

This message is going to associates, and to residents and family members on our community distribution list.







A Message from the Executive Director

October 2, 2020

Dear Residents, Family Members & Associates,

We've heard the experts and seen the facts about masks and its role in preventing the spread of COVID-19, especially when combined with other everyday preventive actions. We've seen campaign after campaign on TV or billboards reminding us to "Mask Up." Masks have become a central part of our lives for months now.

I want to share a few reminders today about proper mask-wearing, provided by the CDC. Please keep the following in mind:

DO choose masks that	DO NOT choose masks that
 <p>Have two or more layers of washable, breathable fabric</p>	 <p>Are made of fabric that makes it hard to breathe, for example, vinyl</p>
 <p>Completely cover your nose and mouth</p>	 <p>Have exhalation valves or vents, which allow virus particles to escape</p>
 <p>Fit snugly against the sides of your face and don't have gaps</p>	 <p>Are intended for healthcare workers, including N95 respirators or surgical masks</p>

And, when wearing a mask, make sure you wear it correctly:

Do NOT wear a mask



Thanks for wearing your mask (and showing off your mask style) appropriately. Oh, and in case you're ever wondering: Yes, even behind our masks, we're wearing smiles!

Please read on for some of our latest updates and highlights across our community.

Important & timely community updates

Please note that these updates and reminders are also included on our community operations site, [Asbury.org/asbury-methodist-village/resources-events/family-friends](https://www.asbury.org/asbury-methodist-village/resources-events/family-friends):

Reminder: Visitors and Caregivers Must Screen In

The new indoor screening process has begun, and we welcome visitors and caregivers to be screened in any building lobby. We have a large campus, with many entrances to buildings. Visitors and caregivers are asked to enter through main entrances where they will be screened. If your visitor or caregiver reaches your home without being screened, please direct them immediately back to the lobby. To expedite the screening process, visitors can complete the screening questionnaire using their smartphone. That website is bit.ly/AsburyEntryPass. For more information, please call Stephanie Sabine, Resident Services Manager, at 301-216-4337.

Gov. Hogan's Visitation Announcement

Yesterday, you may have seen that Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan released updated visitation guidelines for assisted living and skilled nursing neighborhoods. We are reviewing these guidelines and, as we are able, will safely phase-in and implement once we have reached the necessary milestones. We will share updates as appropriate. [To learn more, please click here.](#)

Kindley Assisted Living Update

Window visits and all in-person visits at Kindley Assisted Living are postponed at this time. All other visits or appointments should be rescheduled until further notice. As always, we are happy to offer virtual visits. To schedule a virtual visit, please contact Andrea Giaquinto, 301-216-4305, agiaquinto@asbury.org or Celia Nathan at 301-987-6308 or cnathan@asbury.org. Do not hesitate to call with any questions or assistance that we can offer.

Political Activities Policy

As a not-for-profit organization, Asbury Communities, Inc., and its affiliated not-for-profit entities such as Asbury Methodist Village are required to adhere to certain restrictions related to political activities. [Please click here to read the policy regarding political activity guidelines and restrictions.](#)

Ballot Box

The Election Director provided a secure ballot cart for Asbury Methodist Village's use for the General Election. The boxes are for both ballots and registrations. It is located at the Rosborough Center and will be emptied a couple of times a week. The box will be retrieved at 9 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020.

Active Aging Week

We are partnering with Montgomery Parks for Active Aging Week, Oct. 5-11. Virtual events are planned. Details will be shared soon. Stay tuned!

Pastoral Care and Counseling Worship Service: Oct. 4

The ecumenical Sunday worship service will be televised on Oct. 4th at 9 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on channel 975 or 976. It will be Holy Communion Sunday. The pre-packaged elements for communion will be available at the concierges or mailbox areas on Thursday, Oct. 1st. They have already been consecrated in the Protestant tradition, representing the body and blood of Christ, as an act of remembrance. Residents can obtain them there and keep them until Sunday when they will be consumed during the worship service on Oct. 4th. The containers have been sterilized, but it is recommended that you sterilize them again since they will be sitting out. Rev. Malcolm Frazier will lead you through the litany and provide direction on how to consume the elements.

