

# Clay Center Housing April 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  
purchase stamps, get change, cash checks or pay rent in person. Rent 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, you should 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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## *FAIR HOUSING MONTH*

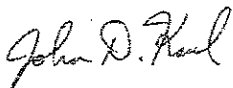
April is Fair Housing Month. Fair Housing is an important law that came out of the 1960's and evolved from there. Originally, the law was passed to protect groups of people who were receiving gross discrimination and segregation in both finding a home or apartment for rent but, also purchasing a home and even obtaining a mortgage to purchase a home. While housing discrimination is nothing like it was in the 1960's and earlier, it does still exist and I see it right here in Kansas, and yes, even in Clay Center. That is why I host an annual meeting to discuss the topic and answer questions. Rarely, does anyone show up and, worse, I never see any local landlords.

The Kansas Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) identifies six impediments to fair housing, including:

- Difficulty in finding accessible housing (accommodation for disabilities)
- Lack of fair housing information (publicity: rights and complaints)
- Biased lending practices (predatory lending)
- Lack of Reporting (knowledge, fear of retribution, and apathy)
- Resistance to single parent rentals (large families)
- Resistance to minority rentals (Hispanic, African American, Asian, etc.)

I will be hosting a Fair Housing Informational Meeting at 1 p.m. on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> in the Apollo Towers community

room at 330 West Court Street in Clay Center. If you have any questions or know someone who is dealing with some of the issues above, I encourage you to attend. You may also find quite a bit of information on Fair Housing on our website, [www.claycenterhousing.com](http://www.claycenterhousing.com). Just click on our "Fair Housing" page.



Executive Director  
Clay Center Housing

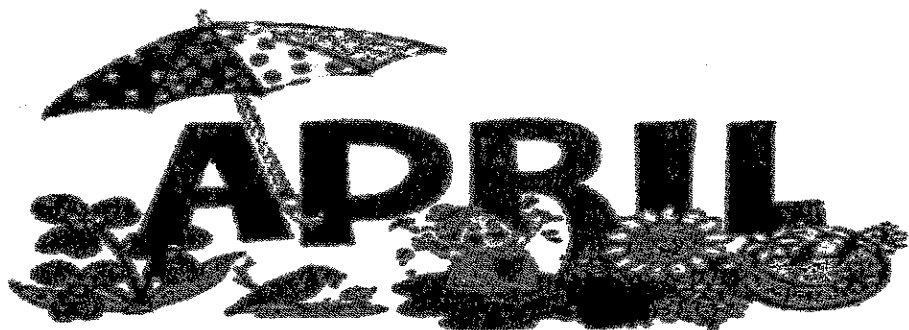


### **What is Fair Housing?**

- **The set of federal, state, and local laws that protect individuals based on their membership in a protected class from individual or systemic discrimination**
- **Proactive elimination of segregation and promotion of equal opportunity access to housing (intentional inclusion and strategic community investment)**
- **The body of case law and HUD regulations interpreting FHAA and other fair housing laws that require publicly supported housing and housing programs to proactively remove barriers to access and stability in housing**

### Mission Statement

“IT SHALL BE THE MISSION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF CLAY CENTER TO ADVOCATE FOR AND DEVELOP, MANAGE AND MAINTAIN PROPERTIES AND PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE SAFE, SANITARY, AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO QUALIFIED, VERY LOW, LOW, AND MODERATE INCOME RESIDENTS IN CLAY CENTER, KANSAS.”



# APRIL

*Looking for something to celebrate in April? Here are some to consider:*

*April Fool's Day ~ World Autism Awareness Day  
2nd ~ National Tartan Day 6th ~ National Siblings  
Day 10th ~ National Grilled Cheese Day 12th ~ Tax  
Day 15th ~ Easter 21st ~ Earth Day 22nd ~ Ad-  
ministrative Professionals' Day 24th ~ World Malaria  
Day 25th ~ Arbor Day 26th ~ International Jazz  
Day 31st ~ National Poetry Month ~ Stress Aware-  
ness Month ~ National Donate Life Month*

