



Housing Happenings



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Things You Need to Know

We have a personnel change to announce. Billy Koons is no longer the Executive Director here at Pocahontas Housing. He resigned his post for personal reasons. Stephanie Thatch is the Interim Executive Director and Kelly Waymon will be Interim Housing Manager. If you have any questions or concerns please let the office know.

We are also trying to get ready for the REAC Inspection. This is an inspection for HUD. They will go into certain apartments, but not everyone, and we do not know which apartments until they get here and tell us. The inspection will be on February 8th and 9th. If you see any trash or glass in the yard or parking lots, help us out and pick it up. Make sure you do not have anything in your water heater closet, except your water heater. Make sure your windows are not blocked by furniture, and all trash is contained. This will help us a lot when they start to go in to the apartments. If you have any questions about this inspection you can call the office at 870-892-9278 or you can email Kelly at kwaymon@pha1320.com. We would really appreciate everyone's help during this inspection.

FOLKLORE FOR February

- ◇ *Married in February's sleety weather, Life you'll tread in tune together.*
- ◇ *If February give much snow, a fine summer it doth foreshow.*
- ◇ *Fogs in February mean frosts in May.*
- ◇ *It is better to see a troop of wolves than a fine February.*

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!



Pest control will be for Bluff, Echo and Oakcrest. Staff will be wearing personal protective equipment for you safety and theirs. We will be resuming the housekeeping inspections and the \$25 gift card for the cleanest apartment. THE WINNER FOR Upper Terrace, Dalton and Walnut st is William Robertson! CONGRATULATIONS AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. They winner of January Pest Control will be announced in next months news letter.

Please remember!!!

Don't forget!!! Rent is due by the 5th of the month, every month. If it is not paid by the 6th, you will receive a \$5.00 late fee, then it will be an additional \$1.00 for every day late after that. If you see that you are going to be late and there is NO WAY around it, please come in and sign a rent extension so that we know what is going on. This is very important!!!

You are only allowed 3 rent extensions each year

WANT TO PAY YOUR RENT ONLINE?

Go to :

pha1320.com

Set up your account here and you can also receive text updates and emails about important dates and events.

RATHER BE SET UP ON BANK DRAFT?

We can do that too, Just contact Kelly or Stephanie at the office, 870-892-9278.

HAVE A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT?

Look us up

[@pokeyhousingauthority](https://www.facebook.com/pokeyhousingauthority)

[@Patrickmanor](https://www.facebook.com/Patrickmanor)

[@Riversidemanor](https://www.facebook.com/Riversidemanor)

Changes

We have had a few changes this past year. The software change is still a learning process and there are things that we still don't have full control of. For example, the recertification notices have not gone out like they are supposed to. We have had several that were late in doing those recertifications because of this. If you know or think you know when you should recertify please let the office know, or if you don't know call the office and Kelly will be glad to tell you when to start getting your things in order for your recertification.

Weather

This time of year the weather is very unpredictable. When we have snow or ice in the forecast and we get any accumulation, the office may not be open. Our policy for bad weather is if Black River Technical College is closed, so will Pocahontas Housing Authority office. This means only emergency work orders will be done. If you have any questions about this, you can call the office. We do not want our maintenance guys out in bad weather just to change a light bulb. Please remember during bad weather, if we are closed, ONLY EMERGENCY WORK ORDERS.

Maintenance

We are also going to have a maintenance change. Pat Cardwell will be doing all work orders, unless it is a big job and he needs help. So, when you call in a work order, Pat will be the one in your apartment doing the repair. Chad Koons and Bobby Hankins will be taking care of the yards, as in mowing, weed eating, etc. Maintenance will also be getting different color t-shirts. This will not happen overnight but if you have a suggestion on a color for them to wear please let us know.

