

To honor all
who stand up
and speak out
for freedom &
liberty!



Liberty Express

March 2023

Central Nebraska Veterans' Home, 4510 E. 56th St., Kearney, NE 68847 (308) 865-6000

The Month Of March Brings "Luck" To CNVH -Jessica Modlin, Activity Manager

As we move into March here at CNVH we have many activities planned to bring "Luck" to the members. Here are some of the Facility Activities that will be happening in March, please refer to your neighborhood calendars for your neighborhood activities:

Thursday March 16th at 7:00 pm **Bingo-Freedom Hall-**sponsored by the Kearney Legion

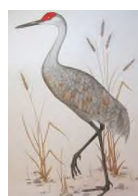


Friday March 17th at 2:00 pm **St. Patrick's Day Bingo Party-**Freedom Hall-sponsored by the ALA

Tuesday March 21st at 2:00 pm **Sandhill Crane Program and Scavenger Hunt-Freedom Hall**



Monday March 27th at 7:00 pm **Bingo-Freedom Hall-**sponsored by the Kearney Elks.



Please check your Neighborhood calendar for dates and times to go on a Sandhill Crane Tour!

March 4th is the Anniversary of the Nebraska Veterans' Home that was established in 1887!

Tuesday March 7th at 2:00 pm



M & M Bingo Party-Freedom Hall-sponsored by the ALA.

Thursday March 9th at 7:00 pm **Bingo-Freedom Hall-**sponsored by the VFW.

Saturday March 11th at 10:00 am **Bingo with Buffalo County Equestrian 4H Club-Freedom Hall**

Monday March 13th at 2:00 pm **Merrymakers Instrumental Concert provided by Bill Troy** -Freedom Hall-sponsored by the ALA



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

Page 2
Message From The Administrator

Page 3
Member of the Month & Memorial

Page 4
Happenings Across Campus....

Page 5
Mardi Gras Library

Page 6
Love In The Air At CNVH

Page 7
Valentine Parties

Page 8
Member Council Salute



GOVERNOR
JIM PILLEN

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS DIRECTOR
JOHN HILGERT

CENTRAL NEBRASKA VETERANS' HOME ADMINISTRATOR
DORIN C. VAIPAN



Message from the Administrator

March will be the month when the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs will conduct their annual survey checking on our overall compliance with the VA policies and procedures as well as other regulations.

As I mentioned in my previous article, in preparation for this survey, our central office conducted a mock survey that included observation of clinical care, infection control, food services preparation and sanitation, hazard free environment and cleanliness, following policy and procedures, Life Safety Code issues, etc. The mock survey helped us to identify regulatory issues that need corrected or improved. Therefore we created corrective action plans with intervention that target the non-compliance. Thank you to all of you that were working diligently to implement these correction plans or for auditing the effectiveness of the corrections.

During this busy time to us all, our teammates and their supervisors connected together to finalize the 2022 employee performance reviews. This is an important annual activity that allows the teammates to self-review their 2022 work performance as well as to be reviewed by their supervisor.

Plans are made to contract with a third party company that will administer the annual satisfaction surveys to our members and their families. More specific information will be available soon.

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

Fun In the Craft Department!

Come to the Craft Department and check out some new craft projects that you can do in the “*Craft Corner*”!



Member of the Month: Kenneth Maschka



Kenneth was selected as the “Member of the Month” by the CNVH Member Council. Kenneth has lived at Central Nebraska Veterans’ Home for about 1 year. Kenneth was born and raised in Ashton, Nebraska and continued to live there his whole life until coming to CNVH. Kenneth and his wife Lois were high school sweethearts. In high school, Kenneth played football and basketball. Kenneth comes from a close knit family and Kenneth enjoys reminiscing about taking his family fishing and on picnics. Kenneth also enjoys reminiscing about his mother’s delicious kolaches she would make. Later in life Kenneth was the owner of a sausage shop, grocery store and a lumber company.

Kenneth was in the United States Army and is a Peace Time veteran. Kenneth was stationed in Germany. Military decorations he received were the Good Conduct Medal, Letter of Appreciation, Letter of Commendation, and Expert Badge (rifle).

Kenneth enjoyed singing in the choir at his church and was a member of the Knights of Columbus. Kenneth enjoys working on woodworking projects now. Some of Kenneth’s favorite things are the color red, hamburgers, and his favorite car is a Chevy Delta.

When asked what the best thing about living at CNVH was he stated “The staff keep me busy”.

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

In Memoriam

James Jorgenson

Robert “Dean” Peterson

Delmar Solko

Manuel “Manny” Vega

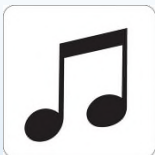


Happenings Across Campus.....

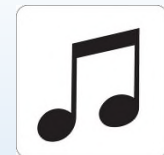
Celebrating National Pizza Day



The members enjoyed a slice of pizza with their lunch to celebrate National Pizza Day. The sponsor for this activity was the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary (DAVA) of Nebraska.



