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### Del-Sano Contracting Reports Progress at Crane's Mill in West Caldwell

By Betsy Kraat

WEST CALDWELL-- Del-Sano Contracting Corp. has reported that construction on Phases II and III of Crane's Mill Continuing Care Retirement Community, a continuing care retirement community, is progressing as planned, with construction of Phase II nearly 40% complete.

The \$27-million project is owned by Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey, a faith-based, non-profit social ministry organization that provides social services and affordable housing to seniors and families across the state of New Jersey. The project commenced in August 2008 and is scheduled for completion in early 2010.

Specifically, development of the community's infrastructure is complete; 10 independent living cottages have been framed, and the foundation and structural steel is in place for the community's planned dementia units.

Located on a 43-acre campus on the former site of a lumber mill dating to the mid 1700's, Crane's Mill offers independent living, assisted living and skilled nursing care. LSM/NJ opened Crane's Mill in August 1998. Once Phases II and III of Crane's Mill are complete, the community will consist of 282 independent living units, 48 assisted


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rehabilitation services, to offer a full spectrum of living arrangements for seniors.

Phase II construction is taking place alongside Passaic Avenue and includes the addition of 66 independent living apartments with 47 underground parking spaces, as well as 10 cottages, each featuring an attached garage. The independent living units will be located in a two-story building that will be connected to the existing central facility building to provide direct access to the community's central amenities.

Phase III comprises the assisted living component of Crane's Mill, which consists of 20,000 square feet of new and renovated space. Specifically, Del-Sano is building a new wing that will house a memory support area, a dementia courtyard and renovated assisted living common areas. The project also includes a new entry, enlarged activity space and a more open floor plan. As part of Phase III, 60 existing assisted living units will be converted into 48 assisted living units and 18 dementia units.

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