

ANNLINES

St. Ann's Residence Newsletter

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Mission: To provide a caring home for seniors where they can find calm from the storms of life, regardless of status.



Administrator's Letter

Hello Everyone,

Information regarding COVID-19 changes every day both on a local and a national level. Even here at St Ann's things differ from day to day depending on who is being tested or if someone does not feel well.

Here is the current information of where we are at as of this Friday, May 29th. As of this morning we have one resident that is currently testing positive and hopefully they will get a negative reading soon. There has been a lot of discussion on many levels of the accuracy of testing and who should be tested. Be assured the medical community and the Minnesota Department of Health are giving us tremendous support and they are helping us in every way possible to keep you safe. We have had no new cases in the last several weeks.

Regarding total cases here at St. Ann's: Since April 3rd when the first positive case was confirmed through today, 29 residents have tested positive for COVID-19. Of the 29 cases, 18 have recovered and sadly 11 residents have died. We know many of you are grieving the passing of your friends and neighbors. We are working on getting support in to help everyone with all the changes that have happened because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Like all other assisted living facilities in the state, we are still on the "stay at home" order and no visitors. As soon as the regulations and guidelines change, we will let you know. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Scott and Jan



Nurses Corner

Hi to Everyone,

Wow this month has just flown by. Spring is here!! We are continuing to work with the Minnesota Department of Health and the CDC to determine how we can continue to move forward and make our residence healthy and strong!

In order to keep everyone safe we are still encouraging everyone to wear a mask when you go out, wash your hands and keep your hands away from your face. Our medical providers are continuing to support our care with telehealth visits and we are trying to arrange “facetime” and “zoom “ visits to keep you all connected with your loved ones. If you think of other things that we can do to make life more tolerable during this difficult time please let us know.

Summer is coming and it will be nice to be able to go out on the patio and plant flowers when we can.

The flowers always bring sunshine and smiles into our lives.

Continue to stay safe and we WILL get through this together.

Lynn Shepard

Director of Nursing



Employee Anniversaries

Devon	Durden	06/12/2019	1
David	Miller	06/07/2016	4
Grace	Nielsen	06/08/2018	2
Samuel	Nielsen	06/26/2018	2

We are still playing in room Bingo. Congratulations, we have had two winners already, and hopefully more to come. We are giving away cash and a little something extra. If you need a paper bingo board, please contact Sharon or Melanie in RPS and we will get you one. Good Luck everyone!!

NEW RESIDENT PROGRAM ASSISTANT

We have hired a new assistant in Resident Program Services. Her name is Melanie and she has been a great help. She is working full time and will be here to assist with all activities (once we are up and running again). We are looking forward to the day that we get back to “normal”. We are waiting for the Minnesota Department of Health to give us the green light on re-opening up the Beauty Salon, Chapel, etc. and getting back to planned activities for all of you. Hang in there...together we can get through this.



Just a friendly reminder. Sharon in RPS has been doing the shopping for the residents. If you can, have your families pick up large orders, or if they are willing to do the shopping for you, please let them. We will get the orders delivered to you as quick as we can. We are now setting a limit of **10 items per resident. We are sorry that this has to happen, but you must understand that we all have so much to do, that we must limit the amount of time that is put into shopping, sorting, delivering, collecting monies, etc.**