

Clay Center Housing March 2019

Office Hours:

10 AM—4 PM Monday—Friday

Afternoons By Appointment ONLY

ONLY during window hours— Tuesday & Friday from 10 AM to 1 PM
may tenants purchase stamps, get change, and pay rent in person. Checks and money orders may be placed in the drop box slot on the office door. Newsletters and statements are available at the office the last week of each month, after the 25th. **Each household is responsible for reading ALL the information provided every month.**

When needing to speak with John or Kimberley, **please call the office**, to verify that they are available. Please listen to ALL phone options when leaving a message. Packages are available to be picked up in the outer office Monday thru Friday. Make sure you get only your own package as you are on camera.

If you have a lock-out, call 785-632-2100 or come to the office. Only in the evenings or on weekends, if you have an emergency, should you call 785-447-9352. For a work order, **CALL THE OFFICE and select option 1, then leave a detailed message** stating unit number, nature of problem and whether maintenance has permission to enter. Your needs will be addressed as soon as possible, in the order of urgency.



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SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK - MARCH 4-8

State wide drill March 5 at 10 AM

THUNDERSTORMS

Severe thunderstorms are officially defined as storms that are capable of producing hail that is an inch or larger or wind gusts over 58 mph. Hail this size can damage property such as plants, roofs and vehicles. Wind this strong is able to break off large branches, knock over trees or cause structural damage to trees. Some severe thunderstorms can produce hail larger than softballs or winds over 100 mph, so please pay attention to the weather so you know when severe storms are possible. Thunderstorms also produce tornadoes and dangerous lightning; heavy rain can cause flash flooding.

Severe Thunderstorm Watch: Be Prepared! Severe thunderstorms are possible in and near the watch area. Stay informed and be ready to act if a severe thunderstorm warning is issued. The watch area is typically large, covering numerous counties or even states.

Severe Thunderstorm Warning: Take Action! Severe weather has been reported by spotters or indicated by radar. Warnings indicate imminent danger to life and property. Take shelter in a substantial building. Get out of mobile homes that can blow over in high winds. Warnings typically encompass a much smaller area (around the size of a city or small county) that may be impacted by a large hail or damaging wind identified by an NWS forecaster on radar or by a trained spotter/law enforcement who is watching the storm.

TORNADOS

A tornado is a violently rotating column of air extending from the base of a thunderstorm down to the ground. Tornadoes are capable of completely destroying well-made structures, uprooting trees, and hurling objects through the air like deadly missiles. Tornadoes can occur at any time of day or night and at any time of the year. Although tornadoes are most common in the Central Plains and the southeastern United States, they have been reported in all 50 states.

Tornado Watch: Be Prepared! Tornadoes are possible in and near the watch area. Review and discuss your emergency plans

and check supplies. Be ready to act quickly if a warning is issued or you suspect a tornado is approaching. Acting early helps to save lives! Watches are issued by the Storm Prediction Center for counties where tornadoes may occur. The watch area is typically large, covering numerous counties or even states.

Tornado Warning: Take Action! A tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. There is imminent danger to life and property. Move to an interior room on the lowest floor of a sturdy building. Avoid windows. If in a mobile home, a vehicle, or outdoors, move to the closest substantial shelter and protect yourself from flying debris. Warnings are issued by your local forecast office. Warnings typically encompass a much smaller area (around the size of a city or small county) that may be impacted by a tornado identified by a forecaster on radar or by a trained spotter/law enforcement who is watching the storm.

Be Weather-Ready: Check the forecast regularly to see if you're at risk for thunderstorms or tornadoes. Listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio to stay informed about thunderstorm and tornado watches and warnings.

Sign Up for Notifications: Know how your community sends warnings. Some communities have outdoor sirens. Others depend on media and smart phones to alert residents of severe storms capable of producing tornadoes.

At Your House: Go to your secure location if you hear a severe thunderstorm/tornado warning. Damaging wind or large hail may be approaching. Take your pets with you if time allows.

