

September 20, 2024

Dear Residents, Staff and Families,

Happy Anniversary Dunwoody Village! September has been a month of celebration! Our festivities began with the reveal of the Dunwoody Portrait and a champagne toast with cake. We watched in awe as the Ash Exhibit, developed by Dr. Connie Stuckert and gifted by the Dunwoody Village Residents Association, was installed for all to enjoy for years to come. Then, over two hundred residents and guests enjoyed the Retro Dinner along with the *Dunwoody History Presentation* by Norma Winther. *Comedy in the Catskills* organized by Fran Northrup left everyone in stitches. The Anniversary Gala, planned by our Anniversary and Event Committees was flawlessly executed by our dining team lead by Julia McCartha and Chef Rashaad Dandridge, was a night to remember! There was delicious food and drink as well as beautiful music and décor. The remarks from Bert Dalby, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Lisa Borowski, Pennsylvania State Representative, Tina Roberts Lightcap, Vice Chair, Newtown Township Board of Supervisors, and Dr. Monika Taylor, Chair, Delaware County Council were inspiring and validated the importance of Dunwoody Village to our surrounding community. It was an honor to be recognized by our public officials and to know that Dunwoody Village is held in such high regard. We continue to reflect on our past and honor the legacy of William Hood Dunwoody who was a philanthropist and a visionary. We are grateful to be the beneficiaries of his vision, and we strive to emulate his generosity and his forward thinking as we plan our future with excitement.

Many thanks to so many others who helped to bring our anniversary celebration to fruition....the Environmental Services Team, the Grounds Team, the Transportation Team and the Anniversary Committee and Events Committee: Norma Winter, Steve Ruzansky, Chuck Ladner, Susan Bell, Connie Stuckert, Marge Smink, Bobbie Potsic, Gerri Burton, Linda Dutton and Judy Van Allen, Monica Knauss, Kayla McFadden, Carolyn Treadway, Gary Ladeau, Julia McCartha, Curt Sayers, Kim LaFountain, Kelly McCullough, Josie Singer. There are so many people who contributed their time and talent to make this such a special month.

And there is more to come! On Wednesday, October 2nd we continue our 50th and 100-year Anniversary Celebration with a Cocktail Party in the Auditorium at 2pm for all residents of the Care Center. Our Dunwoody staff celebration is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 9th with an employee luncheon in our auditorium from 11:30am – 1:30pm. More to follow.

J-Hall Renovation and Temporary Space Use

We will continue the clean out of the J-Hall next week. Minor demolition will also begin next week; a dumpster will be delivered to the front circle. Traffic and parking near the front will continue as planned. Transportation pickups normally done at Door 1 will now occur down the hall at Door 2.

The Club Room furniture will be moved to the Terrace Dining Room this weekend with all Club Room activities occurring on or after 9/23 being held in the Terrace Dining Room. The tables will be set up along the window. This space is restricted to the use of residents only for Club Room Activities.

Staff dining will be moved to the Private Dining Room at the end of the Terrace. Designated space in Hearthside Dining (center area closest to the microwave) is also available for staff use Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Staff members are required to clean their space before leaving either of the dining areas. Lysol wipes will be provided.

Meetings previously scheduled for the Board Room will be held in the Health & Wellness Conference Room. Please check with the front desk reception if you have any questions. If the space is not large enough, we will attempt to locate your meeting in the auditorium if possible.

Plumbing Issues

We have recently experienced plumbing issues which are going to require the assistance of both residents and staff. We have experienced drain backups and pump failures due to clogs from food waste, kitty litter, wash cloths and wipes. Flushing these items down the drain can cause substantial drain clogs and pump failures leading to sewer backups and service shutdowns. Please remember, the following items are never to be put down a drain or flushed:

- **Wipes (even if labeled "flushable")**
- Wash cloths
- Cat litter
- Coffee grounds
- Grease
- Hygiene Products
- Food scraps (including rice, flour, oil, eggshells, pasta)

RSV Vaccine

If you signed up to receive the RSV vaccine on September 27th, you will receive an envelope at your door with your scheduled time slot no later than Monday September 23rd.

Health & Wellness Education

Residents are invited to join us on Monday, September 23rd at 3pm in the auditorium for Dr. Lawrence's POLST presentation. POLST is an acronym for Pennsylvania Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment. The POLST is a process that helps patients to receive the medical treatment they want, and avoid the medical treatments they do not want, when they are seriously ill or frail.

Library Card Drive

The Director of Newtown Square Public Library, Arlene Caruso, will be at Dunwoody on Wednesday, September 25, at 10:00 am. Join the residents in the library if you would like to sign up for a library card or renew your current card. Small refreshments will be available during the session. Please note residents are able to order books through our library to be delivered to Dunwoody's front desk weekly. Contact Kayla McFadden if you have any questions.

Pool and Spa

The pool and spa have been reopened and have returned to their normal hours of operation. Any closures in the future will be communicated via Alert Media notices.

Resident Shredding Event

The Resident Shred Event is scheduled for Friday, September 27, 2024 from 9:00 am – noon. It will be held outside the Main Entrance between Doors 1 and 2.

DocuVault has provided the following guidelines – no registration required – just come!

- YES: Paper, checks, bills, manila folders. Staples, paper clips, and rubber bands do not need to be removed.
- NO: Metal or hard plastic hanging folders or 3 ring binders. No bound books, newspapers, magazines, laminated paper, phonebooks, or non-paper items/trash. ***NO batteries please – they are a fire hazard!!***

- Limit 3-5 boxes (like copy paper box or reusable container). Grocery bags (paper or plastic) are also acceptable. Please have boxes or bags of documents open and ready for removal – all tape or ties to be removed.

If you have any questions, please contact Maintenance at 610-359-4442.

Sunbright Window Cleaning

Starting the week of Monday, September 23rd, Sunbright window cleaning will be onsite to perform our fall exterior window cleaning. This project will start in the Penrose units then proceed to the East and West Country Homes and wrap up with the Care Center and Community Building. This project is expected to take approximately three weeks and is scheduled to be completed the week of October 7th (weather permitting). Please call Environmental Services at (610) 359-4535 if you have any questions or concerns.

Infection Control

One Residential resident and one Care Center resident tested positive for COVID and are on isolation. One staff member is positive and at home on isolation.

Best regards,

Maureen