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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 May 15th, 2023

Cemetery Cleanup Day

Friday, May 19

9:00AM - Noon



Where: AbSSLC Cemetery

- Turn LEFT (South) on Maple St. at you exit the campus.
- Turn LEFT (East) on Industrial Blvd.
- Continue STRAIGHT on Industrial as you go under Loop 322.
- Turn LEFT at Cemetery entrance; about ¼-mile past the Loop.

Who's Invited:

- **Staff, Departments, & Off-Campus Volunteers**
- **Great team-building opportunity!**

What to Bring:

- **Mandatory:** Hat, gloves
- **Optional (but encouraged):** Rake, shovel, etc.

Work to be Done:

- **Clearing weeds from around headstones**
- **Raising some headstones**
- **General Cleanup**
- **Whatever else David Payne & Team can find for us to do!**

RSVP Needed!

If you are planning to attend, please let me know via email at mike.horton@hhs.texas.gov

Dragon Soul Food Truck

Tuesday, 5/16

1130am-130pm

3rd Street



(pictured left to right)

David Daniel, ADoP, Marizsa Arrazola, Ben Balanay, Stacy Pacheco, Kim Florez, Celeste Grascchel, Chris Brockmeyer, Ashley Marrow, Dyess Airman Sananda (Sam) Muhammad, Candice Moore, Terry Moore & Jeff Goza, ADoA.

On Wednesday, May 10th, staff from several departments assembled at the Chapel to celebrate the accomplishments of the recent Tier II Leadership Development Graduating class. In addition to receiving Graduation certificates from David Daniel, ADoP and Jeff Goza, ADoA, the students also received a Together We Shine certificate for efforts promoting continuous learning from Tracyl Gandee, Quality Director. **Thank You Graduates** for your hard work ... we're a better campus for your contributions!

Celebrate Older Americans Month!

05/17 - Physical Fitness Day. Will take place in the gym and outdoors if weather permits (1:30-4:00)

05/24 - Etch while you sip. Gym (1:30-4:00)

**Name Badges must be worn (and visible)
at all times while on campus**

Shout Outs!

Shout Out to ... **AbSSLC!** At a recent Volunteer Services Council meeting, one of the members mentioned he sees a family member of one of our residents on a weekly basis. The dad has told him many times how great AbSSLC is and how much they appreciate the amazing care their daughter receives. This is an amazing Shout Out to everyone!

Thank you to **Amber Stanford** for planning the END of COVID Testing Party! And, for all the balloons, streamers, and fun that made the day even better! Also, thanks to **Sherry Shoopman** for the COVID test obituary and **David Daniel** for his rendition of COVID in The Wind!

Shout Out to **Garret Galvan** – Maintenance. He came to assist me with getting furniture out of my office. He did this and on top of removing the old furniture he helped me bring in the new stuff and assemble it. I REALLY appreciate the fact that he took a few extra minutes to help me. It really meant a lot.

Shout Out to the **Quality Assurance PCMs**. I really love the way everyone works together to get stuff done. No matter the task or how last minute it is. Everyone works as a team and ...it is complete.

AbSSLC Nurse of the Year!



(l to r) – Linda Hinshaw, Director - Jessica DeLaCruz, LVN - Jessica Moore, CNE

We are pleased to announce the 2023 Nurse of the Year is **Jessica DeLaCruz, LVN**. She is an amazing nurse and shows this every day in the care she provides to the individuals she serves. We are grateful to have her at the Abilene State Supported Living Center!
Congratulations Jessica!

AbSSLC Made the Friday Photos Last Week – Twice!

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Licensed Vocational Nurses, from left, Mariah Burciaga, Amanda Garcia, Margaret Martinez and Kursten Stafford celebrate Polka Dot Day during Nurse's Week.

REGIONAL LAUNDRY



The Abilene Regional Laundry team went to Wichita Falls to celebrate National Laundry & Linen week with the NTSR Regional Laundry team. They enjoyed a day of fun, food and fellowship.

Shout Out!

Have you seen someone do the above & beyond or just want to recognize great work?

It's easy to do a Shout Out!

“Reply” to any of the update texts you receive through the AskAdmin Text Group

Email Jeff Goza with their name and your comments

Text their name and your comments to 325.370.4525