

Coronavirus Update, Friday, May 22

Even though new cases continue to be announced in Suwannee County, we are pleased to report that we are unaware of any active cases of Coronavirus among members or staff of Advent Christian Village. The count of reported cases in Suwannee County has increased to 164 cases.

Following the guidelines set by the state and taking into consideration the continued concern for those who are over 65 and/or have underlying health conditions, we are methodically looking at ways we can safely ease restrictions on campus. By limiting access to members only, we are able to open more services than if we reopened the campus completely. That being said, we do recognize the desire of many to have family visit and we are researching the best way to work through that particular challenge.

As of Wednesday, Rumph Dining Room reopened for limited seating for noon meals and our hope is that, as we get the details worked out, we can also open the Lopin Gopher Deli for seated dining shortly. The state is mandating the level of dining available in each venue.

Within the guidelines directed by the state, we have also developed a plan to open Copeland Community Center beginning Tuesday, May 26. The limitations set will follow the distancing and hygiene guidance that has been provided by the state.

Plans are also being finalized to open the Village library and some activities that are for 10 or fewer people. As procedures are finalized, we will provide additional information through these updates and through the Friendly Neighbor News.

As we continue to look at easing restrictions on campus, please understand that these new policies relate to members only. The facilities remain closed to nonmembers at least through the end of May.

As we work toward reopening the campus, we reiterate that the threat of the virus continues. Be vigilant and please consider the needs of your neighbor as well as yourself. We are working diligently to balance the desires of getting back to a sense of normalcy with the mandates from the state and the needs of the community.

As always, for questions about your situation, contact your Service Coordinator. Our next scheduled update will be Tuesday, May 26.