



THE NVH OBSERVER

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NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

From The Desk of Jerry Eisenhower, NVH Administrator

Greetings,

If any of you have pulled into the front drive of Norfolk Veterans Home recently you have probably noticed several large evenly spaced holes drilled around the outside of the drive. I want to assure you that we are not doing a re-make of the movie Caddy shack and that is not Bill Murray you see filling in the holes, but rather our wonderful groundskeeper Jason! The truth of the matter is that I was contacted by one of our volunteers Thomas Landkamer who had raised money to replace the metal sleeves he had used previously to display each State's flag with heavier duty permanent sleeves. The new sleeves will allow Thomas to show his state flag display more often and ensure that each flag is given the respect it deserves. A big THANK YOU to Thomas and his installation crew, Jerry Land-kamer, Harold Thompson, Don Horn and Don Molacek and staffer from Pilger Sand & Gravel who donated the gravel for the project.

It is not all gloom and doom as we prepare for the Christmas season and look forward to the New Year. Although families are not able to sign up to reserve a room for Christmas for obvious reasons, we will try to ensure that our members are treated to holiday decorations and perhaps a group of carolers or two walking around the outside of the home!

We continue to battle the Covid virus every day at NVH. Our dedicated and caring teammates continue to show up every day ready to provide needed care to our members no matter what. We continue to test our teammates on a weekly basis and unfortunately see growing numbers of asymptomatic staff test positive and required to be off work and self-quarantine. One of the challenges that a lot of families and members are currently experiencing is the fact that our members have been in quarantine in some cases for a long period of time. The staff is working hard every day to ensure that infection control practices are being followed in an effort to stop the spread of Covid and help to get member living areas out of quarantine status. One bit of positive news I'm sure you are aware of is in regard to a possible vaccine and distribution to our staff and members. As of today, I do not have any confirmed information as to when we might receive vaccine doses. I will keep you in the loop as more information becomes available.

I hope you all have a safe and wonderful Christmas and I'm sure we are all looking forward to a better 2021!

Sincerely,

Jerry Eisenhower
Administrator

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PETE RICKETTS

**NEBRASKA
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GROW NEBRASKA

STATE OF NEBRASKA — MISSION:
CREATE OPPORTUNITY THROUGH MORE
EFFECTIVE, MORE
EFFICIENT,
AND CUSTOMER FOCUSED
STATE GOVERNMENT

NEW TEAMMATES



Abe Valdez
Custodian/Housekeeper



Kelly Henery
RN



April Brown
Custodian/Housekeeper

MEMBERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Want to find out what's happening at the Norfolk Veterans' Home?

Go to the State Veterans' homes website at <https://veterans.nebraska.gov/homes>
Here you will have access to the activity calendar and a multitude of other information regarding the State Veterans' Homes.

IN REMEMBRANCE

*In Remembrance of Those
Members Who Have Passed.*

No person was ever honored for what they received. Honor has been the reward for what they gave. ~Calvin Coolidge

Helen Pochop
Spouse of a U.S. Army Veteran

Richard Vaughn
U.S. Army Veteran

Duane Buckendahl
U.S. Army Veteran

Donald Fisher
U.S. Army Veteran

Joseph Quarteroli
U.S. Navy Veteran

Jerold Hulit
U.S. Air Force Veteran





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Bits & Pieces

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There will be **NO** room and meal reservations for the holidays this year. Sorry for any inconvenience.



FLAG DISPLAY



State Flags line the drive to and from NVH in honor of Pearl Harbor Day. Thank you to Thomas Landkamer, Jerry Landkamer, Starla Landkamer, Harold Thompson, Don Horn, Don Molacek, Dave Kohl, Charles Petzel and NVH Staff Teammate Jason Klug for all your work in making this possible.