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Greetings from St. Ann,

COVID Update:

We are testing all non-vaccinated staff (those who have already begun the vaccination process with their first shot administered by 9.12.2021). This week both tests remained negative.

We did learn today that a long-term care resident that was sent to the hospital has reportedly tested positive for Covid. We have immediately contacted the NH Department of Health and Human Services and have been advised to test only those who have been in close contact with him/her. We have tested all residents today and they have all come back negative. All staff that have been tested thus far are also negative. We have a few more to test. We will test all who have been identified as close contact again on Tuesday, Sept 28. If all of those tests come back negative, we will have cleared our response testing. We continue to monitor all staff at the start of their shift(s) and all residents on every shift for any signs and symptoms. The resident who was transferred to the hospital was fully vaccinated and did not have any COVID symptoms. We are only offering outdoor and compassionate visits during this time of response testing as a precautionary measure.

Visitation Update:

All visitors- despite vaccination status are required to wear a face covering/mask while visiting with any of our residents. This is a change in our visitation procedures and will be monitored and enforced. We will not be permitting any eating or drinking during visits as a result of this change. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this measure of safety for you and our residents.

Life Enrichment update from last week:

This week we kicked off the week with Fortune Cookie Day on Monday. Both the residents and staff took part in this event by enjoying a fortune cookie and the hopes of a good fortune. On Wednesday, we attended Mass with Father Ryan and our friends from Bishop Gendron Independent Living. We finished off the week with creating Pet Rocks- an old classic brought back, enjoyed crème filled donuts for national crème filled donuts day and enjoyed games of BINGO, Wheel of Fortune, Name 10 and playing cards.

We hope you all stay healthy as the pandemic continues its ramp up. Please wear a mask when indoors, practice social distancing and thorough hand washing. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Kindly,

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