somebody brings waste to the waste collection point that doesn't belong there, notify POAS via disorder notification that can be found on POAS website.

NOTE!

WE CHARGE TENANTS FOR THE WASTE THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO THE PROPERTY'S CONTAINERS BUT IS LEFT IN THE WASTE COLLECTION AREA! IF WE CANNOT IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL TENANT RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS, WE WILL CHARGE ALL THE TENANTS IN THE BUILDING FOR THE COSTS INCURRED.

SELL:

- Facebook's flea market groups
- Tori.fi and Huuto.net
- Several flea markets on Tampere
- Buildings own Facebook group

DONATE:

- Tori.fi
- Charity shops, for example Pelastusarmeija, UFF and Fida
- Recycling centers
- Many recycling centers also have free pick-up service

READ MORE: pirkanmaankierratys.fi

Furniture in bad condition or scraps should be delivered to waste facilities and centers!

REPE&ROMU

Repe&Romu tours in Tampere. Repe&Romu collects dangerous waste, scrap metal and electric appliances for free. Check their schedule:

pjhoy.fi/repejaromu

Careless sorting of waste increases living costs

POAS's Property Foreman Timo Jääрни is a busy man. Just before the interview, he finishes a phone call during which he was informed of furniture that had been left at a waste collection point. This was anything but the first – and probably not the last – phone call he has received on the subject. According to Jääрни, the problem is unfortunately common.

'There are always some tenants who have not been taught or informed of the correct way of sorting waste. Nor have they been informed of the fact that the area next to the waste bins is not a common landfill site. It is precisely furniture that poses the greatest problem for us.'

When he brings up furniture, the Property Foreman hits the core of the problem concerning waste collection points. The furniture left next to the waste bins is not only unpleasant to look at, but also causes a significant economic disadvantage to the housing company and, subse-

quently, the tenants.

'In the case of some housing companies, the furniture left at waste collection points causes additional costs of up to hundreds of euros per month. This is a significant sum of money. If the person who has left the furniture cannot be caught and held responsible, the entire housing company has to pay the price. This may, in the worst case, be reflected in an increase of rent', Jääрни outlines.

'What is more, money and aesthetics are not even the only grievances in this matter. Obstacles preventing per-

sons from accessing the waste collection point or pieces of metal from the furniture, for instance, pose a real safety threat particularly in the case of buildings with many small children. Unfortunately, untidy waste collection points often also attract rats. The list of disadvantages is almost endless', Jääрни continues.

That's why Timo Jääрни encourages everyone to do two things: to find out what the correct waste sorting practices are and use their own common sense.

'In my opinion, environmental responsibility is a subject that has not been discussed enough. It might be good to provide more environmental education at schools, or then the lessons learnt are just somehow forgotten. I believe that people know when they are not doing things the way they are supposed to. In that case, it is advisable to use common sense and find out what the correct way is.'

POAS's Tenant guide includes all necessary information for sorting waste. Jääрни also encourages the tenants to ask more questions and request advice if they are unsure about something.

Our conversation ends in Jääрни's phone ringing and him receiving yet another maintenance notice. There is still much work to be done.

This is a general guide for sorting waste. Always remember to check the sticker on the side of the container to make sure you choose the correct one. For more information on sorting waste and the different waste types, see for example the www.pjhoj.fi site

BIOWASTE:

Food waste, spoiled foods without packaging, vegetable peels, coffee grounds and filter bags, handkerchiefs and napkins, wooden cutlery, plants, grass and leaves

No, thanks: Chewing gum, tobacco quilts, liquids, ash, diapers and sanitary napkins

PAPER:

Newspapers, magazines, advertisements, envelopes, copy and output papers, telephone and product catalogs

No thanks: Wet or dirty paper, cardboard

CARDBOARD:

Cardboard boxes, milk and juice boxes, cardboard disposable containers, paper bags, wrapping paper, paper reels and egg cartons

No, thanks: Wet or dirty cardboard

GLASS:

Empty glass jars and bottles

No, thanks: Crystal, ceramic and porcelain, window glass, caps of the bottles and cans, light bulbs and halogen lamps

METAL WASTE:

Cans, beverage cans, aluminum bins and foil, pots and frying pans, cutlery, empty paint cans and non-pressurized aerosol bottles

No, thanks: Electrical waste, gas cylinders, hazardous waste

MIXED WASTE:

Dirty paper, *plastic packaging, diapers, porcelain and ceramic items, cosmetics, tobacco quilts and ash, pet's waste, broken cassettes, cd and dvd discs, light bulbs and halogen lamps

ELECTRIC APPLIANCES:

Televisions, radios, washing machines etc.

