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## **PERKINS EASTMAN CELEBRATES RIBBON CUTTING OF MAPLEWOOD AT STONY HILL IN BETHEL, CT**

### **New Specialized Assisted Living and Memory Care Facility Designed on Small House Model**

Stamford, CT (December 4, 2014) The Stamford office of top international design and architecture firm Perkins Eastman joined leadership and staff of Maplewood Senior Living on Tuesday evening, December 2, for the ceremonial ribbon cutting of the new Maplewood at Stony Hill. The three-story, 84-unit memory care and assisted living facility in the town of Bethel broke ground in September 2013. Designed on a small house model, Stony Hill offers residents levels of care based on individual needs, with apartments situated within distinct neighborhoods that lend a feeling of home and comfort.

Located on a pastoral six-acre site in Fairfield County, the new facility features a state-of-the-art Alzheimer's Educational Resource Center, where friends, family and the public can go to research and learn about the effects of Alzheimer's disease and how evidence-based research practices and thoughtful design can assist with the treatment and care of loved ones. Other amenities at Maplewood at Stony Hill include a spa, outdoor gardens and gathering spaces, terraces with water views.

Maplewood at Stony Hill's design layout divides each floor into two neighborhoods, each with its own unique residential environment including activity areas and living room, along with a shared dining room on each floor with an open kitchen and farm-to-table dining. This layout also allows residents with cognitive loss to freely navigate from their apartments to their neighborhood and back with the help of wayfinding cues and other distinguishable interior finishes.

Designed in a New England craftsman style, in which small-scale, A-frame bungalows have essentially been combined to form a larger building that can accommodate multiple communities of residents, the Perkins Eastman team set out to design a care facility that was clean and modern but also timeless. "The ways we care for those with memory loss are changing and improving all the time based on new research," says J. David Hogle FAIA, LEED AP, Principal and Executive Director with Perkins Eastman. "This translates to the design community as well. We

are pleased to see Maplewood at Stony Hill raising the bar for senior care in the state of Connecticut.”

### **About Maplewood Senior Living**

Based in Westport, CT, Maplewood Senior Living is known for its upscale assisted living and memory care residences, offering a broad range of premier services, amenities and care to its residents. Professionally trained staff provides care and attention to those residents needing a supportive environment, as well as specialized care for those suffering from Alzheimer’s disease and dementia. For more information visit [www.maplewoodseniorliving.com](http://www.maplewoodseniorliving.com).

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