



COVID-19 UPDATE
AND OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION

For Residents, Family Members, and Staff
Tuesday, November 10, 2020

A member of the Health Center's Nursing Wing staff tested positive for COVID-19 on 11/6/2020. This individual was last at The Pines on 11/4/2020 and tested non-detect for COVID-19 that day. This individual is isolated, recuperating at home.

New COVID-19 Case at The Pines at Davidson (11/10/2020)

Health Center Staff (Nursing): 1 Case

Cumulative Active COVID-19 Cases at The Pines at Davidson (11/10/2020)

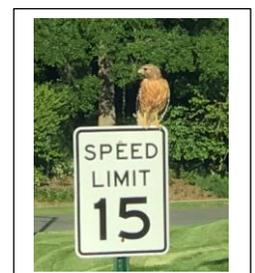
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Thanksgiving Planning

We recognize that some residents may be making plans to visit with family during the Thanksgiving holiday. New guidelines are emerging from the CDC, DHHS and other credible organizations regarding how to plan for safer travel and visits. These include the recommendation for self-quarantining (on the part of family members) for 14 days in advance of being with others who are not part of one's household – especially anyone at high risk. We will provide more information in Thursday's Update regarding Thanksgiving guidelines for The Pines that reflect ongoing COVID precautions.

Speeding on Kimbrough Circle

We greatly appreciate when residents tell us about drivers they observe speeding on Kimbrough Circle. It is helpful to receive this information as soon as possible, with a description of the vehicle or driver. Management has been able to personally follow-up with some drivers based on previous descriptions. Please know that management is hawk-ish when conveying campus speeding concerns to staff and contractors (photo right).



Vaccine Developments

Monday morning's news about the effectiveness of Pfizer/BioNTech's COVID-19 vaccine was received with cheers and a huge collective sigh of relief. Pfizer's announcement of more than 90% effectiveness is great news - exceeding expectations of public health and infectious disease experts - and comes at a time when COVID infection rates are soaring. The announcement is based on a first interim analysis from a Phase 3 study, so steps remain before approval would be given. Other companies have vaccine candidates in various stages of development, and many variables remain that will impact timing of FDA approvals and distribution processes. We will continue to pass along updates as they become available. As you may know, Pfizer's vaccine requires two doses, three weeks apart, to achieve optimal effectiveness.

Veteran's Day Flag Ceremony

On this Veteran's Day, we honor all residents and staff in our community who have been members of the armed services. Due to today's uncertain weather, our Flag Dedication Ceremony was postponed until next week. Plans on this day will include patriotic songs played on a trumpet and the blessing and raising of a new flag. Our IL Activities department will also provide our community with more details regarding this ceremony. Resident Carol Cook prepared a special floral arrangement (photo right), currently displayed in our main lobby.



Continuum's All-Digital Upgrade of Services

Continuum recently notified its customers that it is transitioning from an analog to an all-digital format to deliver its cable services. This change will occur in phases beginning on December 7th. This digital approach for cable delivery requires a set-top box (DTA) for each television a customer owns, and for which Continuum will charge a monthly rental fee.

The Pines actively engaged Continuum in conversations over the last several weeks, strongly urging the company to delay its implementation for Pines' residents until later in 2021. Unfortunately, Continuum could not accommodate this request. Continuum did, however, agree to delay charging its \$3 monthly rental fee for one DTA box per residence until September 2021, honoring The Pines' current contract which ends next fall. Any additional set-top boxes will, however, incur this monthly \$3 charge immediately upon installation.

Staff of The Pines will work with Continuum's staff to adapt residents' televisions to the digital format. Continuum will soon provide printed information to Pines' residents and may also offer a Zoom meeting to explain the process involved. Residents may also receive a

telephone call from a project manager inquiring about the number of televisions in each residence. To receive even baseline cable channels, each television will need a DTA box.

The Pines' management expressed its great disappointment with Continuum for not apprising it of this change sooner, so that we could better prepare residents well in advance of implementation. We are committed to doing all we can to help residents through Continuum's upgrade to all-digital cable services, and will keep the community informed of important developments.

Construction Corner

To read Rodgers Builders' most recent construction report, please click here: [Rodgers](#).

Below are some highlights and photos from Rodgers' report.

- New Nursing Wing: common area carpet installation continues.
- Villa #1: plumbing and interior/exterior paint continues.
- Villa #2: carpeting of apartments begins.
- Phase 4/5 Dining: finishing of drywall and prime painting.
- Davidson Room: continued prime painting and millwork.
- Fitness Center: drywall finishing and ongoing painting.
- Sitework: Health Center loop drive work continues
- Photos (clockwise from left): carpeting in new nursing wing, Villa #2 kitchen, new Davidson Room, recent aerial view.



Closing Image

Adrienne Pedersen shares this photo of her recently complete acrylic, capturing a lovely setting in Paris. Thank you for inspiring memories of travel and leisurely café afternoons!

