

# THOMASVILLE AND BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY NEWS

The 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Thomasville Rose Show & Festival is here! April 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> are the dates for 2024. There are so many activities to participate in this year from the 1-Mile Run and 10K Run on April 20<sup>th</sup> to the 5K Walk on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Of course, there's the Rose Show parade and street dance on Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> and don't forget the Show & Shine Car & Truck Show on Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup>! You can also Sip & Shop downtown and then attend the Rose Fest Finale at the Ritz Amphitheater with a concert and food trucks! It will certainly be a busy, fun weekend of events for our city. There's something for everyone so don't miss out!



## **RENT CHANGE REMINDER**

This is a friendly reminder that if your rent will be increased due to your recertification, it will take effect on April 1<sup>st</sup> for Thomasville residents and May 1<sup>st</sup> for Boston residents. Give the office a call if you need to know your full amount.

## **SMOKING VIOLATIONS**

We are seeing an increasing number of smoking violations in units. Everyone was given our smoking policy and signed a lease addendum which took effect April 1, 2018. It states that upon the 4<sup>th</sup> violation an eviction notice will be sent. Remember that smoking is not allowed in our units. Call the office if you would like information on quitting and we'd be happy to give you some resources.

## **FREE CLOTHING GIVE-A-WAY**



Faircloth Homes was the sight of the latest free clothing give-a-way held last month. There was a big turnout with residents picking up some nice things for themselves and their family members. A big thank you to Mrs. Mary Griffin and her group for this opportunity in our community.

## **CONDOLENCES**

Our most sincere condolences go out to the family, friends and neighbors of Mr. Henry and Mrs. Mary Moody. They both passed away last month only nine days apart. They were longtime residents of the Housing Authority, moving here in 2008. Mrs. Moody was affectionately known as the "Bingo Queen", often winning more games than anyone else. She loved to play Bingo and always brought her stuffed bingo dog with her for luck...which seemed to work! Mr. Moody could be found sitting on the front porch or driving his blue truck with the "Mr. Moody" tag. They will be missed by us all in the neighborhood. Rest in peace, Mr. and Mrs. Moody.

## **THOMAS COUNTY CARES**

We want to let the generous group of people with Thomas County Cares, who take the time to prepare and serve meals for our residents, know that we are appreciative of their time and efforts. Faircloth residents, Brenda Thomas-Smith, Shirley Spencer and Cynthia Jones, have even become volunteers! A big thank you to them and everyone involved. Here are the dates and locations for April: 4<sup>th</sup> at Faircloth, 11<sup>th</sup> at Normal Park, 18<sup>th</sup> at College Terrace and 25<sup>th</sup> at Flipper.

### **MARCH GAMES**

We just celebrated the sixth anniversary of Bingo and we'd love to have you join us every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month for some games. Dates for April are the 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Call Kay at 226-4065 ext. 5 if you need a ride. The big winners for March were Gwen Jones, Thelma Knight, Shirley Thurman and Elaine Geter.

### **RESIDENT REMINDERS**

\*Inspections are the week of the 15<sup>th</sup> this month. Be sure to have your apartment ready by keeping everything clean and neat. REPEATED VIOLATIONS WILL RESULT IN BEING PLACED ON HOUSEKEEPING PROBATION.

\*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 YOUR CAN TO KEEP IT CLEAN. Don't forget to pull it back after pick up. Thank you!

### **APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER**

April 1 – Rent due  
April 1 – April Fools' Day  
April 8 – Last day to pay rent before late fees  
April 9 – Late fees  
April 10 – Games at College Terrace Comm. Bldg  
Week of April 15 – Pest control/Meter reading

April 22 – Earth Day  
April 22 – Last day to pay rent before Dispos  
April 23 – Dispossessorys for non-payment  
April 24 – Games at College Terrace Comm. Bldg.  
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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.

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### **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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