The Greens

Lima Convalescent Home **Lochhaven Apartments**

The Greens at LCH is a radical new approach to long term care where Elders live full and interactive lives in a home environment.











Welcome Home to The Greens Special Edition Newsletter

The Greens at LCH is open.....

Dear Friends.

It is with great joy that I can say that our new homes, The Greens has opened! It has been a wonderful journey with the Green House Project being able to provide the elders in Lima Ohio with beautiful private rooms in a lovely home. I am so impressed with the well-trained staff that works in the homes. There has been great excitement among the elders who moved in on September 23rd and 25th. The second home will open in the near future. Give us a call if you or a loved one is in need of skilled nursing home care that is a real home.

The Greens isn't the only thing I am excited about though. Our original LCH building is going to have more private rooms as well. In the next year, I am sure you will see updates in the Lima Convalescent Home building improving the décor and providing more private spaces for visiting families and friends. Lima Convalescent Home is eager to make improvements for the elders that choose to stay in our Legacy building.

Every person that chooses to make LCH their home is special to us. I have noticed that there is a true sense of community and the elders at Lima Convalescent Home and Lochhaven like being together as a community. There are benches and groups of people enjoying outdoor spaces and just spending time together for activities, music programs and outings. They enjoy a true sense of friendship here!

Lima is a great community to serve and as the only non-profit nursing and assisted living facility in Lima, we want to offer the best service possible. The funds we receive are used for care and service to our elders and to improve our facilities. It is my hope that you experience only wonderful kindness and enjoy being part of Lima Convalescent Home, Lochhaven Apartments and The Greens!

Sincerely,

Joy Reichenbach

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Executive Director reichenbachj@limach.com





We welcome you to The Greens at LCH. Call 419-224-9741 for a personal tour.

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In Memory of Chet Ebling

We remember Chester "Chet" Ebling who served on our Board of Trustees for many years. His valuable advice and generosity to Lima Convalescent Home, Lochhaven Apartments and The Greens at LCH will long be remembered by all of us who served with him. Chet is survived by three children, Rev. Dr. Steven J. Ebling, Fishers, IN, Mary Beth Wright of Mansfield, OH, Dr. David William Ebling of Long Island, NY and a daughter-in-law Vicki Ebling of Findlay.

Rest in Peace Chet.

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Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor we were able to add a "LiteGate" System to our rehab department. The LiteGate allows therapists to easily lift and effectively treat patients providing better posture, balance and weight bearing. Only 2 facilities in Lima have LiteGate therapy and Lima Convalescent Home is one of them, thanks to our donor. We have an amazing and effective rehab department, call us when your Dr. orders rehab. 419-224-9741





Consider a Memorial Gift to LCHF.....

Please consider a gift to The Lima Convalescent Home Foundation in memory or in honor of a loved one. Because we are a non-profit organization, we depend on the gifts we receive from generous contributors. Your gift will benefit the quality of life for all of our residents and allow us to continue our tradition of excellent care. Please call our foundation office for ways to give. 419-224-9741 Ext. 111 or email foundation.limach@wcoil.com. The Lima Convalescent Home Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)3 entity and every gift is tax deductible to the fullest extent provided by law.

Gifts can be made online at limaconvalescenthome.com. Thank you for your support!

This is home.....

Meet Teresa McConnell!

Growing up in Lima, I never expected to work in a nursing home since I'd always wanted to work with children. I'm sure my younger self would be very surprised to learn that I have been with The Lima Convalescent Home Foundation for 34 years.

My first experience with a nursing home was as a child visiting my great grandmother in a traditional facility. She was somewhere safe and well cared for but as she said "it wasn't home". The hallways were dark, and it was rather like a maze with people sitting around in wheelchairs. For a child it was scary and I never went back to visit her in the nursing home.



Teresa McConnell and Joy Reichenbach talking about the delicious food being enjoyed by our elders at The Greens!

While I was in high school I wanted a part time job and found one at Lima Convalescent Home. Since I planned on attending nursing school, LCH seemed like a good place to work for a year or two. I loved my job at LCH and Lochhaven so much and I never wanted to leave.

I knew that nursing homes could be better and I wanted to help make that happen. I had found what I was truly meant to do. In my new position as The Guide at The Greens I will oversee the day to day activities as the director. We have always worked hard to make LCH more "homelike" and after years of dedicated work the result is The Greens at LCH. Our 2 beautiful new homes have been designed, built and furnished as you would your own home. Living here will allow our elders the best life possible having choices in the daily rhythm of their own lives.

I look forward to continuing my career at The Greens, working with our wonderful staff, elders and families creating real homes in the Lima community. I invite you to call me for a personal tour and see what makes us different.