Merrymakers Concert



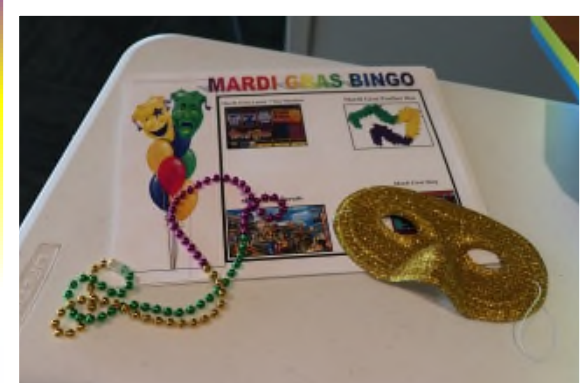
The members enjoyed listening to a instrumental concert by Merrymakers performer Mike McCracken. This activity was sponsored by the ALA.



Fun Activities Across Campus.....

Mardi Gras Bingo Party

*Members enjoyed Mardi Gras Bingo and treats!
This event was sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary!*



Library

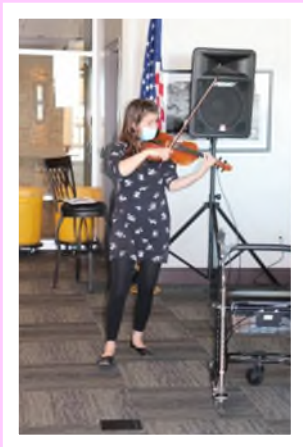
The members enjoyed their "Blind Date With Their Book"! The members turned in great reviews on the books! Members that participated in this event will be receiving a prize.

Remember to check out the library every month to check out what fun activity we will be doing that involves the library!

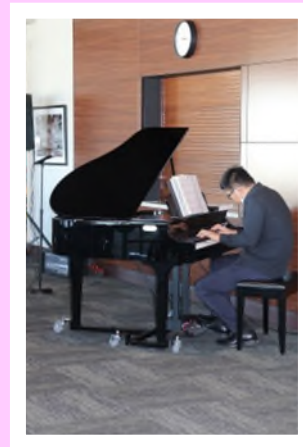
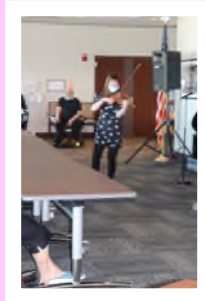


Love In The Air At CNVH.....

We had many Valentine themed activities going on in the month of February!



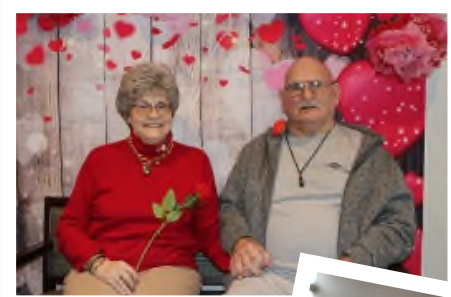
The Cheng's



The members enjoyed "Love Songs" the Cheng's performed on the piano and the violin. The members enjoyed reminiscing about love songs.



Valentine's Social

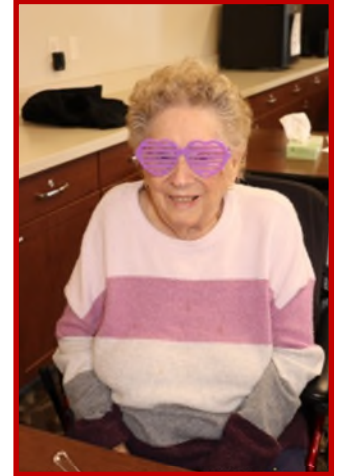
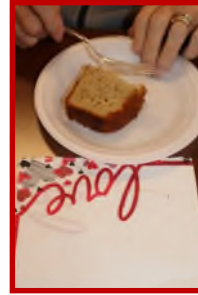


Members enjoyed a Valentine's Social with delicious treats and enjoyed taking photos at the photo booth. This activity was sponsored by Veterans of The Midlands Foundation!

Valentine Parties and Gift Distributions



This is an annual event and is put on by the Cooties, VFW and Auxiliary. The members enjoyed sweet breads and Valentine Bingo.

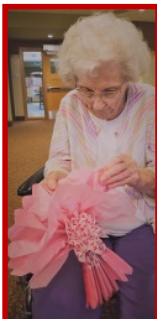


District 10 Valentine's Party



The members enjoyed playing bingo and having special treats! This was sponsored by the District 10 Auxiliary.

More Valentine's Activities Across Campus



Making flowers for Valentine's Day!



One of many special Valentine deliveries to the members!

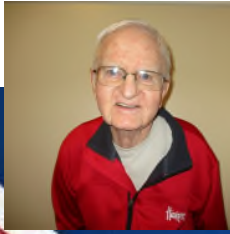


Delta Neighborhood Queen crowning!

CNVH Member Council Honors:

Kenneth Maschka

Member of the Month



CNVH Member Council Honors:

Evan Jennings

Employee of the Month



Mail To:



The Liberty Express is published monthly by Central Nebraska Veterans' Home,
4510 E. 56th Street, Kearney, NE 68847 (308) 865-6000
Administrator: Dorin C. Vaipan
Editor: Jessica Modlin, Public Information Officer
Printing: Reception
Newsletter on line: <https://veterans.nebraska.gov/cnvh>