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New ERCC administrator named

ELKINS – The Elkins Rehabilitation & Care Center has a new administrator at the helm, and staff, residents and Board of Directors members gathered Friday to celebrate her appointment.

Pat Summerfield, of Tacy, was selected by the ERCC Board to fill the position Wednesday.

“We are very pleased,” Serrett said. “She was acting as the interim director and she has done a wonderful job. You can just see the changes in the facility with Summerfield. The patients and employees seem to be more at ease. Summerfield seems to be one of those people having the ability to bring out the best in others.”

“We are just so glad she is here,” Serrett said. “We are looking forward to continuing our work with the expansion and it’s just up and onward. It’s a great day here at ERCC.”

During Friday’s reception, Serrett said the facility has had a lot of ups and downs.

“We have worked through them all and we are at the top and we can see over the horizon,” Serrett said. “We are so glad that Pat is able to be here and accept the position. These type jobs are where it becomes a family situation. You learn to have sorrows and happiness with one another and you become like family. You are part of our family and we are glad you are here.”

Dorothy “Dottie” Wamsley, vice president and treasurer of the ERCC Board, offered congratulations to Summerfield.

“We are thrilled you have joined us,” Wamsley said. “You have a great team and we are looking for great things in the future.”

Board member Carolyn Capelli said she felt Summerfield would be a great leader.

“All the staff, as well as the residents, will benefit from your leadership,” Capelli said. “We are really glad that you will be the new director.”

Summerfield said she was excited to lead the ERCC team.

“I am from Barbour County and I worked previously here,” Summerfield said. “I left because I had an offer to be the director of nursing at Mansfield Place, and it was closer to home.”

Summerfield said she came back to ERCC about a year ago when the position for the assistant director came available.

“Denise (Campbell) called and asked me if I would be interested in being the assistant administrator and I decided to try it,” Summerfield said. “It was a hard choice, but a good one. I came here a year ago and never thought in a year, I would be asked to be the director. It wasn’t what I was expecting but I am excited.”

Summerfield said she knows and loves the staff at ERCC.

“We have a great staff and I am excited to work with them for the patients,” Summerfield said.

ERCC is located at 1175 Beverly Pike in Elkins. Additional information about ERCC is available online at www.ercc.biz or by calling 304-636-1391.
