



**I** had the opportunity recently to walk the construction site for our new healthcare center. It was exciting to see the plumbing, electrical and HVAC work installation on the lower levels of the building.

The third floor was of interest to me because I could see the framing of the area, size of the rooms and our patios. I am happy to say that it appears to have the space and openness that we were looking for with this new structure.

The contractor expects the building to be enclosed by the end of October. We are still on schedule for completion in late spring/early summer 2019.

### **Dining venues open**

All of our dining areas on the third floor of the Drinkard Building are now open. One final improvement, tile flooring, will be completed shortly. This new tile extends from the Bridge down the hallway to the entrance of the James River Grille, and will provide a more durable surface in this high traffic area.

### **Rehabilitation Center renovation**

As renovation of the dining spaces was winding down, work began in the Rehabilitation Center on the 6th floor

of our Hearthside Building. The public spaces of this area will be refreshed with new paint and carpet. The dining room and rehab gym will also be revitalized as we seek to provide a positive environment for the more than 150 people from the community who come to us for short-term rehabilitation services annually.

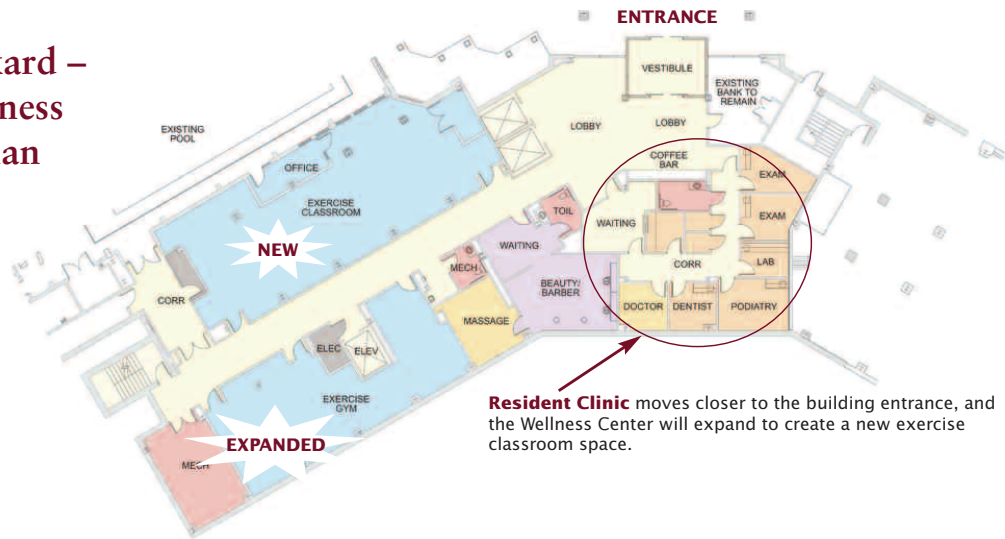
### **Work continues in Wellness Center**

Late August into September was marked by the relocation of services and employees. Movement to different locations for our team members in four departments paved the way for renovation of the first floor in the Drinkard Building. This segment of our renovation plan will provide residents better access to the Clinic and Wellness Center when it's finished early next year.

The floor plan image on the back provides an overhead view of what the finished area will look like. Access to the clinic will be much easier from its new location inside the front doors. Enlarging the wellness center will create a new studio/classroom space to accommodate all our class offerings. These improvements represent a \$1.5 million investment in our campus.

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## First Floor Drinkard – Clinic and Wellness Renovation Plan



**Resident Clinic** moves closer to the building entrance, and the Wellness Center will expand to create a new exercise classroom space.

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Our Beauty/Barber Salon will also be enlarged as part of the renovation. In the meantime, salon services are available through our alternate location on the 5th floor of the Hearthside Building.

**Fitness Center:** The Billiards Room on the Terrace level, below the main lobby, has been transformed into a temporary exercise space. The good news is that the pool and locker rooms remain open during these renovations.

Hours for the **Resident Clinic** remain the same even though staff members have moved to the Main Lobby in the office previously occupied by the Senior Independence Rehab Agency. Service hours for the Clinic remain the same. The Rehab Agency continues to see clients in Creekside Terrace Room #18.

This phase of our project is expected to take approximately four months. We know that all of these renovations and construction are disruptive, and we are sorry for the confusion that has occurred during this process. We ask residents and family members to be patient a bit longer as we work as quickly as possible to complete this work in order to provide community enhancements we can all be proud of for years to come.

### Email group grows

Join our activities email group. We've gotten positive responses from family members who have signed up and now receive the monthly activity calendars via email. Add your name to the list to receive the activities calendars for Assisted Living, Healthcare and the Memory Support Center by emailing Connie Sowa at [csowa@wclynchburg.org](mailto:csowa@wclynchburg.org) with the Subject: Activities Email Group.

### Improved cell phone coverage

Work on the infrastructure of the Distributed Antennae System (DAS) in the main buildings is complete; the first step to improve cell phone reliability on campus. The contractor is now working to get cell signals through our system from all five major cell phone carriers.

Tests have been done in the area surrounding our cottages to determine what is needed to extend DAS beyond the main buildings. Additional hardware will be installed over the next few weeks to build out the infrastructure. Verizon and AT&T will be the only carriers to boost their signals outside.

Sean Huyett, CEO

*Save the date!*

## Annual Fall Bazaar October 17

**M**ark Wednesday, October 17, on your calendar. It's the date of the Annual Fall Bazaar, a resident event that raises money for our Payne Family Employee Education Fund. This fund supports Westminster Canterbury employees who wish to further their educations.

Shoppers will find homemade baked goods, handmade crafts, jewelry, plants and special items at auction. Check our Facebook page for details.

Last year's bazaar generated over \$4,200 for the Payne Family Fund. More than a dozen employees have been supported by this fund and other scholarships during the course of the past year. Stop by and support this worthwhile cause.