



February 17, 2022

Dear Residents, Families, and Staff:

I am thrilled to share that Julia McCarthy will be joining Dunwoody Village as the Interim Director of Dining on Monday February 21, 2022. Julia was selected from a pool of 8 candidates, which narrowed to 3 and then to 2 finalists. She was interviewed by leadership, the Dining Management Team and the Resident Dining Advisory Committee, and all agreed Julia's skills and experience, along with her personality and energy, were a match for Dunwoody Village. Julia comes to us with a wealth of food, beverage and restaurant experience. She has worked for the Marriott Corporation for 11 years with progressive leadership responsibilities. Most recently Julia was the Director of Restaurants at the Downtown Marriott in Philadelphia. She has also held positions at the Marriott Inner Harbor, Baltimore, and the Marriott in Bethesda. She has participated in several Marriott International Executive Trainings including the Executive Leadership Program, Event Operations Training, and she has certifications in Safe Serve, RAMP and Micro POS. Julia is also on the Board of Directors of Stepping Stones Network. She is a native of the Philadelphia area and currently lives in Delaware County. We anticipate that Julia will ultimately transition into the Director of Dining Services role. Dunwoody will be providing training and support in healthcare services to compliment her expertise in hospitality, restaurants, and food and beverage service.

John Alberici, our Director of Dining Services who will be retiring on March 31, 2022, will be working in partnership with Julia and the Dining Team to ensure a smooth transition. I am grateful to him and the Dining Team for their participation and support through the interview process. Additionally, we are evaluating the opportunity to engage consultant services to support Julia and the Dining Team during the transition to our new dining venues.

Julia will begin orienting the week of February 21st and will have the opportunity to meet our team. Julia is also anxious to meet the Dunwoody Residents and will be spending time in Skilled Nursing and Personal Care. Julia will attend Resident Council Meetings and we will be setting up a schedule for residents from Residential Living to meet her as well. Please join me in welcoming Julia!

Dining

Due to an equipment delivery for the new venues on Monday February 21, Resident morning coffee will be relocated to the hallway near the marketing office.

Town Meeting

The Town Meeting will be held in the Auditorium and on Channel 1970 on March 3rd at 1:30 p.m. Please contact Kayla in Marketing at 610-723-4601 or email: kmcfadden@dunwoody.org if you plan to attend in person. Forms with advance questions or comments are due at the end of today, February 17th. Forms may be returned to the Marketing Office or Administration (A-302).

Health and Wellness Updates

Both Dr. Thomas Lawrence, Dunwoody's Medical Director, as well as Dr. Brett Gilbert, Director of Infectious Disease at MLH, are recommending that residents residing in CCRCs should wear a mask in public areas. Currently masks are optional for residents in common areas at Dunwoody but we do ask

that you be respectful to those people who want to continue wearing masks on campus and/or need to wear masks due to their medical needs. Please notify the Wellness Center immediately if you have had an exposure or if you are symptomatic; and please, remain in your residence. If you have questions about symptoms, exposure or quarantine, please contact the staff in the Wellness Center.

Visitors and masks

Please remind family members and other visitors that masks are required at all times inside Dunwoody unless they are in your private residence. All family members, friends, and contractors are required to check in through the Main Lobby and use the Accushield system before proceeding to any other area or to your residence.

Important information if using an Apple Watch

If you have an Apple Watch that activates if you've fallen, 911 is called and given a phone number to contact. We recently had a case on campus where a resident activated the watch after falling. 911 arrived and only had a phone number to try to identify the fallen resident. The phone number was called and did not have a name listed on the voicemail. Security and nursing were unaware a resident had fallen until police arrived on campus. Fortunately, at the time the police arrived, the resident managed to reach the pendant (which was not being worn at the time) and then activated it. Activation of the pendant allowed Security and Nursing to quickly identify the resident in need and respond. ***If you have an Apple device, please make sure the voicemail associated with the phone number identifies you by name.***

Fitness

The Fitness Center has moved to the meeting room in the Health & Wellness area.

Care Center Updates

COVID-19 Update

Delaware County continues to be an area of "high-risk" COVID-19 transmission but the positivity rate has continued to decline to 7.7% on 2/15/22. There are no positive cases in the Care Center, which includes Skilled Nursing and Personal Care. Residential Living currently has two positive cases and both residents are doing well. We currently have no positive cases among staff.

Care Center Visitation

Visitors are welcome but we strongly discourage unvaccinated individuals to visit due to increased risk to themselves and our residents. Visitors must wear a mask at all times when visiting, including while in resident rooms. For more information on visitation please visit our website at <https://www.dunwoody.org/covid-19-resources/>.

Construction

Epoxy flooring is finished in the upper kitchen and underway in the lower kitchen. Ceramic tile floors are mostly done, and ceramic tile wall tile is being installed at fireplaces and in bathrooms. Kitchen equipment will start arriving next week for the upper kitchen and will be installed as it arrives.

Best Regards,
Maureen