



Wendy's Corner



March 7th, 2021

Opening Sloper - Well it appears as if we are going to get to open the front doors on Monday, March 8th. I have fingers, toes, and eyes crossed. Therefore we have a new activities calendar for the month that will be included in this Weekly. So please throw away all other calendars, for they are no longer valid. We still have to follow all of the guidance's that the Governor has in place. You must sign in at the desk and take your temp. If you have a fever you will need to notify us and leave the building immediately. Masks have to be worn at all times unless you are eating. We also have to physical distance by staying 6' apart, and no more than 6 people at an activity. The café will be open but only to Sloper residents for right now. Only 2 households can sit at one table. Independent Living residents outside of Sloper can still order take out and either pick it up or we can deliver. I am excited to be able to actually start having activities and I'm sure many of you are as well. I'm saying lots and lots of prayers that we get to stay open this time.

Activity Sign ups - Because we have to limit activities to 6 people maximum, we are going to have to have everyone sign up for any activity they want to do. You will have to call or go to the front desk to sign up. The first 6 people will get to do the activity. People who sign up after that, will be put on an alternate's list. If I see that we have more people who want to attend the activity, I can add another one so that everyone gets to participate. If you show up to an activity that you have not signed up for, there is a good possibility that it will be full and you won't be able to do the activity. Sign-up sheets will be available to sign up on Sundays, for the week ahead, the one that is in the Weekly only. This means if you really want to go to an activity, you should call Sunday. Those of you that know me, know I hate running things this way. I want everyone to be able to attend everything on the calendar regardless of who signs up. But, I have zero choice in the matter for right now. There are a few exceptions to the 6 person maximum rule. Bingo will be able to have everyone. We are allowed to have 37 people in the dining room at one time and we never have anywhere near that many interested in playing. Sloper Residents will sit on one side of the cafe and Outside IL will sit on the other. If an activity can be done in 2 separate rooms in the activity room and I (or whomever is running the activity) can go back and forth between rooms, then we can have up to 11 people plus the instructor. I hope I'm explaining this in a way that is easy to understand. If you need clarification on anything, just call and ask.

Thank you - I really appreciate all of you who have turned in your activity interests to me. This helps a lot with me being able to offer activities that you all are interested in. I will bring things back as I am allowed to. For example, we have to wait for games like pinochle and poker until we can have more than 2 households at a table.

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Resident Submissions for the Newsletter - Our Weekly has always been open to submissions from residents. With that said, there may be things that get put in, such as jokes, poems, religious articles, etc. that you do not agree with or just don't care for. So, you get the choice to either read these things, or don't. These are not included to push an agenda for Marian Estates, or anything else for that matter, on anyone. While you may not care for it, or you may feel offended by it, there may be someone else who loves it, or who needed it. Just as there are articles in the newspaper or on the news that you do not agree with, there may be something in our Weekly as well. So please never be upset or put out by what is put in the Weekly. If it's something you do not like, just turn the page.

Birthday Meal Cards - We are going to have a new way of tracking the Complimentary Meal Cards going forward. They will be numbered and have an expiration date on them. Essentially, they will be good for the month of your birthday only. Our accountant needs to have a way of tracking how many I pass out and how many are still out there. This will not affect the ones you already have from a previous birthday. Side note: you have to tell the kitchen when you order, that you will be redeeming your meal card and then you have to give it to wait staff when you receive your food.

Wood Chips - With all the broken branches and trees around campus, we will have plenty of wood chips for the garden area and anywhere else it's needed. Our building of the raised garden beds will be completed this month. I cannot wait to see it all finished.

Thought for the Day - Always end the day with a positive thought, no matter how hard things were. Tomorrow is a fresh opportunity to make it better.

