



# Update

September 8, 2008

a newsletter for those interested in  
Willow Brook Christian Village and  
Willow Brook at Delaware Run

**You are cordially invited to our  
September Rally and  
Harvest Food Demonstration  
Thursday, September 25, 11:00 a.m., at  
Willow Brook at Delaware Run  
25 Delaware Crossing East  
Delaware, Ohio 43015**

*Please RSVP by calling 740-201-5640,  
or register online at [www.willow-brook.org](http://www.willow-brook.org)*

I extend to you an invitation to our Rally on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m., at *Willow Brook at Delaware Run*, our newest retirement community on West William Street (Route 36) in Delaware. We have a special treat in store at this Rally. Our chef John Lindeboom will present a cooking demo. If you like the Food Network, you'll love this live interactive demonstration by a member of our award-winning culinary team! Then, after the Rally, you'll be invited to lunch under a tent on the Delaware Run campus, featuring the items he prepared.

What better time than September to treat your taste buds to fresh-from-the-garden vegetables prepared by one of the best chefs in Central Ohio?

The Rally and cooking demonstration will be held at the Five Star Event Center right next door to *Willow Brook at Delaware Run*.

At the Rally, I will lead an open discussion about retirement living at Willow Brook. There will be plenty of time for your questions.

After lunch, our twin-single homes and apartments at both Willow Brook campuses in Delaware will be open for your inspection.

We have been hosting Rallies and open houses all summer long. Hundreds of people have come to see what Willow Brook is all about. I encourage you to come on the 25<sup>th</sup>, before it turns too cool for a comfortable tour around the communities.

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### **Door prizes...**

At the Rally, there will be a drawing for door prizes, including \$25 gas cards and other valuable gifts. Plus, for the first time, door prizes will include *three* certificates for a \$1,000 discount on the entrance fee and *three* certificates for three months free monthly fees. Both are valid if you sign up for a home or apartment before October 25<sup>th</sup>, within 30 days of the Rally. This means six people will go home with an opportunity for significant discounts. If you are seriously considering signing up for a twin-single home or apartment, come and keep your fingers crossed during the drawings.

### **If you just tuned in...**

We have two retirement communities in Delaware, Ohio – *Willow Brook Christian Village* and *Willow Brook at Delaware Run*. The Village was established in the 1990s, and features twin-single homes and apartments, along with a restaurant, three healthcare centers, and all the support facilities you would expect at a top-drawer retirement community.

We were building such a waiting list at The Village that we decided to develop a second community just four miles away on Delaware's west side. *Willow Brook at Delaware Run* is now under construction. Already twin-single homes are in place and most are occupied, and we are building the Village Square project. This 158,000 square-foot complex in the heart of that 50-acre campus will feature apartments and two healthcare facilities, as well as a lakeside restaurant, a fitness center, library, and all the other support spaces.

Willow Brook's communities are noted for their towering trees and open spaces between homes. There is a distinct residential feel, a neighborly, relaxed environment ideal for retirement living.

Our reputation is second to none, and our prices are among the lowest of any retirement communities in Ohio. So low, in fact, that we proudly publish them on our website [www.willow-brook.org](http://www.willow-brook.org).

### **Bike paths at both communities...**

The town of Delaware is building a network of bike paths throughout the community. At *Willow Brook Christian Village*, a path crosses the front of the campus, providing residents ready access to the community network.

At *Delaware Run*, at the city's request, we have installed a 1,700-foot section of path that will eventually connect into the system. In the meantime, Delaware Run residents have a beautiful trail that meanders through the trees along a stream that crosses that community. It's the perfect place for an after-dinner stroll or a vigorous power walk.

You are most welcome to visit either Willow Brook and enjoy the miles of trails and sidewalks that crisscross both communities.

### **Second bus put into service...**

This summer Willow Brook commissioned a second bus for resident transportation. Donors contributed \$55,000 for the purchase of this vehicle that will ferry residents to entertainment events, outings, and excursions. A sampling of trips includes a concert at The Ohio Theater in Columbus, a picnic and nature walk at Highbanks Metro Park, a Columbus Clippers baseball game, lunch at an Amish restaurant in Plain City, and a bird-watching trip to Lake Erie.

Willow Brook residents are always on the go.

In addition, our buses are used for weekly grocery runs for those who are no longer driving.

In addition to Willow Brook's buses, Delaware County sponsors a terrific transportation program known as DATA. Each weekday, buses and vans from the DATA program make regular stops at both Willow Brook campuses, making it easy for residents to hop aboard and travel throughout the County.

### **Willow Brook healthcare centers fare well with state inspections...**

Willow Brook has five healthcare centers – two skilled nursing facilities, two assisted living centers, and one memory-care unit. Each year, Ohio Department of Health inspectors come for unannounced surveys at all licensed facilities in the state. This past year, two of our centers received *deficiency-free* reports from their inspections. The other three had results that were well above the state average.

This is typical of our healthcare centers year after year. Their reputation for quality is about as good as it gets.

This is reassuring news for Willow Brook residents. If the day ever comes when they need care – be it short-term rehab after surgery, or long-term care for months or years – they can rest assured that care will be delivered in facilities that rate among the highest in the state. I am very proud of the record our facilities have earned over the years.

*I am honored to have been leading this great Willow Brook organization for the past 33 years. We have a wonderful thing going here, and I invite you to become a part of it.*

*I hope you will make plans to join us for our Rally, picnic, and Chef John's food demonstration on September 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 o'clock, at Willow Brook at Delaware Run. What a great way to learn about Willow Brook and sample some of our legendary culinary creations. Rain or shine, I'll be looking for you. Please RSVP by calling 740-201-5640, or register online at [www.willow-brook.org](http://www.willow-brook.org).*

*With love to all,*

*Larry Harris, CEO*

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