

# Dear Family Members

JANUARY 2016

## Upcoming Events

Caring for a loved one can be rewarding as well as stressful at times. Join us at our Abrams Assisted Living Residence on Tuesday, February 9, 6-7 PM and learn “Caregiver’s Tips for Coping” from Rose Berger, MSW, from Alzheimer’s New Jersey (formerly Alzheimer’s Association). To register, call 973-586-4300.

**Save the Dates:** Zebra Tomato 2 Fundraiser (April 13) and Becky Levy Card Party Fundraiser (May 5)

## Refurbishment Update

The Refurbishment Project is on schedule and completion is anticipated by May. Construction on the B-Wing has been completed and the furniture has been installed. Renovations have begun on the “South Side” which includes the D-Wing and E-Wing. Construction on the Library will follow. We appreciate everyone’s patience as the work continues.

## Greenwood House Offers Short-term Rehabilitation Services

Not only does Greenwood House provide the highest level of care with our skilled nursing, assisted living, homecare and hospice programs, but we also provide excellent care for those in need of short-term rehabilitation. With a newly renovated and spacious rehabilitation gym, our team of therapists provides top-notch services in physical, occupational, and speech therapies. And, private rooms are available. Often, those who are recuperating after hospitalization or surgery, have had a stroke, have cardiac, pulmonary or orthopedic conditions require inpatient short-term rehabilitation services.

## Family Member/ Volunteer Spotlight

For the past two years, Antonia (Toni) Lewis has been a member of the Greenwood House family. Toni’s mother was in the hospital and searching for options for long term care. After a visit and bonding experience with our External Case Manager, Trish O’Brien, Toni and her mother knew that Greenwood House was the place for her.

Toni says she loves visiting and volunteering at Greenwood House because: “The residents and staff are so inviting and warm. I always feel welcomed and comfortable.” She values the positive environment that Greenwood House creates for residents and always sees smiles and laughter when she visits. She explains that “visitors



*Photographed with Toni from left: Toni’s brother, Nick Ciccarello and their mother, Pasqualina Ciccarello.*

bring new light into the building.” She also says that the residents inspire her through their positive outlooks on life.

For more information about volunteering please contact Lauryn Goldstein at [lgoldstein@greenwoodhouse.org](mailto:lgoldstein@greenwoodhouse.org) or 609-883-5391 ext 393.

For more information, please contact our Physical Therapy Director, Anne Marie Chipowsky at 609-883-5391 ext. 309 or [achipowsky@greenwoodhouse.org](mailto:achipowsky@greenwoodhouse.org).

## THANK YOU for your Holiday Gifts

Our staff appreciates your donations to the 2015 Holiday Fund drive. Thanks to your contributions \$9,000 was collected and distributed among the staff. On average, full-time employees received \$55 each this year, and part-time employees received amounts commensurate with their hours worked. Contributions can be made year-round to this special fund.

## Friendly Reminders

- All clothing and personal items belonging to our residents should be labeled.
- Greenwood House is a kosher facility. Outside food that does not conform to the Jewish dietary laws is not permitted.
- For safety reasons please do not bring extension cords from home for your loved one’s room. If you need a cord, we will obtain one from our maintenance department.