

October 28, 2021



Dear Residents, Families, and Staff,

If I must be honest, Halloween is my least favorite holiday. Even as a child, I hated dressing up – I was not very creative with costumes. I believe I went as the same costume for 5 years straight. I should really recreate that costume one of these days... I do have fond memories of my dad walking us around the neighborhood to trick or treat. There was one house that put out sticks of gum and they left it on a tray at the bottom of the driveway. Dad always told us to take 1 piece. If you got there late, it would be all gone – some kids would take it all. I do love that Dunwoody really embraces the spirit of Halloween!

Next week we will have a new system to check in at the front desk. No more paper and pens – it is all electronic. More details are below. Look for this to begin November 2nd. We ask residents to please have their visitors sign in – this is our way to be able to contact trace, if needed.

We also have a few fun events planned next week – please come out and join us!

Care Center Update

One staff member who works on our Cedars West personal care unit tested positive for Covid-19 on 10/25/2021. Tracing has been completed to identify anyone at Dunwoody who the staff member had close contact with. All residents on Cedars West have been tested per State guidance and facility policy and all tests came back negative. Residents will be tested a second time 7-10 days after the positive case was identified. Cedars West is currently on “yellow” infection control precautions and therefore, only scheduled compassionate visits are allowed on the unit until restrictions are lifted on November 8, 2021.

Health and Wellness

Please note the swimming pool will be closed **October 30th (Saturday)**.

The deadline for the voluntary survey forms handed out by the fire wardens is October 31st. Please return them to Health and Wellness.

Gift Shop

The gift shop has relocated to **C-223** and is open for business. Hours are M-F 11AM – 2PM. (Just follow the signs with red arrows.) Please stop by and see the new temporary location. Thanks for helping to support your gift shop.

Events -

National Donut Day – On November 5, we will be celebrating National Donut Day for the whole community. For independent living, donuts will be out near the coffee in the lounge area from 8-10:30. Activities will have donut events with the Care Center residents. Staff will have donuts on all 3 shifts (location to be announced in a separate e-mail). Please enjoy!

National Saxophone Day – Who knew there was a national saxophone day? Please come join us at 7:30 in the auditorium to listen to a 3-piece band featuring saxophonist Larry McKenna. There will be wine, cheese and fruit for your enjoyment. This is an auditorium event only – it will not be broadcast on 1970. Please come join us!

Facilities

The fire hydrant on the east drive by Door C will be replaced on 10/28. This should not bother the community (no water shutoff).

The pool will be shut down for 2 weeks starting on 11/8 for installation of new heating lines and pool repairs.

Accushield

On Tuesday, November 2nd, we will be switching our check-in system for staff, vendors and employees. The system is pretty easy to use and once you have signed in once, it is pretty quick. It also has a mobile app that can be downloaded onto your phone. To download the Mobile app – please go to the app store on your phone and type Accushield mobile. Download the App onto your phone. The questions can be filled out an hour before your shift. You will be able to answer the questions on the phone, scan a code, take your temperature and that is it! Staff will be on site for all shifts to help people sign in. Please be patient as we switch to this on-line system.

Construction Update

On the outside of the new building, the EIFS continues, and is close to being finished. The stone mason will start in the next several days and put the stone veneer onto the building. We are awaiting final confirmation of the flat roof material delivery, but it is due in next week! Our date was pushed one week to 11/3/21. Cross your fingers!

Inside the building, telephone and data rough-ins are ongoing, lights are being installed, and the new generator is slowly being tied into more of the existing buildings systems. Once the roof starts and sections of the building become fully watertight, insulation and drywall will start in those areas.

Happy Halloween!

Kathy