Teresa McConnell The Guide at The Greens mcconnellt@limach.com

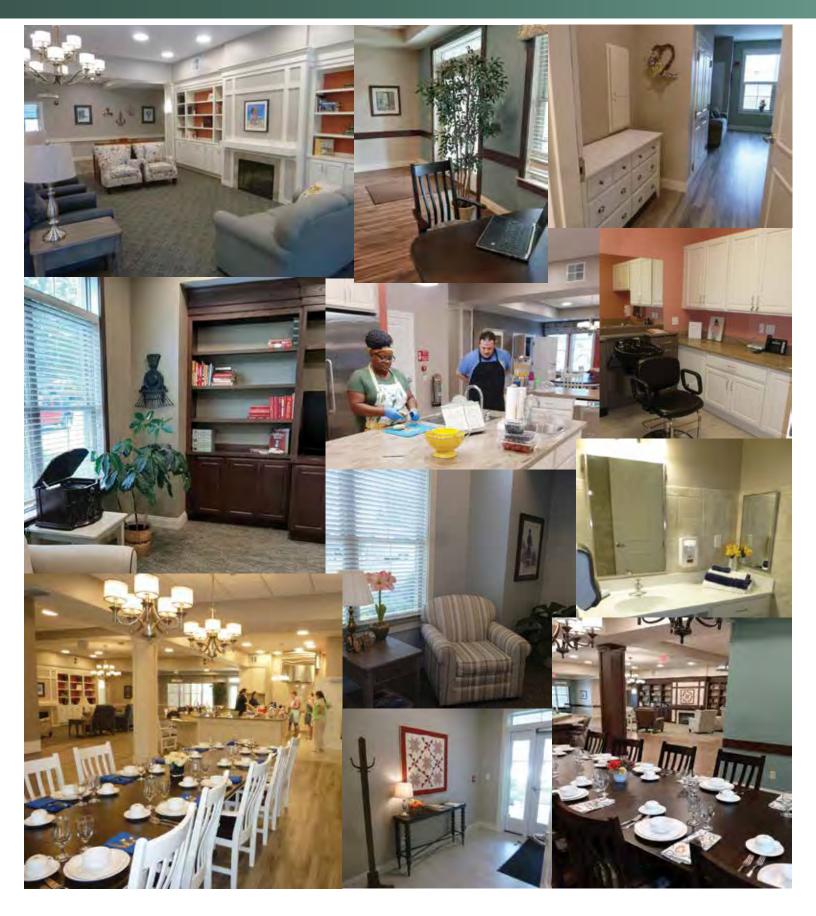


We always have freshly baked cookies at The Greens!



At The Greens daily life is based on three fundamental core values, Meaninful Life ~ Emposered Staff ~ Real Home.

Our Elders call The Greens home.....



Mrs. Helen Naas, a look back at our history.....



Mrs. Helen Naas First Administrator, Lima Convalescent Home

Following a seven-year planning period, Lima Convalescent Home opened its doors in 1958 to a grateful community. Prior to that opening, the board of trustees carried out an extensive search for an administrator. They found an excellent one in Mrs. Helen Naas. Mrs. Naas had an outstanding reputation as an RN at Lima Memorial Hospital which also included home care. She had worked as a supervisor at the Jewish Hospital in New Orleans, served at the Lima Memorial Hospital, District Tuberculosis Hospital and was the youngest administrator at what was then known as Bluffton Hospital. The Lima Convalescent Home Board of Trustees agreed that Mrs. Naas had the right credentials to become the first administrator of their new facility.

As administrator, Mrs. Naas took great pride in the way Lima Convalescent Home was organized at its inception. The nursing home was able to handle all levels of care as residents aged and her experience provided the foresight needed to anticipate those changes.

Mrs. Naas also hired and trained the initial staff insisting on keen observation, skill and the highest level of care. She hired people that she would choose for her own care! She was a trusted and valued first administrator and the high standards she set are still followed today at Lima Convalescent Home.

Upon her retirement, Mrs. Naas and her husband Lloyd, who was plant manager at Superior Coach, traveled extensively, enjoying their family and home in Elida.

The Green House Philosophy

The Green House model is based on three fundamental core values, **Meaningful Life**, **Empowered Staff** and **Real Home**.

A **meaningful life** is determined by each person. Choice, control over their own lives, autonomy and close relationships are a few of the conditions needed to support meaningful life. We embrace life at The Greens and see it as an opportunity for continued growth and development of our elders. Individual needs are met because each person is deeply-known and valued for their creativity and resourcefulness.

Elders at The Greens have control over the rhythms of the day, when they wake, sleep, meals, meaningful engagement including alone time and self-care. They have informed choices and participate in formal and informal house decision making. Elders also have direct involvement in their own care plans.

Elders have opportunities for engagement both inside and outside of the home with access to the broader community through meaningful programs and opportunities.

Family involvement is valued in care planning and life events. We understand their history and preferences.

Our **Empowered Staff** works within a self managed environment. They have primary responsibility for the day to day care of the elders and the smooth functioning of The Greens. They work in partnership with nurses, and other clinical support team members to meet the needs of our elders. This is a versatile role in which they also cook so that our elders can enjoy daily homemade meals; they also perform light housekeeping.

There is no doubt that The Greens is a **Real Home**, from the style of the homes, to the furnishings, the decorating, the open floor plan, the kitchen, dining room and beautiful private rooms and baths. The Greens is warm, inviting and happy, Not only do our elders love the homes, so do their families. The daughter of one of our elders remarked on our facebook page, "The food has been amazing (not to mention the entire facility and staff:))! Our loved one is eating so much better! We love The Greens!"

Lima Convalescent Home, Lochhaven Apts. & The Greens at LCH 1650 Allentown Road Lima, OH 45805

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Upcoming Events

November 14 - Life Member Luncheon

Family Christmas Parties
December 7th - Lochhaven

December 11th - West & North Wings Santa & Holly the Reindeer

December 12th - East & South Wings Santa & Holly the Reindeer



Holly the reindeer was such a big hit last year, she will be returning this year Dec. 11 & 12.

We Appreciate & Value Our Employees

We have an amazing and dedicated staff at Lima Convalescent Home, Lochhaven Apartments and The Greens. Every Year we recognize them for their years of service, at our Annual Employee Appreciation Luncheon.

Antoinette Bratton, STNA	35 Years	Joyce Zwiebel, RN	15 Years
Jennifer Willhight, STNA	30 Years	Donna Pulfer, LPN	10 Years
Sharon Bennett,		Geraldine Manly, Attendant	5 Years
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Gloria Johnson, STNA	25 Years	Lori Blanchong, RN	5 Years
Melanie Felver, RN	20 Years	Candice Wash, RN	5 Years
Tim Reed, Maintenance	20 Years	Jennifer Cotton, RN, MDS	5 Years

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