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Luther Manor Continuing Precautions Related to COVID-19

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Good evening from Luther Manor. The safety of our residents and staff remain our top priority and we will continue with our protocols, precautions and daily screening of staff and all Health Care Center and Assisted Living Residents.

Thank you for your support, partnerships and commitment to our residents and staff during this extremely challenging time.

Shout Outs of Thanks!

- **Thank you to the Million Mask Initiative** for the supplies they provided for our Terrace residents to make disposable masks for non-clinical roles. The sense of supporting the COVID efforts makes those involved in the project feel great by knowing they are making a difference.
- **Thank you to the family of Terrace Residents, Fred and Dorothy Boness** for the generous treats for our Staff!

Campus Update

- Results from about 80% of the staff tests conducted on Monday have all come back negative. We expect results for the remaining 20% by Friday. We will continue testing all remaining Health Care Center residents and staff this week after learning today that a member of that team tested positive. We'll report back on our progress and the results. Since mid-March, we have been conducting vitals checks on all Health Care Center and Assisted Living residents three times per day and all staff twice per day. We also monitor them for symptoms to help us identify any changes in their conditions. Together with wearing masks and following frequent cleaning and hygiene protocols, we have precautions in place to help mitigate the spread when someone becomes ill. We will continue to keep you updated.
- Regarding PPE's, we have continually monitored our usage of PPE and are in a pretty good situation right now. Even hard to get gowns are coming in, however we are still following heightened level conservation protocols because supplies remain tight around the nation. We also have an adequate but dwindling supply of cloth masks on hand. Thanks to the incredible efforts and generosity of this group and others we were able to supply all staff with at least 2 masks. Although we are in a comfortable place with our inventory now, we thought it prudent to put out another call for cloth masks. Not knowing when we will no longer require staff to wear them we want to be sure our supply doesn't run too low. Any assistance will help make sure our inventory does not become an urgent call for help!

Campus Happenings

- With many high school and college Seniors graduating during Covid-19 there are a lot of traditions and family love that they have missed out on. Our residents are not immune to this, as they cannot join family to celebrate these life events. Holly Ivans from our Health Care Center admissions team came up with the idea of “Seniors helping Seniors” to make a win/win out of one of the byproducts of a pandemic. Our Life Enrichment Team ran with it and we hope you will enjoy and maybe even heed the advice our resident Seniors give our graduating Seniors!





- Continuing our appreciation to our staff, this week we would like to thank our staff that focuses on the emotional, physical and spiritual needs of our residents and each other. Our Life Enrichment, Volunteer Services (Now Sharing God's Love) and Pastoral Care teams have been on the front line with our residents and reinventing what their role has traditionally been since everything started earlier in the year. Their ingenuity, openness to change and compassion has shown throughout this pandemic. Here are just a few examples:
 - Showing incredible teamwork and flexibility
 - Smiling through their masks all day long
 - Adapting to changes, in their daily schedules, work areas and duties.
 - Giving when their own families wanted them home
 - Being patient, kind and detailed, even when tired
 - Conserving important PPE without jeopardizing safety
 - The Volunteer Services team became the "Sharing God's Love" team, doing completely new jobs from pre-Covid-19
 - Taking the words "any reasonable request by management" to a whole new level by doing anything and everything asked of them for the sake of our residents and their co-workers
 - Living out the words, "the answer is yes, what's the question?"
 - Reinventing what a resident connection looks like
 - Learning new technology to reach our residents
 - Personalizing how to find small ways to enrich our residents' lives in spite of restrictions on family and friend visits
 - Keeping our residents grounded in their faith, whatever their faith may be



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- Becoming TV Evangelists, Fitness Instructors, Game Show Hosts and Art Teachers (think of Bob Ross without the afro)
 - Finding new ways, we can enhance our residents lives even after Covid-19 is no longer here
 - Supporting co-workers with spiritual and emotional support
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