

# LANDIS HOMES

## Volunteer Services Winter Wish List!

- **Friendly Visitors**
- **Dogwood Gift Shoppe clerk**
  - Substitutes
- **Harvest View and East mailrooms**
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- **Resident Escorts**
  - Physical Therapy—4th Thursday afternoon
  - Monthly medical consultants for East residents
  - Monthly activities and programs
- **Substitute Resident Escorts are also welcome for Physical Therapy, Hair Salon, Barber, Activities, Sunday Morning East Bethany worship service**



"If winter comes, can spring be far behind?"

Percy Bysshe Shelley, English poet (1792-1822)

*Plan now to be an "adopt a flower garden" volunteer on campus!*



Thanks for considering how you may be able to serve!!!

If you are interested in helping fill our wish list,  
please call us at 509-5409.

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## Angels On Duty Volunteer Newsletter

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♥ Sue Shirk, Director of Volunteer Services

♥ Joyce Shenk, Assistant

Volunteers are invited to assist with a special noon holiday family-style meal served for residents and family members in healthcare households on Christmas Day, December 25. Volunteers would assist with meal set-up and decorations, serving the meal or clearing tables.



*If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Volunteer Services by Tuesday, December 20.*

### Care for Yourself and Others!

Now that winter is quickly approaching, please take extra precautions for your personal health and the Landis Homes community. Be careful of your **diet**, drink plenty of **fluids**, and try to get adequate, quality **sleep**. The single most important measure in prevention and control of infection is **hand washing**. As you volunteer, remember to wash your hands often, especially after direct contact with wheelchairs or walkers – and always after using the restroom.

Volunteers, you can help protect residents by NOT coming to your assignment if you are ill. If you need assistance in arranging a substitute, please give us a call at ext. 5409 or 509-5409. You may leave us a message on our voicemail day or night.



### HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Friday, December 23 – Open 7:30am to 1:00pm

Friday, December 30 – Open 7:30am to 1:00pm



## Escort Volunteers

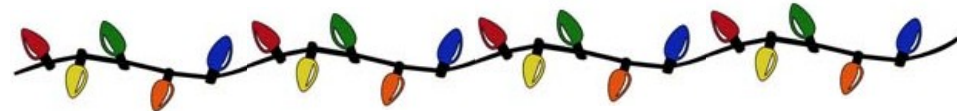
We are GRATEFUL for every volunteer who helps escort residents by wheelchair to activities, physical/restorative/exercise areas, to physician consultant visits, the hair salon/barber and on wheelchair “walks” when serving as a Friendly Visitor. Your service is invaluable – and we need lots of you to fill our weekly 50 slots!

The information below is a quick review of Landis Homes escort policy – and this is also being reviewed with staff who may sometimes give you a different message!

- Please use the **care base** as your pick-up and return point. Volunteers are not permitted to enter resident rooms to pick-up/return a resident. If you cannot find a nurse, use any phone and dial “O” for the operator/receptionist. Identify which house you’re calling from and ask to be connected to the household care base or team leader.
- Just a reminder/clarification: All wheelchairs **must have foot pedals** before residents may leave a household. Some residents have foot pedals removed so they can “walk” within their household but they’re required for transportation. Please check for foot pedals before leaving a household. If pedals are missing, notify staff who is responsible to put them on the wheelchair.



Overall, volunteers have been following the foot pedal policy. Nursing supervisors are reviewing the importance of this safety policy with staff. If staff instruct you to leave a household without foot pedals, simply respond: "I can't. I have been instructed to follow the foot pedal policy. Pedals need to be in place before I may leave." If this situation occurs during weekday office hours, call Volunteer Services for assistance; on weekends or evenings, dial "O" and request to speak with a nursing supervisor.



### Ladies, Ladies, Ladies!!

We’ve received numerous requests over the year for access to a locker to store purses while volunteering. Happily, we’ve discovered some unused lockers and reserved three for women volunteers. They are located in the Dogwood lower level in the ladies restroom. The individual “cubbies” are unlocked but you’re welcome to bring a small personal lock if you choose.



We welcomed 27 new volunteers this past quarter. Here’s a “Who’s Who” list. (R) identifies the volunteer as a Landis Homes resident.

Dorothy Allgyer (R)	Mail Services	
Bill Arms	Escort residents by wheelchair	
Ellen Arms	Escort residents by wheelchair	
Nicole Boyer	Escort residents by wheelchair	
Anna Buckwalter (R)	Kitchen Assistant	
Lester Groff (R)	Mail Services, escort resident by wheelchair/General Store	
Millie Groff (R)	Mail Services, General Store	
Kathryn Grove (R)	To be assigned	
Orie Grove (R)	Escort residents by wheelchair	
Dorinda Jackson	Household volunteer	
Ken Lakeman	Escort residents by wheelchair, Campus Shuttle	
Dot Lange	Escort residents by wheelchair, Friendly Visitor	
Hershey Leaman (R)	Campus Shuttle	
Norma Leaman (R)	Campus Shuttle, Laundry Assistant	
Linda Leister	Escort residents by wheelchair, household volunteer	
Carol Martin	Escort residents by wheelchair, Eden West	
Ella Mae Martin	To be assigned	
Shelly Nolt	Escort residents by wheelchair	
Mike Sabb	Bingo assistant	
Almeda Shenk (R)	Dogwood Gift Shoppe	
Doris Stoltzfus (R)	To be assigned	
Marian Stoltzfus (R)	Quilt	
Mary Strohm	Escort residents by wheelchair, household volunteer	
Joanne Yoder	To be assigned	
Verna Zimmerman (R)	Kitchen assistant	
Philip Zook	Escort residents by wheelchair	



As Joyce and I conclude another year and reflect on all the ways volunteers served, we are **CERTAIN** the best volunteers are found at Landis Homes! We are energized by new volunteers and are grateful for the welcome you extend them as they learn their specific roles. Serving together, volunteers and staff indeed honor and enrich lives and build a strong community.

**“Thank you”** doesn't convey all we wish to communicate....Merry Christmas everyone! We trust your ongoing volunteer service will bring you joy and enrich your life throughout the new year.