*Birthstone: Diamond & Crystal*

*Flower: Daisy & Sweet Pea*

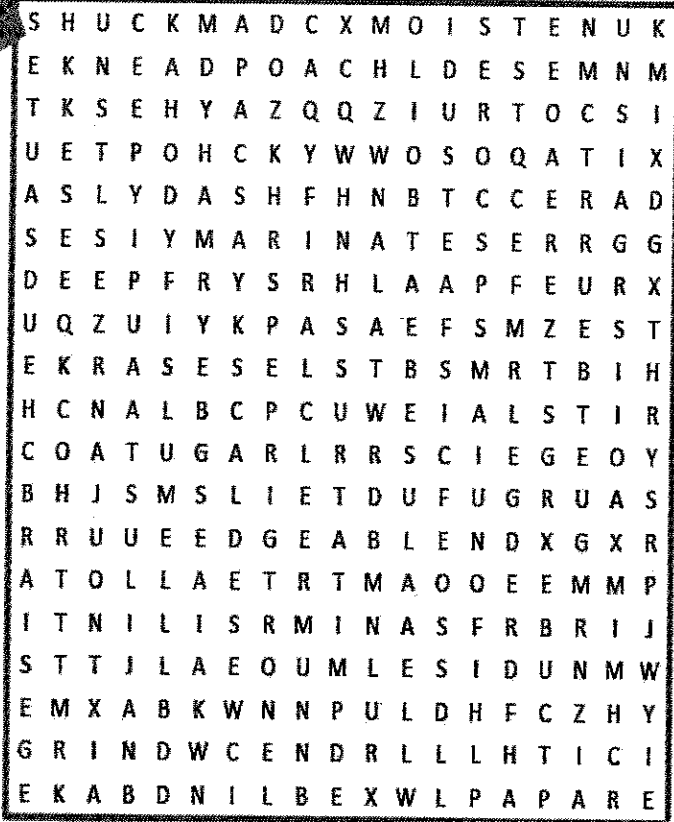
*Fruit & Vegies: Asian Pear, Green Onions & Leeks*





# Cooking Terms

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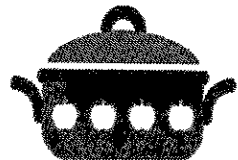


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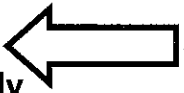
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## TENANT NOTICES

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 Starting February 1st Window Hours are   
**10 AM to 1 PM - Tuesdays & Fridays only**

**You need to wait till window days to buy stamps, cash checks, get change or pay rent in person.**

Office hours of 10 AM - 4 PM will be enforced. There are 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.

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**RENT PAYMENTS DUE BY THE 10TH OF EACH MONTH** - 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.

**APOLLO TOWERS FILTERS & BATTERIES** - Maintenance will be in each apartment Tuesday April 2nd to replace batteries and change furnace filters.

**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, hypo-

dermic needles, anything that says flammable, chemical jugs, tires, batteries, tube type fluorescent bulbs, TVs or monitors. There is a sharps container available in the office for our tenants disposal of any needles, injection pens, etc. 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.

**DOG POOP** - Apparently some dog owners think if there is snow on the ground or windy or rainy or cold, they don't need to pick up their animals' poop. There is NO reason not to pick it up! If you are a pet owner it is your responsibility, no matter the weather, to use a bag to clean up ALL solid waste on ALL housing property. You also shouldn't leave it anywhere else, on public or private property. That's just wrong!

## **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 April 12th 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.

**SENIOR FITNESS CLASS** - Will be at the Clay Center Extension Office this year. Gail Hileman, certified Instructor will again lead this class on Mondays in April & May from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM. For information or to register contact Deanna Turner in the extension office at 632.5335 or see Angela in the Nutrition Office located on the first floor of Apollo Towers .



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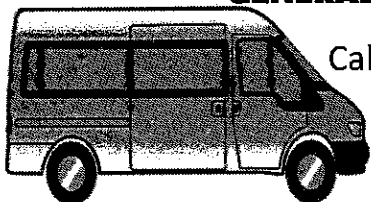
Apollo Towers Community Room

**SPRAY DAY** - All units at Tolin & Parkview will be sprayed Wednesday April 10th 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 3 & 4 at Apollo will be inspected Thursday April 11th. All units will be inspected.

**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*