At Your Workplace or School: Stay away from windows if you are in a severe thunderstorm/tornado warning and damaging wind or large hail is approaching. Do not go to large open rooms such as cafeterias, gymnasiums or auditoriums.

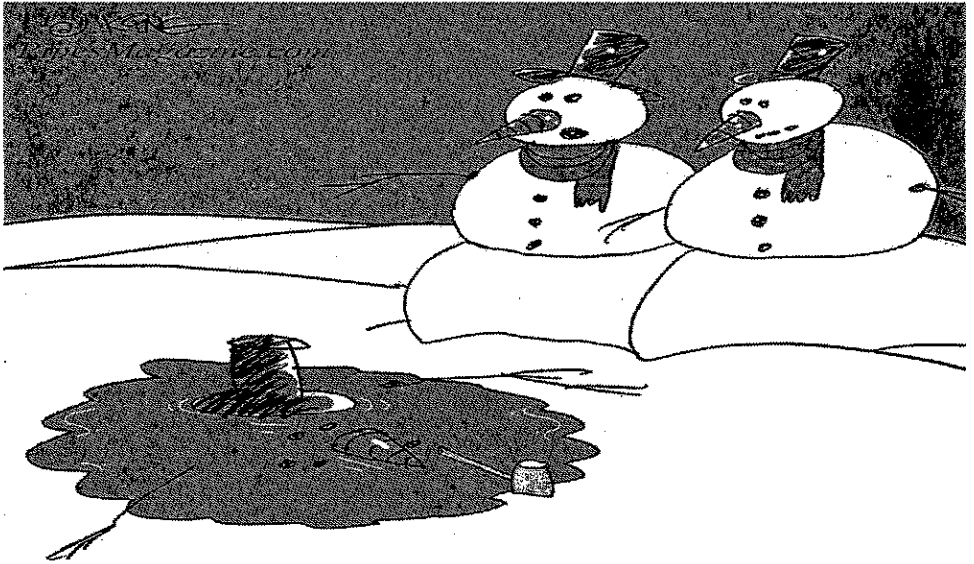
Outside: Go inside a sturdy building immediately if severe thunderstorms/tornados are approaching. Sheds and storage facilities are not safe. Taking shelter under a tree can be deadly. The tree may fall on you. Standing under a tree also put you at a greater risk of getting struck by lightning.

In a Vehicle: Being in a vehicle during severe thunderstorms is safer than being outside; however, drive to closest secure shelter if there is sufficient time.



*It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and
the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and win-
ter in the shade.
~ Charles Dickens*

*With rushing winds and gloomy skies,
the dark and stubborn winter dies:
Far-off, unseen, Spring faintly cries,
bidding her earliest child arise;
March!
~ Bayard Taylor*



*"Looks like Bob was the first to go.
Would it be insensitive if I took
his pipe?"*

Spring is finally here.
 ... I think ... Maybe
 ... Hopefully.



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Spring Word Search



N	O	F	I	P	F	S	D	R	I	B	L	S	B	F	Z	R
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SPRING
 MAY
 GREEN
 WARM
 UMBRELLA



MARCH
 FLOWERS
 GRASS
 SHOWERS
 EASTER



APRIL
 BASEBALL
 SUNSHINE
 RAIN
 BIRDS



TENANT NOTICES

The housing office has moved to our new location, next to the Apollo South entrance. Office hours of 10 AM - 4 PM will be enforced. There will be some changes in how things are handled in the office. No one will be available before 10 AM or after 4 PM unless you make an appointment ahead of time. **Do not expect to walk in and see John or Kimberley without making an appointment.** We will also have a new answering service so you will need to listen to all options and leave a message. Do NOT expect someone to answer the phone every time you call. The cell number is still for emergencies ONLY.

You will still need to wait till window days to buy stamps, get change or pay rent in person. **New window hours were effective February 1st - 10 AM to 1 PM - Tuesdays & Fridays only.**

RENT PAYMENTS DUE BY THE 10TH OF EACH MONTH - It doesn't matter when you get paid, your rent is past due if not paid by the close of business on the tenth of each month. A late fee of \$25 will be on your next statement and you could receive a 14-3 notice of eviction.

