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Member Council
Salute

The month of July means we are in full swing of the Summer programming here at 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.

Here are a few of the Facility July programs, please refer to your neighborhood calendar for the rest of the activities that are taking place.

-Tuesday July 4th-10:00 am 4th of July Bingo in Freedom Hall 12:00 Watermelon Feed in all neighborhoods at lunchtime.



-Tuesday July 11th-2:30 pm Merrymakers Concert Joe Taylor "Mr. Memories"-Freedom Hall-sponsored by the ALA.

Wednesday July

12th-6:20 pm-

Kearney Classic

Car Cruise Night

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



Monday July 17th-7:00 pm-Kearney Barbershop-Freedom Hall-Come down and enjoy some music.

Tuesday July 25th-

2:30 pm-Happy

Hour and Appetiz-

ers-Freedom Hall-

Sponsored by ALA and SAL.



Location of activities may change depending on if there is a Covid outbreak status in the building. Posters will be posted of any changes.



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Message from the Administrator

In early June, after 44 years of service, Kim Mostek, our Human Resources Manager retired from Central Nebraska Veterans' Home. She was greatly surprised when a cardboard cut-out of a famous country music artist appeared as part of her retirement party and was met with laughs and smiles. Lots of well wishes and hugs were shared as she departed for her next adventures!



Mr. Vincent "Jim" Troiola, American Legion National Commander, and his team visited Central Nebraska Veterans' Home on June 22nd. He was escorted by Veterans' Homes Board member Dave Salak. The Commander had never visited a State Veterans Home in Nebraska before and provided wonderful feedback on how thoroughly impressed they were with our facility.



If at any time you have any questions for me, feel free to contact me by email or by phone. Thank you!

Dorin C. Vaipan
CNVH Administrator



Member Council Employee of the Month ANDREA KROMER of SOCIAL WORK

Andrea Kromer Joined our CNVH family five years ago. She first worked in nursing as a CNA and MA. Two years ago she moved to the Social Work team working as a Social Work Tech. Andrea says she loves working at CNVH and wouldn't go anywhere else! Andrea always has a smiling face and joyful spirit which shows through everything she does.

Member of the Month:

Ed Young

Ed, who recently moved to CNVH, was selected as the “Member of the Month” by the CNVH Member Council. Ed is married to Carol and he has a son, a daughter and a step-daughter. Ed grew up in Mitchell, South Dakota, Lincoln, Nebraska, and Grand Island, Nebraska, but he lived in various places when he was in the United States Navy.



Ed is a United States Navy Veteran. He enlisted in the service the day before his 18th birthday. Ed was a Aviation Photographer in the Navy, was on the Ice Breaker Ship and also in the North and South Pole and to the Panama Canal.

Ed’s occupation was construction and he then ran a grocery store for many years. Ed liked to use his leisure time working on cars, wood working, and riding his motorcycle. Some of his favorite motorcycle trips include Sturgis and riding to Daytona Beach/Pensacola Florida.

When asked what the best thing about living at CNVH was he stated “It’s quiet. I’ve made a lot of good friends. The employees are all good to me.”

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

In Memoriam



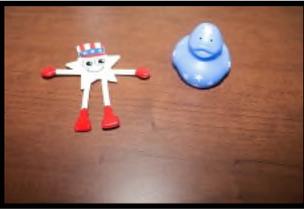
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Happenings Across Campus

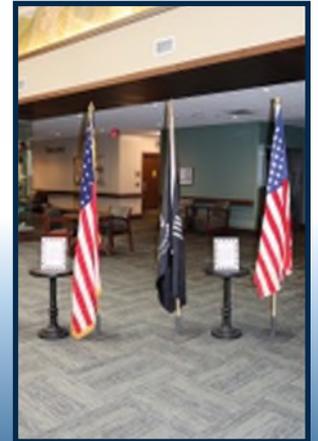
The June calendar was full of fun activities for members to participate in. Just to name a few were a Luau Beach Party with Bingo and Ice Cream Sundaes with District 6 American Legion Auxiliary. Therapy Llamas, from Eight Winds Ranch, were on campus to visit the members.

A few other activities were peach cobbler and ice cream, and "Dads Are Tie-riffic" which was the theme in the library for the month of June.



Flag Day Display

A Flag Day Display was in the Hearth Room for members and staff to stop and observe. The flags were on loan to us from The Kearney Elks Lodge.



Patriotic Celebration Week



The last week in June was spent the celebrating all the things we love about America! Among them were a BBQ, a Patriotic Parade, Pie and Ice Cream Social, and a Patriotic Celebration on Friday June 30th that included Bingo, Snacks, Music and Fireworks at dusk over the lake! Members enjoyed the week of fun activities that were planned!

The Patriotic Parade was organized by volunteer Kim Deyo. The community of Kearney came out and supported the parade!

Pie and Ice Cream Social was sponsored by the ALA!

Patriotic Celebration was sponsored by the Kearney Elks Lodge!



Patriot Celebration Parade



It was a beautiful morning for the parade! The members enjoyed seeing all of the entries in the Parade this year! Thank you to all in the Kearney Community that came out to support the parade this year!



Central Nebraska Veterans' Home received a \$8,000 donation from the All Nebraska Tractor Club that raised money for the Activities Department.



Patriotic Celebration Week Continued.....



4TH OF JULY



CNVH Member Council Honors:

Ed Young

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Employee of the Month



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