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**WESTMINSTER CANTERBURY WEEKLY SUMMARY—MARCH 10, 2022—3 P.M.**

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**John Burns**

*COVID-19 Updates*

We are pleased to report that there are no known cases of COVID-19 among our residents and staff. Mary Morton Parsons Health Center has been in outbreak status since December 13. If we continue with no cases through today, Parsons Health Center will come out of outbreak status tomorrow. This is great news!

A few residents and staff continue to have various symptoms of illness. We have been able to offer testing with quick turnaround, and they quarantine while awaiting results, which has helped keep our community healthy.

The current positivity rate for Henrico County has fallen to 5.08%.

*Tower Power Outage*

Thank you to Tower residents for your understanding and cooperation with the scheduled power outage today. The power has been restored. We understand it is an inconvenience and hope you enjoyed the planned activities in the Adams Roof Terrace.

*Vice President Workforce Services*

It is with a heavy heart that we shared earlier this week that Windley Gravatt has announced her decision to resign from her position at Westminster Canterbury Richmond as Vice President Workforce Services. Windley has accepted a role as a human resources executive with a large acute care hospital system.

Windley has been an incredibly important leader for this organization as well as a great friend and co-worker to all of us. Under Windley's leadership, Westminster Canterbury has become a better place to live and work. She will be missed but is leaving us a stronger organization due to her outstanding service to our Mission.

Please join me in thanking Windley for her service to Westminster Canterbury and for the countless ways she has touched our community over the past four and a half years. We wish her the very best in her new role. With her assistance, we will begin an immediate search for a Vice President Workforce Services. Windley's last day will be April 1, 2022.

*Westminster Canterbury Weekly*

There will be no *Westminster Canterbury Weekly* next week. Our last weekly broadcast will be Thursday, March 24. In April, we will resume a monthly in-person opportunity to gather to hear updates and ask questions on the first Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. in the Sara Belle November Theater or live on TV970. Please mark your calendar for the first *Westminster Canterbury Monthly* on Tuesday, April 5.

**Derek Oliver**

*Domestic Water Shut Off*

A domestic water shut down will take place in the Tower on Wednesday, March 16, from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. on Thursday, March 17. Affected residents will receive a memo with more details.

## *New Manager Housekeeping and Laundry*

Derek Oliver introduced Francis Karpeh, the new Manager Housekeeping and Laundry.

## **Gayle Haglund**

### *Communications Opportunities*

There is a lot happening at Westminster Canterbury, and there are a variety of ways to learn what is going on.

- Digital Signage, TV970 and 971: All upcoming events and late-breaking news items are advertised on the large TV screens around campus. You can always watch your TV to learn what is happening.
- Touchtown: Our community app, Touchtown, can be installed on your smartphone, tablet or computer. Touchtown is a fantastic source of a wide variety of information. The Staff and Resident Directories provide a quick way to find an apartment number or phone number. The Activities section includes information on fitness classes, McGue-Millhiser Arts Studio classes, Bible study times, locations and more. The On Stage section shares all the upcoming shows in our Sara Belle November Theater. If you click “Theater Tickets” you can see information on upcoming shows and learn about them as well as reserve your tickets. Memos, *Vibrancy!* Updates and more are readily at your fingertips. If you are not already on Touchtown, please contact Rebecca Hatch at 264-6075. Stay tuned for a schedule of simple lessons on how to use this great communication tool.
- *The Westminster Canterbury Tales*: Every other Thursday, this paper newsletter provides lots of information. You can receive this a couple of days early on Touchtown. Copies of *The Tales* are available around campus. Email Rebecca Hatch at [rhatch@wcrichmond.org](mailto:rhatch@wcrichmond.org) to sign up to receive *The Tales* electronically.
- Weekly Activities Calendar: A printed one-page weekly schedule of events is available every Friday in the Business and Information Centers.
- Memos: Certain important information that needs your special attention will come in the form of a memo. These are placed in your mailbox or can be emailed to you. Please let Rebecca Hatch know if receiving the memo via email is your choice. The advantages are that you will receive the information first while also helping to save paper. Once Rebecca receives your request to opt out of paper memos, you will receive a confirmation email that verifies your choice and assures us we have entered your correct email into the system.
- *Vibrancy!* Posters: Posters with a two-month construction look ahead are installed in the Tower Lobby and in the USPS Mail Room in the Center Lobby. These are also available on Touchtown and *The Tales* will include updates about construction.
- All Call Messages: Westminster Canterbury has installed a system titled “All Call.” This system allows us to send an automated phone message to relay time-sensitive or emergency news and reminders. The message will include the name and title of the Westminster Canterbury staff who recorded and sent the announcement. If you would like to add your cell phone to be included in the system, please be sure to contact Glendon Kemp at 264-6079 or [gkemp@wcrichmond.org](mailto:gkemp@wcrichmond.org).
- In-Person Meetings with John: These will be the first Tuesday of every month, at 11 a.m., in the Sara Belle November Theater, starting Tuesday, April 5. This monthly gathering will replace the *Westminster Canterbury Weekly* programs. Since there are so many ways to share activities and events, these monthly gatherings will include resident association news and the opportunity for questions and discussion.

