

Long Island State Veterans Home



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Dear LISVH Family Member:

With another week ending in our ongoing battle against the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to once again provide you with the latest information regarding our Home. We can report that our number of cases continue to trend in the right direction. As of today, we have six residents that are positive for the virus. Two residents are here at the Home, all properly cohorted and quarantined and four residents are currently at Stony Brook University Hospital receiving treatment. We anticipate that these numbers will continue to trend downward next week as well.

As of today, 275 of our 675 employees have tested positive for the virus. Twenty-eight are currently quarantining at home and 247 have fully recovered and have returned to work. We continue to swab test, as ongoing monitoring is our best defense against this illness. Our staff members remain diligent with their testing requirements and we appreciate their cooperation.

We are saddened to report that LISVH Veterans Advisory Board member Buddy Epstein succumbed to the virus earlier this week. Buddy, who was 90 years young, had served on our Board since 2015, representing the Jewish War Veterans. A Korean War army veteran who resided in Long Beach, N.Y., Buddy was our ambassador to veterans in Nassau County. He helped countless veterans during his lifetime, and he will be sorely missed by all of us at the Home.

Lastly, today we celebrated the Chinese New Year, which recognizes 2021 as the Year of the Ox! Chef Jeff and our Morrisons Food Service staff prepared a meal of egg drop soup, orange chicken, white rice and broccoli followed by ice cream. We appreciate you staying in touch with the Home by reading our twice-weekly letters. Please reach out if we can be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

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