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Open house event is set at Lakeside Terrace

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WINTER HAVEN - An open-house celebration is scheduled for Thursday at Lakeside Terrace, a new apartment complex for seniors developed by Picerne Affordable Development, the Winter Haven Housing Authority (WHHA) and the city of Winter Haven.

The celebration will begin at 10 a.m. at the complex, on Avenue O, N.E.

According to a city news release, planning for the 84-unit complex began in 2004 and construction was finished in July 2009. The project cost more than \$14 million, with most of the funding provided through low-income housing tax credits administered by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. Additional grant funding was provided by the city of Winter Haven and the Polk County government.

More than two-thirds of the units are already leased.

"When I look at the completed product, I can see what all the hard work was about. (It's) beautiful, practical, modern units with amenities for seniors," Jorge Aguirre, assistant vice president of Picerne Affordable Development, said in the news release. "I'm very proud to have been involved with this development and in helping the Winter Haven Housing Authority provide quality housing for Winter Haven's seniors. I am confident this development is the first in a long line of new achievements for WHHA in the near future."

For details, call Lisa Landers, executive director of the Winter Haven Housing Authority, at 863-294-7369, ext. 107.

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