The Twinning Village marketing department works
I am interested in:

- Scheduling a visit
- Receiving an informational packet in the mail
- Receiving an e-mail with more information
- Questions

You are cordially invited to join us for any of the events below that interest you. For more information or to RSVP, please call (267) 989-9008.

LUNCH & LEARN
Our next Lunch & Learn is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12. Call (267) 989-9008 for details.

SMART SENIORS
This informational series covers topics of interest to the senior community. Upcoming events:

- An Evening of Song – Bucks County Women's Chorus
  Monday, June 4, 7 p.m.
  The Bucks County Women's Chorus is a non-auditioned, 88-voice, all-female ensemble that performs a variety of light genre from show tunes and standards to pop and patriotic, jazz, folk tunes, spirituals and more. Founded in 2012, they have presented their concerts throughout the Greater Philadelphia area and abroad.

- Understanding Memory Impairment: It Is Not Contagious!
  Tuesday, June 19, 3 p.m. • Kelly Auditorium
  Join Patti Sousson, MSW, with the Alzheimer's Association will do a presentation on memory deficits. Patti will take a light-hearted approach to a very serious subject. She will explain the foundation of memory impairment, offer some sensitivity training, and review the different stages of the disease. Patti will encourage people to be a part of their own planning if they or someone they love may be diagnosed with memory impairment. She uses a lot of visual aids and humor to get through a somewhat difficult topic.

- Healthy Aging & Hearing
  Tuesday, July 17, 3 p.m. • Kelly Auditorium
  Join Dr. Stacy Safady and Dr. Elizabeth Gray as we learn how to stay connected and socially engaged with decreases in hearing and other senses. Learn about the latest aging studies and how this information can be used to improve the quality of life for seniors. Technology, strategies and tips will be presented in an easy to understand format.

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Late in 2017, I had the opportunity to join Twining Village as the executive director. I have relocated from Paradise in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, to Bucks County with my husband, Ray, a step that has us learning new stores and the services of this beautiful new area.

Working in the field of senior services, however, is not a new experience. I most recently served in an executive role at Tel Hai Retirement Community in Honey Brook, Chester County, and before that worked at Willow Valley Retirement Community in Lancaster County.

I consider myself a lifelong learner. My formal education includes a bachelor’s degree in nursing from Eastern Mennonite University and an MBA, with a health-care concentration, from Bellevue University. I hold licenses as both a registered nurse and a nursing home administrator.

When I was a young nurse, my husband and I served as missionaries in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, providing health oversight to school children and co-founding a clinic with another nurse. Ray used his electrical engineering education as a broadcast engineer for Radio Lumière, a Christian radio network.

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As the names suggests, Bridge to Home is Twining Village’s transitional care option for those in need of short-term services, helping residents and patients return to their own home and the activities and lifestyle they most enjoy.

Through the program, our experienced health-care professionals create individualized plans that help residents and patients achieve goals, strengthen their bodies and maximize their independence. The comprehensive approach includes outcomes-focused rehabilitation, nursing care, medical services, discharge planning and dietary services.

The program’s goal is to improve outcomes while easing the transition between care settings, helping people to go home stronger and better able to live there safely.

Features of the stay include access to round-the-clock emergency services; continuation of physical, occupational and speech therapy as needed; availability of nursing staff, comfortable suites, daily meals and snacks; and an enticing calendar of activities and entertainment.

For more information about Bridge to Home, please call (215) 396-7446.

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If you have a loved one with Alzheimer’s disease or similar memory-related illness, you are invited to learn more about the Twining Village Memory Café.

The Memory Café is a monthly get-together of people with memory loss and a friend or family member in a supportive, non-judgmental, compassionate and engaging environment. The café, based on a concept that began in the Netherlands, provides a place of warmth and friendship to socialize in a relaxed and less-stressful atmosphere.

The goal is simply to bring together people in similar situations because positive social interaction is as important to brain health as diet and exercise. The bonds forged in memory cafes often are long-lasting, offering an additional resource for participants.

The Twining Village Memory Café is not a support, respite or educational group and does require a caregiver to be present. Its range of benefits includes positive change from the daily routine.

In fact, the Twining Village Memory Café is a brief time to leave worries at home and simply enjoy yourself. Activities include refreshments, crafts, games, sing-alongs, trivia programs and much more!

For more information, please contact the Rev. Erin Maurer, Twining Village chaplain, or Beverly Gowton, director of community life, at (215) 396-7150.

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“Your wife says that I was probably Chinese in a previous life,” he jokes.

“Doering and his wife both believe that for several years I directed a home health care agency. Because I missed seeing the persons we served daily, I returned to working in nursing and personal care communities.”

Ray and I have two adult children and three active grandchildren, who live in Lancaster. The Pennsylvania Turnpike between Buck and Lancaster counties is now a well-traveled route for us.

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