Take electrical appliances to waste facilities, the Repe&Romu tour, or to the SER recycling points

HAZARDOUS WASTE:

Paints, varnishes, solvents, thinners, chemicals, batteries, fluorescent tubes, etc.

Take to hazardous waste disposal centers or to waste facility or waste center. Also Repe&Romu –tour collects hazardous waste. Keep hazardous waste always on its original packaging.

Take old medicines and mercury filled thermometers to pharmacy. Take batteries and cell phone batteries into stores selling them

PLASTIC WASTE:

*Empty, clean and dry plastic packaging such as food packaging, detergent packaging, plastic bags, plastic wrap, bottles and jars.

You can take plastic waste to Rinki eco take-back points. Rinki eco take-back points can be found on kierratysinfo.fi

Do not leave PVC O3 packaging to plastic waste bins.

In Joonas's kitchen

Cooking can be both a hobby and a way of affecting the environment.

Joonas Vähämäki has finished his working day. The way home is familiar, since he has lived in his flat on Siirtolapuutarhankatu for as long as 14 years. He seems very happy with his flat.

'I like living here. Already the good transport connections make this an excellent place to live. The price level of POAS's flats is also very reasonable', Vähämäki commends.

The conversation quickly and effortlessly shifts towards the reason for the interview, i.e., food. For Joonas, cooking in the evening is part of his everyday life and, according to him, he cooks at least four or five times a week.

'I do not like eating the same food on several consecutive days. I cook the meals I eat at work myself, and cooking has become a hobby for me', Joonas comments on the hours spent in the kitchen.

Joonas describes himself, with a glint in his eye, as a 'sipsikaljavegaani', a vegan who likes to eat food that tastes good even when it is not all that healthy. Five years back, he started deliberately shifting his diet towards vegetarianism. For many people, the transition to a vegan diet is about healthiness, but Joonas's has been driven by another motive.

'I wanted change over to a diet in which I would not use any products of animal origin. I have also always thought that food has to taste good. In the past, I used butter in cooking, and I eat, for example, a lot of chips. I am a kebab lover, but seitan appearing on the market encouraged me to give up meat once and for all.'

This time, spicy soy coconut curry is cooking in the kitchen. Joonas describes it as a dish that is easy to make from ingredients that are available in every larger shop. The total price of the dish adds up to approximately 10 euros, which is less than 3 euros per serving.

The dish in question has been prepared many times before inside these walls, but it has been modified over time.

'In the past, I used to cook a chicken version of this dish. So, the recipe is very familiar to me, and I have altered it a bit along the way. The soy strips I'm using now are actually very similar to chicken. They do, in fact, contain even more protein than chicken! The taste of the dish is very Asian. It has a kick, although the heat can be toned down by reducing the amount of chilli or sriracha.'

This is, of course, far from being the only dish for which Joonas has had to look for a substitute



product after becoming a vegan. The current offering at the shops receive commendation from Joonas.

- 'I have made an effort to look for meat substitute products, and nowadays it's really easy. Finland is a pioneer in terms of vegan product offering. We have here several products that are not available elsewhere in Europe.'

For those who are thinking about ceasing to eat meat, Joonas has a few words of encouragement.

'Reducing meat consumption is always helpful. It is good for both you and the environment. For a long time now, I have been aware of how cruel meat industry is for the animals, but it is also good to understand and internalize the impact meat eating has on the environment. For me, being a vegan is a choice that I also encourage others to make.'



SPICY SOY COCONUT CURRY (serves 4)

Ingredients:

- 1 packet of Tofurky Slow Roasted Chick'n soy strips
- 1 onion
- 2 fresh chillies
- 1 dl cashew nuts
- 2 dl coconut milk
- 1 dl water
- 2 tbsp sunflower seed oil

- 1 tbsp red curry paste (ready-made)
- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tsp sriracha

- 1 tbsp paprika powder
- 1 tsp turmeric powder
- 1 tsp ground black pepper
- 3 kaffir lime leaves

Method:

Chop the onion and chillies and add them to the heated frying pan with oil. When the onions have become translucent, add the curry paste and soy sauce and stir.

