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New business provides independent living, allows clients to stay in homes

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Whether it's help with the laundry or providing a ride to the hospital or grocery store, a new business available to residents in Lincoln County and the surrounding area is looking to make life a little better for the clients it serves.

Geralyn Sweet and her husband, Gary, recently returned to Tomahawk after starting up à la carte CARE in Ohio in 2006. She describes the business, as the name would suggest, as a multitude of services that are available to seniors and adults with needs.

Sweet said allowing people to stay in their own homes while not feeling like they are a burden on family or caregivers is important. à la carte CARE can assist in just about any facet of daily life to allow for long-term independent living.

"Our goal is to enhance the quality of life by providing safe, qualified and affordable care, and assistance for seniors and adults in need of special services," she said. "We work to keep older adults living in the comfort of their own homes, with dignity for as long as possible."

Services range from simple companionship to respite for family and post-operative assistance to grocery shopping, meal preparation and light housekeeping.

"We sit with patients in the hospital if no relatives can be there," Sweet said. "Several of our clients suffer from dementia or live in retirement homes. It's a real relief for the families to know someone is there with their loved one."

à la carte CARE can also assist clients in making sure bills get paid on time, doctor appointments are kept and medications get taken.

"It's more than just providing a service. It's about providing mental and physical well-being," she said.

Each associate with à la carte CARE is bonded, insured, covered by worker's compensation and has undergone successful background and driving record checks. Training includes a specialized non-medical eldercare curriculum exclusive to the company.

"We wouldn't hire anyone we wouldn't feel comfortable looking after our own parents," Sweet said. "As caregivers, we form relationships with each of



Business offers independent living

The Tomahawk Ambassadors welcome Geralyn Sweet, cutting the ribbon, in opening her new business, à la carte CARE. Sweet said the goal of her new business is to enhance the quality of life for its clients by providing safe, qualified and affordable care and assistance for seniors and adults in need of special services. à la carte CARE allows independent living and its clients to remain in their homes.

-Ambassador Photo

our clients."

Sweet said being able to give back and help the community through the services provided by à la carte CARE is something she thoroughly enjoys. She added that she and her husband are also thrilled to be back in the community that they once called home.

"Tomahawk is an easy place to fall in love with. It's more than just the lakes and woods," she said. "We feel fortunate to be back and to be able to provide a service that can benefit the community."

For more information on services and rates through à la carte CARE, call 453-5459 or visit www.alacartecare.com.