Happy New Year - and new decade! Nearly 100 years ago, during the Roaring Twenties, Asbury moved its operations from Dravosburg to its current location in Mt. Lebanon. Hamilton Hall was the first building to be erected on this site, and now it’s to receive some modern improvements throughout this year. Several of the smaller Hamilton Hall units will be combined and converted into larger apartments. A new lounge area for Hamilton Hall residents is being constructed on Level 5 and will feature a small dining area, new furniture, and a television.

Another major addition this year will be the Transitional Rehab Unit (TRU) in Building 7, Level 2. A partnership between UPMC Senior Communities and the UPMC Rehabilitation Institute, the TRU will provide short-stay rehabilitation designed to meet the needs of those being discharged from the hospital but are not quite ready to return home. The TRU will feature private rooms and bathrooms as well as several large lounge areas.

The renovations of Building 6, Level 2 will also be complete. This project includes the Family Hospice office suites and four large Garden Apartments - 3 two-bedroom apartments and a single one-bedroom apartment.

Family Hospice will also have their Development Suite on site in Building 1 sometime in March.

This year will be roaring with excitement as our campus continues to evolve. And while much of the physical space around us changes, the quality and compassionate care we provide to residents and their families remains consistent.
Thank you to everyone who participated in the November 6 Blood Drive. Your gift could be used to help save a life.

Among those who donated that day, two failed to make it onto the list of donors that appeared in last month’s newsletter. The reason they were not listed is still being determined, but it’s important to take a moment to thank them for their donations since every blood donation has the potential to save a life.

Tonya Gregory (Asbury Villas)
Tonya had never donated blood, but that all changed on November 6 when she signed up and gave a pint of life. Additionally, she recruited her sister, Sonya Settles, to do the same. Thank you, Tonya, for becoming an advocate for blood donations.

Taylor Blair (Spring Lane)
This was not Taylor’s first time donating blood. She gives to help others and was told that her latest donation would go directly to the babies at Children’s hospital. Taylor plans to donate again.

Our next Blood Drive is on Thursday, March 12.
Become part of Asbury’s team of Heroes who help save lives! Donating three times between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 will earn you one PTO day!

Debit Cards in Café
In an effort to perfect a secure point of sale system for debit and credit cards, the debut of the electronic payment option in the Café has been delayed until early January.

You will soon have the convenient option of making purchases in the Asbury Café using your credit and debit card. Apple Pay will also be an option.

This decision was made due to many requests from residents, families, and employees who may not always have cash for their purchases.

Secure Employee Mailbox
The Employee Mailbox located outside of Room 2300 (Rebecca Gloff, HR) is available for confidential correspondence, interoffice mail, and suggestions. You can also use this mailbox to drop off information for HR when Office 2300 is not open. This is a secure mailbox with keys retained only by HR. The mailbox is checked on a regular basis.
Holiday Party
Game Winners

All Asbury and contracted service employees gathered in the Social Room for this year’s Employee Holiday Party on December 19. Those in attendance enjoyed a luncheon buffet and lots of camaraderie.

Holiday Party Guessing Game Winners:
Roddiaisha Cobbs
Lydia Smith
Wendy Yantek
Jon Ebel
Courtney Parsons
Amy Lorenzo

Prizes for the Guessing Game were donated by the following:
Forefront Healthcare
KDC
Manning & Napier
Metz

If you have yet to receive your prize, it can picked up at Security. There were 36 chocolate candies in the jar!

Due to the generosity of our residents and their families, the money donated was used to purchase T-shirts for all employees of Asbury Heights of UPMC. T-shirts are available at Security if you haven't received yours.

Amazon Smile donates to Asbury
Foundation when you do your shopping online.

Contact Courtney Kartman at 412-571-5106 to find out how you can get started at no cost to you.

Daily Extra

Every day (including weekends), you receive an email to your UPMC email account called Daily Extra which includes news and information from UPMC along with features from UPMC’s Community Provider Services (the service line that UPMC Senior Communities falls under).

Please make sure to check your UPMC email regularly for news, updates, requirements and deadlines related to health insurance, Take a Healthy Step, and more.

Articles featuring Asbury are occasionally published under the Community Provider Services column.

Make it your New Years resolution to regularly check your UPMC email account!

SnackChat

Those with a service date between October and December will be receiving an invitation to our next SnackChat. This is an opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas with Asbury leadership in an intimate setting.

This is an invitation-only event. If your service date falls between the dates listed above, you can expect to receive your invitation late January.

PNC WorkPlace

A PNC WorkPlace representative will be available in the Mall on Wednesday, January 15 from 11:30 AM until 1:00 PM to answer your questions about earning a cash reward for opening a new account. This is an opportunity for new customers only.
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**Birthday**
**Anniversary**

**Limited Parking**

**Jeans Day**
Jeans are only permitted on days where this symbol appears.