The Tofurky soy strips are already cooked, so they can be added to the pan as such. This dish can also be cooked using dried soy strips, but in that case the soy strips need to be prepared in accordance with the instructions on the packet. At this point, put the strips on the pan with the nuts and dry spices and stir well. Finally, add the coconut milk, water, sriracha, and kaffir lime leaves. Stir and let cook at a medium temperature for approximately 10 minutes.

Serve with, e.g., rice, even though noodles also make a great side to this dish. You can garnish the dish with fresh coriander, if you wish.

~ Cut the recipe out for later use ~

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Follow Joonas and his cookings on Instagram:

 [Indiejoonas](#)

Find vegan products:
www.veganituotteet.net



Exercising opportunities in Tampere

The opportunities for exercising and outdoor activities are versatile in Tampere.

The numerous jogging paths, football fields, basketball courts, and beaches make Tampere a great place to live for those who enjoy exercising. In the winter, a total of 120 kilometres of ski tracks and several winter swimming places are available in Tampere.

For those who like to skate and play ice hockey, there are ice skating and hockey rinks across Tampere. There are four skating tracks on both Lake Näsijärvi and Lake Tohloppi. The public outdoor swimming pool that was opened in Kaleva last summer made a nice addition to the already extensive summer-time offering of the city.

For those into cycling, Tampere offers, e.g., the Pyhä and Näsi routes that run along the shores of Lake Pyhäjärvi and Lake Näsijärvi. The Hopealinjat inland water cruise company also accepts bicycles onboard, so you can include a short cruise in your cycling trip. Read more about the cycling routes along Lake Näsijärvi and Lake Pyhäjärvi at pyhanäsi.fi.

Hervanta

There are many attractive lake and forest landscapes in the Hervanta area. The Suo-

lijärvi nature trail in Hervanta runs along the shore of Lake Suolijärvi. The rock walls and boulders make the jogging landscape more rugged and the terrain steeper. The Hervantajärvi nature trail is located on the south side of the Ruskontie road. There are beaches for swimming by the lakes Suolijärvi, Hervantajärvi, and Särkijärvi.

The length of the ski tracks available in the Hervanta area in the winter varies from 0.5 to 14 kilometres. A popular approximately 4.3-kilometre ski track with suitably varying terrain runs around Lake Suolijärvi. By Lake Suolijärvi, there is also a hiking lodge that is open all year round.

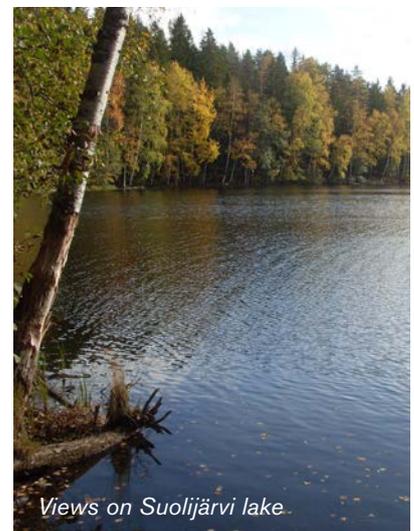
It is possible to engage in several types of sports in the Hervanta Leisure Centre, and Hervanta even has its own indoor ice rink, swimming facility, and athletics field. In South Hervanta, in the Näyttämönpuisto park, there is also a disc golf track in the summer and a steep sledding hill for daredevils in the winter.

Härmälä and Vihilahti

The Härmälä and Vihilahti areas are located on the shore of Lake Pyhäjärvi. A beautiful lake scenery can be enjoyed while travelling the 2-kilometre path that

begins from the Härmälä beach. The area blossoms like a splendid garden particularly in the summer.

In addition to the Härmälä beach, the area also accommodates, e.g., the Rantaperkiö artificial-turf football field. Hatanpää Arboretum, which hosts, e.g., various plants and flowers and a beautiful rose garden, is only a short distance away from



Views on Suolijärvi lake

1. Hervanta indoor ice rink
2. Hervanta indoor swimming pool
3. Hervanta athletics field
4. Hervanta leisure center
5. Suolijärvi nature trail
6. Suolijärvi hiking lodge
7. Näyttämöpuisto park /disc golf track
8. Rantaperkiö beach
9. Rantaperkiö football turf
10. Hatanpään Arboretum
11. Kaukajärvi scenery trail
12. Kaukajärvi leisure center
13. Kauppi sport center
14. Niihama hiking lodge
15. Pyynikki ridge
16. Pyynikki stairs
17. Pyynikki observation tower
18. Iidesjärvi bird watching tower
19. Iidesjärvi nature trail
20. Kaleva outdoor swimming pool



Winter swimming places

- Kaukajärvi beach
 - Kaupinoja beach
 - Rauhaniemi beach
 - Suolijärvi winter swimming place
 - Suomensaari beach
 - Tohloppi winter swimming place
 - Kaukajärvi / Riihiniemi
 - Mältinranta
 - Peltolampi
- Winter swimming places with sauna



On 25th of September tenants played futsal

POAS sports turn

POAS tenants sports turn is on Tuesdays from 8 pm. to 9 pm. at Härmälä school. (Nuolialantie 47) Tenants can play together different sports.

