February 2017



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- February 14<sup>th</sup>
   Valentine's Day
- February 20<sup>th</sup>
   Presidents Day

**WHA Offices Closed** 



## **The IT Guy**

To learn more about the most recent SCAM ALERTS visit:

www.consumer.ftc.gov/scam-alerts

#### **Current Scams:**

- 1. A Government program that pays your bills?
- 2. Credit Bureau Center's Online Rental Scam.
- 3. Don't pay for a car with Amazon gift cards. Ever!
- 4. fake IRS tax notice that claims you owe money as a result of the Affordable Care Act

## **A SCAM ALERTS**

what to know and do about scams in the news

# National Wear Red Day® is Friday, February 3, 2017

Why Go Red? Heart disease and stroke cause 1 in 3 deaths among women each year, killing approximately one woman every 80 seconds. Fortunately, we have the power to change that because 80 percent of cardiac and stroke events may be prevented with education and action.

SO wear RED and show your support!

#### **Around Town**

#### **Adult- Conversation Hearts**

Wednesday February 1, 6 pm- 7:30 pm at the Flower Memorial Library to create wooden conversation hearts. This is a free adult only workshop; all materials will be provided for you.

#### FREE Zumba class at Flower Memorial Library:

Sunday February 5, 2 pm-3 pm in the Community Room. Party yourself into shape with special guest instructor Michelle Gillette!

## **Important Numbers**

## **Watertown Housing Authority**

315-782-1251

- Shawn VanBrocklin OccupancySupervisor ext. 226
- Christine Wells East Hills ext. 227
- Tina Buzzell Maywood, Skyline and Hilltop ext. 232
- Vilmarie Rivera Meadowbrook ext.224
- Leo LeMay Midtown and LeRay ext. 221
- Shana Shanahan Tenant Relations ext. 230

# GET READY TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU DIAL YOUR CALLS MADE WITHIN THE 315 AREA CODE!

To ensure a continuing supply of telephone numbers, **the new 680 area code** will be added to the area served by 315.

#### Who will be affected?

The 315 area code covers the west-central portion of New York serving communities such as Syracuse, Utica and Watertown. The new 680 area code will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 315 area code.

#### What will be the new dialing procedure?

To complete calls within the 315 area code region, the new dialing procedure requires callers to dial area code + telephone number. This means that all calls in the 315 area code that are currently dialed with seven digits will need to be dialed using ten digits, that is, the area code + telephone number. The same dialing procedure will apply to telephone numbers assigned to the new 680 area code.

#### When will the change begin?

Beginning February 11, 2017, you must use the new dialing procedures, as described above for all calls. After this date, if you do not use the new dialing procedures, your calls will not be completed and a recording will instruct you to hang up and dial again.

#### What will you need to do?

In addition to changing your dialing procedures, all services, automatic dialing equipment, or other types of equipment that are programmed to dial a 7-digit number will need to be reprogrammed to use the new dialing procedure. Some examples are life safety systems or medical devices, speed dialers, mobile phone contact lists, call forwarding settings, voicemail services etc. Be sure to check your website, business stationery, advertising materials, personal and business checks, contact information, and your personal or pet ID tags to ensure the area code is included.

#### What will remain the same?

 Your telephone number, including current area code, will not change.

#### Who may you contact with questions?

If you have any questions regarding information provided in this notice, please call Level 3 Communications, LLC at 1- 877-253-8353

## **Get Free Tax Prep Help**

Jefferson County Department of Social Services
250 Arsenal Street
Watertown, NY 13601
315-785-3320
Volunteer Prepared Taxes
Call today to see if you are eligible

# <u>Did you know that parking passes are</u> required for all overnight visitors?

Q: Where do I get a parking pass?

During business hours you may obtain a parking pass at the WHA Office (142 Mechanic Street).

After Hours, weekends, holiday weekends and until 8 pm you may ask a Tenant Volunteer for a parking pass for your guest. All tenant volunteers are posted at your sites Community Room. Question please call WHA 315-782-1251

#### AROUND TOWN FOR THE KIDS

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 10-11:30am Create a gift for Valentine's Day @Flower Memorial Library the Cupid's Workshop for ages 12 and under.
 Snacks will be available for all participants!-FREE
 Feb. 24 2-3:30pm Join your library pals to see a new favorite on our big screen! The Secret Life of pets.
 Snacks will be provided on a first come, first serve basis.-FREE

## Reminder: Tenant of the Quarter Nominations due Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Do you know a fellow neighbor that goes above and beyond for others? Nominate them for WHA's Tenant of the Quarter!

- Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/WatertownHousi ngAuthority
- Visit our website at www.whany.org
- If you have an idea you would like to see in our monthly newsletter submit them here: