A traveling quilt exhibit from Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) came to Landis Homes for a week in January. The exhibit featured quilts made by Mennonites in Canada and the United States that were distributed in the Netherlands after World War II.

“How many of you volunteered at the first Material Resource Center in Ephrata that sent quilts like these to Europe,” asked MCC administrator and storyteller Ken Sensenig, at a service of Thanksgiving and Blessing held at Landis Homes in West Bethany Chapel on the opening day of the exhibit. Many hands of residents and others in the audience went up in response.

Ken went on to share stories from WWII and from places of conflict in the world today. He said Jesus was the example for those in the 1940’s and is still the example for those currently who are giving comfort to persons whose lives are impaired by war or natural disaster.

The exhibit accompanied a recent book from Good Books, “Passing on the Comfort: The War, the Quilts, and the Women Who Made a Difference,” by co-authors An Keuning-Tichelaar and Lynn Kaplanian-Buller. It captures the story of two women, one Dutch Mennonite and one American, who were brought together by a set of well-worn MCC quilts. In the book Keuning-Tichelaar tells the stories of sheltering persons in her home during and after the Nazi occupation.

Eighteen of these quilts, provided by MCC to those fleeing the ravages of war were featured in the display. The exhibit traveled to Landis Homes and was on view from January 5-11. (Quilt Exhibit, continued on page 2)
Site Master Planning Underway

The Strategic Planning Committee of the Board of Directors selected consultants to assist with the development of a site master plan for the retirement community. Architects RLPS of Lancaster and RGS Associates, landscape architects and civil engineers, of Brownstown, will serve as consultants. The master planning process considers the services needed in the future to keep the retirement community vital and guides future renovations and land development.

The first part of the process now underway, involves collecting information relevant to the site and the surrounding area and compiling it in a form in which it can be mapped. This includes topography, geology, vegetation, drainage, views, existing structures and infrastructure, such as availability of utilities.

Next, identifying the changes required to meet future expectations, involves collecting information from users of retirement community services through interviews and focus groups. This includes conversations with board members, management, residents, staff, prospective residents and other constituencies.

This information, on the site and on expectations, is then used to develop design concepts for future development on the site, including evaluation of financial and market feasibility. The planning becomes one of integrating the expectations with the conditions of the site to create some proposed uses. The resulting master plan provides a written report and a series of drawings to show the purpose and character of the proposed changes to the site.

Linford Good
VP of Planning & Marketing

(Quilt Exhibit, continued from page 1)

The display was open to the public and hosted close to 1400 persons including visitors and persons on campus.

An offering was received at the worship service for MCC Relief programs, which continue to send thousands of comforters and blankets to persons in need in the U.S. and around the world. The offering plus the donations and royalties for the week totaled over $4400.00.

“It was a very successful show,” said Quilt Project Manager Lois Flickinger. “I wish all of our exhibit locations had this kind of response both in number of attendees and funds raised for MCC Relief.”

In 2006 the quilts will travel to various states and provinces of North America. Following the tour the quilts will be housed permanently in a Mennonite Historical center in the Netherlands.
A group of a dozen residents and staff met in the fall at a general interest meeting of the Landis Homes Courtyard Railroad. A pledge of $2000 was made as a matching gift for any funds raised for the project. The group was grateful to the maintenance persons who removed the sod and soil to a depth of about 4 inches.

At the November meeting the group decided on a Mission Statement:

The mission of the Landis Homes Courtyard Railroad is to provide therapeutic value for assisted living residents and enjoyment for all residents and visitors of Landis Homes.

There is a good beginning to an operating outdoor railroad. The plan is to gradually add more track and items as funds become available. Persons interested in donating time or funds may contact one of three co-chairs of the group:

Luke Bomberger, 581-3878
Joe Russell, 519-2687
Frank Wilson, 509-5868

Marva Godin Director of Activities

Winter Art Reception

A winter art reception will be held at Landis Homes on February 16. The show will feature a Lititz artist who uses oils as his major form of expression. Walt Shirk is a native of New Holland, PA, and a retiree from Fulton Bank. He enjoys working in oils and does landscape, seascape and still life. His paintings have been displayed at various banks, libraries and several outdoor shows.

