

Coronavirus Update, Friday, October 16

Good Samaritan Center residents and staff continue to be tested regularly and we know of no cases of Covid-19 among the staff and general population in the facility. We still have one resident in the Covid-19 unit but they and staff caring for them are completely segregated from the general population. The resident should be cleared in the near future.

We know of no known cases of the virus among the member or staff at Dacier Manor.

Restricted visitation continues at Good Samaritan Center and Dacier Manor. Families are required to follow the guidelines and to make a prior appointment. For information or to schedule an appointment at Good Samaritan Center, families may call (386) 658-5550 for Dacier Manor the number is (386) 658-5552.

A resident in Independent Living recently tested positive for COVID-19. They received a positive test in the hospital while there for another condition. They will be required to isolate from the community once released from the hospital until cleared. The individual is in a stand-alone dwelling. The spouse is also isolating. The risk to the community appears to be minimal.

Out of an abundance of caution, one other resident has been asked to isolate awaiting results of a Coronavirus test. We know of no cases of the virus among the staff in independent living

We cannot stress enough the continued importance of following the guidelines that have been put in place – both on and off campus. The virus continues to be prevalent in the area and as we have seen this week, it can impact any of us.

As the country opens up, it is critical that we all maintain appropriate distances, wear a mask and follow good hygiene practices. Since our last report, there are 88 new cases of the virus in Suwannee County for a total of 2,895 since March.

As we are concerned about safety, we also recognize the need for social interaction and engagement. We are trying to accomplish this in as safe a manner as possible. That is why the facilities remain closed to nonmembers. When everyone follows the guidelines, it allows us to begin to expand our services while limiting risk.

The shops in the Village Square are open limited hours with restrictions and in-person worship services are available with limitations and by reservation. See the Friendly Neighbor News for more information.

Many are asking questions regarding the holidays and family visits. We are working on how we can best participate in meaningful holidays while remaining safe. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

For questions regarding family visitation or other questions about your situation, please contact your Service Coordinator. We want to work with you on your plans to ensure a safe visit for all.

The threat of the virus continues and we will continue to work to limit risk while also knowing that God is in control and our trust is in Him to see us through. Thank you for your continued vigilance.

The next scheduled update will be Friday, October 23.