The SDHCA Feature Facility for November is Clarkson Health Care in Rapid City where Lou Ann Eppard is the Administrator. Clarkson Health Care Facility is a 52 bed, state licensed, Medicare approved facility. Long and short term stays are provided in private and semi private accommodations. A comfortable and welcoming environment welcomes all guests as well as 2 assisted living suites.

The main focus at Clarkson Health Care Facility is rehabilitation. A very high percentage of the residents return to their independent living setting because of the utilization of rehab. A professional nurse is on duty 24 hours a day and the Medical Director is involved in the operations of our facility.

Residents are encouraged to participate in a variety of activities, outings and events that are planned to meet each individual's creative, spiritual, recreational and social needs.

A Social Services Coordinator, Activity Director, Director of Nursing, Therapist and Dietary Aide meet on a regular basis with each resident and their family. This “plan of care” meeting ensures that the specific needs of each resident are being met in the most effective means possible.

Located on the west side of Rapid City, Clarkson Health Care Facility also offers another choice of service for residents of the community. Purchased by Westhills Village in 2000, Clarkson has been renovated and upgraded to a beautiful, well equipped facility.

SDHCA would like to thank Lou Ann, and the entire staff at Clarkson Health Care for all they do for South Dakota seniors!