



COVID-19 UPDATE

AND OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION

For Residents, Family Members, and Staff

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

Cumulative Active COVID-19 Cases at The Pines as of: 9/29/20

No Cases*

* Please click [here](#) to read the 9/8/20 Update that explains The Pines' listing on the current NC DHHS COVID-19 Ongoing Outbreaks in Congregate Living Settings Report.

Additional Information

National Day of Action Wrap-Up

The following note was recently sent by LeadingAge:

Last Wednesday, more than 5,500 messages were sent to Congress to demand real COVID-19 relief for aging services providers. Our National Day of Action delivered the most connections made in one day in LeadingAge's advocacy history, and our presence on social media delivered more than 20,000 impressions using #Act4OlderAdults. Thank you for being fierce advocates. Media reports yesterday indicate that the House may be preparing a scaled-down version of the Heroes Act that the House passed in May. LeadingAge will be following up to advocate on behalf of members!

Parking Construction Near the Main Entrance

This fall, new angled parking spaces will be created in an area near apartment residences where the Main Building's "flagpole island" and Kimbrough Circle meet. This construction requires relocating the existing brick wall and removing some plant materials, including, sadly, a number of mature trees. During early resident meetings regarding the renovation and expansion project, these additional parking spaces were discussed, and they respond to

resident interest in more parking near the community center's main entrance. This project was always scheduled as one of the last areas to be built. The Pines' landscape architects will meet soon with residents whose homes overlook this area, to discuss the preliminary landscape plans for this visually prominent space.



Construction Corner

For a detailed report of construction plans for this week as well as many photos, please click this link: [Rodgers](#). There are some highlights from this report:

- **New Nursing Wing:** casework and trim work continues.
- **Villa #1:** wood trim is being installed and the corridors painted.
- **Villa #2:** elevator installation work continues and level one final painting.
- **Phase 4/5 Dining:** HVAC work, electrical rough-in and drywall hanging continues.
- **Fitness Center:** final areas of framing; hanging drywall begins.
- **Photos (from left):** Nursing Wing sunroom; Villa common area; Pub recessed floor.



Political Campaign Season Reminder

In an effort to maintain a convivial community for all, it has been a long-standing Pines' policy that residents not display political signs for a particular party or candidate on their doors or in outdoor areas. Thank you.

COVID-19 Independent Living Resident Survey Reminder

Thank you to the many residents (190+) who have responded to the COVID-19 online survey sent to Independent Living residents. We hope all Independent Living residents will complete this survey so its results represent everyone's perspectives. A Holleran representative is calling residents without internet access to conduct a phone survey.

Jetton Society Celebration

Last night, The Pines held a virtual Jetton Deferred Giving Society Celebration with its members. A Jetton video "premiered" with guest speakers Mike Collins, host of WFAE's Charlotte Talks, and resident Jean Berg, host of The Pines' "Those Were The Days" interviews (and former host of a TV show in St. Louis). Steve Jewell, Board member Mayleng Watson and Board member Carranza Pryor also spoke briefly. If you would like to hear the delightful interview and conversation, please click here: [2020 Jetton Celebration](#).



Closing Image: Black-eyed Susan, from a staff member's yard, reflecting the autumn sun's warm glow.

