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To: Delaware Run residents

From: Larry



This morning on *Morning Joe* they showed the beach at Clearwater, Florida, jammed with college kids on spring break. Crazy kids! They think they are invincible. I guess I did too when I was 19. Truth is that most of those spring breakers would survive a bout with the virus, thanks to their youth, but their grandparents and Willow Brook residents may not.

We have a couple of those “crazy kids” on our team who are returning from spring break trips. We are asking them to quarantine at home for two weeks before they resume their Willow Brook duties. We are trying...

We have two Delaware Run staffers who were exhibiting symptoms, so they are now home for two weeks. Unfortunately, testing is not readily available. Residents and other staff at all three Willow Brooks are clear, as far as I know. Hoping...

Well, here's a message I would rather not deliver. At Governor DeWine's order, we have closed the hair salon. We were given no notice, and last evening, it was lights out for who knows how long. All barber shops and salons in the state are under the order. I totally get it, and it is the right call, in my opinion. But this could get “ugly” real quick. On a personal note, I am in the habit of getting a haircut every two weeks. Not sure I trust Janet with a pair of barber scissors, so I may be reverting to my college look in the next few weeks.

Regarding our ban on housekeeping services in twins and apartments, there is a new twist. Our apartments are licensed as part of the assisted living center. I have been reminded that state regulations require that housekeeping services be provided, so we will continue. Also, the apartments are a more controlled environment, so let's continue. In the twins, I am sorry, but we will continue with the ban until this virus cloud lifts.

Tomorrow's grocery run is still on. The bus will leave from the lobby entrance at 10:00.

Janet and I both agree that our hearts are breaking for all the small business and restaurant owners whose dreams are going up in flames. Last evening, Janet and I decided to do our little part. We drove to our favorite restaurant, Senior Antonio's, a family owned Mexican restaurant, and ordered take-out. The place was dark, except for the front reception area. The server tending the register told me all the servers were crying when the governor's shutdown order came a few days ago. We tipped her \$15 on our \$21 check. I urge you to join us, if you are able, in supporting our fellow travelers who are suffering out there.

Love you all.