

August 18, 2022

Dear Residents, Staff and Families,

This week we said farewell to our summer Administrative Intern, Derek Hammel. Derek's work was fully funded from a LeadingAge grant. Derek was fully engaged with our staff and residents early on and accomplished and participated in many things including resident programs, regulatory rounds, spreadsheets and flyers, clinical visits and rounds, lifeguarding, picnic and holiday set up, resident interviews as well as resident, board and team meetings. Derek was quick to say "yes" and embraced every opportunity presented to him. Derek was smart, interested, enthusiastic, and he was kind, caring and open to learning. Derek's internship was mutually beneficial; Dunwoody certainly benefited from his presence and Derek acknowledged all that he learned while he was here because of the openness of our staff and residents. I shared with Derek that as our first administrative intern, he set the bar very high for future interns.

In his thank you note Derek shared the following, "I just wanted to extend my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to intern at Dunwoody this summer. My journey at Dunwoody took me through an experience that I will never forget and will hold close to my heart. The people I met, observed and learned from this summer, both Dunwoody team members and residents alike, have allowed me to grow as a person and further my understanding of treatment and care. I have a better understanding of the collective effort it takes to deliver consistent, superior services to the community, in order to create an optimal experience for the residents. From operations/meetings, to clinical care, to general wellness activities, I had a front row seat to it all. Thank you so much for giving me this opportunity to learn and work here this summer. I hope in some small way, I was able to be of service and benefit to you. Enjoy the rest of your summer. I am sure I will be seeing you soon!"

Thanks to Derek and Dunwoody Village. And many thanks to LeadingAge PA for their generous grant to fund the internship. This was a wonderful, successful partnership and we look forward to future possibilities.

COVID-19

Currently there are no positive cases in Residential Living. Six Care Center residents were positive for COVID-19 and are on isolation. Three staff members tested positive and are at home on isolation.

DINING

Starting August 22nd, the bar will be relocating to the back of the auditorium and will be open Monday through Saturday from 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm. Next Thursday, August 25th is Banana Split Day. Enjoy a banana split for dessert in Hearthside during dinner service. Our bar will feature a banana split specialty drink.

CONSTRUCTION

Duct work is being installed on the roof now that units are set, and the roofer is working on finishing up shingle replacement. Drywall is being hung on walls in both levels of the project. Soffits are also being built on both levels. Once they are built, lights will be installed so that the soffits can be drywalled. The ceilings in the Fox Den are the most complex on the project; they are being framed as well.

Sincerely,

Maureen