

May 16, 2025

Dear Residents, Families and Staff:

We are excited to announce that on Wednesday, May 14th, the Dunwoody Scholarship Committee presented twenty-eight of our part-time student employees a scholarship to assist with furthering their education. The scholarships are funded through generous contributions of residents, board members, staff and other donors. Scholarship recipients enjoyed an excellent dinner in 1712 and were presented their award by Dr. William Potsic, Committee Chair, at the start of the DVRA Meeting held in the auditorium. We are proud of our staff's accomplishments! Congratulations to all.

Alayah Howard	Cashonya Nurse	Joudi Bobaky	Patrick Weishew
Abby Gerhard	Catharine McDevitt	Karla Sotomayor-Alvarez	Lindsay Sokorai
Ailyn Nguyen	Daryus Brown-Stokes	Kaylynn Kudel	Mia Dalessandro
Alexa Barker	Devika Renjit	Keyanna Nurse	Nicholas Damasco
Alexis Jones	Donny Doan	Laila Cordery	Sabree Neal
Annabella Diianni	Hannah Nicholson	Laniyah Emile	Shawn Scanlon
Asiya Babb	Jossy Pineda	Leah Boyce	Trinidad Robinson

### **Archives Open House**

The Dunwoody Village Archives History Committee will host an Open House in the Archives Room (adjacent to the Library) on Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, from 10:00am – 12:00pm and again from 2:00pm – 4:00pm. Please make sure to stop by!

### **Memorial Day – Housekeeping Services**

Monday May 26<sup>th</sup>, Monday Residents will not receive housekeeping services, but will receive linens on Tuesday May 27<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> through Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, residents will receive housekeeping services on their regularly scheduled day.

### **Human Resources**

Taci Damstedt was hired as our Director of Finance effective May 12, 2025. Taci comes to us with a wealth of experience. She holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Maryland. She has twenty years of experience in accounting and finance; 17 of those years were in Senior Living. Most recently she was the Senior Director of Finance and IT at White Horse Village.

Laura Smith has joined Dunwoody as the Director of Health Services effective Friday May 16<sup>th</sup>. Laura is a Registered Nurse and holds a Bachelor of Nursing from Neumann University. She has worked in Senior Living since 2010. She is a nursing home administrator and is a Certified Professional in Aging Risk Management and a Certified Dementia Practitioner. She also has extensive experience in Compliance and Quality of Care.

On Tuesday, May 27th, Ernest Henry will be joining Dunwoody Village as the Assistant Director of Campus Operations. Ernest brings over 20 years' experience in senior living and hospitality management. His responsibilities will be in the day-to-day activities of the Housekeeping, Laundry, Maintenance and Grounds operations. Please help give Ernest a warm welcome.

Thanks to Lynn Plasha (interim NHA) and Jim Staats (interim Controller) for their time and talents to assist while Taci and Laura were hired. They will conclude their interim assignments on 05/16/2025.

Our Relias Learning System has been launched. To date, the first course (Infection Control) has been completed by approximately 90% of our employees.

We continue to make progress toward hiring Care Center positions. As of today, we are looking for 2 full time RNs, 3 full time CNAs, 0 full-time LPNs, 4 part-time LPNs, 2 part-time RNs, and approximately 20 part-time or per diem CNAs.

### **Marketing Department**

We have ten new move-ins anticipated between now and the end of June! We are putting the finishing touches on the 2024 Annual Report and anticipate having them in-hand by early June.

### **Community Services**

Our Gift Shop has returned to the hours of Monday through Friday 11:00a.m. – 2:00 p.m. We hope to expand these hours in September.

### **Health & Wellness**

Functional Pathways, our new therapy partner, will be hosting another introductory presentation on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm in the auditorium in case you missed the last presentation.

Main Line Health will be presenting Wellness Wednesday on hip/knee pain at 3pm on May 21<sup>st</sup> in the auditorium.

The **2024-2025 CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Guidance** has recommended an additional booster vaccine for seniors and immunocompromised patients 6 months from the Fall 2024 vaccination. For most Dunwoody Village residents May 2025 is the time for a booster vaccination. Health & Wellness will be arranging a vaccine clinic in the coming weeks and we will provide notice as soon as we have a date. If you have any questions about whether you should receive the vaccine booster now, please check with your primary care physician.

### **Personal Care**

We are thrilled to share that Kim LaFountain, Adrienne Stevens, and Gail Volz will be presenting "The Transitional Care Model (TCM) Phase 2" at LeadingAge on June 12, 2025. This is the evidenced based program introduced to Dunwoody Village by Connie Carino. The program initiated in acute care and supported transitions back to the community. Dunwoody Village is the first CCRC that has employed the model, and we presented Phase I at Leading Age last June.

### **Campus Operations**

#### The Hub

Much of the artwork selected by the Resident Design Committee has been installed this week. It looks beautiful!

#### Putting Green Door (From WCH) and Apartment Crossovers

As of Wednesday, May 14th, Security unlocked the Crossover Doors in the Apartments as well as the Doors to the Putting Green from WCH from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM 7-days a week.

#### Elevator 9

Work is expected to be completed this week with the elevator to be back online the week of May 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### WIFI Project

The WIFI project continues to move forward at a steady rate. We expect to complete the apartment Wireless Access Points (WAPs) replacement by the middle of next week and move to the West Country Homes by the middle of the week. We are also working on a manner to distribute WIFI passwords to the residents for future use and device management.

#### Hearthside Sound Study

An acoustic engineer was consulted for the sound concerns in Hearthside Dining. We are working with architects and interior designers to help mitigate the sound issues.

#### Generator

The temporary generator is installed and online. The needed repairs are still being evaluated by the contractor.

#### Building and Grounds Committee

This committee was re-established and met on May 9<sup>th</sup> for the first time. Please forward any concerns or comments to this team for discussion. Mr. Surgner and Mr. Henderson are Co-chairs.

#### **Dining Services**

##### Meal Service Summary (April 2025):

- Residential: 7,426 meals served
- Personal Care (PC): 6,882 meals served
- Skilled Nursing: 6,228 meals served
- Employees: 1,125 meals served
- Total Meals Served: 21,661

#### Mother's Day Brunch

Thank you to all who attended the Mother's Day Brunch. 120 residents in attendance included residents from skilled nursing, personal care and independent living. It was a true One Dunwoody Event! We appreciate all of our staff who helped make it special for our community.

#### Upcoming Holiday – Memorial Day (May 26th)

Dining Services will operate on normal dining hours, serving lunch and dinner as scheduled. Residents can enjoy a special Memorial Day dinner menu, featuring an Action Burger Station starting at 5:00 PM.

#### Father's Day Brunch – June 15th

Reservations will open on May 19th for our Father's Day Brunch scheduled for Sunday, June 15th.

#### **Infection Control**

No Residential nor any Care Center residents are positive for COVID at this time. No staff members are positive.

Sincerely,  
Maureen