June 21, 2024

Dear Residents, Families and Staff,

Yesterday was the first day of summer, and with the new season comes a heat wave! Please be aware of the current heat advisory in effect through Sunday June 23, 2024. Temperatures outside will feel in excess of 100 degrees. Staying outside for even a short time can cause trouble breathing, dehydration and heat stroke.

Heatstroke signs and symptoms include:

- High body temperature.
- Confusion, agitation, slurred speech, irritability, delirium.
- Skin will feel hot and dry to the touch and may turn red.
- Nausea and vomiting.
- Rapid breathing.
- Racing heart rate.

Take immediate action if you are experiencing these symptoms by calling 911 and pressing your pendant.

You can help by:

- Getting into shade or going indoors.
- Remove excess clothing.
- Cool yourself by with a cool tub of water or a cool shower, sponge with cool water, fan while misting with cool water, or place cold, wet towels on the head, neck, armpits and groin.

Please note the following tips from your friends in the Health and Wellness Department:

- Remain indoors in the air conditioning as much as possible.
- Drink plenty of water and wear lightweight clothing.
- If you must be outside with a pet, please limit your time to the bare minimum and avoid being in direct sunlight.
- The concrete or blacktop can burn pets' pads during times of excessive heat.
- Do not leave people or pets sitting in a parked car.
- Please wear your pendant inside the facility to call for assistance if you are feeling ill and carry your cell phone if you are outside the facility.
- Check in with your friends and family.

Telecommunications Update

We have been having multiple conversations with our vendors working to get the new phone system in place as quickly as possible. Through shipment acceleration and project substitution, we feel we are making positive progress in getting the system in place soon. Phone sets and other hardware components are in varying stages of shipment for expected delivery over the course of the next week planned for immediate configuration and installation. We are also discussing how to get temporary direct phone numbers assigned so we can establish open lines of communication more quickly as we wait for our existing phone numbers to transfer between carriers (this step can take several weeks). We also have additional technicians on standby to help with the installation of the new system. Our goal is to make more progress over the course of the next two weeks.

Grounds Update

The first phase of speed bump installation throughout the campus will begin today. These are being installed per request of residents concerned about vehicles speeding throughout the property. The first set will be located on Dunwoody Drive going to and from the West Country houses. The other will be in Penrose near the split in road at the carriage homes. We will continue the installations as more arrive.

Green Lawn will be on site Tuesday, June 25th to apply our first round of organic fertilizer. This fertilizer is a granular product so the lawns will remain dry and open. Although it is organic, it can still cause skin and eye irritation so it is advised to allow the dust to settle before continuing green space activities. Dunwoody's second phase of sealcoating will be completed early to mid-July (weather permitting). Seal coating will take place in the West Country houses, apartments, east country houses, and Penrose. As we move closer, we will have dates for each area affected, as well as alternative parking options. A color-coded map will also be included to assist in visualizing the areas being impacted.

Hair Salon

The current number in use for the hair salon is 267-355-7447.

COVID

Currently there are no Residential nor Care Center residents who have tested positive. No staff members are positive at this time.

Happy First Day of Summer! Stay Cool! Maureen