

COMMUNITY BRIEFING

<u>March 08, 2022</u> • <u>2 p.m.</u>

- Good afternoon, Fowler Family!
- COVID UPDATE:
 - Texas and Dallas County continue to see drops in hospitalization and cases
 - Dallas County total COVID-19 hospitalizations peaked late last month above 1,400 concurrent hospitalizations but should be below 150 by late March if current trends hold
 - UTSW predicts that new COVID-19 infections will fall below 300 new COVID-19 infections per day by late March
 - With all this good news, people are becoming more mobile they are getting out and they are wearing masks less
 - Important to note, infection rates and hospitalization are declining more slowly in those over 65
 - Vaccination continues to be our most powerful tool for preventing sever COVID
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 - The CDC and our local health experts still recommend that you continue our tried-and-true pandemic fighting actions – use of masks, physical distancing, staying home when feeling ill – these actions will continue to protect those who are most at risk [those over 65+], those who are unable to be vaccinated [such as our very young], and those who are immunocompromised [such as individuals fighting cancer]

• FOWLER UPDATES:

- Here at Fowler, we are adjusting our own protocols
 - Residents in assisted living may begin dining at the same table with their neighbors
 - Visitors and volunteers are asked to maintain masks in in our licensed areas
 - Assisted living residents may invite guests to dine with them the resident and their guest will sit at a table together, distanced from other residents
- Great progress on The Peak:
 - We have a roof and we have windows! Our construction is right on time we still anticipate moving residents into The Peak starting in October!
 - Let's talk about The Peak what is it and who will live there?
 - The Peak is our newest development designed for individuals 62+ of modest incomes - it will pair affordable rental apartments with supportive services as needed
 - 144 independent living apartment studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments

- All rental rent is based on household's income and is set annually by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs we anticipate new rates and income levels to be posted in April
- Currently the rents for a single person household range from \$467 to \$934 for individuals with income of \$18,690-\$37,380
- All ala carte services for instance dining is not included
- In April, we will begin accepting applications
 - First come, first served basis to select floorplans
 - Please share with your friends so that we can fill the building up
- We are thrilled to share that JFC Board Chair, Ben Brooks has won the Leading Age Texas Excellence in Board Governance Award.
 - Ben was awarded this prestigious award for serving with distinction, making an outstanding contribution to the well-being of children, youth, and seniors, to the employees who serve them, and to our nonprofit mission.
 - Ben has served on our board for many years and was instrumental in our application to build the Peak
 - We are grateful for his leadership and his support of Fowler in so many ways

UPCOMING EVENTS:

 East Dallas Christian Church will host the annual Crazy Hat Tea Party at FCA Means Dining room on March 15, 2-4pm, for FCA and JLC residents.

• **RESIDENT UPDATES:**

• We ask for your prayers for members of the Fowler Family - residents Annie jones, Elizabeth Thurmond and Dan Good

<u>RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS</u>

- 3/3 Jim (JLC) celebrated his birthday
- o 3/08- Janet (PNCC), Mary (FCA)
- \circ 3/09- Jim (JLC), Carol (FCA)
- 3/10 Charles (FCA)
- o 3/11 Karen (FCA), Minnie (FCA)
- 3/14 Joy (FCA)

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

1 Year- Jose (PNCC)

• TEAMMATE TUESDAY!

- Happy anniversary to Pedro Medel on 3/7. Yesterday was his 4 year anniversary.
- Today Santos Nuno has been at Fowler for 18 years! Happy anniversary, Santos!
- Shout out for pursuing excellence to JLC teammates who helped to get out letters by the first of the month!
- A shout out to Derrick Brown for making a difference! Derrick is helping us on drives this week while Bill is off.
- An additional shout out for pursuing excellence to Ken, Jenn, Zoee, Angela and Shrhonda! These teammates helped in getting statements out on business day 4! Way to go team!

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

- Women's History Month
- The women throughout history, and in today's society, are a force to be reckoned with. The month of March is dedicated to women of the past, present, and future. The female gender has influenced society, politics, healthcare, education, and fostered the youth of tomorrow.
- International Women's Day is observed today, and on March 8 of each year, as a time to reflect upon the achievements of females throughout history. A time to celebrate and honor the accomplishments of the female gender in their fight for equal rights and nonbias environments.
- Susan B. Anthony has become an icon of the women's rights movement. Throughout the 1850's Susan travelled the country to give speeches, hang posters, gather petitions, fight for women's rights, fight against slavery, and organize local women in an effort to rally for their own rights. Because of her tireless efforts, and her valuable accomplishments/partnerships along the way, the 19th amendment was ratified on August 18, 1920 providing American women the right to vote.
- Susan B. Anthony passed away in 1906 at the age of 86, but as you can see the appreciation for her efforts have carried over in modern day society. Even as recent as the 2016 Presidential Election, women of all ages visit her gravesite to place their "I VOTED" stickers on her tombstone.



• Make it a great day on purpose!

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