

## **The Royalton Retirement Residence**

By Randy Ray

The Royalton Retirement Residence, one of Ottawa's newest seniors' communities, offers residents the comfortable and luxurious lifestyle they deserve, at an affordable price.

"Seniors have worked hard during the course of their lives," says Tracey Dixon, leasing manager at the Royalton, which will open in Kanata in the late summer of 2009. "They deserve the luxury of sitting back and letting us do all of the work."

Spacious lounges, cozy fireplaces and intimate dining rooms are hallmarks of The Royalton.

One- and two-bedroom model suites are open for viewing and a \$1,000 deposit will secure a selected suite. The deposit is 100% refundable in the rare situation that a depositor changes his or her mind. The deposit gives the added security of our opening rates and guarantees your choice in suite selections.

Large bright open areas with spectacular views of the landscaped grounds complement the facility, and an indoor pool, movie theatre and greenhouse are among the many unique features seniors will enjoy at the residence at 3501 Campeau Dr.

"The Royalton is a retirement residence with all the grandeur of a fine hotel, but with the warmth and comfort of your own home," adds Dixon. "It is a residence to call home, a place not to retire, but to enjoy life at a price that is affordable."

The residence is designed to cater to both independent seniors and seniors who require some assistance with daily living.

Seniors can choose from 15 different one-bedrooms 11 different two-bedroom suites styles starting at \$3,375 per month and ranging from 420 square feet to 1,184 square feet. Included in the rent is one meal a day that you can select, weekly housekeeping, cable, participation in all of our activities and transportation. Each independent living suite has a full kitchen.

Assisted living apartments have kitchenettes, including a microwave oven and small refrigerator.

“On the inside, our suites are very much like big and bright condos with hardwood flooring and carpet in the bedrooms, windows that open, balconies and common areas with plenty of windows that welcome in natural light,” says Dixon. “When visiting their neighbours, residents will rarely walk into a suite that is the same as theirs; we are anything but an ‘institutional’ building.”

The Royalton is able to offer affordable monthly fees because it offers a variety of options that enable residents to custom-design their homes and services at a price they can afford. They can choose from a number of suite options at various prices and when selecting a meal plan, they can take one daily meal in the dining room and prepare two in their own kitchens or have all three served in the dining room. And as more care is needed additional services can be added.

Another of the Royalton’s appealing features will be its family oriented team of staff members, all of whom live in and are familiar with the Kanata area.

“It is very important that a building be beautiful but staff and the environment inside are what makes the property a home,” says Dixon.

“Management and staff believe that caring for residents is not a job but a lifestyle.”

All residents will be members of the Royalton Club, which offers first class services and amenities. It’s a place to relax or keep active, where friends and family meet for a cocktail, a game of cards or a movie and where they can get health and wellness advice.

The five-storey Royalton contains 158 suites, all areas are wheelchair accessible and 24-hour concierge service is provided; the building’s construction is fireproof and residents will feel safe knowing the facility is equipped with an emergency generator and emergency lighting, smoke and heat detectors, a sprinkler system, video surveillance, intercom and a public address system. Fire alarms are independently monitored. All visitors are screened for added safety.

There are four elevators; residents can choose from interior or exterior parking.

In-suite amenities include solid hardwood flooring with fully carpeted bedrooms, stainless steel kitchen appliances, pre-selected laminate counter tops, stainless steel sinks and wood cabinetry. Bathrooms feature non-slip floors with walk-in showers, but some of our units do include tubs.

All suites have personal climate controls and an emergency life pendant. Cable TV is included and all suites are pre-wired for telephone and high-speed Internet. There are complimentary laundry facilities on each floor.

Standard services include general housekeeping and optional laundry, professional chef and dining room staff, full-service dining in the Regency Dining Lounge, private and special occasion dining service and tray service and meal preparation for modified diets. There is a bistro bar plus daily snacks and beverages.

Optional services available for a fee are additional meals, a companion service, valet parking, dog walking, spring and fall housekeeping and assisted living services, such as help with bathing and dressing.

Facilities include a covered patio with outdoor dining, the Windsor Arms Bar, a movie theatre, billiards, a library, a beauty salon and chapel, entertainment lounges equipped with a TV and DVD player, an indoor pool with a Jacuzzi, a wellness spa, an exercise room and physiotherapy and Internet & Fireside Lounges.

Residents can enjoy the outdoor victory garden, the greenhouse, landscaped grounds and illuminated walking paths, gazebos, a putting green, a woodworking shop, a craft centre and a demonstration kitchen. Other conveniences are a gift shop and dry cleaning and shuttle services.

On the health and wellness side, there will be a visiting physician and pharmacy service, plus a recreation director who will develop a full activities schedule, including resident outings. Nurses are available during the day and qualified personnel are on hand to dispense first aid at all times.

The residence is conveniently located near the Kanata Centrum, in close proximity to most services, including public transit, places of worship,

medical centres, pharmacies, Kanata Senior Center, banks, cleaners and travel agencies.

The Royalton Retirement Residence in Kanata and those in other cities are the result of a unique partnership between Liberty Assisted Living and the Coram Construction Group, which continues a 50-year family tradition of providing professional services and quality workmanship for seniors and other clients.

*A presentation centre is open in Kanata from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Private appointments may also be scheduled outside of these hours. For more information, please call (613) 899-2589 or visit [www.theroyaltonresidence.com](http://www.theroyaltonresidence.com)*

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