SCHEDULE

- 6th of Nov Floorball
- 13th of Nov Volleyball
- 20th of Nov Basketball
- 27th of Nov Tenants wish
- 4th of Dec Christmas games

Playing equipment can be found in the school, so you only need indoor sports clothing and shoes with you.

the Härmälä and Vihilahti areas. The trip can easily be continued all the way to the Eteläpuisto park, Pyynikki beach, and the Pyynikki observation tower.

Kaukajärvi

A scenic route that runs along the shores of Lake Kaukajärvi in the Kaukajärvi district is great for jogging and cycling. At the end of the trip, you can take a dip in the lake at the Kaukajärven uimala and Riihiniemi beaches. In the winter, there is an illuminated 2-kilometre ski track that runs around the Isolammi pond and an approximately 5.5-kilometre track from the Kaukajärvi Leisure Centre to the Vehmaisten ulkoilumaja hiking lodge. There is also an approximately 20-kilometre route to the Taivalpirtti hiking lodge in Lempäälä.

Kauppi-Niihama area

Kauppi Sports Center is located in the vicinity of the city centre, close to the main campus of Tampere University of Applied Sciences. The proximity of Lake Näsijärvi

makes the area a paradise for those who like to exercise outdoors. The area accommodates over 30 kilometres of illuminated hiking routes, which are transformed into a comprehensive ski track network in the winter. From Kauppi, you can take a long run all the way to Kangasala. In Kauppi, it may also be possible to watch a game of football or pesäpallo (Finnish version of baseball).

The Niihama hiking lodge is open every day, weather permitting. There is, e.g., a canteen and a grill house (grillikota) at the lodge. In the summer, it is possible to play table tennis and disc golf and use the outdoor gym in the area. In the winter, an ice-skating rink and an area for playing ice games is ploughed on the ice of Lake Niihamajärvi. You can also borrow a kicksled (potkukelkka) or a plastic sled (pulkka) or slider (liukuri) for sledding. Snowshoes are also available for renting. The Kauppi-Kangasala ski track runs past the lodge. It is also possible to have a sauna at the hiking lodge. Updated information about events at the lodge and the

lodge's opening hours are available on the lodge's Facebook page.

Pyynikinharju ridge

The Pyynikinharju ridge is considered the world's highest esker. Those who like to exercise can hike along the 4-kilometre path that begins at the Pyynikki observation tower. In 1993, Pyynikki was granted the status of a nature reserve. Have you already put your fitness to test at the legendary steps in Pyynikki? In the winter, there is approximately one kilometre of illuminated ski track at the Pyynikinharju ridge.

Iidesjärvi nature trail

The best-known bird lake in Tampere provides a great opportunity for exercising and birdwatching. Particularly at the time of the spring migration of the birds there is much hustle and bustle to marvel at. The approximately 7-kilometre nature trail that begins at the bird tower offers a front-row seat for watching this wonderful display of nature.

Pamela expresses her feelings through dance



It is not often that one has the opportunity to meet as passionate a person as **Pamela Roldan**. She does not have to say how much she loves dancing, as it is reflected in the sparkle in her eyes when she talks about it.

Dancing is in Pamela's blood. She grew up in Argentina, and her father is a dance teacher.

'I believe I danced my first ballet when I was four years old. I started taking regular dance lessons soon after that. In that environment, it was easy to live and breathe dancing', she reflects.

The range of dance styles was broad and not restricted to only ballet. Since the very beginning, she has trained herself in many forms of dance, such as afro and salsa. It was not until later that tango came into the picture.

'Tango is a melancholy and sometimes even a very mournful dance. It is easier to understand tango when you have proces-

sed these feelings in your own life. I was going through some tough times when I had moved here and missed my family. I believe that the experience has helped me understand tango better', Pamela recounts.

How did an Argentinian dancer who has worked in the media industry end up in Tampere, then? It is a classic story of girl meets boy.

