



# THE NVH OBSERVER

N O R F O L K V E T E R A N S H O M E

## NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

### From The Desk of Jerry Eisenhower, NVH Administrator

Greetings,

This month's newsletter is traditionally devoted to reporting on our annual Volunteer Awards Program and honoring the hundreds of wonderful and deserving volunteers who make life at Norfolk Veteran Home a more fulfilling experience. Although we were not able to hold the volunteer program I am pleased to report that our volunteer base is alive and well and slowly but surely working their way back into daily activities at NVH. Our current volunteer opportunities are not what I would call business as usual, but it is very encouraging to see several volunteer groups coming in to sponsor bingo parties and even an occasional pancake and sausage meal! Our volunteer representatives have been able to meet for the past two quarters in a row and our lineup of outings and events is looking very similar to pre-Covid days.

Special Thanks to our wonderful Activity Department; Deb Becker, Stephanie Eckert, Mary Swensen, DeAnn Stodola, Michelle Schommer and Makayla Ottis. You ladies are the best and our members are very fortunate to have such a talented and caring team working here. NVH would not be the same without you.

**Visitation:**

Visitors who would like to visit a specific member no longer need to use the online sign-up system. NVH can accommodate up to two visitors per member at a time in member rooms. Visitors must continue to go through the screening process and should not visit if they are not feeling well. Masks must be worn at all times in all areas of the building. Visits are permitted outside, in member rooms (with consideration given to the member's roommate) or in designated visitation areas. Visits must be limited to visiting the member in question. If sharing food with a member during a visit, this may be done in the member's room (if appropriate distancing allows) or in designated visitation areas only. Visitors may not eat with members in the dining room at this time.

If more than two people would like to visit a member at the same time, please contact NVH in advance by phone to schedule a visit so we can ensure we have an appropriate space available for the visit and staff available to help if needed. Please call prior to the weekend to schedule planned visits on the weekend.

**You may schedule your visit by calling any of the following Visitation Schedulers:**

- Deb Becker 402-750-7395
- Elaine Wessendorf 402-370-3432
- Colleen Benson 402-370-3469

Take Care and Be Safe.

Jerry Eisenhower  
Administrator

**GOVERNOR:  
PETE RICKETTS**

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

**INSIDE THIS  
ISSUE:**

HOME HAPPENINGS	2
IN REMEMBRANCE	2
SALUTE TO OUR NEW MEMBERS	3
NDVA FOOD DRIVE	3
NEW TEAMMATES	3
BITS AND PIECES	4

STATE OF NEBRASKA VISION:  
GROW NEBRASKA

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

# HOME HAPPENINGS



**Top Left:** Members visited the Norfolk Arts Center to view the worlds largest puzzle (28-foot-long, 6 foot-wide and containing 51,300 pieces) assembled by NVH member Gerald D. (photo on far left)

**Top Right:** Elkhorn Valley High School Jazz Band and Show Choir students entertain Members in the Heroes Park Pavilion.

# MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM



Please join us at the Norfolk Veterans Home for our **Memorial Day Program** at 9:30a.m. in the Rec. Room with an outdoor community program in the Flag Plaza following the indoor program.

Norfolk VFW is in charge

# IN REMEMBRANCE

*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

**Agnes Kuta**  
Spouse of a U.S. Navy Veteran

**Oliver Bossom**  
U.S. Army Veteran



# SALUTE OUR NEW MEMBERS

NORFOLK VETERANS HOME WELCOMES YOU

Maxine H.

U.S. Army Veteran

William J.

U.S. Army Veteran

Charles P.

U.S. Air Force Veteran

Phillip H.

U.S. Marine Corp Veteran

William V.

U.S. Army Veteran

Barbara V.

Spouse of a U.S. Army Veteran

Clarence U.

U.S. Army Veteran

Chris C.

U.S. Army Veteran

Dwain D.

U.S. Marine Corp Veteran

## NDVA FOOD DRIVE



Norfolk Veterans Home teammates participated in the 37th annual State Campaign Against Hunger in April collecting canned and bottled goods as well as household items to benefit Veterans and their families in need right here in the Norfolk area.

This shows that one **CAN** make a difference!

**Thanks for Donating!**

## NEW TEAMMATES



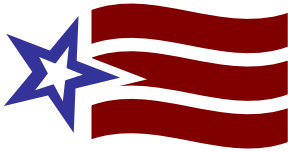
Alani Alvarado  
Staff Care Tech II



Rachel Schindler  
Food Service Assistant



**NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS**  
EOE/AA/ADA  
Norfolk Veterans Home  
600 E. Benjamin Ave.  
Norfolk, NE 68701  
Phone: (402) 370-3330



Norfolk Veterans Home

## Bits & Pieces

CENSUS  
118

Special Occasion Reservations:  
Call Activities @ (402) 370-3330

Want to find out what's happening at the  
Norfolk Veterans' Home?

Go to the State Veterans' homes website at  
<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/homes>  
Here you will have access to the activity calendar and a multitude of other information regarding the State Veterans' Homes.



Norfolk Veterans' Home Observer is published monthly  
for the members, families, staff and other interested parties.

**THE NORFOLK VETERANS HOME IS A STATE-OPERATED  
FACILITY PROVIDING LONG TERM CARE FOR ELIGIBLE  
NEBRASKA VETERANS.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING  
ADMISSION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR  
LOCAL COUNTY SERVICE OFFICER OR  
DODIE FINKHAUS @ (402)370-3109  
COLLEEN BENSON @ (402) 370-3469**