The opening reception, to which the public is welcome, will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 16, in the Harvest View lobby and galleries at Landis Homes. A snow date has been set for 02/23/2006. The works will continue to be on display through April 2006.
Appreciation for Talented Needle Workers

At Landis Homes it is impossible to say “thank you” often enough to the residents who construct and donate beautiful quilts, comforters and other fine needlework! The meticulously crafted pieces they create during the year find their way to the benefit auction each September. The auction proceeds benefit the Landis Homes Caring Fund.

We also owe a special “thank you” to the many sewing circle members of various churches who also help to support our mission by donating beautiful needlework pieces to the auction each year.

And then there are also residents, men and women, who work faithfully constructing quilts, comforters and other fine needlework for distribution through MCC and other relief organizations.

On January 10, 2006, we invited the quilters, comfort knotters, sewing circle members and others who work on special needlework projects, to an appreciation reception in West Bethany Chapel. The speaker was Lois Flickinger, Project Manager of the traveling quilt exhibit from Mennonite Central Committee titled “Passing on the Comfort.”

Our fine needle workers from Landis Homes and about 30 members from five church sewing circles were introduced. Also introduced were Martha Bartel, current quilt coordinator, and Anna Shelly, former quilt coordinator. After the program and refreshments, everyone was invited to view the traveling MCC Quilt display in the Harvest Room.

Just as men, women and children over many years have responded to human needs around the world with their needlework skills, it is still happening here at Landis Homes. While we support the worldview that many of the residents maintain, we are also deeply grateful for their recognition of our own Landis Homes benevolent needs by their support of the Caring Fund.

by Jane Pfautz, Development Assistant

Group Gift is Top

Quilt tops at Landis Homes come from various sources. Upon learning of the appeal from the Gift Development Office for quilt tops or funds to purchase them, resident Cecelia Metzler, who resides in Homeview, canvassed her friends and neighbors and presented the funds to purchase this beautiful quilt top. Then Cecelia and some of her friends traveled to a quilt shop to purchase it and the Landis Homes quilt crew finished the product. This will be a special contribution to our quilt sale on Fellowship day in September. Martha Bartel, Cecelia Metzler and Katherine Huddle are pictured with the quilt they helped to purchase and quilt.
Tribute to Loved Ones

July 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005

We are sincerely thankful to those listed below who have given a tribute to a loved one either as a Memorial or Honorary gift. We apologize if there are misspellings or omissions on this list.

To contact the Development Office, call (717) 509-5490.

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Thank You

The family of Francis and Elsie Harvey would like to express our deep appreciation for the contributions made to the Landis Homes Caring Fund or Endowment Fund in recognition of our parents’ 100th birthdays, as well as in loving memory of our father, Francis A. Harvey. We also would like to thank the many friends, staff members and relatives who remained in contact with them in the later years of their lives. We are indeed grateful for your many kind thoughts and prayers.

Very sincerely,

The family of Francis and Elsie Harvey
**Gift Shop and General Store Sales**

We are thankful and grateful to everyone who has helped to make possible the proceeds of our campus gift shops and general stores. During the past fiscal year, purchases by residents, staff and visitors netted $16,100 for the Landis Homes Caring Fund. This was an increase over the previous year.

All the dedicated volunteers who tirelessly order merchandise, stock the shelves, and ring the registers are also much appreciated. Many residents also create and donate beautiful pieces of handiwork for sale.

*John Buckwalter, Director of Development*
At the staff Christmas banquet at Yoder’s Restaurant in December, Rachel Brubaker recalled how she began working at Landis Homes in 1965. George and Grace Leaman, who filled the roles of superintendent and matron, telephoned Rachel, a registered nurse, to ask if she would come and “help out.”

“I have just been helping out ever since,” said Rachel, who forty years ago didn’t realize Landis Homes would be her lifetime career choice.

For most of her years of service Rachel worked in the ever changing and growing nursing department. There was only residential living for a few residents when Landis Homes began in 1964, with no nursing care available. Today, over 200 persons are served in healthcare and assisted living, including care in a memory loss center.

Rachel who has in recent years cut her hours and responsibilities divides her part time work between her roles as a Geri-aide and as an activity assistant.

“I really like being with the people,” she said.

Her husband, Luke, at the banquet, recalled a story illustrating Rachel’s commitment to her work.

“She even went to work by snow mobile once when all the roads to Landis Homes were shut due to a snowstorm,” he said. Luke and Rachel became cottage residents about 11 years ago.

