

THOMASVILLE AND BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWS



We hope everyone had a happy summer but now it's back to school time! Monday, August 3rd, is the big day for city schools and the 10th for county. Summer has flown by and time to buckle down for another year of learning and get back into a routine. Make sure to watch out for kids walking to school and getting on and off the school bus. We wish all our students a safe, happy and successful year.

The YMCA Summer Food Program came to an end last month and we'd like to say a big thank you to them for feeding kids at our complexes.

**"You are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem, and smarter
than you think."**

A. A. Milne, "Winnie the Pooh"

BAN LIST UPDATE

Trevonte Butler has been added to our ban list. Please report it if you see him on the grounds or in an apartment at any of our complexes. We appreciate you helping us keep our complexes safe.

BOSTON GARBAGE PICK UP

Boston residents will now have their garbage picked up on Fridays beginning September 4th. You will receive new trash cans from DeepSouth Sanitation the final week of August 26th. That is the last day Thomasville Sanitation will pick up. Hopefully, this will result in faster repair and replacement of damaged or unusable garbage cans. As always, please call the office if your cans needs replacing or repairing.

BINGO CLUB

The big Bingo winner for July was Ethel Robinson with 4 wins with Betty Mango coming in a close second with 3 wins. Come join us for some fun and games on August 12th and 26th for the chance to win some prizes. We'd be happy to pick you up if you'd like. It's a good way to get out of the house for a little while.

FAIRCLOTH COMMUNITY BUILDING STORE

The store will be open on Tuesday, August 11th, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm this month. We have some new donations so if you are in need of any items, you're welcome to visit and see if there's anything you need. Best of all...it's all free of charge. If you would like to donate anything you have that's in good condition, contact Kay at 226-4065 ext. 5 to coordinate pick up or drop off.

RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD

The Resident Advisory Board was unable to meet last month due to unforeseen circumstances. The

meeting has been rescheduled for August 19th to discuss recommendations to improve our complexes. We have a vacancy on our board so if you live at Cherokee Homes and would be interested in being a voice for your neighbors, you may call Kay at 226-4065 ext. 5 to discuss it. Thank you all for your participation.

LEASE REMINDER

As stated in your lease, no one can stay at your apartment more than 14 days without being on the lease. If someone is found living with you, you will receive a 30-day notice to vacate. Also, remember that the head of household is responsible for their household members and all guests.

RESIDENT REMINDERS

*Remember that if you receive a letter to come to the office you must comply with the request. If not, after several unsuccessful attempts you will receive a 30-day notice to vacate.

*Please do not pour grease outdoors. This attracts pests and kills the grass plus it is a \$50 fine for doing so.

*Remember not to block windows and doors. This is a major lease violation and against HUD rules. At least one window must be free in case of an emergency. There is also a fine for this violation. Thank you all for cooperating.

*Remember, there is a \$10 charge for not pulling your garbage can back to your unit within 24 hours after pickup and a \$10 charge for putting items on your porch for the dump wagon before Wednesday.

NO ITEMS FOR PICK UP ON THE FRONT PORCH – BACK PORCH ONLY!

*Inspections are the week of the 17th this month.

*Call the office if your can is damaged and we will inform the city and have it repaired or replaced for you. Also, please put garbage in bags before placing it in the can to keep it clean. Don't forget to pull it back after pick up.

AUGUST DATES TO REMEMBER

Aug. 1 – Rent due

Aug. 9 – Last day to pay before late fees

Aug. 10 – Late Fees

Aug. 11 – Store open at Faircloth Comm. Bldg 1-3pm

Aug. 12 – Bingo at College Terrace Comm. Bldg.

Week of 17th – Pest control/meter reading

Aug. 23 – Last day to pay rent before Dispos

Aug. 24 – Dispossession for non-payment

Aug. 26 – Bingo at College Terrace Comm. Bldg.

LATE NOTICES

Remember, the late notices are added after the 5th working day of each month. If you receive a late notice for past due rent, you have fourteen (14) calendar days to pay. This will not always be the same date every month. After the 14 days, if rent is still not paid you will be turned over to the Magistrate Court and charged an additional \$80. Then, if rent is not paid in the next 7 days a Writ of Possession is issued and the Magistrate Court sets a date and time to set out a tenant's belongings with an additional \$25 added to the account.

In order to avoid a late fee, rent must be paid in the office or put in the drop box BEFORE late fees are added. It doesn't matter when the money order is dated. If it is not turned in to the office by the due date, then it is considered late. Remember that rent and utilities must be paid in full. **NO PARTIAL PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Our Maintenance Department is open
for emergency work orders 24 hours a
day, 7 days a week.

EMERGENCY WORK ORDER #403-7436

1. Gas leak or smell
2. Main sewer line backed up
3. Stopped up toilet (if running over on floor)
4. Main water line break
5. Apartment is flooded.
6. Heater is out if below 32 degrees F or not after 10:00 pm
7. Power is out.