



### Community Leadership

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### The Stuff of Life

After spending some time watching "Hoarders" on TV, I thought OMG !!! and decided to form the Knickknack Patrol. That's what I call it when I take a brutally honest look at my clutter. We all know those spots where stuff seems to multiply; mail on the dining room table, condiments in the refrigerator, papers on the desk, forgotten stuff in the back of the closet. They all need to be sorted and recycled or discarded with annoying frequency. Several times a year I try to look at my clutter with fresh eyes, as if I didn't live there. What would a visitor see? A teetering pile of unread books, a hodgepodge of souvenirs on a table or bookcase, a tangled ball of cords next to the television. These creeping bits of chaos are hard to spot as we go through our everyday lives. Add any collections you might have, and the real trouble starts. I collect only a few things, but I've been known to over do it. I love shopping for material and craft projects. I may have to be pushed out of a fabric store. This is what the Knickknack Patrol is meant to cure or at least curb. Recycle, re-gift, donate it, or compost it - dying houseplants - finish those half completed projects. We have all had to down size before moving here but if you have been here more and 12 months you may need to take a second look at our stuff. February is a good time to re-evaluate your stuff. Try starting with only the stuff that can be seen without opening a drawer or door (unless the drawer is so full of stuff that it doesn't close). Take it easy - a room a day or maybe a room a week. Then about March or April advance to those drawers and closets (don't forget the garage). To some people February is a downtime of the after-holiday doldrums and cold weather. For me, it's the month for new beginnings, lengthening days, and the promise of great times to come with friends and family.

Laura Rhodes – Resident

### Compass Park Key Items:

**POOL**— Operation Times: M-F Open Swim 9am-12pm

**Fitness Center**—Operation Times: M-F Open from 8:30am-4pm

### What's this I hear? Senior Prom?

The rumor is true there will be a Senior Prom for residents on April 16th in the Community Center. More Information to follow.



# ARCH NEWS

## February 2016

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Greetings from the Indiana Masonic Home at Compass Park. A new year is upon us and you will not believe what all is happening.

The swimming pool and fitness center opened on February 1st and has made a real "splash" on our campus. The swimming pool and fitness center is managed for us by the Baxter YMCA. To date we have over 50 members signed up. We hope to open up to the greater community by April 1st.

On February 16th we held our Employee Recognition Luncheon where we honored all of our employee of the month winners for 2015. We also announced our 2015 Employee of the Year, Sandy Coram, LPN. We recognized 29 employees for one year of service, three employees for 5 years of service, 4 employees for 10 years of service, one employee for 15 years of service and one employee for 25 years of service. We look forward to honoring more of our great employees next year.

Work has begun on the Grand Master's (IMH) Compass Park Golf Outing and the (IMH) Compass Park Festival. The Festival will be held on September 11th this year and we will be returning the Festival to Sunday. The Golf Outing will be held in late July or Early August and we will share that date as soon as we have it. We look forward to your participation in both of these great events.

Other events coming soon include the Easter Buffet on March 27th, the Compass Park Senior Prom on April 16th, the Pillars Luncheon on April 24th and the Mother's Day Buffet on May 8th.

Thanks for your great and continued support of the Indiana Masonic Home at Compass Park. Please stop by for a visit, tour or lunch.

Mike Spencer, Executive Director



### **Social Services – More than just the finders of lost items:**

The Social Service Department has three qualified staff to serve you. In the medical center they are DeAnn Amyx, Director and Tamara Mason, Social Service Consultant. In assisted and independent living it is Lisa Bay, Social Service Designee. We do more than just find lost items. On a regular basis we monitor our resident's psychosocial needs, cognition, mood, and behaviors.

- We work with our chaplain to assist with the spiritual needs as well.
- We assist with new resident's getting situated.
- We do assessments.
- We are a friendly ear.
- We find needed outside services.
- We assist with resident's wants and needs.
- We celebrate with you.
- We mourn with you.
- We help solve challenges with and for you.
- We keep in touch with your loved ones when there is a need.

