# St. Ann Rehabilitation and Nursing Center Bishop Gendron Senior Living Community

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This week, on Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, we completed another round of testing only with the NON-vaccinated staff for our weekly COVID testing. We remain Negative.

Strafford County's PCR Positivity rate continues to be on a decline. We started the week at 2.8% and today we are at 2.3% in positivity rates. We have now been cleared by NH DHHS to only test once a month.

# Visitation update:

Visitation continues to be scheduled through our receptionist Karen, by calling 603-742-2612.

We are asking if visitors have been vaccinated- however visitors ARE NOT required to share that information. If you choose not to disclose your vaccination status- you will be required to wear a face mask and maintain social distancing of 6 feet as a precautionary measure.

### **Resident Outings**:

As mentioned last week, taking residents out of the facility is now an option for you. Outings need to be planned in advance much like a visit, but will need to be coordinated with the Social Services Department- Jesse Taylor at <u>sta.swdir@nh-cc.org</u> or Krista Charles at <u>sta.sw@nh-cc.org</u> or by calling the facility at 742-2612 and asking for one of them. This is new and exciting for them, you and us, so please bear with us as we work through the kinks together on this new option. We just need to be sure we are creating the most opportunity for visiting while also ensuring the safety of our community.

# Life Enrichment update:

Last week we started out by celebrating Cherry Cobbler Day. For our morning activity we socialized over homemade cherry cobbler and a cup of coffee. Celebrating these unordinary holidays make for great conversation. The weather was perfect last week, minus the pollen. We moved many of our programs outdoors. We tried a new way of playing Scattergories which gave more opportunities for more words. Each week we are finding more residents wanting to attend the Wednesday Mass led by Father Aggie or Father Ryan. It is great that so many are attending and our chapel is large enough that we can continue being socially distant. Mass is one of the most important activities to our residents here at St. Ann's. We held our monthly resident council meeting, and shared with the residents that the new Life Enrichment Assistant was starting on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Her name is Sharyn, she is full time and brings with her a positive energy and spirit. The ladies had manicures and while the men were offered, many declined the spa-like treatment. We played big word little word, taking a large word and making as many words out of it as we can. The amount of words the residents can come up with was quite impressive. Our week ended with Bingo. Friday, was Craft Beer Day, which was celebrated with a variety of craft beers to sample, along with a variety of options in cocktail if they were not up to the Craft Beer taste testing.

# Staffing update:

This week we welcomed 2 new staff members to the St. Ann family. Sharyn Newton is the new full-time life enrichment assistant and Traci Jones joined the nursing department as an LNA. We look forward to working with and getting to know them both.

We are actively looking for LNAs. If you know any LNAs looking for a great place to work, send them our way!

Memorial Day...the day set aside to remember with gratitude and pride All those who served and died for our country and our freedom May your day be filled with memories and peace God Bless America

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