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Pastor Don Retiring

"And I pray that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the power, together with all the saints, to comprehend the length and width and height and depth of His love."

- Ephesians 3:18



Please be aware that I have advised our Board of Directors of my intent to retire as president of Lutheran Ministries of Mercy effective May 1, 2017. I have made this announcement now in order that our governing Board will have time to prepare for a transition in leadership.

While this May might seem pretty far away, the past thirty years have gone by very quickly. Looking back, there is no place that could possibly have been more important, rewarding, challenging or inspiring than our Ministries of Mercy. I do not have words big enough to express the meaning of these years. When Jesus comes again, our words won't matter so much anyway. Until then, I will always be grateful:

- To have been welcomed as a part of something much larger than all of us together.
- To have experienced the ministry that takes place here.
- To have known so many inspiring people of God-those we serve, those who serve and those who encourage us in service.

I am looking forward, of course, to retirement years; but there are so many things and so many

people I will be missing day to day. And yet, there are so many things I have put off doingprojects waiting for attention, others half started and the traditional "honey do" list my patient wife of fifty years has been saving. Dee and I plan to stay in the area and remain involved as the Lord may lead. But first, we have important work to do between now and the spring of 2017; and I'm looking forward to being part of it all in the months ahead.

To support the work of Lutheran ministries of Mercy going forward, our Board of Directors has taken several initiatives:

- Recently gathering in a retreat setting to consider the vision of our future ministry.
- Reviewing accomplishments, challenges and priorities.
- Establishing a search committee with foundational priorities in preparation for leadership transitions.

Our Board Chairman, Mike House, will be sharing current status of Board considerations; and keeping all friends of our ministry updated as these processes unfold.

- Pastor Don

Oh the Weather Outside is Frightful....

...but the holiday joys were delightful! Numerous parties, celebrations, gifts and opportunities for worship highlighted the 2016 holiday season. Although our annual Christmas worship service had to be canceled due to the area's first snow storm; residents, clients, staff, volunteers and families made the season bright.



The Grinch surprised Kevin and all those at the annual Outreach Christmas party, but he was no match for Santa!



We are grateful for the generosity of our "Adopt A Resident" sponsors who provided meaningful gifts for 150 of LHM's residents and clients. Cottage leadership members were in the spirit as they gathered to wrap scores of holiday gifts.



Members of Salem Lutheran Church in Toledo gathered resources and volunteers to treat LHM residents with an evening at Lights before

Christmas at the Toledo Zoo.



Antlers make the outfit for Barbie at Christmas Karaoke night.



Nancy gives back during the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Campaign.



Day program staff and clients teamed up to create this beautiful scene for the 5th Annual Winter Wonderland at the Sandusky County Fairgrounds.

National Disability Awareness Month

Over 5 million Americans are estimated to have a developmental disability. At Luther Home we are committed to serving each individual we can, every day and all through the night. Our singular purpose is to serve our neighbors with Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities. That mission was true at our founding in 1928 and endures today as we continue this important work. This March our nation will celebrate annual

Disability Awareness Month. We invite you and your group or congregation to take this opportunity to learn more about the programs and services our ministry has to offer. LHM speakers are always available to share information, speak to your group or provide informational materials. Please let us know if we can assist you by contacting Megan O'Brien at mobrien@lutherhome.org or Terri Rodriguez at trodrig@lutherhome.org.



Annual Meeting Planned

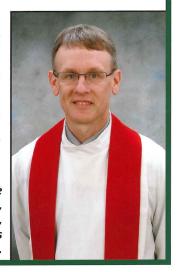
Please join us for the Lutheran Ministries of Mercy annual meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017. All member congregations are encouraged to send two representatives to the meeting, and friends, donors, families, and those interested in the workings of this special ministry are invited to attend. We are pleased to welcome Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, Bishop of the Northwest Ohio Synod of the ELCA, as our guest speaker.

The Annual Meeting will be held at the Hilton Hotel at Levis Commons in Perrysburg, Ohio with registration beginning at 5 pm. Dinner will be

served at 6 pm with the business meeting immediately following.

To learn more, or make your reservation, please contact: Joyce Willier at 419-726-8653 or jwillier@lssnwo.org.

Newly-elected bishop of the NW Ohio ELCA, Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, will share his message at this year's annual meeting.



Short Sleeves and Sunshine

Can you picture sunny skies, friends, fellowship and short sleeves? Plan ahead for these summer golf outings:

The 4 Agency Golf Scramble

June 23rd, 2017 at Stone Ridge Golf Course in Bowling Green, Ohio

The Luther Home of Mercy Golf Scramble

August 11th, 2017 at Maumee Bay State Park





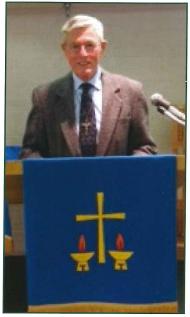
Love in Action

At Luther Home the generosity of friends never ceases to humble us. Among these friends we count our blessings for Denny Karl and his wife Joanne, nearby Williston neighbors. Denny has been arriving at Luther Home at least once each month for more than 20 years to provide a Eucharistic Service/Communion for our Catholic residents.

