

March 5, 2021

Family Ties

COVID-19 Update

Resident/Family Visitation Policy Loosening

Because of the gains being made in the battle against the COVID-19 virus we feel it will be appropriate to relax some of the protocols we have put in place regarding resident visitation. Effective Tuesday March 9th we will be permitting two (2) individuals to visit a resident at any one time. This may be two adults or one adult and a minor child. For now, all other restrictions will remain in place as previously reported. Please call the SWH receptionist to schedule your visit 24 hours in advance. Visitation times will run from 9:00 am until 8:00 pm. Reservations for weekend visits must be made prior to 4:00 pm on Friday afternoon.

**All SWH
Residents
Remain
COVID Free**

With the upcoming nicer weather, you are reminded that booth visits are available as well. The instructions given above for scheduling a visit with your loved one applies to both booth and indoor visits.

Vaccination and Test Information



As advertised, Monday was not only the first day of March but it was also a busy day at Schmitt Woodland Hills. It was our scheduled vaccination clinic. This clinic was for those who were requiring a second vaccination and for anyone who had decided they now wished to receive the first of their two shots. The next and final clinic will be held on March 29th. Anyone needing a second shot after this final clinic will need to schedule it through the hospital or other outside source.

The next staff COVID-19 testing date will be on Tuesday April 6th and as before it will run from 6:00 am until 2:00 pm. There may have been other dates published previously, but we are trying to get back to our normal 1st Tuesday of the month schedule. So far, all test results received back from the tests administered on March 1st have come back negative, which is always good news.

Summer Trishaw Season Just Around the Corner

Just before the start of last year's riding season we purchased two new trishaws from a company in the Netherlands. Van Raam is a manufacturer of special needs bicycles for people with a disability. Because of the pandemic we were only able to put one of the two new Chat models into service last year. Because one of these trishaws remains brand new, we are able to trade it for a new Van Raam model called the VeloPlus. This new model is designed exclusively for passengers and their wheel chairs. We feel this new trishaw will help us increase ridership amongst our residents because it will take less staffing to load and unload passengers and it can be done much quicker. We look forward to having both trishaws in service this summer; a Chat for our more ambulatory residents and the VeloPlus for those residents more comfortable staying in their wheel chairs.



“We have a chance to do something extraordinary. As we head out of this pandemic we can change the world. Create a world of love. A world where we are kind to each other. A world where we are kind no matter what class, race, sexual orientation, what religion or lack of or what job we have. A world we don't judge those at the food bank because that may be us if things were just slightly different. Let love and kindness be our roadmap.” – Johnny Corn

County Update

The latest data on the Richland County COVID-19 information site shows that there have been a total of 1,289 positive COVID-19 cases in Richland County. Of those cases, 44 are still considered active. On March 3rd, again with great sadness, the Richland County Health Officer announced another COVID-19 related death, bringing the death toll in Richland County to 15.

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