We hope these various methods are helpful to you. Keeping you informed is of vital importance to us. Every one of these methods requires participation. You will need to watch and read, install Touchtown if possible, answer your phone and attend the monthly meetings with John. There is a lot happening and a great deal offered in this community. We want you to know and participate and enjoy life!

### *Saturday Night Movie*

The Saturday Night Movie will air only on TV970 this week. There will not be an in-person showing. Cochrane Commons continues to experience technical issues following a power outage last weekend.

### **Lynn McClintock**

#### *Pastoral Care Updates*

The last *Practice of Listening* Workshop, led by David Hoover, is next Tuesday, March 15, from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are welcome, even if you have not been able to attend the first two workshops. No reservations are required.

We are thrilled that we can hold our Passover Seder meal in person this year. Cantor Fran Goldman will be leading us as she has in years past. Everyone is welcome! It will be held on Wednesday, April 13, at 5:30 p.m. in the Cochrane Commons. The subsidized cost of the meal is \$20. Please call Vanessa Perry at 200-1502 to reserve your seat.

A Special Prayer Service for the Ukraine will be Wednesday, March 16, at noon, in the Sanctuary. Join with the Westminster Canterbury family in lifting up prayers. Service will last no more than 30 minutes.

#### *Prayer*

God of justice and peace, your children are scared and fearful. So many need your healing embrace this day. Protect all who live in the crossfires and amid war. Be with the people of the Ukraine. Be with those who huddle in subway shelters and put loved ones on buses—not knowing when they will see them again. Hear the voices of all who continue to have hope that this war will end. Be with all in Poland who are opening their homes, hearts and wallets to provide refuge for those fleeing the bloodshed—the Polish mothers who are leaving strollers at train stations for the fleeing to use when they arrive—those who welcome the refugee without counting the cost. Be with the protestors in Russia who have taken to the streets to stand against the violence being done in their name. Give rest to the weary, bless the dying, sooth the suffering, heal the afflicted, shield the joyous—knowing that WE are your hands and feet, and we are your body in the world.

God of all nations, this is our song. Loosen the grip that evil has on humanity. Guide our world leaders so that their decisions may be informed by your divine wisdom. Help them to see our interconnectedness and interdependence.

Holy Spirit, descend upon the many corners of this world in need of your saving love and abiding peace. Turn these prayers into action—voices that call out in advocacy, hands that stretch out in reconciliation, hearts that reach out in love.

Prince of Peace, you said, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.” We long for the day when swords will be beaten into ploughshares. May we be bold enough to declare an end to all war and violence. Make us instruments of your peace. We pray all of this in your most holy name. Amen.