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Salute



Thursday, July 4
at 10 a.m.,
Independence Day
Bingo in Freedom
Hall.

Friday, July 5 at 10 a.m., **Nation of Patriots, Flag Handoff** - Freedom Hall Patio

Monday, July 8 at 2:30 p.m., **Movie Monday** featuring "Lassie, The Painted Hills" in Freedom Hall



Wednesday, July 9 at 10:30 a.m. **Audio Book Club** will meet in the Library

Thursday, July 11 at 7 p.m., **Bingo** sponsored by Kearney VFW in Freedom Hall

Sunday, July 14 at 2:30 p.m. **Bingo and Ice Cream Social** sponsored by District 10 in Freedom Hall



Wednesday, July 17
evening, **Kearney**
Cruise Night Classic

Cars as they tour around our campus drive. Your recreation aide will have more details closer to the event.

Thursday, July 18 at 2:30 p.m., **Merrymakers Concert** featuring Bill Troy in Freedom Hall



Monday, July 22 at 7 p.m., **Bingo** sponsored by Kearney Elks in Freedom Hall

Wednesday, July 24 at 2:30 p.m., **Christian Music Concert** featuring James Hintz in Freedom Hall

Fun at the **Buffalo County Fair** on
Thursday, July 25
1-4 p.m.



Friday, July 26
9 a.m. to Noon.

Sunday, July 27 at 10 a.m., **Bingo** in Freedom Hall sponsored by Gibbon Faith United Church.



Monday, July 29 at 10:30 a.m. is the **Carnival** in Freedom Hall and on the Freedom Hall Patio.



Tuesday, July 30
at 2:30 p.m. is **Happy Hour and Appetizers** in

Freedom Hall sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Please refer to your neighborhood calendars for activities taking place in your neighborhoods.

Please note, location of activities may change depending on if there is a Covid outbreak status in the building. Posters will indicate changes.



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Message from the Administrator

I hope that all of you met or heard about Lois Dael who is the Nurse Practitioner providing care to our Central Nebraska Veterans' Home (CNVH) - see photo to the right. Lois was hired by our Medical Director

Group "HOMAHA Senior Care" back in January 2023, and she was asked to provide care 40 hours per week to our members. The only change effective July 16, 2024, is in the change of her employer.

Beginning with the above mentioned date, Lois will become a State of Nebraska employee and she will continue to serve and care for our members full-time, as she did so far. Welcome Lois, this time as a CNVH public servant!



As I mentioned in the last month's article, in the month of June CNVH said "Farewell



and Happy Retirement" to Bonnie Larsen, our Crafts/Woodshop Supervisor, who retired after 34 years of service (photo top left with NDVA Director John Hilgert). Bonnie was presented with an Admiralship in Nebraska's Navy signed by Governor Jim Pillen. We thank Bonnie for her many years of service and wish her the best as she embarks on her next chapter in life!



Of course, the Crafts & Woodshop department could not function without a supervisor after Bonnie left. It is my pleasure to introduce Ralph Healey (photo bottom left) as the new Crafts/Woodshop Supervisor who has already been a State of Nebraska employee for 12 years, his previous work station being the Youth Rehabilitation & Treatment Center in Kearney, NE. Welcome Ralph!

Dorin C. Vaipan, CNVH Administrator



Member Council Employee of the Month TREGG REISS in Building Services

Tregg Reiss joined CNVH in March of 2022 and serves as a Lead in the Building Services department. Tregg listens well and supports all Custodian/Housekeepers in need of direction. He focuses on employee and member well-being and elevates the Lead role to high standards. Congratulations Tregg!

Member of the Month: Edna Ferguson



Edna has been residing at CNVH for over 4 years since moving in with her husband Jim Ferguson of 67 years of marriage.

Edna's late husband Jim, was a Korean War Air Force Veteran and they raised 5 children together.

During her younger years she was a housewife and missionary after graduating with honors from College with an Associate's Degree. This is an area that Edna is very proud of finishing with 3.85 GPA.

Edna had a great many favorites to do which included leading bible study groups with Jim, reading the bible and playing the accordion. She enjoyed watching Jimmy Stewart and John Wayne movies and loved to go fishing with Jimmy and the kids. Among her hobbies she has found great joy in a number of things, such as reading the bible daily, attending worship, playing Bingo with the ladies. Edna also enjoys quilting and embroidery and sewing activities.

Congratulations Edna, on being selected "Member of the Month"!

In Memoriam



*Jackie Lemke
Mary Lee Anderson
Alva Vanvleet
Harold Ziegenbein*



Angler Skills Abound at CNVH Fishing Tournament



Song and Music Fill the Air



Merrymaker's Concert
with Joe Taylor
sponsored by the
American Legion
Auxiliary



1733
Barbershop
Concert

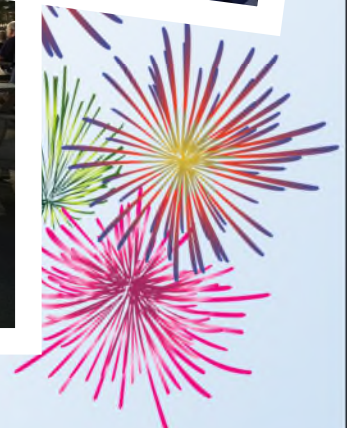


Celebrating Independence With Lakeside Fireworks





*Members enjoyed
lakeside fireworks
sponsored by the
Kearney Elks.*



CNVH Member Council Honors:

MEMBER

Member of the Month



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TREGG REISS

Employee of the Month



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