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Res. Hall Safety Tips



Did you know? Christmas Trees are blamed for over 500 fires each year?

Question: If your RH burned down, where would you sleep?

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HAUNTED HALLS



Fun...and Dangerous!

Use Fire Retardant Materials

Halloween, New Year's Eve, Christmas, Hanukkah... Holidays present opportunities to decorate Residence Halls with seasonal reminders. However, combustible (easily ignited) decorations can lead to disasters!

That doesn't mean Residence Halls have to be barren undecorated bah-humbugs barracks! Here are some suggestions for alternatives:

- ◆ Most theatrical or commercial drapery supply stores have fabrics or other "inherently fire resistive" (won't burn, even if you hold a blowtorch to them) materials available.
- ◆ Building Supply Stores also stock "flame retardant" plastic sheeting (Good for Halloween Haunted Houses or cutting into streamers!)
- ◆ Artificial Christmas Trees may not produce the pine scent of a Douglas Fir, but they won't cause flash fires with temperatures in excess of 900° F, either. (Get a fire resistant artificial tree and some pine potpourri!)
- ◆ Candles and flames evoke numerous emotions. Let's prevent unbearable sorrow from being one of them. Use only UL approved electric Menorahs and mini-LEDs sets rather than actual flames!
- ◆ Use only water-based paints and markers. Your hallmates will appreciate the lack of volatile organics in their air!

