

**June 3, 2022**

Dear Residents, Families & Staff,

It was wonderful to celebrate the opening of Hearthside and the auditorium with residents from the Care Center on Wednesday. Dining Service provided a delicious lunch in Hearthside as residents enjoyed the amazing view and socialized with friends. Residents were invited into our auditorium to enjoy the beautiful music of *Touch of Blues*. It was a shining example of One Dunwoody as residents, staff and board members celebrated together.

Last week 50 staff members attended the first of two Montessori trainings as we begin to incorporate this philosophy into our culture and our model of care. Staff will be engaged in 1 year of training, education and mentoring. Montessori is familiar to many as a method of teaching children; however, it is also an evidence-based approach with elders and those with cognitive impairment. Montessori philosophy reinforces: respect of the person, independence, meaningful work and roles, and learning and engagement. The goal is to capitalize on one's strengths and abilities as care partners consider the individual's values, preferences and life goals. Montessori fosters a culture of autonomy, enablement and self-determination. More information on Montessori at Dunwoody will be shared in the near future.

#### **COVID-19 Update**

At present, our Care Center currently has no residents who are positive for COVID. For resident safety, masks are mandatory while visiting the care center. Two Care Center staff members are at home on isolation with expectations to return on June 8<sup>th</sup>. There are 3 Residential residents on modified quarantine due to exposure.

Dr. Thomas Lawrence, our Medical Director, would like to remind residents that all cold symptoms should be reported to Health & Wellness. Additionally, if residents have symptoms or do not feel well, please stay home.

#### **Masks**

With no COVID-19 outbreak in Independent Living, masks for residents are currently optional in the common areas. This is subject to change based on COVID cases on campus. Masks are required by all residents when entering Health & Wellness or when visiting the Care Center. Visitors and guests are required to wear masks in the common areas.

#### **Transportation**

For transportation needs on weekends and weeknights (after 4:00pm), below is a list of taxi/car services and local private drivers:

##### **Car/Taxi Services**

On Time Car Service	610-647-1354
Main Line Taxi	610-272-1000
Rosemont Taxi	610-525-1777
Paoli Limousine	610-291-7067

##### **Private Drivers**

Tee Adams	610-291-6577
Brian Carroll	610-639-5956
Steve Haley	484-716-4120
Brian Kirschner	484-557-6283
Carol Kynett	610-566-1161
Dave Mensch	484-704-0659

#### **Lawn Treatment**

Dunwoody has again contracted with Greenlawn Fertilizing to treat our lawns. This work will take place Wednesday June 8th. All lawns will be treated except the dog park. Please stay off all lawns on Wed June 8th until 6pm. Contact Bill Hohlfeld with any questions at 610-359-4512

## **Dining**

Our new Executive Chef, Derek Brewington, starts June 22<sup>nd</sup>. A separate memo will be forthcoming with details. Until Derek's arrival, Interim Chef Neil Nadeau and Interim Dining Operations Manager, Anthony Baffo, are here to support Dining Services until the full leadership team is in place.

Dinner menus are posted on our Marketing Board, outside of our auditorium, and on 1970 daily by noon. Menus posted on Touchtown are for delivery orders only.

Starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, Dining no longer accepts cash. We have begun our new POS system for all employee meals. We accept major credit and debit cards, payroll deduction, and Dunwoody gift cards. We appreciate your patience as the staff works through the learning the new system.

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. During the picnic, residents may still pick up lunch To-Go from the tent.
- June 15<sup>th</sup> is our Resident Outdoor Community Picnic Event 4:30pm-6:30pm with live entertainment. If you are not attending the picnic, you may pick up a To-Go meal at Hearthside.

## **Employee Appreciation Fund**

Our Employee Appreciation Fund Committee has asked us to remind residents that June 8<sup>th</sup> is the last day for contributions to the Fund. Contributions may be dropped off at H-306 or deposited in the locked box to the left of the reception desk in the main lobby. Checks should be made payable to Dunwoody Village. Employee Appreciation Fund should be written on the memo line at the bottom of the check.

## **Construction**

Demolition is still in full swing. Part of the existing roof is being removed and replaced over the old kitchen. New steel is being welded into the structure to support new HVAC equipment. The plumbers are working on their underground rough ins.

Best regards,  
Maureen Casey