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JUNE IS

# ALZHEIMER'S & BRAIN AWARENESS MONTH

We encourage residents to take pride in where they live!

- Plant flowers in front of your patio area.
- Display flowers/plants in pots on your patio area.
- Clean up around your entrance-ways.
- Keep blinds in-tact. If you cannot afford new mini-blinds, we encourage residents to hang up curtains in lieu of mini blinds.
- Keep only exterior patio furniture on patios.
- Clean up parking areas around your parking area.

Studies have shown that cleaner areas/ streets, etc. have a reduction in crime rates.

## Rent Cafe

We encourage residents to sign up for Rent Café. If you require assistance or need your registration code, please reach out to the service coordinator at 904-566-0109. As of now, you can pay rent online, submit maintenance requests and update contact information. In the future, recertifications will be completed digitally.



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Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not; remember that what you now have was once among the things you only hoped for.

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In 1863, during the American Civil War, Pres. Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which declared more than three million slaves living in the Confederate states to be free. More than two years would pass, however, before the news reached people living in Texas. It was not until Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865, that the state's residents learned that slavery had been abolished. The former slaves immediately began to celebrate with prayer, feasting, song, and dance.

The following year, on June 19, the first official Juneteenth celebrations took place in Texas. The original observances included prayer meetings and the singing of spirituals, and celebrants wore new clothes as a way of representing their newfound freedom. Within a few years, African Americans in other states were celebrating the day as well, making it an annual tradition. Celebrations have continued across the United States into the 21st century and typically include prayer and religious services, speeches, educational events, family gatherings and picnics, and festivals with music, food, and dancing.

Juneteenth became a state holiday in Texas in 1980, and a number of other states subsequently followed suit. In 2021 Juneteenth was made a federal holiday. The day is also celebrated outside the United States, being used by organizations in a number of countries to recognize the end of slavery and to honor the culture and achievements of African Americans.

**Juneteenth Jazz Festival at James Weldon Johnson Park—July 19, 2023**

**135 W. Monroe St. Jacksonville, FL 32202**



**Are you interested in becoming a homeowner?**

**Want to build a savings account?**

**Have questions about self-sufficiency?**

**Contact our Family Self Sufficiency department today!**

**904-366-6097**