

March 13, 2026

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Susan (“Sue”) M. Renz to Dunwoody Village as a nurse practitioner to our Health and Wellness team. Sue is an accomplished nurse practitioner, educator, and academic leader with experience in gerontological nursing, primary care, and advanced practice nursing education. As a Practice Professor and long-standing Director of the Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, she has led major curriculum initiatives, mentored graduate and doctoral students, and fostered strategic partnerships to advance clinical education. Her career includes broad clinical practice roles, federally funded research collaborations, numerous publications, and national presentations focused on gerontology, communication in long-term care, and nursing education. Widely recognized for her excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service, Dr. Renz has earned multiple prestigious awards and has contributed significantly to national boards, professional organizations, and federal consulting efforts related to elder care and healthcare quality. Sue Renz will be working in partnership with Dr. Lawrence. Sue will be at Dunwoody on Fridays to see residents residing in PC. If you are interested in having Sue Renz, NP, as your provider, please contact Dorene. Sue will also be seeing Independent Living Residents in Health and Wellness in the near future. We are thrilled to have Sue at Dunwoody. Welcome, Sue!

CEO Chat

Monica Knauss, Director of Sales and Marketing, will be the special guest at this meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 31st, at 1pm in the Fox Den. Monica will share information regarding our engagement with Creating Results and our current work around the Dunwoody Village brand.

Improved Communication -- WeCare Connect Surveys

We listened to your feedback and recognized that offering an engagement survey every two years, like the one we shared in October of 2024, did not provide enough opportunity for residents and staff to offer input into our community. In response to your feedback, Dunwoody Village will soon be launching a new platform called WeCare Connect, developed by Activated Insights, to help us better understand and respond to the experiences of our residents, patients, and team members. Over the coming weeks, residents and short stay rehabilitation patients may begin receiving brief surveys through text messages, email, or an automated phone call. These surveys will ask about various aspects of the Dunwoody experience, including move-in, services, care, dining, activities, and overall satisfaction. Short stay residents will receive surveys during their stay and shortly after discharge, while residents in Independent Living, Personal Care, and Skilled Nursing will receive surveys at certain points after move-in and periodically during their residency.

The purpose of these surveys is to give residents and families an easy way to share feedback and help us identify opportunities to improve services and the overall resident experience. Responses are reviewed by leadership so that concerns can be addressed quickly and positive feedback can be shared with our team. We will also be implementing employee surveys through the same platform, so team members have additional opportunities to share feedback about their work experience. If you receive a survey, we encourage you to take a few minutes to participate. Your feedback plays a vital role in helping Dunwoody Village continue to grow and improve.

Fitness Center

Join us in the Fitness Center for a new class, Cardio in Motion, every Monday and Wednesday 10:20-10:50am. The class includes a warm-up, 20 minutes of continuous movement to challenge your cardiovascular system, and a cool down. If you have questions or would like to observe the class before participating, please contact Karen McFee, Fitness Manager, in person, via phone or through email.

Dining Points and Guests

Dining points available to residents in Residential Living each quarter are for the resident ONLY and are not transferable to another resident or non-resident. The resident must be present when using dining points for a guest. There is a 3-point surcharge for any guest meal. Please do not ask your guest to order a meal or purchase Trolley Stop items under your name. When ordering a meal for a guest, please respect our dining staff by informing them about items for your guests so they can properly account for your points. The number of guests at any one time is limited to four per residence. The spirit in which Dunwoody enables residents to use points for guests is so that residents can highlight and enjoy our beautiful spaces with friends and family. Thank you for your partnership in honoring this policy.

Wear Green to Get Green

The first 30 residents who come to the Fitness Center wearing green on St. Patrick's Day, Tuesday, March 17, will receive seeds along with a coco coir pellet to get their spring planting started.

Dining Services Update

St. Patrick's Day Reception – March 17th

Join us at 2:30 p.m. for the McDade-Cara Irish Dance performance in the Auditorium with a festive St. Patrick's Day reception immediately following in the lobby with light hors d'oeuvres and an Irish Coffee station. Cocktails and Irish music will be in Fox Den. We will be offering an Irish themed dinner that evening.

Easter Brunch – Sunday, April 5th

Easter Brunch will be held in the Hearthside Dining Room and reservations are open.

- Seating Times: 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
- Brunch concludes at **1:30 p.m.**
- IL residents may reserve through Full Count on Touch-town
- If you have any questions about Full Count reservations, please reach out to the dining team at 610-937-4201
- Care Center residents and families may call Dining Services at 610-937-4201.

Reservation Guidelines: Maximum party size: 6 people (including residents and guests)

- Residents may host up to 4 guests per residence
- 25 points per resident
- Guests: \$30 | Children (5–12): \$15
- Take-Out: Pickup available 11:15 a.m. (reservation required)

Only a few Irish Potatoes left in the Gift Shop. Don't forget to stop by! And don't forget to wear your green!

An Irish Blessing

*“May love and laughter light your days and warm your heart and home.
May good and faithful friends be yours, wherever you may roam.
May peace and plenty bless your world with joy that long endures.
May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours.”*

Warm regards,
Maureen