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To: Willow Brook staff

From: Larry Harris, CEO

We are blessed to have a medical practice on our Delaware Run campus. Peter Hucek, M.D., has been our doctor for 2½ years. Many residents and staff use him as their personal physician. I asked Dr. Hucek to share his opinion about the coming Pfizer vaccinations that will be offered at Willow Brook. Here is his response:

*With the authorization of the new COVID-19 vaccine, I have been approached by several staff members and residents of the Willow Brook campuses regarding my thoughts and opinions of the vaccine. Larry Harris asked me to make a few written comments so he could distribute them. My initial impressions of the vaccine, following my and my colleagues' research, are very positive. I feel confident in the development of this vaccine, building on more than 70 years of vaccine research around the world. I plan on getting the vaccine myself as soon as it is available, and I encourage everyone to get the vaccine as well, to protect our most vulnerable population (our seniors). Thank you for listening and feel free to stop me and ask questions.*

*Peter Hucek, M.D.*

Watch for details about vaccination sign-ups and scheduling. We are among the lucky ones who are connected to a senior community that is near the top of the priority list. If not for this affiliation, we probably would have to wait many weeks or months to receive the protection of the vaccine.

We now can see a light at the end of the tunnel, but we are still in the tunnel. We still need to mind the virus rules (masks, distancing, no groups, etc.). We all look forward to the day next year when Governor DeWine says we can pile all our masks in the parking lot, douse them with gasoline, and have a glorious bonfire.