



# Update

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

**You are cordially invited to a free seminar**

## **Preparing Your Home for Sale**

**Wednesday, June 25, 2:00 p.m., at  
Willow Brook Christian Village  
100 Willow Brook Way South  
Delaware, Ohio 43015**

I want to invite you to Delaware, Ohio, on June 25<sup>th</sup> to hear senior downsizing experts and move managers from *Consider It Done!* give you the best hints you can imagine on how to prepare your home for sale. They will cover two important topics:

- Sorting through the Memories
- Staging for Success

Then take a tour of the twin-single homes and apartments at Willow Brook's two Delaware communities.

Please RSVP by calling 740-369-0048 or 740-201-5640, or register online at [www.willow-brook.org](http://www.willow-brook.org).

## **Two beautiful communities...**

No need to wait for the seminar to visit us. I proudly extend to you a personal invitation to come to Delaware and check out *Willow Brook Christian Village* and *Willow Brook at Delaware Run*. Drive onto either campus and you will find yourself in the midst of a green, comfortable neighborhood. You will see homes lining our gently sweeping roads, tucked among thousands of lush, green trees. You certainly won't get that big, impersonal, institutional feel.

Drive on up the road and you will come upon our apartments and healthcare centers. Even these are designed to a more personal scale. The structures are cut into the natural lay of the land, and wrap around and over water. At each village, we built the equivalent of a highway bridge over a lake and constructed apartments on it. We literally have people living *over* the water.

I personally believe we need to be good stewards of the land that we call "ours," protecting the natural trees and animals that were there long before we even thought about building our communities. What's more, we have committed to plant thousands of trees on the Willow Brook acres. Many of these are growing in woods restoration projects on both campuses. We are letting open areas go back to nature. You will feel our commitment to all things living the moment you turn onto our entry drives.

The Willow Brooks truly are unique among retirement communities in Ohio.

## **Construction's progress...**

If you just tuned in, let me tell you about the Village Square project at our Delaware Run campus. We have under construction a 158,000 square foot complex that will house apartments, the healthcare center, a restaurant, and all the other spaces you would expect in a great retirement community. Right now crews are framing three stories of apartments with underground garages that should be ready in about a year. Ah yes, the underground garages. Residents will love them. You will need only to drive into the secure, climate-controlled garage under your building, walk a few steps to one of the elevators, and be whisked right up to your floor. Simple, convenient, safe, and secure.

We have three apartment floor plans – something for most every budget. There are a few selections of each floor plan not yet spoken for, so come check us out.

The healthcare center now under construction will be available to Delaware Run residents when health begins to fail.

And, the Delaware Run restaurant in the Village Square will overlook the lake in the heart of the campus. An expansive deck arcing half-way around the restaurant will extend out to the water's edge. Imagine dining there on warm summer evenings with friends and family. It will be yours to enjoy as often as you wish.

### **And speaking of dining...**

Come to the *Taste of Worthington* food festival on Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup>. I'll be there at the Willow Brook tent with some of our chefs. You will have the opportunity to taste a sample of their culinary creations. Last year, we were voted number one(!) in the appetizer category, beating out some of Worthington's and north Columbus's better restaurants. Year before, 2006, we took second place.

As a Willow Brook resident, these same chefs will be preparing lunch or dinner for you in the campus restaurant. You will be issued a meal card that will be good at the restaurant on either campus in Delaware (they are located about three miles apart).

### **Near-perfect inspections...**

Each year, all assisted living and skilled nursing facilities in Ohio undergo an unannounced inspection from the Ohio Department of Health. Two of our facilities this year received deficiency-free reports, and two earned near-perfect reports, with just one "little ding" each. This is quite an accomplishment. What this tells you is that should you ever need care in one of our healthcare centers, you have assurance that it will be just about the best you can receive anywhere.

Our healthcare facilities consistently score well on their inspections. We are racking up quite a reputation for excellence. While I hope you never need to use any of our facilities, just know that if you do, you will receive exceptional care.

### **Transportation at Willow Brook...**

The large majority of residents at the two Willow Brooks drive their own cars and come and go at will. However, some have given up driving, and yet manage just fine. Here's how. Willow Brook has a bus (and is in the process of obtaining a second) that is used for transporting groups of residents to outings and events. In addition, we schedule a weekly run to the grocery for those who don't drive.

What's more, Delaware County is blessed with a terrific public bus network. There are regular stops several times a day at both of our Delaware communities. This gives Willow Brook residents ready access to shopping and events. Plus, movement from one Willow Brook campus to the other is easy. Cost is only 50 cents each way. With four dollar gas, you can't drive it for that.

Even more, let's say you have a doctor's appointment. Usually, if you give 24 hours' notice, the Delaware public transportation system can schedule individual transportation for you to and from your appointment at a low fare. You just can't beat that.

*I have committed 33 years of my life to the Willow Brook ministries. I love what I do. And I have been incredibly successful in recruiting a leadership team around me that is competent, creative, hardworking and honest. Most are making life-long commitments of service to Willow Brook. What this means to you is that you can count on seasoned, well-trained staff to meet your every need. There is stability at Willow Brook. We promise to do our very best to see that your later years are the very best they can be.*

*I hope you will make plans to join us on June 25<sup>th</sup> at Willow Brook Christian Village. Senior downsizing experts and move managers from Consider it Done! will be here to share ideas on preparing your home for sale. And, of course, you will have ample opportunity to tour homes and apartments that day.*

*I look forward to seeing you on the 25<sup>th</sup>!  
With love to all,*

*Larry Harris, CEO*

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