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Rowley Masonic Community Welcomes New Administrator

The Rowley Masonic Community welcomes new administrator, Kate Klimesh to the Rowley Masonic Staff Team. Kate moved to Perry recently, and began work with Rowley Masonic Community Monday, Jan. 22, 2018.

Kate comes to Rowley Masonic Community from the Decorah area, in Northeast Iowa, where she was previously with the Aase Haugen Senior Services continuum of care for the past 11 years. She also worked as a CNA in her early career, at the Barthell Eastern Star Nursing home in Decorah, "I find it exciting to be able to come full circle back to the origins of my healthcare career by joining the Rowley Masonic Community," Kate notes.

Kate will be working with staff at the home on various improvements, and says she has a lot to learn, "I've met so many wonderful people here at Rowley; staff, residents and families, they've all been very welcoming."

Rowley Masonic Community recently contracted with Continuum Health Care Services for facility management services, and Continuum HCS hired Kate as the administrator of the Rowley Community. Technically, Kate works for Continuum Health Care Services, but her job is to be the administrator of Rowley Masonic Community. "The staff are so friendly and committed to the residents that I am honored to be a part of this team," Kate said.

For more information on Rowley Masonic Community or to meet with Kate Klimesh, contact her at [\(515\)465-5316](tel:5154655316) or kate@rowleymasoniccommunity.org.

The Rowley Masonic Community will be holding an open house on Feb 15th at 1:30 pm, where you can meet new Rowley team members Kate Klimesh, Administrator, Kris Siefken, RN, Director of Nursing Services, and Mary Means, new Activity Coordinator. All are welcome to join us for coffee and refreshments at this meet and greet.



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February arrives as we scan the weather for any sign of an early spring. This Ground Hog's Day lets hope for an early spring. St. Valentine's Day brings roses, chocolates, hearts, and reminds us of the family and friends we love.

In the month of February Residents can look forward to more performances from Bill Connet, courtesy of the Merry Makers. Dale Luckinbill will also perform on the 13th and Maurice Jules will be with us on the 7th. On the 19th Lenny Hudson will play his guitar and sing for us before the Monthly Birthday Party. Residents will also have the opportunity to make their very own Valentine's Day cards on the 9th. Rhythm Band will also be on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. We will also be continuing the star bar this month with snacks and beverages. As we look forward to the renewal that Spring brings, let's remember the message of love and celebrate patience and kindness towards one another. Happy Valentine's Day!

-The Activity Staff

P.S. We wish Gary Iles well as he embarks on his new career in teaching! We wish you well Gary! We also say thank you for your service to Crystal Haakma, whose last day is Feb. 2.

We have hired Mary Means as our Activity Director. She has over 11 years of experience as an Activity Director, has a wide range of interests and hobbies, and we are so excited to see her bubbly attitude and can't wait to have her join our team Feb. 13th! Look forward to some great new changes and additions to our Activity Program!



In Memory of:

Liz Lingner

No Parking is allowed in the center of the back parking lot! This is where our deliveries are made and the Semis do need to be able to turn around there. Cars found parking in the middle of the Parking lot will be towed away at the owners expense.

Thank you

Resident Mail

It has come to my attention that some residents have forwarded their mail to the Rowley Masonic Home's main address. We simply cannot have this happening for any resident. The main mailing address of Rowley Masonic home is a business address, and the families will NOT BE ABLE to forward a loved one's mail from this address in the future. They will need to contact each sender of mail to correct the address away from this address of the Rowley Masonic Home.

To prevent this in the future, we will begin explaining mail handling to our new admissions and their family members upon admission immediately. Letters explaining the mail handling protocol will be added to the admission packets. We will also suggest that the POA or Responsible Party be the forwarding address for the resident.

For those who no longer live here yet have the Rowley Masonic Home address for the resident address, as of Feb. 10, 2018, we will no longer forward resident mail that comes to this address with no current recipient living here. We will hold any mail that may be coming to the home in error for a previous resident, and family can pick up the mail here in the office during normal business hours through Feb. 10th. After Feb. 10, 2018, any mail received that does not belong to a current resident will be returned to the post office as "Addressee not at address (unknown, moved, or deceased)." Responsible parties will need to contact each sender of mail to correct the address with each of them.

