Coronavirus Update March 23rd

State officials continue to increase their efforts to protect seniors by issuing new guidelines for retirement communities, assisted living facilities and nursing homes. We have received directives to close the Copeland Community fitness Center and guidance to suspend communal dining.

ACV residents have received information about our new meal pick-up service. In addition to the takeout service through the Lopin Gopher Deli, they can still go through the line at Rumph Dining Room to choose meal options, which will be provided in a take-out container for enjoyment at home. There will be no seating in the dining room or Lopin Gopher Deli. There will however continue to be three meals available every day on a takeout basis.

Signs have been placed at both entrances informing the public that ACV facilities are closed to nonmembers. Outside customers continue to visit Copeland Medical Center, the bank and a few off campus individuals who rent PO boxes at the Post Office. Therefore, those facilities remain open to customers who use these services. Clinic patients are required to call before entering the building if they have a fever or other Coronavirus symptoms.

ACV residents are encouraged to remain on Village grounds as much as possible. We strongly recommend that residents cancel visits from family and friends and limit their own travel as much as possible, including curbing going to stores and dining venues off campus. The Village Grocer remains open to ACV members only and as always, offers delivery service on campus.

The more people each of us visit, the more likely we are to come in contact with someone with Coronavirus, and that puts other members and staff at risk. Please continue to take this event seriously and remember handwashing and social distancing.

We continue to screen employees and vendors daily. We will be making more frequent contact with members to assess their personal situations. For information pertinent to their personal situation, members are encouraged to call their service coordinator.