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

A Message from the Executive Director

Dec. 23, 2020

Dear Residents, Family Members & Associates,

As I write this today, amid the holiday season and just days from the turn to a new year, I think about the year that was. We have been through a lot in 2020, some days tougher than others. But regardless of the type of day we've experienced, we've done so together – as a community of residents, associates and family members who want only the best for those we live with and work alongside.

The holidays mark a time to reflect on one of the most important gifts we have – the beauty of our relationships. The pandemic can't take that away and has likely made our relationships even stronger as we've bonded in new ways, be it with more phone calls or video calls, or a friendly chat with a neighbor to see how they're doing. Yes, much has been different this year. But some of the most important things – like our ability to invest in, and enrich, our relationships – remain the same.

And now we enter a new, and positive, phase in combating COVID-19, as the vaccine slowly rolls out. We have much to look forward to, and much to be

thankful for as we celebrate during this holiday season and count down to the New Year.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and the very best to you and your family. Our bond as an organization has never been stronger and that, for me, is a gift I'm happy to experience each time I walk into our community!

Our Approach to COVID-19 Vaccinations

We are now entering a new phase in addressing the transmission and risk of COVID-19: the use of vaccines. Asbury, in concert with the CDC, state and local health departments, will be receiving COVID-19 vaccines for administration to Health Care Center/Skilled Nursing and Personal Care/Assisted Living residents and associates at each Asbury community. We have partnered with CVS Pharmacy to procure, store and administer all COVID-19 vaccines. We will share updates with you as we learn more about the vaccination schedule for our community. [Please click here to read the original communication](#) with how we are handling our approach to vaccinations. We have also posted a new section, [Vaccine Information](#), on our COVID-19 Communications Hub.

Updates and Reminders

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

- Our journey through the unprecedented challenge the pandemic presents is continually evolving. The Asbury System Operations Team continues to work collaboratively with our community leadership team, including our highly experienced clinicians from acute, post-acute, and senior living backgrounds, and operational experts. While we will continue to communicate timely and important changes to you via email, we want to remind you that our website remains the go-to source for our community

operations, including visitation updates, who to contact, and more. [Please visit our community page here.](#)

- **Reminder for Residential Living residents re: travel & holidays:** In line with federal and state guidelines and recommendations, we recently shared a reminder about the holidays and travel. [Please click here to read the message](#) we shared last with week with Residential Living residents.
- **Asbury Home Services at Bethany Village:** Asbury Home Services is on campus and ready to assist, providing a [wide range of support services](#). Contact Chris Miller at (717) 591-8332, chmiller@asbury.org or online today. We look forward to serving you!
- **Know a family member who should be receiving our community updates?** Please direct them to this webpage, asbury.org/family-covid-email-sign-up, to sign up to join our family distribution list!
- **As a reminder, all COVID-19 data is updated daily on the Asbury COVID-19 Response and Communication webpage** at Asbury.org/COVID19. You can find the daily status charts in the first blue button on the side bar.

We did it: #20 on the NATIONAL Best Workplaces for Aging Services List!

Great Place to Work® and *FORTUNE* have honored Asbury Communities as one of the 2020 Best Workplaces for Aging Services in the United States. [We are ranked #20](#) on *FORTUNE*'s national list of Seniors Housing & Care (Large).

Making this list is not easy. The last time we made the list was 2018. We are proud of how we've worked together as an Asbury family this year to do all that we can to keep our community safe. We shared the video below with Asbury associates when we learned of our recognition. The comments in this video were taken from the Great Place to Work® survey associates took in September.



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This has been a year to remember. It has been a year that showcases the power of Asbury. We are #AsburyStrong and we are proud of this recognition. Thank you for choosing Bethany Village and giving us the opportunity to serve you.

Exciting Project Nears Completion at Bethany Village



Anticipation is building as Clyde's Pub, John & Annie's Bistro and the renovated Town Center are moving toward completion. This will wrap up Phase 2 of the 3-phase community enhancement project at Bethany Village, and it would not have been possible without the many philanthropic partners who made this project happen! [Read more here.](#)

Annual Door Decorating Contest



Associates across the community came together for the annual Bethany Village associate door-decorating competition. Associates Karen Martin, Connie Lindsay and Deb Negley, who decorated their entire work area, ultimately won the competition. They will be rewarded with a pizza party.

Holidays at Bethany Village: Spirit Week, Gift Bags and More



We spread more holiday cheer by celebrating Associate Spirit Week with Christmas Colors! See Human Resources Generalist Ashley Deppe and Wellness Director Justin Margut pictured above by the Bethany Village Christmas Train Display. In place of our usual associate holiday reception, we gave out gift bags to each associate with a BV ornament, holiday hand sanitizer and candy. Check out this photo of Ashley with her gift bag!

Thank You For a Historic #GivingTuesday

Together we gave.



GIVING TUESDAY

Thank You!

The total philanthropic impact on #GivingTuesday exceeded \$60,000 across Asbury communities.

Thank you for partnering with us to “do all the good we can.”

ASBURY FOUNDATION 

On #GivingTuesday, more than 100 residents, friends, family members, and associates from across the Asbury organization partnered with the Asbury Foundation and gave in-person and online through payroll deductions, Facebook fundraisers, parking space deposit gifts, and other creative means! The total impact exceeded \$60,000 -- a new record. Thank you for supporting us in our mission to do all the good we can.

Here's a GEM!

ASBURY 
Anticipate More

GEM

Thank You For **G**oing The **E**xtra **M**ile!

All across the Asbury system, we lift up associates with GEMs, which stands for associates who Go the Extra Mile! GEMs are given for a job well done. Dozens

and dozens of GEMS have been received so far this year at our community and today I want to feature one recently given to **Christine Dincau, Housekeeper**:

“Christine is an awesome housekeeper and a joy to have in The Oaks! Nothing is too much trouble, she is super easy to work with and gets the job done in a timely manner, which is crucial in this setting. Christine wants very much to understand the needs of the residents, she asks important questions about her environment to make her job easier. She shows great responsibility to her work and delivers to high standards. She is polite and kind she has empathy, integrity and wonderful customer service.” - Kelly Reese, Admissions Coordinator

Messages of Appreciation

I'm happy to share this excerpt of a note of appreciation we recently received from a family member:

"Michelle Pryzie ... Thank you for the care and kindness you gave to my mom while she was in MapleWood. ... You were always a kind welcome to her day when you would try to help her find her things she needed. I cannot express how much that meant to me. Thank you."

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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