For current residents that have moved in to Rowley within the past month, please advise that they may be able to cancel their initial forward request with the post office. Families can simply visit the local post office and ask to cancel a recent forward order, then forward the resident's mail to the Power of Attorney or to the Responsible Party's address. This should fix the problem.

Rowley Masonic Home is not responsible for any mail delivery or mail service for anyone except current residents of the home as authorized. Many thanks for helping us get this issue straightened out! For more information, please contact Kate Klimesh at ext. 217.

Resident Rights

6. Self-Determination (Continued)... (6) The resident has a right to participate in family groups.

(7) The resident has a right to have family member(s) or other resident representative(s) meet in the facility with the families or resident representative(s) of other residents in the facility.

(8) The resident has a right to participate in other activities, including social, religious, and community activities that do not interfere with the rights of other residents in the facility.

(9) The resident has a right to choose to or refuse to perform services for the facility and the facility must not require a resident to perform services for the facility. The resident may perform services for the facility, if he or she chooses, when—

(i) The facility has documented the resident's need or desire for work in the plan of care;

(ii) The plan specifies the nature of the services performed and whether the services are voluntary or paid;

(iii) Compensation for paid services is at or above prevailing rates; and

(iv) The resident agrees to the work arrangement described in the plan of care.

(10) The resident has a right to manage his or her financial affairs. This includes the right to know, in advance, what charges a facility may impose against a resident's personal funds.

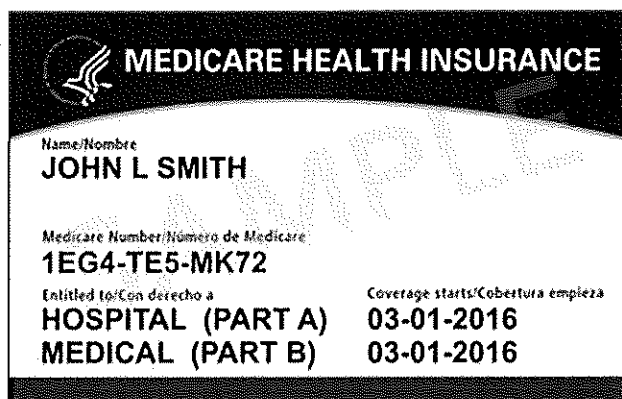
(i) The facility must not require residents to deposit their personal funds with the facility.

Medicare is revamping the Medicare Card. They are moving away from using Social Security Numbers in an effort to decrease identity theft. I am attaching a flyer put out by Medicare in case you want to give to your current residents and/or families.

CMS will begin mailing new cards in April 2018. The mailing will include the new Medicare card and a letter with instructions. Distribution of cards will be randomized by geographic location. All existing cards will be replaced by April 2019. Beneficiaries should use the new card once they receive it, but either the SSN-based or the new random alphanumeric-based cards can be used through December 2019. The Railroad Retirement Board will issue new cards to RRB beneficiaries.

Please encourage your current residents and/or families to ensure that the beneficiary's address is correct with the Social Security Administration NOW, as needed.

They can visit ssa.gov/myaccount or call 1-800-772-1213 to correct their mailing address. Right is a picture of the new card.



Changes in the Kitchen—Please note

Here at Rowley, we do our best to provide the best meals to our residents. We also have to watch the cost of food to ensure we can provide the best care at a reasonable daily rate for our residents. To do this, we simply must be aware of controlling food waste. Especially with the Food Pantry as our Neighbors, we are all too aware of how precious food is.

To help us control waste and make just enough so we don't cook too much food, but ensure enough for our residents and tenants, we will be making a few changes to our food service program.

