

Landis Communities Update

April 9, 2020

On the morning COVID-19 call today, leaders from across Landis Communities joined to share updates and prepare for the day ahead. We started with a verse from Isaiah, *“For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.” – Isaiah 41:13*

This verse and the following thoughts were shared from a devotion by Annie F. Downs about courage and bravery:

Courage is doing things even when you’re scared. Being brave isn’t something that happens when you’re not scared anymore. Brave people don’t stop hearing the whispers of fear. They hear the whispers but they take action anyway. Being brave is hearing that voice of fear in your head but saying, “Okay, but the truth is, God made me on purpose and for a purpose.”

We are blessed to have a wonderful team across Landis Communities and are incredibly grateful that they have been brought together at this time and for this purpose. Thanks to each resident, client, family member and friend who continue to keep our team in prayer.

Affiliate Updates

Landis Homes

Landis Homes continues to be without a known positive case of Coronavirus on the campus. No new tests were needed in the past 24 hours.

Residents are inquiring about a way to order outdoor flowers and plants for their gardens. A group of team members and residents are putting a plan together for this. Stay tuned!

One other question that has come up several times lately is about the need to start and drive cars to keep them running well. We found this advice on CARS.COM:

“...you’re better off driving it a couple of times each month and for at least 10 miles, with some speeds over 50 mph if possible... Driving the car for several miles wakes up the transmission, brakes, suspension, power steering, climate system (including the air conditioner) and all the fluids, seals and gaskets for those components that have been on a long snooze.”

We support residents taking their cars off campus if they follow this recommended practice and return without getting out of the car.



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Landis Adult Day Services

Landis Adult Day Services will remain closed through at least April 30, 2020. The Golf Event to benefit ADS has been postponed from June 5 to July 24. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for this fun event at Foxchase Golf Club.

Landisadulthood.org/golf

Landis at Home

Landis at Home is working hard to create multiple teams of workers – those who serve on the Landis Homes campus and those who care for residents in the greater community. This system will help protect clients and team members from potential spreading of the virus. Landis at Home continues to be available for home care as well as assistance with things such as grocery shopping or running errands.

Steeple View Lofts

Steeple View Lofts residents will be spending time virtually with their families and loved ones this upcoming holiday weekend, as we all do our part in keeping the community healthy by following the Stay At Home order in place across Pennsylvania. The Goodie Shoppe, a local catering company, is taking orders for Easter dinner, which can be safely delivered to individual residents. There are no known cases of COVID-19 at SVL.

Welsh Mountain Home

WMH residents are doing very well. There are also no resident cases of COVID-19 identified. Our supporting churches are making and donating pleated masks. They are designed with a pocket so filtering protection can be added with a 4x4 gauze or coffee filter. We are expecting to have two per resident so that they can be washed daily. Team members are already wearing masks throughout their shift and residents will be asked to wear masks during times of direct care and when outside of their room.

Pathways Institute for Lifelong Learning®

As Pathways Institute for Lifelong Learning® continues to follow guidelines and take precautions against Coronavirus, all Pathways Institute courses and trips through April 30 will be postponed. During this time, we are not processing or accepting new registration forms for the Spring 2020 semester. We are looking to reschedule courses to May, June, and July, provided the Stay at Home order is lifted before the middle of May. We will keep you updated as more information becomes available. For free online resources to enrich your mind and spirit during the Coronavirus pandemic, visit

ThePathwaysInstitute.org/updates-and-preparedness.

Residents, clients and family members may contact Jenny Sheckells with questions or concerns at jsheckells@landis.org or 717.381.3573. You may find other communications and videos on our website: www.landiscommunities.org/COVID

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