'I met my husband in Buenos Aires, where he was studying as an exchange student. We fell in love, and I ended up here. Tampere is a great place to live!'

Even though Pamela has lived in Tampere and a POAS flat for several years now, she is still impressed by Finland and Finnish nature.

'I have really enjoyed living in Finland, and I am particularly in love with the nature, its diversity and all the small details, even the squirrels. The green forests and the purity of the nature have made a gre-

at impression on me. I have not had any problems adapting to the coldness of the winters, but I have, admittedly, had some difficulty in getting used to the darkness.'

The dancing opportunities provided by Tampere also receives praise.

'It was really easy to find places where to continue dancing. Particularly the offering of salsa was great', says Pamela, who currently acts as a dance teacher.

In Finland, Pamela has had the opportunity to meet a very different breed of tango dancers.

'Finnish tango is very different from Argentinian tango. Argentinian tango music varies much more when compared with the Finnish tango music. This also provides the dancer with the opportunity to express their feelings on a wider scale. Argentinian tango is, in fact, a combination of different cultures, so practically anyone can relate to it.'

'Attending a traditional open-air dance



"ATTENDING A TRADITIONAL OPEN-AIR DANCE FOR THE FIRST TIME WAS ALSO AN EYE-OPENING EXPERIENCE. IT WAS WONDERFUL TO FIND A PLACE WHERE THESE PEOPLE CAN SMILE AND RELAX."

for the first time was also an eye-opening experience. It was wonderful to find a place where these people can smile and relax', Pamela reflects happily on her first "lavatanssi" experience.

What, then, gets Pamela excited about dancing day after day?

'In the past, I took a short break from dancing due to my media studies. That was when I understood that I cannot live without dance. It gives me a sense of freedom that I cannot find anywhere else. Dancing helps me deal with my fears. I feel my feelings through my body, and I can filter them with the aid of dance. I start feeling pain and become sad if I do not dance.'

READ MORE ABOUT PAMELA'S DANCE SCHOOL AT WWW.PADMEDANCE.COM

Fire safety week on 24th of Nov – 1st of Dec

Fire safety week ends on Fire alarm day 1st of December

Test your fire alarm regularly once in a month or if you have been away from home for a long time. Fire alarm's condition can be tested by pressing the test button. When pushing the button loud noise can be heard.

Fire alarms that work with batteries

Making sure that the fire alarm and the battery inside it are in working order, as well as purchasing a fire alarm, are the responsibility of the tenant. (excluding fire alarms that have been connected to the electrical network – see the list below)

Fire alarms connected to electrical network

The housing company is responsible for the maintenance of fire alarms connected to the electrical network. However the tenant is responsible for regular testing of the fire alarm. Fire alarms connected to the electrical network must not, under any circumstances, be attempted to disconnect or otherwise damage them.

Buildings with fire alarms connected to electrical network

Kärkikuja 2 & 6	Nuolialantie 48	Parantolankatu 7*
Leirintäkatu 2	Perkiönkatu 85	Ritakatu
Insinöörinkatu 19	Tieteenkatu 18*	13 A,C-D & B**

* Sprinklers, and a fire alarm connected to the Emergency Center

**Fire alarm connected to the Emergency Center

Darkening nights and candles

Burning candles is a quick way of brightening the cold and dark autumn. What would be more comfortable than enjoying a cup of hot cocoa on the sofa with a candle flickering next to you? It is, however, important to keep fire safety in mind when burning candles!

Select a non-flammable surface, such as a stone coaster or ceramic plate, for the candles and ensure that the coaster or plate cannot tip over. Place the candles so that they are at least 5 centimeters apart from each other, and ensure that there are no flammable materials, such as curtains, around the candles.

Do not leave burning candles unattended. In addition to using traditional candles, it is also worth trying different kinds of battery-operated LED candles.





17th -21st of Dec

"Glögi" and gingerbread is served at POAS office.



