

COMMUNITY BRIEFING

January 18, 2022 • 2:00 p.m.

- Good afternoon, Fowler Family!
- COVID UPDATE:
 - Last Friday, Dallas County reported **8,483** new cases and 9 deaths
 - It is estimated that we could peak at 10,000 new cases per day by the end of January
 - Worldwide, we have seen 332,139,927 cases and 5,550,002 deaths
 - The DFW Hospital Association anticipates more than 2000 will be hospitalized by the end of January which will far exceed any of the previous peaks in hospitalization – hospitalization has increased 44% in one week and 325% since last month
 - We each have a part in changing this
 - Anyone experiencing any symptoms of COVID should immediately be tested and quarantine to break the transmission cycle
 - Health experts continue to recommend wearing high quality masks KN95 and social distancing

• FOWLER UPDATES:

- Thank you for your efforts here at Fowler
 - Currently 78 senior living communities in Dallas County have outbreaks
 - While many report wide-spread outbreaks, we continue to have one-off cases
 - A resident in the Worth Neighborhood tested positive over the weekend and has been admitted to a COVID Nursing Center – all residents and staff members are reporting mild to no symptoms
 - We know that the vaccine and boosters are working
 - We continue to encourage everyone to be vaccinated and boosted
- The temporary trailers will be placed into service in a couple of weeks as our kitchen is repaired. One trailer will be used for cooking: the other for cleaning
- We had exciting news this morning Nadine Wilson, one of our Certified Medication Aides at FCA Assisted Living had her baby – baby Ryker was born 1/12 and weight 7 lbs 5 ozs. Both momma and baby are doing well
- Our new development is on schedule we anticipate completion by September of this year and new residents will begin moving in October 2022
 - A while back we shared that since COVID cancelled our groundbreaking ceremony, we held a beam signing
 - Board members and donors were invited to sign their names directly on the beam along with a scripture reference as a symbol that this building is built on faith and God is our foundation.

- This past week the beam was placed over the front door all who enter will be blessed
- We are currently maintaining an interest list for The Peak if you know someone who might be interested in living at The Peak, please have them contact Malena at 214-515-1363 to be placed on the interest list
- In April, we can begin preleasing
 - All those on the interest list will be contacted first and receive an application
 - Space will be pre-leased in the order in which applications are received

• **RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS**

- 1/19 JoAnne (FCA), Elaine Susan (PNCC), Gay (JLC)
- 1/20 Elaine (FCA), and Stuart (FCA)
- 1/22– Jackie (PNCC), Hope (JLC)

<u>RESIDENT MOVE-IN ANNIVERSARIES</u>:

- 2 Years- John and Frances (JLC)
- 3 Years- Marjorie (PNCC)
- 5 Years- Edith (JLC)
- No FCA Anniversaries

• TEAMMATE TUESDAY!

- Happy birthday to Nadine Wilson! Nadine's birthday is today.
- On Saturday, we needed some extra help in serving breakfast. Ronnie in Life Enrichment stepped up to the plate and served on Carroll. All of the nursing team also helped! Thank you to these teammates for this!
- Tina Harris helped a family member to pack and take items out to the car. She showed loving people during a family member's very difficult time.
- Lakisha thank you for putting together an anniversary celebration for our beloved Janet.
 You show love in your teamwork and lifting up your teammates.
- Ronnie thank you for coming up on Sunday to provide an event for the Cowboys game.
- YOUR DE&I TEAM BRINGS YOU:
 - Martin Luther King, Jr., (January 15, 1929-April 4, 1968) was born Michael Luther King, Jr., but later had his name changed to Martin. His grandfather began the family's long tenure as pastors of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, serving from 1914 to 1931; his father has served from then until the present, and from 1960 until his death Martin Luther acted as co-pastor. Martin Luther attended segregated public schools in Georgia, graduating from high school at the age of fifteen; he received the B. A. degree in 1948 from Morehouse College, a distinguished Negro institution of Atlanta from which both his father and grandfather had graduated. After three years of theological study at Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania where he was elected president of a predominantly white senior class, he was awarded the B.D. in 1951. With a fellowship won at Crozer, he enrolled in graduate studies at Boston University, completing his residence for the doctorate in 1953 and receiving the degree in 1955. In Boston he met and married Coretta Scott, a young woman of uncommon intellectual and artistic attainments. Two sons and two daughters were born into the family.

- In 1954, Martin Luther King became pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama. Always a strong worker for civil rights for members of his race, King was, by this time, a member of the executive committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the leading organization of its kind in the nation. He was ready, then, early in December 1955, to accept the leadership of the first great Negro nonviolent demonstration of contemporary times in the United States, the bus boycott described by Gunnar Jahn in his presentation speech in honor of the laureate. The boycott lasted 382 days. On December 21, 1956, after the Supreme Court of the United States had declared unconstitutional the laws requiring segregation on buses, Negroes and whites rode the buses as equals. During these days of boycott, King was arrested, his home was bombed, he was subjected to personal abuse, but at the same time he emerged as a Negro leader of the first rank.
- o In 1957, he was elected president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, an organization formed to provide new leadership for the now burgeoning civil rights movement. The ideals for this organization he took from Christianity, its operational techniques from Gandhi. In the eleven-year period between 1957 and 1968, King traveled over six million miles and spoke over twenty-five hundred times, appearing wherever there was injustice, protest, and action; and meanwhile he wrote five books as well as numerous articles. In these years, he led a massive protest in Birmingham, Alabama, that caught the attention of the entire world, providing what he called a coalition of conscience. and inspiring his "Letter from a Birmingham Jail", a manifesto of the Negro revolution; he planned the drives in Alabama for the registration of Negroes as voters; he directed the peaceful march on Washington, D.C., of 250,000 people to whom he delivered his address, "I Have a Dream", he conferred with President John F. Kennedy and campaigned for President Lyndon B. Johnson; he was arrested upwards of twenty times and assaulted at least four times; he was awarded five honorary degrees; was named Man of the Year by *Time* magazine in 1963; and became not only the symbolic leader of American blacks but also a world figure.
- At the age of thirty-five, Martin Luther King, Jr., was the youngest man to have received the Nobel Peace Prize. When notified of his selection, he announced that he would turn over the prize money of \$54,123 to the furtherance of the civil rights movement.
- On the evening of April 4, 1968, while standing on the balcony of his motel room in Memphis, Tennessee, where he was to lead a protest march in sympathy with striking garbage workers of that city, he was assassinated.
- Source: www.nobelprize.org
- Make it a great day on purpose!

COVID Hotline: Phone: 214-515-7184 • Spanish Speaking Line: 214-515-1385 Email: Covid19info@fowlercommunities.org

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