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### **Spang Crest Manor's Adult Day Program Closure**

It is with much regret and a heavy heart that we announce the upcoming closure of Spang Crest's Adult Day Services Program effective, May 1, 2009. Although we know that this service is important to the community, we have not been able to enjoy full participation in the program since it's opening over the past year and a half. Unfortunately, during these challenging economic times LutherCare can not continue to operate this program at a loss going forward. The program averaged about 8 participants a day, and will affect 17 total participants. Last year LutherCare provided 4.5 million dollars in benevolent care for its seniors and children.

We recognize that this is an inconvenience for our participants and their families and have notified the Lebanon Area Agency on Aging of the impending closure. The Area Agency on Aging has sent case managers to the program to assist all participants in finding an alternate adult day program. "We are aware that the other 2 adult day programs in Lebanon County are also not at full capacity and have availability to accommodate our current participants" says Carl McAloose, President and CEO of LutherCare. "The occupancy in Spang Crest's memory care assisted living and skilled nursing and rehabilitation center remains strong and we do not anticipate any future change in service."

LutherCare, a social ministry organization affiliated with the Lower Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Lutheran Services in America is a leading provider of residential, assisted living, and skilled care residences in Lancaster and Lebanon County. LutherCare operates Luther Acres, a Continuing Care Retirement Community in Lititz, PA, Spang Crest Manor, a skilled nursing and rehabilitation center, and assisted living in Lebanon, PA and St. John's Herr Estate, a residential and assisted living community in Columbia, PA. In addition, LutherCare also operates five childcare centers in Lebanon, Annville, Reamstown, Lancaster and Columbia.

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