This week we held our Employee Holiday Luncheon and celebrated and thanked our amazing staff. Dunwoody is a mission driven organization and each of our staff embody and carry out that mission of care and service each day. Our staff are kind, smart, dedicated, loyal, motivated and engaged. We are fortunate to have them, and we know that it is only through them that we can serve our residents. The residents also thanked and acknowledged the work of our staff by distributing the Employee Appreciation checks at the luncheon. Twice a year our residents contribute to this fund, which is distributed to the staff in lieu of receiving any tips or gift. We so appreciate the generosity of the residents and the support that they give our staff. I am so grateful to be a part of an organization with such an amazing and incredible staff. I, too, want to offer heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our staff for the work that they do each and every day. I am honored to be a part of our Dunwoody team.

#### COVID-19

Two residential residents and one Care Center resident have tested positive and are on quarantine. Four staff members are positive and at home on isolation.

# **Grand Opening Holiday Brunch**

Our Grand Opening Holiday Brunch will take place Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. Brunch will be served in the Auditorium as part of the celebration. There will be no lunch service in Hearthside for residents or staff on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will be served in Hearthside during our normal dining hours 5:00pm – 6:30pm.

# **Dining -- Morning Coffee & Bar Service Will Move**

Starting December 16<sup>th</sup> morning coffee and bar services for residents will be relocated to the Fox Den.

### **Touchtown for Families**

Earlier this year, Dunwoody launched Touchtown, a resident engagement app, that provides information and resources to residents directly on their smartphones, tablets, and/or computers. It includes modules such as activities, resident and staff directories, and other resources that residents can access from anywhere. It has been very well received. Now, we are expanding its use by launching a component for the <u>families</u> of residents that includes many (but not all) of the same modules as are available to the residents. The log-in credentials are different from those of the residents. Families of residents in the care center who have not yet been introduced to Touchtown can contact Amanda Markowitz, <u>amarkowitz@dunwoody.org</u>. An email was sent to residents in residential living with the family instructions; for questions, contact Kayla McFadden, <u>kmcfadden@dunwoody.org</u>, or Monica Knauss, <u>mknauss@dunwoody.org</u>.

## Pool

We apologize for the inconvenience, but the swimming pool will be closed on Saturday, December 10, 2022.

### **Re-Sale Shop**

The last day to donate before the holiday is Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. The Re-Sale Shop Committee will meet on Monday, 12/19 to plan the new space. We hope to be settled in the new space by mid-January!

### Construction

Our final inspection for our temporary certificate of occupancy is scheduled for early next week. We have been approved to move furniture into the space which you will note has already begun to prepare for our Grand Opening! We will have an electricity shut down in West Country for about 1 hour on Tuesday or Wednesday next week. A notice will be sent out to residents that will be impacted.

Best regards, Maureen