Occupancy rights are being reviewed

POAS's flats are intended for persons studying at secondary or tertiary education institutions in Tampere and the Pirkanmaa region and for young people who are under 30 years of age and working. In order to be able to offer a flat to as many persons in the target group as possible, we conduct reviews on the occupancy rights of tenants in accordance with the terms of the lease agreement. Occupancy rights are reviewed annually in stages and one site at a time. When the review is a topical issue for you, you will receive a letter that provides more detailed information on the review. When there is more than one party to the agreement, it suffices that one of the parties meets the criteria. Additional information can be requested by sending e-mail to:

vuokraalvonta@poas.fi

Office's opening hours:

Mon-Fri 9.00-15.00 on first weekday of the month 9.00-17.00

Office's exceptional opening hours during Christmas and New Year

6th of Dec Independence Day - closed

21st of Dec open 9-13

24th of Dec Christmas Eve - closed

25th of Dec Christmas Day - closed

26th of Dec Boxing Day - closed

31st of Dec New Year's Eve - open 9-13

1st of Jan 2019 New Year's Day - closed

POAS News

Smoking area

In addition to smoking ban in the common areas, smoking in all POAS apartments, balconies and outdoor areas is prohibited starting from 1st of January 2019. After that, smoking is only permitted in a specifically designated place, in the yard of the building.



Results of a pet photo contest

POAS arranged a pet photo contest to POAS tenants during summer. Many photos were sent to the contest and POAS jury chose three of the photos to compete in the voting. With public voting photo 2. Janika's cats was voted as a winner. Sweet cats truly melted hearts. Winner received a gift voucher to Eläinklinikka Timantti worth 100 euros.

Three best photos were:

1. Janika's cats (winner)
2. Saara's tortoise
3. Romeo the dog

Follow POAS on Social media:



Events in Tampere

POAS Christmas Calendar

POAS Christmas calendar starts again on 1st of December. This year you can follow the calendar on POAS Facebook and Instagram accounts. Within those who participate on the calendar, daily winners are drawn. Winners will receive gift vouchers to cafe's and other surprizes. Also a main prize winner will be drawn within all participants!

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Register to POAS tenant portal and update your contact information!

It is important that POAS has tenant's up to date phone numbers and email addresses. Through tenant portal you can update your contact information any day. On tenant portal you can also see your rent payment information, send direct messages to customer service and rent supervision, and fill in an notice of defects of which progress you can follow.

Joint-use cars

At the beginning of 2019, POAS will acquire three electric cars for joint use by the tenants. The tenants will be informed of how to borrow and use the cars later in the winter.



Free Concert for POAS tenants

On 16th of August 2019 a concert is held for POAS tenants at Pyynikki. Concert is free and you can take avec with you! lisa & Annukka will be performing! Detailed information and registration will be announced during spring.

Is your home insurance in order?

The property's insurance does not cover the contents of your flat. For instance, in the case of a fire or water damage, the property's insurance only covers the damage caused to the flat's structures and fixtures, but not the tenant's own furniture and objects. For this reason, it is advisable to have a home insurance.

The scope and content of home insurances vary, so, e.g., the amount of personal contribution and terms are different in different insurances. There are extremely attractive deals available for students and young people, and it may also be possible to include, for instance, a travel insurance in the home insurance!

November

7th of Nov

TeknologiaUra recruitment event
Recruitment event at Tampere-talo, where employers from technology industry are presenting their companies.

14th of Nov

IT-Hekuma Recruitment event for students and companies.

16th -18th of Nov

Finnish Craft & Design - annual gathering of craft & design companies at Tampere

24th of Nov

Christmas at Tallipiha Tallipiha celebrates Christmas

December

1st of Dec

Christmas market opens at Tampere City center

31st of Dec

City center's New Year's party

January

12th-13th of Jan

Vire 2019 - Tampere Health Fair, Vire is all about vitality - organic and local products, vegan food, gluten-free life and yoga, mindfulness and exercise

22nd -24th of Jan

Portti työelämään - recruitment event at Tampere University of Applied Sciences

February

Yrittäjäpäivät job fair - Finland's largest networking and recruitment event for university students

6th of Feb - at Tampere University

7th of Feb - at Tampere University of Technology

March

6th -10th of Mar

Tampere film festival

Participate on wreath making contest!

Take a picture of a wreath you have made and share it on Instagram with hastags **#poaskoti** and **#kranssikisa** and you have a chance to win. You can make the wreath with materials of your choice and participate until 25th of November 2018! POAS jury will choose three best wreaths from which a winner will be selected by public voting on 3rd of December 2018.

You can also participate by sending a photo of your wreath to leena.korteniemi@poas.fi

Read detailed instructions and rules on POAS website. bit.ly/kranssikisa

PRIZE IS A GIFT VOUCHER TO IKEA WORTH 100 EUROS.



Päivi, Tiina ja Sanna from POAS office made their own wreaths

Give feed back of the magazine!

Within those who have given feedback before 31st of January 2019 a winner will be drawn. Winner will receive 2 Finnkino movie tickets and snack vouchers.



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