



COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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The COVID Briefing has now transitioned to a weekly **COMMUNITY CONNECTION** and will continue to provide information of interest to the Fowler Family. We hope you will prioritize Tuesday at 2pm and tune in to Channel 6 as a time of connection, community, and communication.

- **Good afternoon Fowler Family!**

- **COVID UPDATE:**

- Yesterday, Dallas County announced 455 new cases and 3 deaths
 - They also reported that 4 fully vaccinated people died from COVID in Dallas County
 - These individuals were immune compromised and were taking a medication that was known to reduce the affects from the vaccine
 - There are numbers all over the country that mirror the similar low percentage of those vaccinated dying from COVID
 - The positivity rate for Dallas County is at 4.4% which eliminates our routine testing of vaccinated staff
 - Those not vaccinated will continued to have monthly routine testing
- At Fowler, we need to report that we have two independent residents at FCA who were fully vaccinated that have confirmed cases of COVID – one is in the ICU
 - The vaccine is not a get out of jail free card – it is an added protection from serious illness and has proven to reduce death from COVID
 - We should remain diligent with our Love Your Neighbor Basics which has served us well over the past year
 - Wear your mask especially in public with others not in your household
 - Maintain your distance from others – refrain from large crowds
 - Wash your hands frequently
 - Sanitize surface

- **FOWLER UPDATES:**

- Spring maintenance work:
 - We have hired an arborist who is overseeing the removal of our dead plants from the winter storm – they started today
 - The brush will be collected and once we have it all, they will bring in a woodchipper and we will have our own mulch
 - We have also expanded our pest control contracts
 - It's not only the time of year, but the road construction in surrounding areas are disrupting the natural habitats of pests and they are looking for a new home - we are fortifying Fort Fowler

- We are also implementing routine inspections in residences as a proactive step to quickly identify indications of pests
 - This week is National Skilled Nursing Care Week
 - We honor the collaborative commitment of skilled nursing care facilities and their staff in providing compassionate care to their residents
 - Skilled Nursing Appreciation week was established by the American Health Care Association (AHCA) in 1967, National Skilled Nursing Care Week® (NSNCW) recognizes the essential role of skilled nursing care centers in caring for America’s frail, elderly, and disabled. The week starts each year on Mother’s Day and is celebrated through the following Saturday.
 - This Friday, we will host the Juliette Fowler Communities Board for our quarterly board meeting – this meeting will be held via Zoom
 - This Saturday, the One Heart Society, Fowler’s volunteer auxiliary, is hosting Tacos and Tunes
 - Mi Cocina is catering tacos for \$20 per person which includes beverages
 - If you prefer not to have tacos and just join us for the tunes, there is no charge
 - The event will take place in front of the Administration Center and spill into the parking lot.
 - We will be setting up chairs for residents
 - We ask families to bring chairs or blankets
 - On May 13, at 2pm we will host a butterfly release
 - Chaplain Venessa will lead us through a short service and has invited ministers from surrounding churches to join us
 - Together we will acknowledge and honor what we have experienced this past year, as we emerge from our apartments and offices to celebrate the newness of this season
 - We are excited to give thanks for God’s faithfulness and ever guiding presence, remembering that God’s love endures forever
 - Going forward our daily activities may look different than they have in the past year and we are taking small steps in the “opening of our campus; this will be a moment to express gratitude and officially begin anew
 - We will continue to follow our Love Your Neighbor Basics
 - We will gather in the Harwood garden and on all paths leading to it
 - Going forward our daily activities may look different than before and we are taking small steps in the “opening” of our campus, but this will be a moment to express gratitude and officially begin anew. We will continue to follow what we call our “love your neighbor basics” – that is, wear a mask, safely distance, sanitize, and wash hands often.
- **RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS!**
 - 5/04 Twylia (FCA)
 - 5/04 Richard (FCA)
 - 5/06 Dena (PNCC)
 - 5/10 Fannie (FCA)

- 5/10 James (FCA)
- **RESIDENT MOVE-IN ANNIVERSARIES:**
 - 3 Years- Linda (PNCC)
 - 6 Years- Milli (FCA)
- **TEAMMATE TUESDAY!**
 - Jackie Means birthday was May 1. Happy birthday, Jackie!
 - Happy birthday to Bryce Sproul who's birthday was on May 2!
 - We completed the 2021 Great Places to Work Survey at 91% participation. Congratulations team, we are once again a certified Great Place to Work! 86% of you said Juliette Fowler Communities is a great place to work compared to 59% of employee's at a typical U.S. based company.
 - 92% of you said you felt welcome when you joined the team.
 - 93% said you are able to take time off from work when you think it is necessary.
 - 89% of you feel like you make a difference here.
 - 89% of you said people celebrate special events around her.
 - 88% of you said your work has special meaning; this is not just a job.
 - A gift basket was gifted to our Assisted Living Team at FCA for their great work. You all show such love of people in your work daily! Thank you for the love you bring to your work.
 - A shout out to Jamie Rodgers for pursuing excellence in creating such a lovely basket for the team as well. It was a great gift to the team and your excellence in the decoration of the basket showed your gift of décor and love for people.
 - Loving People – Thank you to Gentry and Ann for reintroducing Hearthstone's I'm Still Here "The Power Process" so that the Worth Neighborhood team could set up a supportive plan for our resident. The collaboration means so much!
 - Pursuing Excellence – Coretta, Ashley, Regina and Doug (aka William) have really stepped in and assisted Marion our Dining Services Manager with extra tasks and duties while we search for the exact right teammates to join the dining services team!
 - Make a Difference – We would like to thank Angeline Silkowski for being so darn flexible! Angeline is ALWAYS willing to provide service to our residents in any neighborhood in Pearl Nordan Care Center. Her can do attitude and willing spirit make a huge difference!
 - A shout out to Pam Coit for pursuing excellence in something that will absolutely make a difference. Pam recently led leadership meeting for an up and coming committee. Pam's thoughtful and touching presentation was truly moving. Pam has a gift with words and inspires others with her thought-provoking spirit.
- **Make it a great day on purpose!**

All COVID Updates are posted on our website – www.fowlercommunities.org/covid19/

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COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line 24 hours a day, 7 days a week toll-free at 833-986-1919