

COMMUNITY BRIEFING

<u>August 09, 2022</u> • <u>2 p.m.</u>

• Good afternoon, Fowler Family!

• FOWLER UPDATES:

- Dallas County remains in the Orange Risk Category for COVID
 - At Fowler, we continue to exercise good judgement in our efforts to minimize risk to all those who live and work at Fowler
 - Using your mask, washing your hands, maintaining your vaccination status all are essential in keeping everyone as safe as possible
 - As a reminder, if you experience COVID symptoms contact your manager immediately and get a COVID test – we have different protocols in different areas of our campus that must be followed and your timely response will minimize exposure to others
- Fowler is a very big place with a wide variety of services and care
 - For instance, we can provide speech therapy were you aware that speech therapy not only helps someone with their speech, but it is very effective in helping someone swallow and guard against choking. It is a proactive and reactive treatment that is beneficial to your health
 - We have therapy services that aid in mobility, pain, and strengthening. If you are experiencing any of those physical challenges, we may be able to help you please let your manager or your service coordinator know so our professionals can assess how we can best help
 - Therapy services can be facilitated during a short-term stay in the Carroll neighborhood in PNCC or in an outpatient basis. A 3 midnight stay in the hospital is no longer required for a short-term stay in Carroll
 - Additionally, we have various levels of care assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing
 - We are your health partners, please let us know how we can best assist you
- We are currently running a Move-in Special in both Jackson Living Center and PNCC Assisted Living
 - If you know someone who is interested in living at Fowler; or someone who would benefit from living in our community, have them contact Tammy Oliver
 - Those who move in between now and September 30 may qualify for our one month free special <u>on specific floorplans</u>
- We are looking for volunteers to assist with our weekly Artful Awakenings art classes
 - These classes are held weekly on Tuesday and Thursday from 6-8pm in the Worth neighborhood with anticipation of expanding to our assisted living neighborhoods in the future

- Volunteers will work in partnership with the Junior League of Dallas volunteers who develop and outline the weekly projects – all supplies are provided
- Dementia training is provided to all volunteers participating in this program
- You do not need to be an artist the only requirement is patience and kindness
- If you are interested, contact Laura Porting at 214-515-1352
- Our Grand Friends program will be starting up again this fall Grand Friends is a gathering of our older residents and our younger residents at The Ebby House for an evening of fun - sometimes food is involved!
 - Those interested should contact Lisa Mumford 214-515-1341
- We have been awarded a \$50,000 match gift grant to help us purchase a new bus and pay for the fuel to run it!
 - We are launching a "Get on the Bus" campaign for the fall
 - Thank you to the Wayne and JoAnn Moore Foundation who will match every dollar we raise up to \$50,000
 - Stay tuned for more details and how to give!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- This Friday, Sanurette and Malena will travel to Austin along with Fowler residents for the Art Inspire Awards Presentation. The following Fowler residents will be honored:
 - Merry F., 1st place for her entry in the Drawing category titled "Dominos Night"
 - Gusteen T., 1st place for her entry in Majestic Arts titled "Study in Grey"
 - Liz B., 1st place for her entry in Soft Crafts: Textile titled "Halloween Crochet"
 - Joy P., 2nd pace for her entry in Soft Crafts: Decorative titled "Needlepoint"
 - Congratulations to these winners who topped these categories in the state of Texas
 - We look forward to bringing these pieces of award-winning art back to Fowler for display
- August 12 is International Youth Day. The purpose of the Day is to bring youth issues to the attention of the international community and celebrate the potential of youth as partners in today's global society.
 - In this context, the objective of this year's International Youth Day theme is Intergenerational Solidarity: Creating a World for All Ages and is meant to amplify the message that action is needed across all generations. The 2022 International Youth Day will also raise awareness of certain barriers to intergenerational solidarity, notably ageism, which impacts young and old persons, while having detrimental effects on society as a whole.

• **RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS**

- 8/10- Nancy (JLC), Joan (PNCC)
- o 8/12- Eileen (JLC), Cheryl (FCA)
- o 8/13- Virginia (PNCC)
- 8/14 Sharon (FCA)
- 8/15 Becky (FCA)
- 8/16 Tamara (FCA)
- o 8/17- Ginger (JLC)

- 8/19 Lourise (FCA)
- o 8/22- Nancy (JLC), Ann (FCA)
- <u>RESIDENT MOVE-IN ANNIVERSARIES</u>:
 - $\circ~$ 6 Years- Bill and Norma (JLC)
 - 9 Years- Florence (PNCC)
 - 10 Years- Wanda (JLC)
 - 17 Years Judy (FCA)
 - \circ $\;$ Thank you for making the choice to live at Fowler $\;$
 - Thank you to our team who makes the choice to come to work every day and share their gifts with others!

• TEAMMATE TUESDAY!

- Happy birthday to Kathy Woodson! Yesterday was her birthday.
- Lakisha Floyd's birthday is today. Happy birthday, Lakisha!
- Wishing a happy birthday to Amamata Sumaila! Her birthday is tomorrow.
- Happy birthday to Rachel Cherian! Rachel's birthday is August 12.
- Tina Harris and Yensi Dozier both have birthdays on August 14. Happy birthday, ladies!
- Happy anniversary to Laura Porting on August 11! Laura will be celebrating 5 years at Fowler.
- Scott Martinez's one year anniversary is on August 16. Happy anniversary, Scott!
- Wishing a happy 8-year anniversary to Angeline Silkowski! Her anniversary is on August 20.
- Welcome to our new teammates:
 - Elizabeth Gardiner, JLC Weekend Receptionist
 - Joyce Jackson, JLC Weekend Receptionist
 - Ivy Luu, Staff Accountant
 - Marci Penney, Business Office Manager
 - Jacqueline Scott, PNCC Receptionist

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION SHARED STORY

- As we celebrate <u>National Civility Month</u> in August, we're reminded to treat others with kindness, empathy, and respect. In other words, practice the Golden Rule. Scripture Mathew 7:12 states *"So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets"*. By treating others as we want to be treated, we are practicing civil behavior and acting with humanity. This means we have both an awareness of how our thoughts, actions, words, and intentions impact others and a responsibility to ease the experience of others through showing kindness and respect. And, by holding ourselves accountable, we inspire others to do the same. In the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, *'The Time Is Always Right To Do What Is Right'*. Dr. King's words should resonate with all of us. Practicing decent human behavior, choosing non-judgment, behaving in ways to contribute to the collective good, and striving to understand differing perspectives -- builds trust, strengthens relationships, brings diverse groups together, and ultimately creates a more harmonious society!
- o <u>Resources</u>:

- 1. <u>www.nationaltoday.com</u>
- 2. <u>www.presbyterianseniorliving.org</u>
- 3. <u>www.teachersfirst.com</u>
- 4. <u>www.whatiscivility.com</u>
- Make it a great day on purpose!

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