



DURHAM CHRISTIAN HOMES

SENIORS' HOUSING, ASSISTED LIVING AND LONG TERM CARE

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Membership Newsletter

"To God be the Glory"

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Our Mission:

Guided by our Christian principles, Durham Christian Homes enriches the lives of the residents we serve and those who serve them in seniors' housing, assisted living and long-term care.

Our Vision:

Durham Christian Homes will be an increasingly important presence in the communities we serve, celebrated for our vibrant continuum of residences, innovative services and partnerships.

IMPORTANT DATES:

DCH Spring Yard Sale

Sat., May 2, 2015
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Liberation Day/Flag Raising

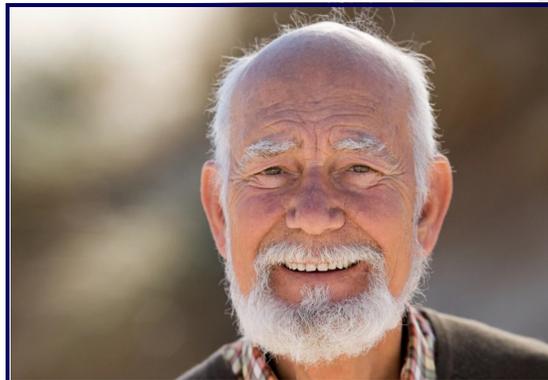
Tuesday, May 5, 2015 @ 9:00am

Special Membership Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2015 @ 6:30pm

Annual General Meeting

Monday, June 8, 2015 @ 7:30pm



GLEN HILL TERRACE
A DURHAM CHRISTIAN HOMES COMMUNITY

Retirement Suites Available at Marnwood
Call Today to Arrange a Tour!

Glen Hill Marnwood 905-623-5731

Glen Hill Strathaven 905-623-2553

Christian Homes offers a beautiful facility with an inviting grand lobby complete with a fireplace, sitting area and indoor tropical vegetation - the perfect 'meet and greet' for guests. Our auditorium seats 200-390 depending on event set-up and hosts a full-sized stage complete with audio/visual equipment. Our on-site Chef may also be hired to provide the perfect meal for your special event. Providence Place and Tekoa Manor also offer recently renovated and/or upgraded accommodation for friends and family of our residents. Overnight rates are \$40 (PP) and \$50 (TM) per night. Call 905-430-1666 for more information on our rentals.

Convalescent Care

Did you know that high quality, effective convalescent care is available at Glen Hill Strathaven in Bowmanville for those recovering from surgery or illness that require rehabilitation services?

Staff at Glen Hill Strathaven use a patient-focused approach for clients who may have suffered from a prolonged acute or chronic illness or who may have recently undergone illness or surgery.

Take comfort in knowing you or your loved one will be cared for by staff who uphold the values of DCH. Call 905-623-2553 for more information.

Special Event & Room Rentals

Planning a seminar, special event, fundraiser or conference and can't find a suitable place? Look no further! Durham

Important AGM Information

By-Law Review and Approval

As our by-laws have been revised this year, we will be holding a **Special Membership meeting on Monday, May 11th @ 6:30pm in the Whitby auditorium** to answer any questions regarding these changes prior to the AGM.

The Governance Committee, Board of Directors and legal counsel have been working diligently on these revisions to ensure that all changes meet new legal requirements and capture the essence of the organization. To reduce printing costs and waste, we will be making our by-laws available on our website at www.dchomes.ca "Updated By-Laws" or you can contact the office at 905-430-1666 for a copy. A vote by our members will be taken at the AGM for the approval of the revised by-laws. *Members interested in attending this Special Membership meeting are asked to RSVP to Arlene Campbell at 905-430-1666 x230 by May 8th.*

The **DCH Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will be held in the DCH auditorium on **Monday, June 8, 2015 @ 7:30pm.**



Candidates for Board of Directors

This year, the Board of Directors has implemented a new application process for interested candidates. This new form identifies more clearly the skills and experience of potential nominees as it relates to long-term care, retirement, assisted living and non-profit qualifications. We are currently looking for candidates who are interested in serving on the Board who have legal, marketing, communications/public relations, fundraising and/or health-care experience. If you or someone you know is interested in completing an application, please visit our website at www.dchomes.ca "Application for Board Director" or contact the office at 905-430-1666 x230. *Applications must be received in the office no later than April 24, 2015.* Applications will be held in confidence, reviewed and applicants will be contacted by the Governance Committee prior to the AGM. Board Nominees will be decided by a membership vote at the AGM on June 8th.



From The Board of Directors and Finance Committee

Our annual **SPRING YARD SALE** will be held on **SAT., MAY 2nd** from **9:00am—1:00pm**.



Come shop for treasures with family and friends! Don't miss your chance to win one of our awesome draw prizes, purchase crafts, knitted items, books, jewellery and more! Enjoy poffertjes, baked goodies and other delicious snacks!

If you have items to donate to our Yard Sale, please call Ann at 905-668-5970 or Nellie at 905-668-4682. If you have new items for the mini-auction, or if you'd like to donate your time as a volunteer for this event please contact the office at 905-430-1666.

We are looking forward to another successful fundraiser ~ hope to see you there!

Membership Fees

Just a reminder that any members who pay fees *annually* must be paid up to date prior to voting at the Annual General Meeting. Also, your annual membership fee ensures your status on our waiting list for future residency. If you have yet to pay your annual fee (\$50), please do so prior to the AGM or provide payment night of. For membership fee inquiries, contact Tenant Administrator Janis Wedd at 905-430-1666 x222 or via email at jwedd@dchomes.ca.



Donate to DCH!

We currently receive partial funding through the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care and endeavor to raise additional funds through internal fundraising initiatives and grant applications for all of our communities. If you would like to support Durham Christian Homes through a general donation, In Memory/In Honour donation or bequest, please call our office at 905-430-1666 x230 or visit our website at www.dchomes.ca. *Thank you so much for your generous support!*



Since our last AGM in June 2014, the Board, Committees and staff have been working diligently, remaining focused on our goal of ensuring quality care to the residents and communities we serve, while creating financial stability within all of our entities. Recently, our financial audit for calendar year 2014 was completed and through the careful management of expenses by our staff of operations in Whitby and Bowmanville, we are pleased to report a positive cash flow of over \$1,200,000 before depreciation for calendar year 2014. This is a significant improvement over 2012 and 2013 with a substantial contribution from the operations of our Long Term Care (LTC) facilities in Bowmanville.

The 2015 budget recently approved by the Board estimates a positive cash flow before depreciation of over \$1,300,000 with increases at all operations in Whitby and Bowmanville. These positive cash flow results along with the current equity in our facilities should provide individual lenders the assurance that investments are secure with DCH. As we continue with our plans to build Glen Hill Terrace long-term care facility, our healthy financial forecast will also provide leverage when sourcing competitive and favorable financing with institutions.

More details will be shared at our Annual General Membership meeting, however it is evident that God has blessed us this past year, and we trust that he will continue to do so as we plan for the future.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Finance Committee,

Simon Muizelaar
Chair, Board of Directors

John Luimes
Treasurer, Board of Directors

Reduce Waste. Reduce Cost.

If you would prefer to receive correspondence from the office via email, please contact Janis Wedd at jwedd@dchomes.ca and provide your email address for future mailings. We appreciate you helping us to reduce the cost of paper and postage.

Our Board of Directors

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