



COVID-19 UPDATE

For Residents, Family Members, and Staff

Thursday, July 16th, 2020

News this week of progress leading toward an effective COVID-19 vaccine has been greeted worldwide with cautious optimism. According to the *New England Journal of Medicine*, biotechnology company Moderna working together with the National Institutes of Health has completed its Phase 1 human trial of a vaccine under development that shows positive results in producing antibodies sufficient to neutralize COVID-19. Phase 2 trials are now underway.

Of the three different levels of dosing tested among the individuals participating in the Phase 1 trial, the highest dose was effective but did result in more serious side effects. The mid-level dose was also effective in producing a strong antibody response with milder side effects. This early study also showed that a second vaccine was needed four weeks after the first to maintain an antibody level sufficient to neutralize the virus. It is not known at this point how long the antibodies will remain active in an individual's immune system.

The Food and Drug Administration has approved Phase 3 trials of the Moderna vaccine involving 30,000 participants across the country in a high-risk category to begin on July 27. This more robust trial with thousands of individuals participating is critically important to reach more concrete conclusions on the effectiveness of the vaccine and the possible side effects. Half the participants will receive the live vaccine and then a second dose 28 days later; the other half will receive a placebo.

While Moderna believes it will complete Phase 3 studies later this year, it does not expect its vaccine to be available to the general public before early 2021, assuming the Phase 3 studies go well.

A number of other vaccine candidates are also showing good results in early testing including one under development by Pfizer in partnership with German firm BioNTech.

Update Regarding COVID-19 at The Pines

Joanne Rawson (Cottage #414), permitted us to share her name as the Independent Resident who currently has COVID-19. She is receiving treatment at a hospital. We wanted to clarify that *she was exposed to this virus while visiting her husband, Bill, at a hospital*, where he was diagnosed with the virus. Joanne was living at The Pines under self-quarantine during the time she was visiting her husband.

Sadly, Dr. Bill Rawson passed away last night. We surround Joanne and her family with our loving thoughts of comfort and peace at this time.

Cumulative Active COVID-19 Cases at The Pines as of: 7/16/20

Independent Living Resident:	1 case
Non-Health Center Staff:	1 case

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Celebrating 32 Years

On July 18, 1988, The Pines at Davidson opened its doors to residents. Current residents Lois McCallum James, Elizabeth Lyons and Annette Kreider (pictured right) joined us that first year. We are so delighted that these “Pine-eers” are members of our community and for offering their wonderful talents and good cheer over the years!

Many of you know the history of The Pines because you were among those who helped establish this community or you have read our book, *We Were Meant To Be*. We are deeply grateful to the numerous individuals, listed in the book and on the bronze plaque in our Jetton Community Center, who helped to create The Pines.

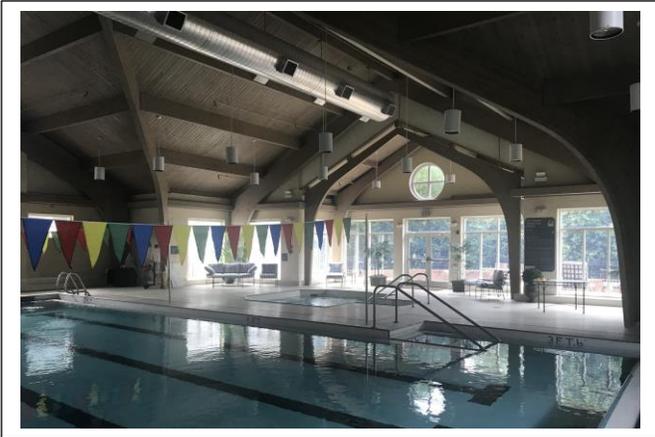


The Culinary Department will provide an extra dessert treat with Saturday’s meal in celebration of this important occasion.

Beauty Salon Services Update

The Pines is in conversation with a beautician regarding hair styling home visits for our residents. We hope to have these services available for our community soon.

Pool Reopening



Refreshing and reinvigorating relief is in sight!

