

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

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As we welcome in 2024, we wanted to share the current progress of this first stage of renovation. We've been seeing more and more "finishes" start to arrive and the spaces are really taking shape. We can't wait to show them off in person!

Solarium

The roughing in of the HVAC, Fire Suppression, Electrical systems and installation of the fireplace are all well underway. Glass is almost fully complete and vendors are lined up for flooring and drywall next. The tall ceilings and immense amount of natural light are going to make this space so inviting for our community.





Dining Space/Display Kitchen

The builder has removed some of the sheetrock along the main hallway and replaced it with plastic so it's been wonderful to see our residents stopping to take a peek at this almost finished space.

As you'll see in the pictures, the display kitchen (short of the decorative wall tile) is complete and ready for final touches and startup/break in processes for the pizza oven.



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You can also see the two raised perch bars that allow residents to sit and watch the show of the display kitchen. These spaces also have electrical outlets this writer may even sneak in there with his laptop and answer emails while enjoying the show!









Also pictured here, you can see the first of the booth banquets installed. These allow us to customize the tables so we can seat a party of two or put tables together to seat a party of six. The possibilities will be exponential and this helps us customize the dining experience for all. Plus, now you can invite your family and friends in to enjoy a meal and we can seat you all at once.



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Upcoming Work

As we focus on the next few weeks, there will be lots going on! We will see the roofing be completed and the remaining glass be installed in the Solarium.

Inside, work will continue with wiring in lighting and closing up the ceiling with the acoustical ceiling tiles (wait until you see the lighting in the café; it's really neat!), while the millwork crews work on the booths and wall accents.

We'll see furniture start to be delivered next month and that will pair with installation of wall tile and solid stone tops for many of the more frequently used spaces.

The fireplaces are scheduled for startup and final testing within a week or so and then decorative work can begin around them.

It has certainly been a journey but now seeing the spaces start to accept more finished work, it's apparent that the juice is going to be worth the squeeze!

Jesse Wescott
Vice President – The Towers at Tower Lane

PS: We recently used our dining space to host LeadingAge Connecticut's (the association that support non-profit senior housing) Leadership Academy.

A panel of Towers staff and residents shared their knowledge and stories with 25 emerging leaders in our field. It was amazing!