There is also paperwork that we are required to complete to insure proper payment. And yes, we help find lost items! In other words, we do a little bit of everything and if we cannot help you, we will find someone who will. But our main priority is to assist the residents we serve to have the best possible quality of life.

If you already live with us or are part of the larger Masonic/OES body feel free to stop by and say hi. We are proud to be part of the Indiana Masonic Home staff at Compass Park!

DeAnn Amyx, Director of Social Services

### **Meet the New Residents:**

Dick and Jean Clymer from Plymouth Indiana are current residents at Garden Home B. Dick's past profession was in sales and marketing. Jean's past profession was in bookkeeping for insurance companies. They have been married for 58 years and have 1 son with two grandchildren. Lodge member of Calvin Prather #717.

Jim Rhoda from Bedford Indiana is a current resident at Duplex 962-A. Jim's past profession was with the railroad company. Jim is widow/married for 63 years and no children. Jim has a passion for tutoring in math. Lodge member of Plymouth #26.

Gary and Cheryl Wynne from Indianapolis Indiana are current residents at Cottages 943-A. Gary's past profession is in business continuity planning. Cheryl's past profession was a teacher. They have been married for 43 years and have 1 daughter with 1 grandchild. Lodge member of Century Lodge #764.

Judy Deane, Resident

### **Gotta Clunker? We can help.**

The Indiana Masonic Home Foundation (IMHF) partners with V-DAC to provide vehicle donation services to Indiana Freemasons and other Foundation supporters. We accept [almost] any vehicle, running or not. It's a free, easy, quick, secure alternative to selling or trading-in yourself. You get a potential tax benefit. You may donate by Internet or phone. Most of all, it's a way to help your favorite charity – the Indiana Masonic Home Foundation – in a big way.

It's easy to donate a vehicle. Either input the vehicle and pick up information online through [www.imhf.org](http://www.imhf.org), or call 877-999-8322 and give the information to the Call Center. You fill out a few forms. You will need the year, make, model, VIN number, mileage, title information, and location of the vehicle. You will receive a call from the tow service to arrange a convenient time and location for the pick-up. You do not need to be there.

There is no cost to the donor or IMHF. All expenses are deducted from the gross sales price and, if the costs ever exceed the price, V-DAC covers those costs.

It usually takes 45-60 days from the time the vehicle is picked up until the car is sold and the transaction is completed. Once the transaction is completed, the net cash proceeds are usually delivered to IMHF within two weeks.

Since IMHF cannot give tax advice, consult your tax advisor with specific questions. In general, you are entitled to deduct the sales price of your vehicle. If it sells for less than \$500, you can deduct the "fair market value" of the vehicle, up to \$499. You benefit from being able to reduce your taxable income when taxes are itemized. You will receive the sales receipt or IRS Form 1098C you will need for tax reporting.

Donating a vehicle is a great way to support Compass Park. Tell your family and friends.

Jeffery P. Zaring, PGM, Executive Director of IMHF

### **Pillar Program**

**What is a Pillar?** A Pillar is a resident of the Indiana Masonic Home at Compass Park who connects for mutual friendship and fellowship through the Pillars program. Any resident is eligible to be the Pillar of a Lodge or Chapter.

**What do I get in return?** As a Pillar of a Lodge or Chapter, you will receive regular communication from your Pillar lodge or chapter. You may receive visits, phone calls, birthday cards, Christmas greetings, prayers, and other expressions of brotherly love and kindness.

**Is this important?** You will help a lodge or chapter understand and appreciate the work of the Indiana Masonic Home at Compass Park. You will represent our community by showing appreciation, and sharing in friendship and fellowship. You will give lodges and chapters who do not have residents an opportunity to extend the hand of brotherly love and kindness, and fulfill their Masonic obligation. This is what they want to do!

Charles Stanley, Pillar Director and Chaplain