TRASH DISPOSAL - All trash is supposed to be placed into a regular trash bag and tied shut before dropping down any trash chute. Glass, grease or liquids should never be put in trash chute. Please carry down to first floor trash room or outside to dumpsters. Cardboard boxes should be broken down and taken outside, either to the recycling bin at the back of the Apollo parking lot or the dumpsters in front of Apollo.

Our trash service will not take hazardous material, paint, thinner, hypodermic needles, anything that says flammable, chemical jugs, tires, batteries, tube type fluorescent bulbs, TVs or monitors. Do not leave furniture or appliances setting in the service area as they will not be picked up. It is the responsibility of each tenant to dispose of unwanted

furniture, appliances, etc. There is a sharps container available in the office for our tenants disposal of any needles, injection pens, etc.

PARKVIEW COMMON AREAS - All personal property must be removed from all Parkview common areas no later than March 15th. Anything left, other than housing property, will be disposed of at owner's expense.

PLUMBING - Our kitchen and bathroom drains are not made to handle anything other than water. Do NOT pour grease, food scraps, etc. down these drains. Run hot water after washing dishes, brushing your teeth or taking a shower and clean out any hair from all sinks and showers, as that is the worst culprit for blocking drains. Do not flush anything but toilet paper and human waste. No food, paper towels, feminine hygiene products or facial tissues should ever be put in the toilet. Tenants will be charged for the cost of overtime for maintenance or the bill from the plumber on any plumbing issue caused by improper use of the properties' plumbing.

TENANT ASSOCIATION ACTIVITES

COFFEE HOUR - Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 9:45.AM in the Apollo Towers Community Room. **Coffee is 25¢ a cup.** There is a bible study on Wednesday at 10 AM lead by one of the local area ministers.

POTLUCK - Join your fellow tenants at 6 PM Friday March 8th in the Apollo Community Room for some shared food, fun and friendship. Potluck is the second Friday of each month.

NEEDLEWORK CLASSES - Shirley Murray will be in the Apollo Towers Community Room at 10:30 every Tuesday morning for anyone with questions or needing help.

BINGO - Every Tuesday at 1:30 PM in Apollo Towers Community Room.

CRAFTS - The second & forth Thursday at 10 AM you will find a craft activity in the Apollo Towers Community Room. If you want to try something new this is could your opportunity.



Daylight Savings Time

begins March 10th.

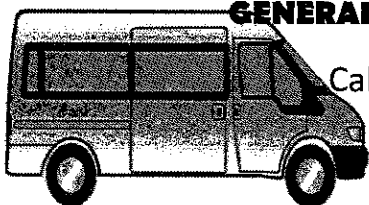
**Be sure to move your clock
ahead one hour.**

SPRAY DAY - All units at Apollo will be sprayed Wednesday March 13th starting around 7:30 AM. Spray day is the second Wednesday of each month, Apollo in the odd months, Parkview & Tolin the even. We **WILL** spray every unit whether you are home or not. This is part of your lease.

UNIT INSPECTIONS - Floors 1 & 2 at Apollo will be inspected Thursday March 14th. All units will be inspected.

DIGITAL SKILLS CLASSROOM - The Goodwill is bringing the LearnIT Mobile Lab to Clay Center. If you'd like to take a free digital skills class, there are two sessions available Thursday March 28th 11 - 1 & 2:30 - 4:30. Sign up at Clay Center Carnegie Library or call 632-3889.

FRIENDSHIP MEALS—For information or questions please call the Nutrition Office at 785-632-5767. The nutrition office is now located across the hall from maintenance.



GENERAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MINI-BUS

Call 785-632-2447 and schedule your ride
today!

Beauty Shop—Arlene Stewart

*Located on first floor of Apollo Towers
by the community room.*

For an appointment call 785-630-0742

