

**July 28, 2022**

Dear Residents, Families & Staff:

It was wonderful to have an opportunity to share updates and good news with you live on "The Buzz" earlier this week. Many thanks to Gary Ladeau for the beautiful set, to Warren Lieberman and Connie Stuckert for providing AV services and to Dr. Lawrence, Kim LaFountain, Nancy Bloomfield and Steve Ruzansky for their guidance and partnership related to the new protocols. Also, many thanks to Monica Knauss for sharing her marketing expertise and for producing the video currently on Touchtown. As promised below please find information covered during Monday's show along with our new policies attached. At this time, we do have 3 residents positive for COVID-19 residing in residential living and 3 staff positive for COVID-19 in isolation at home. There are no cases in skilled nursing nor personal care. We appreciate your flexibility in changing your regular swim schedule while the pool is closed this Thursday 7/28/22 and Friday 7/29/22. The pool will be open as usual on Saturday 7/30/22. Administration will be moving from A-302 to G-205 (near the new main entrance) on Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup>. Josie Singer and Derek Hammel will be sharing the space with me. Many thanks to my neighbors around A-302 who warmly welcomed us back a second time. We will miss you but we look forward to our new accessible location.

### **New Guest Policy**

We are thrilled to welcome family and friends!

- Effective immediately, you are welcome to invite guests to Hearthside; 2 guests per residence.
- You may host guests by using meals that are part of the meal plan. You may use a credit card, or you may charge them to your resident account.
- Guests will continue to check in electronically at the main entrance.
- Guests may also visit and enjoy other common spaces throughout Dunwoody Village, but we ask that they wear a mask while visiting. Guests may remove their mask in dining rooms while eating/drinking at the dining table.
- Residents should reinforce our current mask policy with their guests.
- We recommend only hosting guests who are fully vaccinated.

Please be mindful of the residents who need to, or choose to, wear a mask. Residents may wear a mask because they are immunocompromised, have chronic illnesses, or have special events they are looking forward to attending in the near future. We will continue to be respectful of the need or choice to wear a mask but it is not required of residents at this time.

Masks must be worn at all times in all skilled nursing and personal care areas as well as Health and Wellness. This includes all residential living residents, staff and guests.

**COVID-19 Policy Revision Regarding Quarantine**

In partnership with Dr. Lawrence, we are revising our COVID-19 Close Contact Protocol for persons **up to date\*** with COVID-19 vaccinations. If you are **up to date\*** with COVID-19 vaccinations, feeling well and your results are **NEGATIVE**, please observe the following guidance:

- Wear a well-fitting mask through day 10 when around people.
- Refrain from eating in the Dunwoody Village dining rooms; you may pick up meals wearing a mask through day 10.
- Refrain from exercise in the fitness center or swimming pool through day 10.
- Attend programs, meetings and activities while wearing a mask through day 10.
- You should answer “yes” when screening for medical or healthcare visits when asked: “Have you been in close contact with someone with COVID 19 in the last 14 days?” Refer to your date of close contact above.

\*You are **up to date** with your COVID-19 vaccines when you have received all doses in the primary series and all boosters recommended for you, when eligible.

**If you experience any symptoms below, please stay home and contact the Wellness Center at 610-359-4417:**

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| • Fever or chills   | • New shortness of breath or difficulty breathing | • Sore throat | • Diarrhea |
| • New Cough         | • New loss of taste or smell                      | • Congestion  | • Headache |
| • Fatigue           |   | • Runny nose  |            |
| • Muscle/Body aches |   | • Nausea      |            |
|                     |   | • Vomiting    |            |

## **Construction Update**

- Much of the insulation work is done, but there is still a need to close hallways for a period of time related to sprinkler installation.
- On or about August 8<sup>th</sup>, we will close the Memorial Garden hallway each morning, work during the day, ensure it is clean/safe, and reopen by approximately 3pm. This will happen each day for approximately 3 weeks while we install wet and dry sprinkler systems and ductwork. This work will be completed by approximately August 29<sup>th</sup>.
- All residents and staff will need to use the lower hallway during this time. Directional arrows will be in place to assist with navigating the hallways.
- The hallway closures are very challenging, and we will do our best to limit work and keep hallways open when possible.
- We do need to replace the windows in Fox Den as many of the seals were broken.
- We have added French doors to Fox Den which will provide access to the Memorial Garden patio. There will be a small walkway that connects Fox Den and our current walkway. This should be a great addition and further connect us to our beautiful outdoor spaces. We will be removing some plants and shrubs and relocating them later in the summer for the door and pathway work.
- Roofing will also be removed from around the main entrance and the Memorial Garden area beginning Monday August 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be very careful with our work in the area of the Memorial Garden. The Memorial Garden Walkway and Patio will be restricted during roof removal in that area.

## **Special Events**

- We will be hosting several special events in August and September!
- Save the Date! The first is a Jazz Brunch on Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup>. Plan to attend and host a guest or 2. It should be very enjoyable!
- We are also planning a Take Me Out to the Ballgame event. More information to come!
- We will feature hotdogs and other fun ballpark fare and watch a throwback Phillies World Series game.

## **Pilot Program on Leeland**

A team recently met with residents from Leeland to glean feedback regarding their dining experience. In response to the information the residents shared, we are rolling out a new meal counter in the Leeland dining room where residents can make toast, select drinks, breads and cereals and enjoy hot soup. We are so grateful to the residents for working with us toward needed change. Additionally, with the input of residents, we plan to make similar changes in other areas to enhance the dining experience.

If you have any questions, concerns or feedback, please don't hesitate to contact me via phone, email or in person.

Warm regards,

Maureen