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Memory care facility prepares for November opening

By Linda Stinnett

Glen Carr House, a facility for those needing dementia care, has opened its sales office in preparation for a November opening.

Glen Carr House, 1437 N. Hamilton Drive, is the first of two planned residences in Derby which will offer innovative care for its residents. The design and focus of the facility is a whole approach design, according to Jason Wiley, president of Oxford Management Group.

From its name, size and design to its staff, the memory care facility is geared toward using the latest techniques to care for patients.

"It is all geared toward creating a greater sense of family relationships," Wiley said.

The Glen Carr House staff will undergo training from the only National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners instructor in the state, Laurie Krenke. She is on the corporate staff of Oxford Management Group.

The residence will also use technology which engages memory, increases participation in activities and enhances overall health. The network-driven system can help residents stay



photo by Linda Stinnett

The Glen Carr House, currently under construction, will open in November in Derby. It is designed to look and feel less institutional for its patients and their families.

centered through family videos and pictures, the sound of loved ones' voices and the comfort of familiar music.

"We are very excited to bring this innovative technology into Glen Carr House," Wiley said. "It allows us to serve our residents and their families with an unparalleled quality of care."

As part of the whole approach, family members will also go through an educational process as their loved one lives at Glen Carr House – which is named after Wiley's grandfather, who suffered from Alzheimer's Disease. They will be informed of what to expect and provided information on Alzheimer's and other dementia-related illnesses, Wiley said.


"It's hard for families to go through this, but it is even harder if you do not know what to expect," he said.

Glen Carr House features 12 private suites that surround a community kitchen and living areas. A second residence of 12 suites is only slightly behind Glen Carr House

Martha Slack, Glen Carr House residence director, is already taking suite reservations for residents and several are already selecting rooms, Wiley said.

"I think my grandpa would be proud of what we're doing," he said.

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