

July 19, 2021

## *Family Ties*

### *COVID-19 Update*

#### COVID-19 Update

The latest data on the Richland County COVID-19 information site shows that there have been 1,339 positive cases to date in the county. Of those cases, 8 remain active. The death total in Richland County remains at 16 attributed to the COVID-19 virus. Primarily because of the Delta variant and the relatively high numbers of unvaccinated individuals, the news from around the country is that cases are on the rise and safety protocols are being re-instituted. Here in the county we see a rise in the number of positive tests and the number of active cases. If you haven't already done so, please consider getting the vaccine which has proven, if not to prevent the disease but, to dramatically reduce the symptoms in newly infected people.

It is a hard sell for some people right now, but getting vaccinated is our greatest hope for getting this insidious disease under control once and for all.

#### Visitation

As we have been reporting, we are now "open" again in all areas of our Community; retirement apartments, Westview Assisted Living and both floors of the Health Center. We are very excited to be able to hosts families who wish to come and visit their loved ones.

We are now open to let visitors in with **no restrictions on how many**. All we are doing is checking you in, taking your temperature and requiring you to wear a medical grade mask which we provide.

The policy is really quite simple: **go through the check-in procedure including recording your temperature, always wear a mask when you enter the building and if you are feeling ill, stay home!**

All  
Residents  
Are Doing  
Well



## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT of HEALTH SERVICES

### News Release

#### For Immediate Release

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### Multistate Outbreak of Salmonella Typhimurium Includes Wisconsin

#### ***Nine people in Wisconsin and Illinois infected, with one hospitalization and no deaths***

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS), Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Food & Drug Administration, and local health departments are involved in an ongoing investigation of an outbreak of Salmonella Typhimurium.

Current public health data indicates that pre-packaged salad greens produced by BrightFarms, Inc. of Rochelle, Illinois are the source of a Salmonella Typhimurium outbreak in Wisconsin and Illinois. Nine people are infected with one hospitalization (four in Wisconsin, five in Illinois). Illnesses started between June 10, 2021, to June 15, 2021.

"At this time, DHS urges consumers not to purchase, eat, or serve BrightFarms branded pre-packaged salad greens," says DHS Communicable Diseases Supervisor Ryan Wozniak. "Consumers and food service establishments who have BrightFarms salad greens with any 'best-by' date should not eat, serve or sell any of the recalled products."

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*"To reach a port we must set sail —*

*Sail, not tie at anchor*

*Sail, not drift."*

~ Franklin D. Roosevelt

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