



THE NVH OBSERVER

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NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

From The Desk of Josh Stafursky NVH Administrator

Greetings,

March has come and gone, and to no one's surprise, we experienced Nebraska's predictably unpredictable weather. We saw days with temperatures close to 80 degrees and days with snow and wind chills below zero. As many have probably noticed, we also made it through the month without experiencing an event that is usually also very predictable – the annual USVA Survey.

Norfolk Veterans' Home typically receives an unannounced visit from surveyors in March every year for an annual certification survey, however that wasn't the case this year. Regulations call for a State Veterans' Home to be surveyed once every 270 to 450 calendar days, which means our next survey could occur at any time between now and sometime in early June. Our team will continue to be "survey ready" in anticipation of this upcoming event, which we hope will occur sooner rather than later. These surveys are always a great opportunity to showcase the wonderful things we do here, and to learn how we can become even better.

With April upon us, I'm excited for members to have more opportunities for outdoor activities. I will be joining members and the activities team on Saturday, April 20, in Dakota City for a lunch hosted by the American Legion. I'm looking forward to experiencing some time away from the facility with members, staff, and volunteers! I know many members and volunteer groups are looking forward to the various activities in the coming weeks and months.

As always, we continue to be blessed with the generosity of veteran's organizations and other community groups who donate their time, energy, and financial resources to enhance the quality of life for members at NVH. I can't thank these groups enough for their commitment.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter and look forward to another great month at NVH.

Sincerely,

Josh Stafursky, Administrator

GOVERNOR:
JIM PILLEN

**NEBRASKA
DEPT. OF VETERANS'
AFFAIRS DIRECTOR:**
JOHN HILGERT

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STATE OF NEBRASKA VISION:
GROW NEBRASKA

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

HOME HAPPENINGS



On The Road Again

March weather can be very unpredictable but on Monday, March 11th it cooperated allowing our members to travel to the Pierce American Legion & ALA. This makes it their first supper outing of 2024.

Members ate a delicious home cooked supper, and visited with the Legion and Auxiliary members before heading back to NVH.



Members enjoyed a St. Patrick's day party. Meat, cheese, crackers and of course green drinks were served.

Thank you to the American Legion Riders for sponsoring this activity.



HOME HAPPENINGS



Unit F members spent the afternoon painting clay flower pots to look like leprechaun hats!



**Healthcare
Volunteer
Week 2024**
April 21-27

Norfolk Veterans' Home would like to thank the many individual and volunteer groups that take the time to spend with our veterans. We appreciate you!

Volunteer Recognition Program
will be held on April 11th.

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



Edward Fischer
U.S. Army Veteran

Warren Wortman
U.S. Air Force Veteran

Clair Ohlrich
U.S. Army Veteran

Anthony "Tony" Kochenash
U.S. Air Force Veteran

Alvin Synovec
U.S. Air Force Veteran

HEROES WALL - TRIBUTE TILES

Tribute tiles are displayed in the Flag Plaza located at the front of the Norfolk Veterans Home.

Three 31/2 x 4 3/4 designs are available for purchase.

Forms are available at the front desk of the Norfolk Veterans Home, in the lectern box by the memory plaza walls, on the website

<https://www.supportheroespark.org/page/wall-of-heroes/>

Or you can contact Nancy Zaruba at 402-379-4654 or cell 402-649-3939 or via email: ndzaruba@outlook.com or nzaruba@kdsi.net



\$250 Tribute Tile Option



\$150 Tribute Tile Option



\$100 Tribute Tile Option



SALUTE OUR NEW MEMBERS

NORFOLK VETERANS HOME WELCOMES YOU

James S.

U.S. Air Force Veteran

Merlin K.

U.S. Air Force Veteran

Tom R.

U.S Army Veteran

Marvin P.

U.S. Army Veteran

Howard P.

U.S. Army Veteran

Norfolk Veterans Home Gift Cards

**Available in any amount from
\$1 to \$25**

May be used to purchase any item sold in the Canteen including meal tickets

**Available for staff & members
convenience**

Meal tickets can be purchased in the canteen or NVH Accounting Window and are \$3.00 per ticket.

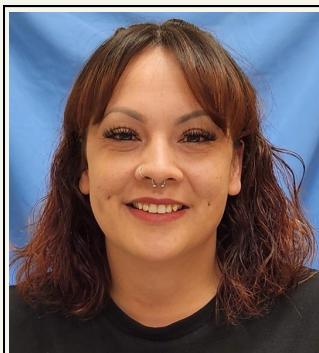
NEW TEAMMATES



Samantha Kumm
Staff Care Tech II



Pray Meh
Staff Care Tech II



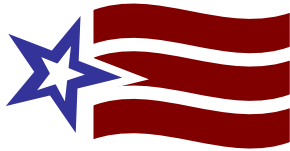
Heather Klug
Staff Care Tech II

Please welcome the following new teammates to NVH.

WELCOME



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Norfolk Veterans Home

Bits & Pieces

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FACILITY PROVIDING LONG TERM CARE FOR ELIGIBLE
NEBRASKA VETERANS, THEIR SPOUSES AND GOLD STAR
PARENTS.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING
ADMISSION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR
LOCAL COUNTY SERVICE OFFICER OR
DODIE FINKHAUS @ (402)370-3109**