Stream Restoration

The stream restoration project is progressing on schedule. To see the latest update, click this link. youtube.com/watch?v=l8U_QHs1lyc.

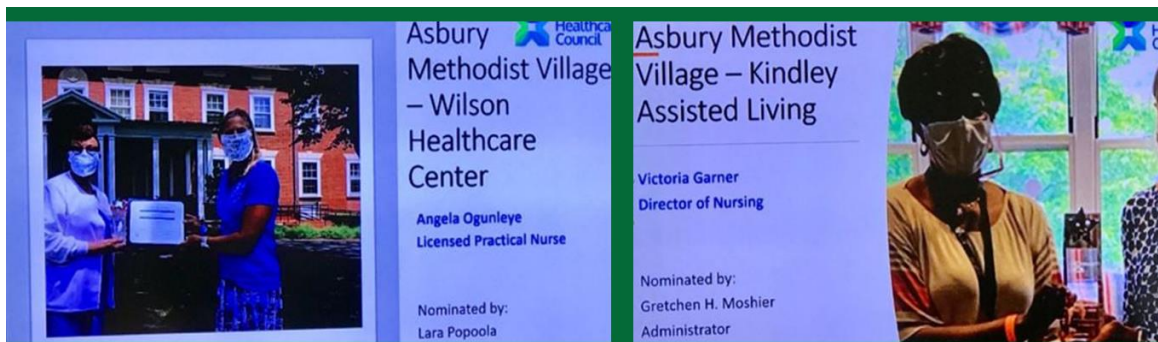
New Campus Information and Communications Manager Named

After two years serving as Asbury Methodist Village's Associate Director of Development for the Asbury Foundation, Jeanne Dimmick was afforded the opportunity to broaden her skill sets in a new role as AMV's Campus Information and Communications Manager. Jeanne has always had a passion for communications, especially when it comes to getting people excited about a cause and using new technologies for outreach. Her background in writing, video editing, digital promotion, technology, and graphic design make her well-suited to this new role.



Jeanne brings 15 years of experience in mission-driven communications, as well as a familiarity with new technologies and multimedia apps which will help bring engaging content to more residents and family members. With over a decade of employment in professional theatre administration, Jeanne will also serve Joon Kim in a strategic oversight role for the AVTV studio and Rosborough Theatre. [To read more about Jeanne's background, please click here!](#)

Congrats to These All-Star Associates!



Congrats Angela & Victoria!

Congratulations are in order for two outstanding Asbury Methodist Village associates, Victoria Garner and Angela Ogunleye, who received well-deserved recognition at the virtual 2020 Healthcare Council of the National Capitol Area Awards recently! Thank you for going above and beyond and serving as exemplar nurses.

Asbury Moves up on Annual Ranking of Largest Providers

Asbury Communities has moved up a spot in the 2020 list of the largest not-for-profit senior living providers. Asbury is now the 16th largest provider in the United States. The rankings were revealed in this year's LeadingAge Ziegler 200 report, which analyzes and ranks the nation's 200 largest, most complex not-for-profit senior living provider. [Read more here.](#)

Messages of appreciation

Nearly 250 messages of thanks from family members and residents have come in for associates across the Asbury system in recent weeks. We are so appreciative of those messages, like the one below from a resident:

"A huge THANK YOU to the Diamond Housekeeping staff (most notably to Gloria, Karen and Milagro) for the annual cleaning of my apartment. As usual, you all deserve high praises."

If you'd like to share a note of thanks, [please click here to launch a form](#) where you can type in your note of appreciation. We will take your submissions and find creative ways to share with associates. Thank you!

We are all in this together. Thank you for your continued understanding and cooperation. We are #AsburyStrong!

Sincerely,

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