



Construction Timeline

• Phase 1 -

(Finished)

March-September 200, 500, & 800 Hall, Spa, Nicholson Salon, Podiatry & Dental Center

• Phase 2 -

(Underway)

Sept.– Mar. 2016 600 Hall, East Wing Commons Area, West Wing Commons Prep Work, Arborview Entrance

• Phase 3 -

(Preps Underway) March - Oct. 2016 100, 300 & 400 Hall, West Wing Commons, Front Entrance

So, What's Up? What's Up is a monthly newsletter meant to inform residents and their families about the progress of construction projects currently happening on campus.

This next year will bring lots of change to Fitzgerald, a building that has served its time well, but now must respond to our growing and transforming needs in skilled care.

Expect monthly editions, during construction, with valuable information on the progress and the impact the work may have on our on residents and families.

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It's Moving Time Again

600 Hall is Preparing to Open While 400 Will Soon Close



The 600 Hall Nears Completion



Painting Crews Finish on 600 Hall

Phase 1 is complete, and soon part of Phase 2 will be as well. Within days rooms on the 600 hall will be complete, joining resident rooms on the 200, 500, and 800 halls that are already re-opened. Construction crews are happy to say the work inside the 600 hall rooms is being finished faster than planned.

"We are moving at a good pace, but there is much more to do. People will continue having to navigate around the other major work for months to come," says Les Cranfill, Arbor Acres Building and Landscaping Arts Director. "While we are

happy to see more resident rooms reopen, we are still focused on keeping those major commons areas under construction clean, safe, and quiet."

As Phase 2 progresses, pending state approval, 23 rooms on the 600 hall should open later this month. Meanwhile work on East Wing Commons area continues. Goodson Friendship Hall, the Arborview Lobby and entrance are still being worked on, as well. East Wing Dining is also weeks away from completion. All of those sections are slated for completion in March.

Residents living on the

400 hall and their families should be prepared for moves to begin within the next several days. Arbor Acres staff will assist each resident as they transition into their new living space.

As usual, there will continue to be directional signs to help travel between Arborview, the newly opened 600 hall and other open parts of Fitzgerald.



New Outdoor Garden

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The Project Manager Says...

"We will soon be turning over the new rooms on 600 hall for residents to move in to and are pleased at the quick turnaround time and hope to continue the momentum as we move to 400 hall," says Toby Thomas, Project Manager for Frank L. Blum Construction.

Thomas says Phase 2 has presented some challenges but the work taking place will make life "much more comfortable once it is complete." Thomas says much of the work on the East Court Commons area has included upgrades to heating and air systems and infrastructure that are often hidden from everyday view. Now about half way through the work in the commons and dining area, it is clear to see how crews had to remove the floor and dig while also remove the ceilings so they could access the infrastructure.

Thomas says as the work continues they are now in the planning stages for the final pieces which will include life like trees and other outdoor features crafted in the space. Thomas says work in the new dining area is also taking shape. The outline of the new space is visible and he believes the final product will be a great addition to the overall new look.

As construction on Phase 2 continues, Thomas is pleased with the pace and believes the renovated spaces "will eventually be an overall show place for residents and families."

Phase 2 should take about 3 more months to complete. Work on 400 hall will begin once residents are moved to 600 hall.



Welders Prepare New HVAC Duct Work



Infrastructure Work Continues in East Court Commons





Work Begins on New Nurse Care Bays Near 400 Hall

Paint Crews Finish 600 Hall



What You Can Expect:

"Navigating around the building remains a challenge" says Les Cranfill, Arbor Acres Building and Landscape Arts Director. "While new halls are opening, others will close, again changing the way residents, their families and staff get around," he says.

400 hall residents and their families should also be prepared for upcoming moves. Continuing Care Managers will be working with each resident to coordinate the resident moves. Staff will work to make the transition as simple and effortless as possible for residents and their families.

Please carefully follow directional signs and should you have any questions or concerns about the moves or the work please contact Kathy Gwyn at 724-7921.