

# THOMASVILLE AND BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWS

## **OFFICE CLOSURE**

The office will be closed on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in observance of President’s Day. Call the emergency number at 229-403-7436 if needed.

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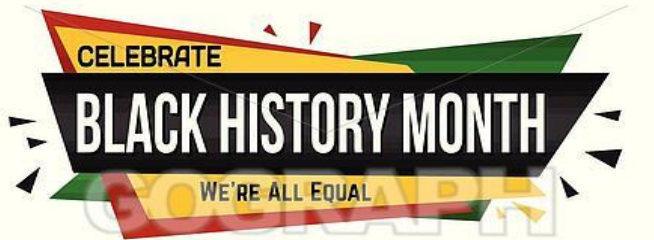
## **HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY**



We wish all our residents a Happy Valentine’s Day. Don’t forget to remember your loved ones on February 14<sup>th</sup> including your spouse, significant other, kids, parents, teachers and friends.

## **HOUSEKEEPING**

This is a reminder to all our residents to please keep your apartment clean and in good order. Inspections are the week of the 21<sup>st</sup> this month so make sure everything is ready before we come. We have an ongoing problem with unsatisfactory housekeeping, especially with stoves. Ovens should be clean along with the rangehood and under the stovetop. Make sure the refrigerator and freezer are kept clean and also the tub/shower. These are the biggest problems we see. Closets should not have clothes or other items piled on the floor but need to be in baskets, tubs or bags. Also, toys and clothes should be put away and not scattered on bedroom floors. We also ask that you not leave leftover food out because this attracts pests and that’s what needs to be prevented. Repeated housekeeping violations will result in being placed



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Downtown Thomasville is sponsoring the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Black History Month Parade & Celebration on February 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Join them for the parade at 10:00 and then the fun continues at The Ritz Amphitheater with food vendors, local school performances and historical reenactment skits. Dancing and singing ends the day with a band performing. Thomasville natives, Secretary of Defense Gen. Lloyd Austin III, Lt. Henry O. Flipper and Charlie Ward, Jr., are being celebrated. This is a great way to celebrate Black History Month or you can celebrate in your own way!

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## **COMMISSIONER UPDATE**

A heartfelt thank you goes to Ms. Juanita Jackson for her 25 years of service to the Thomasville Housing Authority. She has stepped down from our board and is our longest serving commissioner. She expressed that she thoroughly enjoyed her time with us and she will surely be missed. Thank you again, Ms. Juanita.

We would like to welcome Mr. Shan Daniels to the Thomasville Board of Commissioners as our newest member. We look forward to working with him in the future.

on housekeeping probation and may result in eviction. Thank you to those that abide by their lease and keep their apartments clean.

**CONGRATULATIONS CORNER**

Congratulations to Brianna Presley for making the honor roll at Thomas County Middle School for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of the school year. Keep up the good work, Brianna!

Congratulations go to the Thomasville Bulldog football team that made it all the way to the state championship in December. Some of our residents played in the game and we join the city in saying we're proud of them.

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**RESIDENT REMINDERS**

\*\*Remember to pull your trash can to the curb on your pickup day. If you have a damaged can, call the office and we will report it to the city for repair or replacement.

\*\*Please put items out for pickup on Thursdays to be picked up by the dump wagon on Fridays.

\*\*To all Cherokee Homes residents – Please do not throw trash of any kind across the road on Reid Street. This is city property. Thank you!

\*\*Inspections are the week of the 22<sup>nd</sup> this month so be sure your apartment is ready.

**FEBRUARY DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Feb. 1 – Rent due
- Feb. 2 – Groundhog Day
- Feb. 7 – Last day to pay rent before late fees
- Feb. 8 – Late fees
- Feb. 14 – Valentine’s Day
- Feb. 21 – President’s Day (office closed)
- Feb. 21 – Last day to pay rent before Dispos
- Week of Feb. 21 – Meter reading/pest control
- Feb. 22 – Dispossessions (Magistrate Court)

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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.

**LATE NOTICES**

Remember, the late notices are added after the 5<sup>th</sup> 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.**

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*You must never be fearful about what you are doing when it’s right.*

*-Rosa Parks*

