Oak Hammock

A Message From

Vining Services

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Exciting Dining ImprovementsRose Crowder, Director of Culinary Experiences

Greetings Oak Hammock residents,

I am happy to report that the dining services team has been working in collaboration with the Residents' Council food and nutrition committee in response to resident feedback about recent dining options. We have some exciting updates to share with you as a result. The following updates will begin on Monday, March 4.

- We are re-introducing the steakburger to replace the "smashburger."
- Commercial-bought hamburger buns will replace the house-made buns.
- The mashed potato recipe has been standardized to offer a consistent serving every time.
- New side items will include garbanzo and black beans, as well as lentils.
- We will always have gluten-free sliced bread and rolls available.
- Additionally, we want to remind you that we have adopted a seasonal menu rotation that began in January. Every quarter (season), we plan to improve the menu based on the availability of fresh produce, various seasonal offerings and holiday themes. Every three months, we will adjust and replace several salads, handhelds and entrees on the "always available menu."

In consideration of your preferences for the "always available menu," the RC food and nutrition committee is conducting a survey, led by Survey Subcommittee Chair Michael Levy, to discover what menu items you favor. The results of the survey will help guide our future menu offerings.

Please be sure to respond and let your opinions be heard. We hope to have all feedback submitted by March 15 so that we can accurately prepare for the seasonal changes that will take place on April 8.

Our team appreciates your valuable and helpful feedback. We are grateful for the assistance of the RC food and nutrition committee, which is working tirelessly with us to please you! We thank you for your enthusiasm and patience as we make updates to give you the most enjoyable dining experiences.

We look forward to serving you.

Bon Appétit,

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