This coming Tuesday, our pool will be available for lap swimming. The Activities Department will provide information for you soon regarding sign-ups.

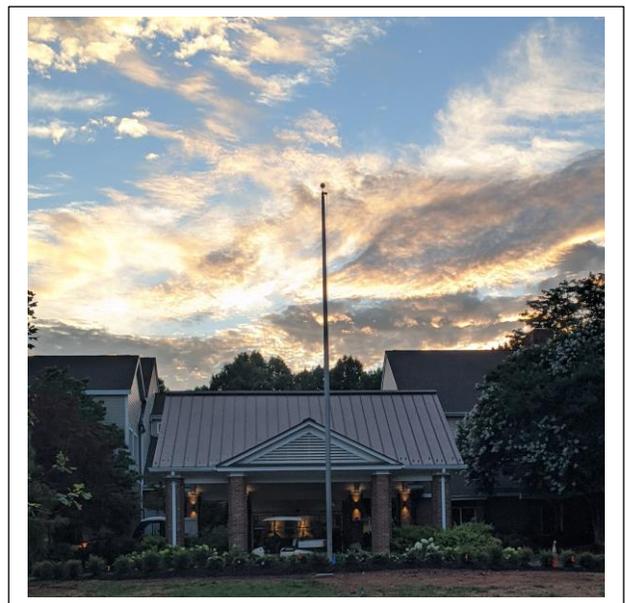
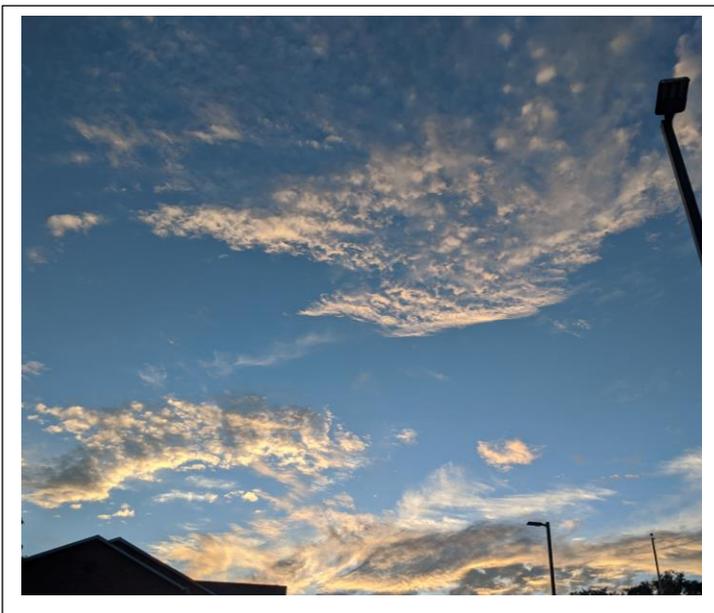
New Residents Joining The Pines

Next week, several individuals will be coming to The Pines. Mercedes Salter will come to Apartment 148 on 7/24; Charles Saussele will begin moving into Apartment 261 on 7/20; and Hugh and Carolyn Haseltine will move to Villa #604 on 7/23. Our Plant Services department will make sure that all safety precautions are taken during these move-ins.

More biographical information regarding these newcomers will be coming your way soon. Please join us in welcoming these new members of our community!

Evening Sky

Recently, the clouds above the “Big House” were majestic, causing one to pause in awe. Thank you to all who share photos of the vast sky above our campus.



Closing Image

Below is resident Adrienne Pederson's new acrylic painting of a Tapas Bar in Seville. She humorously notes, "Remember when we could safely go out to eat? Although, I have to admit that this place looks a bit unsanitary to me."

Adrienne also remarks, "Recently, Ken and I have been watching the Great Courses lecture series on the history of Spain. What a wonderful resource to have available at this time. Inspired by the course, I "spent" three more weeks in Spain before moving on to new locations."

Thank you, Adrienne, for letting us travel with you!