Winter

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snow ice cream	hibernation	woolly socks	snowstorm
heavy coat	wind chill	frostbite	snow day
blizzard	frozen	white	flannel
black ice	slippery	hot cocoa	snowman
sleet	stew	snow	soup
cold	ice		

Ingredients

4 lbs whole chicken cut up
 1 whole dried red chili pepper, seeded and diced
 2 carrots, chopped
 2 stalks celery, chopped
 2 onions, chopped
 1 bay leaf
 3 cloves garlic, minced
 4 (14.5 oz) cans chicken broth
 1 cup heavy cream
 2 cups self-rising flour
 1/4 c cornstarch
 1/2 c water
 1 c heavy cream

Directions

1. For the stock: In a large pot over high heat, place the chicken parts, chili pepper, carrots, celery, onions, bay leaf, garlic and chicken broth. Mix well and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer for 1 to 2 hours, or until chicken comes off bone easily. Cover and refrigerate overnight.
2. The next day, skim fat off the top of the soup and remove the chicken parts. Debone the chicken and chop the meat into bite size pieces. Discard bones and set meat aside. Using a slotted spoon, remove and discard the vegetables. Return the pot to the stove over high heat and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low for 10 to 15 minutes, add the heavy cream and stir well.
3. In a separate small bowl, dissolve the cornstarch in the water and add to the pot. Stir until thickened, and make the dumplings while the stock reduces.
4. For the dumplings: In a large bowl, combine the flour and the heavy cream, mixing well. Roll into balls about 1 1/2 inch in diameter. Drop balls carefully into the simmering soup and cook for 7 minutes. Then cover soup and cook for 7 more minutes. Add chicken, stir well and allow to heat through.

EDITORIAL

Lets talk about Christmas. It is usually a happy time for friends, family and especially children who cannot wait until the surprising visit from the big man himself, Santa! But for some it can be a sad time. For them it could be the memories of a loved one or loved ones no longer here. It could be a memory of a very sad or awful event in their lives. It could also be very stressful for those who don't have the means to make wishes happen for their children. Not everyone is happy and full of joy around this time of year. These people may choose to be alone or they may not have anyone at all. We all need to remember what this season is all about. Its not who got what and how much someone spent for presents. It is about giving love, showing compassion, being helpful and spending special time with the ones you love.

Christmas is a special and magical time of year. Lets not forget the ones that are limited on what they can give, or the sad person who just can't help being sad, the lonely person that doesn't have anyone, or the children with no parents to give them the magic. Think about what you can do for these people. This is a charitable time of year as well. Show compassion, respect, love, forgiveness, hope for a brighter future and most of all show them kindness.

We hope that all of you have a very happy holiday and wish you all well in the new year.

Again, the statement and opinion made in this editorial are strictly the thoughts of the writer, no one else is responsible. Thank you for reading. If you have something you would like to put in our newsletter please email Kelly at kwaymon@pha1320.com.

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PET ADVENTURES

I would like to challenge you to send me some stories for the newsletter. This newsletter is put out for your information and entertainment and I hope it does just that. I have been putting stories in about our pets but the stories can be about what ever you would like to write about, as long as it is clean please.

I would like to read what is on your mind. It doesn't have to be a story, it can be an editorial as well. We would prefer it not be about really heavy subjects such as politics or religion. They can be funny, light hearted and even learning a lesson. That is what I tried to do with my *Pet Adventures*. I wanted to try and have them have a teachable moment or a moral of the story kind of thing. There are times that I cannot write one for every edition and I would like for you to help me out.

You can send your stories through email at kwaymon@pha1320.com or you can drop them off in our rent drop box. I will also give you recognition that you submitted the story or editorial or thought or whatever you want to submit. Please remember to try and keep it light and uplifting or informational. We would even take a submission about life hacks or a personal experience that you have learned. For example how to get stains out of something, or to do a craft on a budget. It can be anything.

I will be looking forward to reading your submissions and putting them in your newsletter. This will be for fun and it is not anything that is mandatory. If you don't want your name in the newsletter just let me know and I will honor that and just put it in as an anonymous.

I thank you in advance for your time.

I added an editorial to our newsletter, so if you have something on your mind that you would like to discuss please send it to my email and I will get it in the next edition.

Just remember to be mindful and respectful of others. This will not be used for hate speech or anything like that. If you have a real statement or opinion that is not hurtful or hateful please by all means send it in. I would like to read about what everyone thinks. Difference of opinion is one of the great things about this country!

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FEBRUARY 2022

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