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Health and Human
Services

★ Abilene State Supported Living Center ★

OUR MISSION:
To empower people to make choices
that result in a life of dignity and
increased independence.

AbSSLC News

Abilene SSLC

Week of November 7th, 2022

COVID19 Testing @ the Chapel

Round 1 - Tuesday, November 8th

Round 2 - Thursday, November 10th

Designated Driver Cards

These cards are still required for others that bring you to & from work – they must show these to enter campus. You can get one at the ADoA Office in Administration.

Campus Projects Update

HVAC Replacement (6330 3rd, 6340 3rd, 6350 1st, 6360 1st and 6400 Plum)

This project is actually ahead of schedule. If things continue to go as planned, they hope to be done with all homes by May 2023. 6380 7th has been completed – 6400 Plum is next and should start no later than December 1st. This project is removing 8 buildings from the Central Plant (Powerhouse) steam boilers.

Boiler at the Laundry

This project will also remove the Regional Laundry from the Central Plant (Powerhouse) steam boilers and give them their own units. Preliminary work has been done – we anticipate this being completed by March 2023.

Cottages

Sadly, this project is amazingly far behind schedule. 6720/6730 Circle Drive are still under renovation with 6750, 6760, 6690 & 6710 Circle Drive still to be done. We talk with State Office Maintenance & Construction daily on this one. There isn't a projected date for completion.

Work at the Lone Star Coffee/Tea House & Nursing Parking Lot

The "drive" between 1st and 3rd is being changed from caliche to asphalt millings. With the recent change to the 1st/Maple entrance, this area is seeing lots of traffic. We hope the millings will give a better – and longer lasting – surface.

Mission Thanksgiving

The ABSSLC Aktion Club is once again supporting **Mission Thanksgiving** by collecting non-perishable food and new/gently used clothing. This benefits many in the Abilene area! You can drop off your donations at FCT/D, the Administration Building, and the Chapel through November 18th

It's back! Christmas Lane 2022

Christmas Lane is returning this year with all of our favorites – Santa (& Santa pictures), the amazing Winter Wonderland and Concessions. This is in addition to the 100+ outside displays! Want to get involved? Contact Community Relations at x3370 to find out how!

Shout Outs!

I would like to shout out the staff at **6400 Plum** and **6380 7th Street** for working so hard even with short staffing and going the extra mile when it is asked and even when it's not. You are so appreciated!

I want to say thank you to all of the amazing staff that made it possible for the individuals that live here to get to go vote in the current election. The staff working the polling place also thanked us for bringing them out and giving them the chance to exercise their Right to Vote. Thank you to **Transportation** for helping us with getting vans and even switching out vans for us so that we could take as many as possible in one trip. Thank you to **QIDPs Keri, Martha, and Nikki** along with **Celeste from QA** for being riders in vans and helping get everyone into the polling place so that they could go vote. We spent a lot of time in the morning and afternoon doing this and I appreciate them taking time out of their busy days to make this happen for these individuals. Big thank you to **Sherry Shoopman in QA** for assisting me in driving vans. This ended up an all-day thing and she took time away from other things she needed to do to help me out so that we could ensure that everyone that wanted to vote got to go.

Shout Out to **Activity Center staff** for the work done at 6340 3rd Street! They have done an absolutely amazing job of cleaning and organizing the center. They were so proud and they should be. They were thoughtful of the need for the building to be needed for other purposes such as COVID occasionally. They shared that more needs to be done but it looks like they really stepped up. I'm proud of them for their efforts and accomplishments and wanted to recognize them.

Abilene SSLC in the Friday Photos!

We have been well represented in the Friday Photos over the past couple of weeks!

ABILENE SSLC



Die-hard Texas Tech fan Jeff Branch showed up on National Boss's Day to find his door decorated with Texas Longhorn colors and logos. His direct reports did treat him to lunch.



Abilene SSLC residents Dalton McKee, from left, Bryan Daigle and Charlie Caroland performed as KISS during the music festival.

HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS



ABILENE SSLC: Many departments teamed up for the facility's Halloween Carnival. Behavior Services provided a temporary tattoo booth for residents. Pictured from left are Michelle Mora, Lecrissha Govan, Leslie Nielsen and Rachel Bogart.

Let's Shout Out and recognize others!

Amazing things happen here daily for those that live and work at AbSSLC! Let's recognize these efforts by sending your Shout Outs by email (jeff.goza@hhs.texas.gov) or texting them to 325.370.4525