On those rare occasions when Denny is absent, friend Jim Lau leads the service.

As a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, he and Joanne also volunteer twice a month to take Richard, a favorite main campus resident, to Mass. Of course with 6 children, 27 grandchildren and even more great-grandchildren Denny and his wife of 55 years need some time off. Even then, Richard is assured he will have the opportunity to attend church as other volunteers from Our Lady of Mount Carmel step forward.

As a long time neighbor, Denny fondly remembers the day that one of Pastor Schleicher's colorful birds sat perched atop a tree in his yard. With one call to campus Pastor Schleicher arrived to lure the bird out of its resting spot and back into the fold. Neighbors took on a new meaning that day...and continues to remind us that good neighbors are a great blessing!



"Being able to do this is a meaningful part of my life; it's an honor." – Denny Karl

Our Partners In Ministry

We are pleased to share upcoming event notices for our Lutheran Ministries of Mercy partner agencies:

Tax Prep Clinic: Lutheran Social Services is offering free tax preparation services at two Toledo locations. Please call 419-475-3258 for more information or to schedule your appointment.



Mission Statement

"We are a ministry Enriching Lives and Individual Abilities"

In order to carry out this mission LHM is committed to the following values:

Faithfulness-LHM expresses its faithfulness to religious values and family through a ministry of service to others.

Stewardship-We practice responsible stewardship of resources available to us and strive for the highest standards of accountability.

Ethical Behavior-Luther Home of Mercy is compassionate, caring and loving while providing services based on professional and ethical standards.

Integrity-LHM is committed to carrying out our professional responsibilities in a manner consistent with our training and experience.

Diversity-We recognize and respect the uniqueness of every individual-resident, client, staff and visitors to our programs.

Rejoice! For This Is the Day That God Made You

As God's children, birthdays are a special time for each and every one of us. We all deserve to have our special day recognized and celebrated. For many LHM residents and clients experiencing a happy birthday is made difficult

by the absence of families and close friends. Lack of funds compounds this problem, as almost 100% of those LHM serves live well below the poverty level.

That's when the LHM family steps up, gathering resources for a special gift, a beautiful birthday cake and shared fellowship.

For donors wishing to assist in making birthdays special, we have created the LHM "Birthday Club". Your gift of \$50 or more to this restricted fund will provide a cake, a birthday present and party decorations for an individual's special day. We welcome you to give in honor of someone else or even your own birthday. If you would like to learn more about the LHM Birthday Club please contact Arielle Semer at 419-972-4431 or asemer@lutherhome.org. You may also donate on line at www.lutherhome.org.





Angel in Training

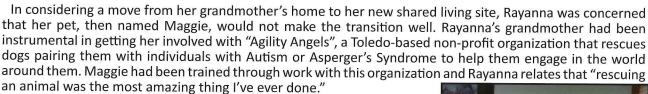






ayanna and her beautiful dog Chleo recently became tenants in LHM's community housing. In just a short Atime, Chleo has become a part of the Corduroy Road family and is well loved not only by Rayanna, but her three roommates.







Hard as it was to leave Maggie with her grandmother, Rayanna wanted to carry on Maggie's legacy and provide a home for another dog in need. Rayanna worked for many weeks cleaning at the Appliance Center to raise the funds necessary to adopt Chleo. Soon this gentle black lab arrived at her new home and the challenges of training began. In short time Rayanna and Chleo learned to communicate well with each other yet the training challenges were great. Several times each week a coach from Agility Angels guides the pair to teach the skills needed for therapy and service dogs and agility training. Treats play a big role as Rayanna guides her new pet to maneuver through tunnels, over A frames and weave through poles as well as meeting the demands of obedience classes. While formal training occurs 2-3 times per week, Rayanna works daily with Chleo to reinforce learned skills.



So well trusted and loved by Rayanna and her roommates, Chloe has free roam in the house and delights the ladies with her gentleness, unconditional affection and playful nature. Most recently it was noticed that Chleo can sense and warn of the on-coming seizures of one of the roommates. Just one more reason this "angel in training' is making such a wonderful difference!





























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Just before the holidays Luther Home participated in "Giving Tuesday", a day recognized as a national day of philanthropy. Our goal for this singular day of fund raising was to assist in the purchase of a handicap-accessible vehicle for our main campus in Williston. Thanks to scores of generous donors and corporate giving, more than \$16,000.00 was contributed to this project.





Carol and her sister Joyce enjoy lunch at Bob Evans. Nineteen area Bob Evans restaurants partnered with LHM on November 29th. The restaurants contributed fifteen percent of check totals from diners presenting LHM flyers.



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David and his sisters join Elvis for an evening of fun and rock and roll!