Other staff members receiving awards and their years of service are listed below:

### Staff Service Awards 2005

| 40 Years | ruth Martin ........................ Administration |
| 30 Years | Ken Shultz .............................. Maintenance |
|         | Manny Velazquez ...................... Maintenance |
|         | Linda Wentz ....................... Healthcare |
| 25 Years | Luci Oberholtzer .................... Dining Services |
|         | Marge Smith ...................... Healthcare |
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| 15 Years | Esther Becker ................ Dining Services |
|         | Ella Mae Eby ................ Laundry |
|         | Mary Good ................ Housekeeping |
|         | Ella Hoover ................ Dining Services |
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- Janice Martin
Medicare has made a few changes for 2006—especially regarding prescription drug coverage. This year, the items that affect most people are the deductible amounts.

Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance which covers inpatient hospital, skilled nursing facility, some home health care) deductible has increased to $952.00 per benefit period. Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance which covers Medicare eligible physician services, outpatient hospital services, certain home health services, durable medical equipment) deductible has increased to $124.00 per year. The good news is that most Medicare Supplement plans will cover the Part A deductible and will adjust to the new Medicare limits automatically.

Medicare Part D (or the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan) became available January 1, 2006. If you have not signed up for Medicare Part D, it’s not too late. If you have Medicare Part A or Medicare Parts A & B, you can sign up until May 15, 2006 and avoid penalties. Remember, if you are eligible, and sign up after May 15, you will incur a 1% penalty per month if you decide to enroll in Medicare Part D in the future.

Should you have any questions about long-term care insurance, Medicare Supplement, Medicare Part D or health insurance please contact me at Landis Homes at 581-3866 or at MMA – Sauder Financial at 394-0769. I would be happy to meet with you.

Eric Groff, MMA Counselor
Stewardship Solutions for Seniors

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Bering Receives State Appointment

In December 2005, Eva Bering, Vice President of Resident Services at Landis Homes was appointed by Governor Rendell to serve as a member of the PA State Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators and was elected as Vice Chair. Bering, of Lebanon, has served on the board for four years and has served as secretary of the board since 2003. Her new membership appointment is for a four-year term.

The State Board oversees the practices of Nursing Home Administrators, sets standards for practice and approves candidates for licensure.

Bering also serves on the PANPH A Board of Directors, CenPANPHA Board of Directors, PANPHA Public Policy Committee, Quality Insights of PA Long Term Care Advisory Board and the Finance Committee of New Covenant Christian School Bylaws Committee.

Three Named to Board of Directors

Landis Homes recently announced the appointment of new officers and board members for the coming year. Joining the board, as new members are John W. Eby, Dottie M. Martin and H. Howard Witmer.

Witmer, who with his wife Miriam is a resident at Landis Homes, served for 38 years as a pastor and bishop in Lancaster Mennonite Conference. He also worked for Eastern Mennonite Missions in western New York and northern Pennsylvania. In addition, he farmed locally for 16 years. He is a member of Erisman Mennonite Church and serves as a Sunday school teacher at Landis Homes. He has served on the boards of Phil-haven Hospital, Lancaster Mennonite Schools and Eastern Mennonite University.

Martin, of Gordonville, is the president of Martins Draperies and Interiors. She and her husband Larry are members of Paradise Mennonite Church, and are the parents of two grown children. She served previously on the boards of Mennonite Economic Development Associates, Mennonite Business and Professional Women and the Building Industry Association of Lancaster. She currently serves on the board of North & Schantz Foundation.

Eby, of Dillsburg, is a professor of Sociology at Messiah College in Grantham. He received his BA at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, VA, and both his Masters and Doctorate degrees in Sociology at Cornell University, NY. He and his wife Joyce are members of Slate Hill Mennonite Church where he leads singing and teaches Sunday school in addition to serving on the church board. He taught at Eastern Mennonite University where he was the chair of the Sociology department. He served with Mennonite Central Committee in relief work in Botswana and served on MCC board of missions as well as the Eastern Mennonite Missions board. He currently serves as president of Cumberland-Perry Association for Retarded Citizens. His mother Arlene Eby is a cottage resident.

Mamo Dula is the board chair with Robert H. Leaman as the vice-chair, Daryl E. Eshleman as treasurer, Lois M. Good as secretary and Susan E. Godshall as assistant secretary. Other board members are: J. Kenneth Brubaker, Jean M. Lichty, Teresa E. Long, James R. Martin, Rachel Thomas Pellman, and Gretchen J. Thomas.
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