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A message from Joice Fairchild. . .

Laurel Hollow is doing well. Many of the people who live here in the summer have been contributing their time and skills to make our community safer, healthier and more beautiful. The summer crew of the gardening committee, including Nancy DeForge, Phyllis Bergeron, Barbara Newton, Najean Brown, and Melanie Fitzsimmons, have been busy keeping the flowers blooming, planting, trimming and watering. Jeff Bench painted the front and back gates. He also trimmed the trees in the common area near the pool allowing the palms to grow straight and strong. The pool and cabana committee, consisting of Carol Phillippe, Joe and Mary Brula, Sandy Wyngaard, Jerry Fitzsimmons and George Beplat, have gone above and beyond, cleaning the pool and cabana area on a daily basis. Their dedication to the well-being of our community is amazing.

As you know, the current pandemic is devastating to older people and people with compromised health conditions. To keep us safe and alive, we must continue to enforce strict rules about the use of facilities and common areas. The pool and the cabana areas are off limits to anyone who has not been in the community for the prior two weeks. **Do not compromise our health. If you have not been in the community for at least the prior two weeks, stay away from our common areas completely, and stay six feet away from our residents.** Additional rules, such as covering the chairs that you use and showering before entering the pool, are posted on the entrance gate.

We have transitioned from management under SunVast to self-management. Our books are up to date. Due to the dedicated work of Joe McVey, the design of our new website is almost complete. It will be unveiled soon. If you have been sending assessment payments to SunVast, please send them directly to the bank in the future. If you need a coupon for the bank payment, let me know and I'll email one to you. Payments are due on the first day of the quarter. Our declaration requires us to charge a late fee of \$10 and 1.5% per month on late payments. Fortunately, in Laurel Hollow, we have very few late payments.

The spirit of caring is strong in our community. There are many ways that people are supporting each other through this difficult time. Some of our residents, who grow fruit and vegetables, leave food for other residents on the bench by the front gate. Some have been shopping for others who are older or health compromised. Some provide rides to doctors and for other needed services. Residents have even volunteered to stay at neighbor's homes when caregivers were unavailable. The generous spirit of our community makes me feel proud.

I sincerely thank you,  
Joice Fairchild  
President of the Laurel Hollow Board

