

Date: May 13, 2021

To: University Commons Residents

From: Bob Kelch

Re: Resumption of Common Time gatherings

Since nearly all our residents have been fully vaccinated, the COVID-19 Advisory Committee and the UC Board feel that it is now safe to resume many of our usual activities, especially Common Time. Moreover, the CDC has recently published new guidelines that allow vaccinated people to resume many activities (When You've Been Fully Vaccinated | CDC). To allow time for the Social Committee to finalize plans, we will resume Common Time on **Friday, May 21**st.

Here are the rules of engagement:

- Fully vaccinated residents may attend and are not required to wear masks while eating or drinking at an indoor or outdoor table. Fully vaccinated caregivers may also attend.
- 2) Residents will be served refreshments and food by volunteers who will wear gloves. (Since fomite spread of COVID-19 is very rare this requirement is really not necessary. Nonetheless, we feel that we should start this way to reassure residents. Most likely we will be able to change this requirement before long.)
- 3) For the next two Common Time gatherings (May 21 and May 28), refreshments and snacks will be provided by the Association. In addition, residents will not be expected to bring food or wine or pay \$5. However, beginning in June (June 4th) residents will be expected to either bring a bottle of wine, a food item for sharing, or pay \$5 per person.

To maintain a safe environment, we feel that delivery personnel should still be required to leave packages in the entryway of Woodbridge. Visitors, cleaning staff, and maintenance personnel must continue to wear masks while in common areas. In the future, we will consider allowing fully vaccinated family members and friends to attend Common time, but not now as we move back to more normal patterns of interaction and socialization.