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In the Know

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New Beginnings

Here is some interest- ing facts for the month of January

-1 Paul Revere was born
(1735)

-1 Emma M. Nutt becomes
the first woman telephone
operator (1878)

-1 The ball was first dropped
at Times Square in New York
City (1908)

-3 Construction began on the
Brooklyn Bridge (1870)

-6 Samuel Morse demon-
strates the telegraph (1838)



-9 The United Nations
opens its headquarters in
New York City

-12 Batman debuts on tele-
vision (1966)

-14 Miami Dolphins defeat
the Washington Redskins in
Super Bowl VII, and be-
come the first undefeated
team in NFL history (1973)

Another Fresh New Year is
here....

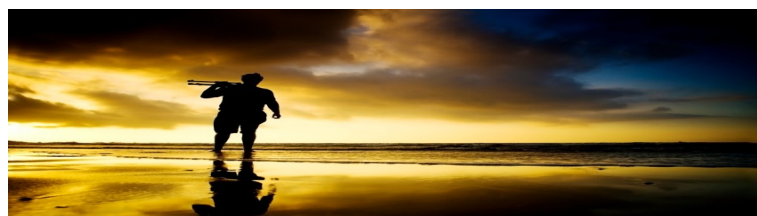
- ◆ Another Year to Live
- ◆ To Banish Worry, Doubt
and Fear
- ◆ To love and laugh and
forgive
- ◆ Let go of the past and
embrace the future

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH



Our Mission Statement:

The Housing Authority's mission is to service the housing needs of low-income families in the Authority's jurisdiction in order to enhance self-sufficiency and promote community quality of life and economic viability.





Exterminations:

26—Vogel/Shop

27—Riviera/Deegan

25—E.W.Williams/Office

Current RAB Members:

Bernita Wright

Mary Garcia

Kathleen Ritz



January Events



- ◆ 1—Rent Due! 8:30pm-10pm. Free
- ◆ 1- Office Closed for New Years
- ◆ 5—Last day to pay rent without the \$15 late charge (if the 5th is on a weekend, rent is due before 8:00am on Monday)
- ◆ Family Fun Saturdays at the NCCIL, 102 Cedar St. Create a work of art for FREE. 1pm-4pm
- ◆ 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday-Office closed
- ◆ 18 MLK Banquet—Civic Center
- ◆ Every Thursday-Free Admission at the Grace Museum 5-8pm.
- ◆ Every Tuesday-Jazz Night at Monk's Coffee Shop, 233 Cypress,

What is RAB?

RAB stands for Resident Advisory Board. The Resident Advisory Board is made up of residents from Public Housing and residents from Section 8. These residents reflect and represent the residents assisted by the Abilene Housing Authority. The role of this board is to assist and make recommendations regarding the development of the PHA plan and any significant amendment or modifications to the PHA Plan. We

want YOUR Input!

Interested?

Call Tanya —676-6032



Resident Council

This is a council consisting of only residents from public housing. Unlike RAB, Resident Council is a tenant association geared towards the revitalization of public housing. The Resident Council exists to make public housing better. With a Resident Council, people can come together and get things done, get things changed!

Now, we all know that there are some things that cannot be changed. However, we are dedicated to making changes that will bring improvement.

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Participation in RAB and/or Resident Council

counts toward Community Service Hours



National Blood Donor Month



Blood is traditionally in short supply during the winter months due to the holidays, travel schedules, inclement weather and illness. A reduction in turnout can put our nation's blood supply at a critical low.

As we begin the New Year, the Red Cross, Hospitals and Blood banks across the nation encourages individuals to resolve to roll up a sleeve to give this month and throughout 2016.

January has been designated as National Blood Donor Month> National Blood Donor Month has been observed in January since 1970 with the goal of increasing blood and platelet donations during the winter.

Give
Blood
Save
Life



In order to change we must be sick and tired of being sick and tired.
Author
Unknown

Renter's Insurance

As a resident of Public Housing, you may want to consider purchasing renter's insurance.

- ◆ Renter's insurance is a form of insurance that covers a policyholder's belongings against perils such as fire, theft, wind-storm, hail, explosion, vandalism, riots, and oth-

ers. It also provides personal liability coverage for damage the policyholder or dependents cause to third parties. It also provides additional living expenses, known as loss-of-use coverage, if a policy holder must

move while his or her dwelling is repaired. It also can include coverage for property improvements. Possessions can be covered for their replacement cost or the actual cash value that includes depreciation. (Insurance Information Institute)

Additional information is available in the PH Office Lobby!

Manager's Corner

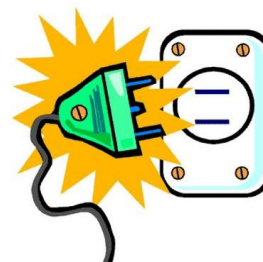
Throughout the next few months, Management will be strictly enforcing Tenant's Obligations to maintain all tenant paid utilities in working order. Please refer to your lease Section VI-Utilities and Appliances, section B which indicates the following:

Tenant agrees to maintain gas and electrical services in the dwelling unit at all times. Fail-

ure to maintain electrical and natural gas services for more than twenty-four(24) hours shall be considered a serious lease violation of the terms of the Lease and shall be grounds for termination of Lease.

Therefore, termination notices will be sent to all Tenants who fail to maintain electrical or gas services in their unit.

ELECTRICITY



Happy Birthday



Chancie Bivins
Mary Boima
Jim Boima
Riziki Erick
Nindeba Espoir
Niyongerefausina Fausina
Carol Grazier
Jonathan Haile
Justin Hardings
Bienvenue Irakoze
Jerry Kabago
Rukundo Karara
Aaliyah Maldonado
Maniya McGee

Confiance Mucyo
Peace Mugisha
Richard Ndela
Tyree Neal
Tiya Neal
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Franc Ningabire
Adeline Niyoyanzanye
Debora Niyukuri
Alicia Nkeshimana
Maisha Sembe
Esili Tuyisenge





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Office Hours:

**Monday-Friday,
8:00am-5:00pm**

**Closed from
12:00pm-1:00pm
for lunch**

**Now You're ...
In the Know!**

**Relay Services
711 or 1-800-Relay TX**

Abilene Housing Authority Office Personnel

Executive Director—Gene Reed

Housing Manager—Amy Pugh

Assistant Housing Manager—Jason Moore

Resident Services Coordinator—Tanya Johnson

Housing Counselor I— Veronica Berube

Crew Chief—Mario Najera

Maintenance—Onecimo (Mo), Chris, and Earl

Equal Opportunity Employer/Equal Housing Opportunities

