

June 10, 2022

Dear Residents, Families & Staff:

We will welcome aboard our new chef on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please see Chef Derek's note to residents which is attached.

### **COVID-19 Update**

As of 6/9/22 we have one Residential resident on modified quarantine. No Care Center residents are reported positive and none are on quarantine. Five employees tested positive and are isolating at home.

### **Fitness Center**

On Thursday 6/9/22 several pieces of cardio equipment were delivered. The machines were rearranged to face the televisions. We brought in several pieces of the original equipment until our strength pieces that are backordered are delivered. We have no date for delivery. Please note this arrangement is not permanent. We will be evaluating and adapting as needed.

### **Dining**

Dining services will be using our new iPad and POS (Point Of Sale) system to sign in all residents for meals. Please be sure to see the host at the podium for dinner service and the food attendant at the counter during lunch.

Residents who are not on the meal plan can still charge directly to their unit.

### **Summer Picnic**

- June 15<sup>th</sup> is our Employee yearly summer picnic 11:30a.m – 1:30pm.
- Resident lunches will not be served on June 15<sup>th</sup> during the employee picnic. *Residents already on the lunch meal plan* may pick up lunch outside at the Memorial Garden.
- June 15<sup>th</sup> is our Resident Outdoor Community Picnic Event 4:30pm-6:30pm with live entertainment.
- If residents not attending the picnic would like dinner take-out, please pick up your meal at the Memorial Garden.
- This year's Community Event Theme is Caribbean!
- Rain date for the Employee picnic and Outdoor Community Event is June 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Construction**

Demolition is still in full swing and is nearing completion. Welders are continuing work on installing new beams to support the new rooftop mechanical equipment. The plumber is continuing underground piping. Next week there will be a small, temporary wall built on the lower level near the IT room, while the crew does some underground piping in the hallway. The main skylight in the lobby is going to be replaced starting next week; this project will take several weeks.

Best Regards,

Maureen

## **Derek Brewington Letter to our Residents.**

As I join the Dunwoody Dining Services team, I'd like to introduce myself. I'm Derek Brewington, and I will be serving as Executive Chef, effective June 22, 2022.

My approach to food is to create health-conscious meals while utilizing the freshest and most seasonal ingredients in a way that emphasizes the food's natural flavor and integrity.

### **Competitive Edge:**

In addition to my work as a personal chef, I have spent most of my career continuing to learn and excel in Culinary Arts. I have years of unique experiences as well as professional training and certifications:

- a bachelor's degree in Culinary Arts from Johnson & Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island;
- numerous continuing education courses from the Culinary Institute of America in Latin cuisine, Oriental flavors, and Mediterranean cuisines.
- certifications and affiliations that include Certified Executive Chef II, Serve Safe Certified, and member of the American Culinary Federation.

My Culinary Journey has taken me to some of the most luxurious restaurants and hotels in the country, including the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, the Four Seasons Hotels in Philadelphia and Boston, Trump's Castle in Atlantic City, Le Parker Meridian Hotel, the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York City, and Executive Chef at Shea Stadium for the New York Mets. Most recently I was the Director of Culinary Services for Atria Senior Living in Philadelphia, an upscale independent Living and Personal Care community in Center City.

Over the past 15 years of my career, I have focused on making healthy cooking enjoyable and creative. I strive to bring classic familiar recipes to a new level of flavor while emphasizing a healthier approach.

I am looking forward to getting to know you and being a part of Dunwoody Village as we continue to move forward in our new dining venues, providing optimum dining experiences for you, the residents!

Derek Brewington