1. We will no longer be able to accommodate unexpected visitors for meals. We will only make enough food for our residents, tenants, and guests who reserve a meal by 9 am the day of the meal. This applies for regular lunch and supper meals. To reserve a meal ahead of time, please call the Dietary Staff at (563)46505316, ext. 213 or ext. 222. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this new policy that will be effective immediately
2. Dietary staff will no longer be able to handle cash for guest meals. We ask that guest meals either be charged to the resident's account or that guests purchase a guest meal ticket from the Front Business Office during regular business hours. They will be available for 10 meals at a cost of \$60. If you cannot stop in during regular business hours to purchase a lunch ticket, please feel free to mail in a check for a guest meal ticket to:

Rowley Masonic Community

Attn: Controller, Guest meals

PO Box 578, Perry, IA 50220

Please make sure to include your name and the number of tickets you wish to purchase. We will be happy to leave your tickets with the dietary staff for pick up when you next visit.

For more information, or with Questions, please contact Kate Klimesh (515)465-5316.

Perry Kiwanis Pancake Festival
Sat. Feb. 24, 2019 7 am—2 pm
Held in McCreary Community Building
Tickets are available from any Kiwanis member.

Many thanks to the Perry Kiwanis for donating tickets for the pancake Festival for our Rowley residents who want to go. Families, feel free to pick up your loved one and take them to the festival for a great time.

Caring for Rowley CARING FOR PEOPLE!
by Doug Lockin, CPA
Charitable Gift Planner
February 2018

At Look at Rowley "by the Numbers!"

What are your thoughts about the new "Tax Act" recently passed by Congress and signed into law by President Trump? You are certainly not alone if you are wondering how the changes will affect you. (A side note: Rowley makes my time available free of charge to help you find answers to these and other important financial matters; I welcome hearing from you with your questions.)

Several "experts" recently predicted that new laws would cause Americans to DECREASE their total charitable giving by as much as \$10 billion to \$25 billion per year. If that happens, a natural question might be, "will this affect organizations like Rowley?"

The simple answer is "yes, it could." But instead of speculating further or making specific predictions, I believe it is more important to look at the very positive work being done at Rowley "by the numbers." For example:

.....At any one time, Rowley serves approximately 25 residents who cannot pay for all or part of their care, and the average annual cost of care for which Rowley is not reimbursed is \$438,000.00.

.....Rowley employs 85 caregivers and other staff and spends at least \$25,000.00 annually training these great folks to provide excellent service.

.....Opportunities exist for Rowley to serve people in the community with "home-based" care. This type of expanded service is only possible with charitable support that will allow Rowley to hire and train more excellent caregivers.

The bottom line: charitable support for Rowley improves the lives of Rowley residents and caregivers. Taking a "longer view," charitable support for Rowley ensures that future generations will have access to quality care from superbly trained staff. That is always the bottom line for not-for-profit organizations like Rowley.

Briefly back to the "Tax Act." It is very possible that you will benefit less from your charitable giving, particularly if the increased standard deduction causes you to no longer itemize deductions. However, charitable giving is still "deductible," and there are alternative strategies that can help you benefit from supporting organizations like Rowley. I advise folks on these opportunities almost every day; and I welcome the opportunity to talk with you.

Please contact me anytime with questions or comments dlgiftplan@gmail.com or 515.210.6603.

Doug

All State Survey Results are Located In a Black Binder on Brochure Table A wing corridor. Please Return to the Location After Use

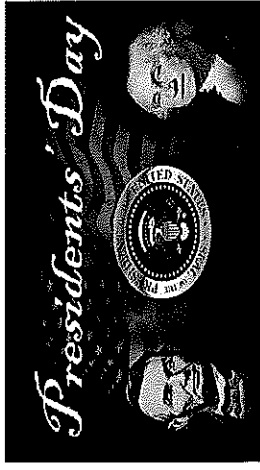
**Remember Rowley
with a gift in memory of
one you love.**

Important Contacts:

Ombudsman 866-236-1430
Department of Inspections and Appeals 877-686-0027
If you have any concerns please feel free to contact



February 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Church Prelude 1:30 Church 2:00	5 Exercises 9:00 Games 10:15 Movie 2:00	6 Exercises 9:00 Bingo 10:15 Card Games 2:15	7 Exercises 9:00 Mynd VR 10:00 Maurice Jules 2:00	1 Exercises 9:00 Rhythm Band 10:15 Movie 2:00	2 Exercises 9:00 Movie 10:00 Crafts 2:00 Perry Paper 3:00	3 Lawrence Welk 7:00 IPTV 11
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