



August 4, 2020

Hi everyone,

Tropical Storm Isaias is likely upon us as you are reading this update. Stay safe. There will be lots of rain out there from all reports! Can't believe it is already August. This summer is flying by. I personally am loving the abundance of fresh fruits and vegetables. Had my first dinner of just corn and tomatoes the other evening. Delicious!

One change in our campus restrictions to share with you today that I hope will be met with some joy.

#### **Starting August 4**

#### **IL residents (in groups of no more than 4 people) may:**

Socially gather with other Wake Robin residents with food and/or drink. Eat, Drink and Be Merry. **Outside Only.**

This is not limited to just gathering around a meal, but includes gathering over a cup of coffee in the morning, or having a cocktail with a new resident or neighbor in the evening time.

**Outside only** spaces may include individual resident outdoor porches/decks *if there is direct outside access*. Size of the space determines number of guests; if you cannot accommodate 4 residents 6 feet apart, then limit attendees to the number that you can safely host.

You can use common spaces around campus to gather or on communal decks in residence buildings (such as Maple outside deck).

However, we ask that you *not* use the Community Center front porch.

Residents must bring own food, drink and utensils - no sharing.

Hand hygiene is an important area of prevention; please wash your hands or use hand sanitizer before and after.

Physical distancing must be maintained - 6 feet.

Masks must be worn except when eating or drinking.

Organizers must feel confident that invitees have been compliant with campus rules. And if you are not comfortable accepting an invitation to eat/drink with others, respectfully decline. Any resident that should be quarantining must not participate.

Organizers must keep track of who they eat/drink with for contact tracing purposes.

If you are using a common outdoor space, please leave it in the condition you found it in, including any furniture you may have moved. Please sanitize all furniture before and after you use it.

### **Dining Update:**

A reminder about menus: You will find your weekly menus in your internal mailbox by noon on Wednesdays. Please fill them out on both sides of all pages, including Thursday on the very back page. Affix them to your front door by 8:00 AM on Friday mornings for pick up.

### **And more importantly:**

**Dining is asking that all independent residents fill out our Dining Survey, link below.** We are using this as a data collection tool so that we can see how best to plan opening dining spaces. I'll be collecting responses for the month of August and then reviewing them with the Dining Advisory Group at the end of the month. Dining has not set a date to open any indoor dining spaces in the Community Center at this time, but I feel it's important to start a more in-depth discussion. I'm asking that you complete the entire survey even if you plan not to dine in-house at this time. Some of the questions are helpful for Dining because the community has grown and can be used for future planning.

Take the [Dining Survey](#) here.

Some basic guidelines for Dining in Community Center spaces are apt to be:

1. Residents will be asked to maintain appropriate physical distancing even within small groups while waiting to come into the dining room.
2. Every resident will need to sanitize hands before entering, as well as be masked until they have passed through the line to pick up their food. Residents are free to unmask while seated to dine and will don masks to exit the dining room.
3. As you enter the dining room, residents must follow physical distance guidelines for spacing and flow. Tables and chairs will be reconfigured to abide by physical distancing requirements.
4. Dining staff will be fully masked and gloved throughout service.
5. To cut down on the risk of exposure while unmasked, seatings will have a time limit. This will give Dining staff adequate time to fully sanitize the space before inviting in the next group of guests.
6. Unless a large majority of the community opts out of dining inside until there is a Covid-19 vaccine, we will be looking at a combination of dining-in and home

delivery. As it stands with the current CDC and state guidelines, our combined dining spaces for ILU residents (including the Birches) does not offer enough seating to feed all residents dinner indoors on the same day.

Thank you!

### **Window Cleaning to Start:**

And to facilitate the outdoor cleaning, ES staff may need to come into your homes to remove some screens. Time is of the essence so they are not able to arrange around your schedules. Don't be surprised if you find a note saying they were in there for that purpose. It will only be ES staff who enter.

### **Proper Mask Wearing:**

Just a reminder that when wearing a mask (thank you!), please be sure it is **covering both your nose and mouth**. I see masks slipping down below noses and that kind of defeats the purpose. So please be sure your mask is snug around both your nose and your mouth. Your neighbors thank you!

And don't forget that **effective August 1, 2020, there is now a statewide mask mandate**. Masks must be worn in public and inside all establishments (doctors offices, stores, restaurants, recreation areas, etc.) The Governor's goal is not to shame people into wearing them but to appeal to their better angels and ask that they consider their own health, the health of others, the health of our business sector, etc. The greatest contribution we can make to this effort is to model the behavior we wish to see in others. So, masks up everyone!

For those of you who are archaeology buffs, here's an amazing virtual tour of **Pharaoh Ramesses VI Tomb**.

<https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=NeiMEZa9d93&mls=1>

A nice musical piece for any Grateful Dead fans out there:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MHo1fNnXFVU>

Some great humor to share:

### ***BRITISH HUMOR IS DIFFERENT***

These are classified ads, which were actually placed in U.K.

**FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIER.**

8 years old, hateful little bastard. Bites!

FREE PUPPIES

1/2 Cocker Spaniel, 1/2 sneaky neighbor's dog.

FREE PUPPIES.

Mother is a Kennel Club registered German Shepherd. Father is a Super Dog, able to leap tall fences in a single bound.

COWS, CALVES: NEVER BRED.

Also 1 gay bull for sale.

JOINING NUDIST COLONY!

Must sell washer and dryer £100.

WEDDING DRESS FOR SALE .

Worn once by mistake. Call Stephanie.

FOR SALE BY OWNER.

Complete set of Encyclopedia Britannica, 45 volumes. Excellent condition, £200 or best offer. No longer needed, got married, wife knows everything.

Have a good week everyone. Stay well.



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