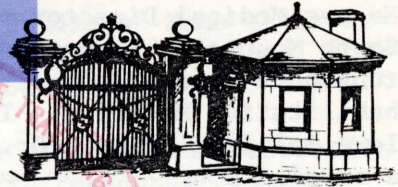


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IOWA SOLDIERS' HOME APPLIES FOR LICENSURE

Jack Dack, Commandant, announced the Iowa Soldiers' Home is in the process of making application for licensure under the new state law enacted by the General Assembly of Iowa. He further stated the Home will be applying for licensure in four areas, skilled nursing, intermediate, basic nursing, and custodial. Furthermore, he reported the first part of the application was the inspection by the State Fire Marshal. We are at present waiting for his report.

We will not know all the conditions we will be required to meet until we have had the survey from the Health Department, he reported. We do know there are not provisions in our 75th annual budget for any increase in staff that may be necessary as a result of this new law.

This is the first time state, county, and city governmental facilities providing geriatric health care are required to be licensed by the State of Iowa.

DOLLARS FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas away from home and loved ones is a lonely time. Many of the veterans and/or their dependents at the Iowa Soldiers' Home will be unable to go home, because their health will not allow it. Others have no homes or loved ones. Won't you help us to make Christmas a happier time at the Iowa Soldiers' Home? You can help today by sending your contribution or that of your organization to Jack Dack, Commandant, Iowa Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158. Your contribution large or small will be appreciated.

MEDICAL STAFF AT I.S.H.

Jack Dack, Commandant, indicated our medical staff has had a number of changes within the last few months. We have a new Medical Director Robert T. Gray, M. D., who joined us July 1, 1972. Dr. Gray

received his medical training at University of Pittsburg Medical School in Pennsylvania. He was in private practice for a number of years. He was Medical Director of the South Mountain Restoration Center, South Mountain, Pennsylvania for number of years. We are most fortunate to find a Medical Director with Dr. Gray's background in Rehabilitative Medicine. This strengthens the program here at the Iowa Soldiers' Home. Dr. and Mrs. Gray live on our grounds and have a married son.

R. T. Alojado, M. D., joined our medical staff in August. He received his medical training in Manila, Philippine Islands. He has had training at the Veterans Administration Hospitals and just completed his residency in Family Practice.

C. F. Cabigon, M. D., received his medical schooling in Manila, Philippine Islands. He served at hospitals in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, Saginaw, Michigan and Brooklyn, New York, in Internal Medicine.

We are fortunate to secure the services of physicians of this caliber, the Commandant reported.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR NOVEMBER 28 - 29

The Annual Christmas Bazaar has been set for November 28 and 29 Maridee Meyers, Director of Activities reported. This bazaar will feature the hand crafted items of the Residents of the Iowa Soldiers' Home. This includes crocheted and knitted items, as well as leather goods, crafted decorator items, wood products, many different types of needle craft. Miss Meyers indicated they would have a large display of ceramics as well as a display of paintings for sale.

The bazaar is open to the public and it is anticipated many of the friends of the Home will be present. She suggested those persons from a distance make up a car load and come and spend the day at the Home. The sale will start at 1:00 p.m. each day and the bazaar will close at 4:00 p.m. each day.

MRS. GLADYS CORDT RETIRES

Mrs. Gladys Cordt, Representative of the American Legion Auxiliary for 18 years, announced her retirement from her position at the Home.

Mrs. Cordt, will be missed by the Residents and staff of this facility, according Commandant Dack. She has served the Veterans and their dependents well.

Mrs. Cordt, we know will enjoy her retirement from active service. She is a great follower of athletics, and particularly her grandson in his senior year of high school. Mrs. Cordt, was honored by a farewell coffee at the Home on Friday, November 3, 1972.

SOCIAL WORKER PART OF HEALTH CARE TEAM

Bernita Jacobson, MSW, has joined the Iowa Soldiers' Home staff as the Social Worker. Miss Jacobson is a Masters graduate in social work of the University of Iowa. She is a service-connected Vietnam era veteran.

Miss Jacobson received her practicum in the Veterans Administration Hospital, Iowa City and Knoxville. John Pieper, Personnel Officer, indicated we are most fortunate to secure a social worker of this caliber who has a definite interest in the geriatric and the younger patient with long-term chronic diseases.

SPANISH AMERICAN VETERANS IN IOWA

There are 29 Spanish American Veterans living in Iowa. The ranks of the oldest active veterans organization have been reduced each year by the deaths within the ranks of the United States oldest living veterans. The past few months have seen the passing of one of the two Spanish American Veterans at the Iowa Soldiers' Home.

Nels Peterson, a spry 94 year old, took part in the Veterans Day celebration by visiting two of the local elementary schools in Marshalltown. He was one of the distinguished guests at the All Veterans Committee of Marshalltown Veterans Day celebration.

FORMAT CHANGES

Since the Iowa Soldiers' Home has a Word Processing Center where all typing is performed for all departments, a new layout for the "Quarterly" has been initiated. This will speed up the time it takes to go through the Center and on to the printer. We hope you will like the new look. Pictures of course, will be noted in later editions.

PAUL LAW SPEAKS ON VETERANS DAY

Paul Law, National Service Representative of the Disabled American Veterans, was the Veterans Day speaker before a large audience at the Veterans Day program in the Iowa Soldiers' Home Chapel.

The program was under the direction of the All Veterans Committee of Marshalltown. It featured the Marshalltown Municipal Band in addition to the speaker.

IDA JUDGE NEW AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs. Henry Judge (Ida) became the new American Legion Auxiliary representative at the Home. Mrs. Judge has been active in the American Legion Auxiliary. We feel Mrs. Judge will serve well the Residents at the Iowa Soldiers' Home. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Iowa is to be complimented in the selection of Mrs. Judge as their representative.

VOLUNTEER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Organizational Meeting of the newly created Volunteer Advisory Committee was held on October 18, 1972. The purpose of this committee is to provide a means of communication for assistance to the Resident, the service and veterans organizations and the Iowa Soldiers' Home.

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday, November 14, 7:30 p.m. in Heinz Hall Recreation Room.

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