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Landis Communities Update

May 20, 2020

With the Memorial Day holiday weekend approaching, we want to take a minute to talk about travel and social gatherings. We understand that we are all getting weary of being at home. We see that some beaches are reopening, people are returning to shops and restaurants and some are even taking trips again. It is important to remember that Lancaster County remains under the Stay at Home order from the State of Pennsylvania. Going to a picnic or to visit family, even for a few minutes, opens up your circle of exposure and increases your risk of coming in contact with the virus.

The CDC notes that COVID-19 has been reported in all states. Travel increases your chances of getting and spreading COVID-19. They recommend you stay home as much as possible, especially if your trip is not essential.

Governor Wolf has asked all Pennsylvania residents not to go to the beach and added “you’re putting yourself at risk” because many are not wearing masks or practicing physical distancing. Please be responsible, be safe, and continue to stay home.

Across Landis Communities, we are currently without a known case of COVID-19. One Healthcare resident at Landis Homes has a test pending.

The PA Department of Health published a report yesterday on Coronavirus in nursing and personal care homes. The information presented in that report for Landis Homes and Welsh Mountain Home was incorrect. We are working to get it revised. This statement is posted on our website:

May 19, 2020

Today the PA Department of Health released information about COVID-19 Cases Associated with Nursing Homes and Personal Care Homes to Date. The information contained in the release from the DOH is not correct for several parts of Landis Communities. You can see the chart here.

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Cases.aspx>

Our organization has been committed to transparency since this event began. The numbers below reflect all cases of which we are aware from the time COVID-19 began.

Landis Homes has had (1) case in Residential Living, and none in Nursing or Personal Care. Unfortunately, the individual in Residential Living passed away on March 30. Through today, that is the only positive case on the campus of Landis Homes.

At Welsh Mountain Home, there was one (1) staff person who tested positive. He has been home following

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guidelines and has already had one test confirming he is on the road to recovery. There have been no cases with residents or other staff at Welsh Mountain Home.

No other parts of the organization have experienced positive resident or team member tests through today, May 19. Landis Communities is connecting with DOH to clarify this information.

Thank you to the many generous donors who have supported the Coronavirus Emergency Fund established by the Boards of Landis Communities. To date, 590 gifts have been received for a total of \$155,132 of the \$250,000 goal we hope to reach by the end of the fiscal year on June 30.

Affiliate Updates

Landis Homes

The filming of the second drone video is on for Thursday morning from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. We will start over the West Campus cottages, move east toward the back side of Harvest View, past the south side of Crossings, over Personal Care and Healthcare and then then South Campus. Please be on the lookout for the drone and take a moment to step outside with a smile and a wave!

Landis Homes & Landis at Home

Landis at Home and Landis Homes Residential Living team members have been working together on a survey for Landis Homes residents. This two-part survey will provide the opportunity to give feedback on future interest in engaging Landis at Home to deliver services as we move through the stages of reopening. This includes things like grocery shopping and housekeeping. The second part of the survey is inviting questions residents would like addressed at the June 3 Residents Association Meeting. The survey will be in Landis Homes mailboxes later this week. Please take a few minutes to complete and return it by May 27.

Steeple View Lofts

Steeple View Lofts is free from any known cases of COVID-19 and continues to follow all previously implemented protocols. The resident social committee is planning a Memorial Day “Cook-Out” and is looking forward to packaging picnic hotdog meals for safe pick-up or apartment door delivery to everyone. We are grateful for creativity as we seek ways to safely connect and commune.

There will be a Landis Homes Update on Friday but there will be no video or written update on Monday, May 25, 2020, due to the Memorial Day holiday.

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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