

MEET YOUR NEW DIRECTOR: RODNEY W. BROOKS

When owner/managers Cindy and Chuck Patterson moved to corporate headquarters in Albuquerque this spring, they left a gaping hole, but only briefly.

Have you noticed the tall, pleasant young man in the office area the last few months? He appeared on the scene as our new Assistant Director but has since moved seamlessly into the position of full-time Director and has been hard at work ever since getting acquainted, solving problems and expediting progress on Building A. His name is Rodney Brooks, and if

will want to do so soon.

Rodney is a native Houstonian, raised along with one brother and one sister in the Spring Branch area and -a graduate of Spring Branch High School. As a child his dream was to be a naval architect but as he grew up, he discovered a world full of things he wanted to explore. He spent a number of years in the construction business before becoming focused on Senior Housing.

Twelve years ago he met an attractive young woman on a dance floor in Houston. They soon found they shared many of life's most significant values and were married in 2002. Mimi was from Ft. Worth. She was a graduate of the University of Texas, with a master's from the University of Houston. Then as now she worked as a Health Care Administrator at M. D. Anderson Hospital. Now as then they still like to go dancing on "date night."



Figure 1- Rodney enjoys fishing

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They have since established their own family of two sons, Rudy, 8, and Sam, now 4. They are all active members of Memorial Drive Methodist Church.

Rodney enjoys almost all kinds of sports, especially baseball. He also likes fishing and hunting and spending time with his two boys. He is currently Den leader for Rudy's Cub Scout den.

Muscular and fit, he trained for the MS150—the bicycle trip from Houston to Austin benefitting the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Mimi and the boys drove to Austin to welcome him and drive him home after the challenging and sometimes grueling 150-mile ride. He had recruited four other men to ride, so there was a team of five men in Treemont T-shirts.

As Director, Rodney has several goals for Treemont, the most immediate one being of course the completion of the beautiful new Building A, with move-ins completed over the next month or so. Once

that is done he plans to take up a number of issues such as expanded parking facilities and other needs.

Meanwhile he is enjoying getting acquainted with the residents. Fascinated by the stories he has heard about Treemont people, he has great respect for them all and is looking forward to meeting each one personally.

You in turn will be blessed as you get to know this fine man and his family and come



Mimi, Rudy, Sam, and Rodney Brooks

to realize that for him this work of taking care of us at Treemont is not just a job—it is a calling.