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who stand up  
and speak out  
for freedom &  
liberty!



# Liberty Express

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The month of July means we are in full swing of the Summer programming here at the CNVH! Members have been enjoying the beautiful grounds that we have here and all the outdoor activities that have taken place.

Members have been spending time on the patios and attending to the garden planters that each home has for members to enjoy gardening. Members have been spending time at the lake fishing. They have been catching a lot and enjoy seeing how big they are before releasing them back into the lake.

Our July Programming will kick off with our:

- **4th of July Patriot Party, Friday July 1st at 7:00 p.m.—Freedom Hall**—the party will include bingo, music, treats and fireworks over the at dusk sponsored by the Kearney Elks!
- **Monday 4th of July**
  - \*10:00 a.m. **Bingo-Freedom Hall** -sponsored by the All Nebraska Tractor Club
  - \*Lunchtime-Watermelon FeedRecreation staff will also be passing other 4th July things out to members.



- **Happy Hour—Tuesday, July 12th at 3:00—Freedom Hall**—Come down and enjoy a cold beverage!

- **Kearney Classic Car Cruise Night Parade—**

**Wednesday July 13th-TBA**—The classic cars will



be cruising by each neighborhood this evening. Join your recreation staff out front of your neighborhoods to enjoy the **Classic Cars!**

- **Merrymakers Concert—Joyce Torchia-Tuesday, July 19th at 2 p.m.—Freedom Hall**—Come enjoy some wonderful music, this event is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

- **Educational Session-Protect Yourself From Fraud Presentation—Wednesday, July 20th at 2:30 p.m.—Freedom Hall**—provided by Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance.



- **Fair Time Exhibit Hall—Freedom Hall**
  - ◇ Tuesday, July 26th 1:00 pm-3:30 pm
  - ◇ Wednesday, July 27th 9:00 am-12:00 pm and 1:00 pm—3:30 pm
  - ◇ Thursday, July 28th 9:00 am-12:00 pm and 1:00 pm—3:30 pm

Come see all the talents the members and staff have and enjoy some treats on Wednesday.



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# Flag Day Display



*The Flag Day Display was on loan to us from the Kearney Elks!*



*President Wilson in 1916 and President Coolidge in 1927, issued proclamations asking for June 14th to be observed as National Flag Day.*

*August 3rd, 1949 was when Congress approved the national observance and President Harry Truman signed it into Law.*



*Members enjoyed taking in the Flag Display that was in Hearth Room for Flag Day!*

***Member of the Month:  
Paul Jensen***

Paul Jensen was selected as the “Member of the Month” by the C.N.V.H. Member Council.



Paul was born in Audubon, Iowa and was raised in Oak, Nebraska. Later in life he lived in Superior, Nebraska and then moved to Hastings, Nebraska. Paul attended high school in Ruskin, Nebraska, and then attended school at Central Nebraska Tech in Hastings prior to joining the service. Paul was drafted into the Army from the Fall of 1967 until the spring of 1969. Paul’s military occupation was a Combat Engineer and repaired roads and built bridges in Vietnam.

Paul enjoys spending his free time putting puzzles together and doing word searches. Paul is a member of the VFW in Superior, Nebraska.

Paul’s favorite color is blue, favorite food is a good piece of beef and his favorite car is General Motors.

Paul’s favorite thing about living at CNVH is being able to work in the Woodshop.

Congratulations, Paul, on being selected “Member of the Month”!

***In Memoriam***



**Duane Hasty  
Kent Beavers**



# Happy Hour at CNVH



*Members enjoy a monthly "Happy Hour" where they can have a cold beverage and appetizers!*



## Campfire and S'mores



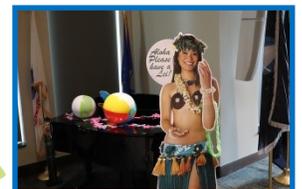
Members enjoy spending time on the patios of their homes and having a campfire and s'mores! The term s'more was first found in the 1938 guide "Recreational Programs for Summer Camps," by William Henry Gibson. They are now a favorite summer time snack for many of us!



## Luau



*Members enjoyed a Luau Party that was sponsored by the District 6 American Legion and Auxiliary!*



# Wildlife on Campus at CNVH...



*Members enjoyed the Wildlife Scavenger hunt that the Recreation department put together for them to enjoy! Wildlife animals appeared around campus for members to search for, read information on the animals and complete a worksheet to turn in for a prize.*



## Thank You



*Many thanks to Kearney Regional Platte Valley Medical Clinic for their donation towards the Patriotic Celebration Parade which our members thoroughly enjoyed!*



*Many thanks to Linda Garvel (at left) for serving as our American Legion Auxiliary Rep for the Central Nebraska Veterans' Home. We wished her well upon her retirement!*

# ***Celebrations at Central Nebraska Veterans' Home***

The last week of June the members enjoyed festivities leading up the 4th of July!



## ***Patriotic Celebration Parade***



*The members enjoyed seeing all the participants in our 3rd Annual Patriotic Celebration Parade!*



*Thank you to all you came out and participated in the parade for the members!*



# Patriotic Celebrations Continued.....



## 4th of July Treats

## Thank You



*The members enjoyed Banana Splits with their lunch!*



Thank you to the All Nebraska Tractor Drive Club for the \$5,000.00 donation to the Central Nebraska Veterans' Home for the Recreation Department!

**CNVH Member Council Honors:**

**Paul Jensen**

**Member of the Month**



**CNVH Member Council Honors:**

**Lindsey Eads**

**Employee of the Month**



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