



# THE NVH OBSERVER

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## BUSINESS NAME

### From The Desk of Josh Stafursky NVH Administrator

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GROW NEBRASKA

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

Greetings,

As we head into the “dog days” of summer, we continue looking forward to more outdoor activities and other projects around the Norfolk Veterans’ Home. It’s been wonderful to see flowers in bloom around the facility and folks outside enjoying the sunshine.

Although the heat and humidity has been a challenge over these last couple of weeks, we’re still excited about the variety of events happening in August. I’ve said it before, but we are so grateful for the support of our volunteers and their desire to organize and assist with favorites such as “Corn Days” (coming up this month), stock car races, fishing, and other activities.

Our volunteers also come to the Activities team with interesting new ideas for activities, some of which were discussed at our quarterly volunteer meeting in July. NVH provides a great variety of activities and outings for members here. As you can imagine, we have members with so many varying interests that it can be challenging sometimes to meet everyone’s desires. However, between the Activities staff and volunteers, we seem to find a way to fill our calendar with engaging events.

We are blessed to have staff and volunteers who listen to members’ wants and needs and do whatever they can to work with members to the best of their abilities. In fact, I’d be willing to put our activities calendar next to the calendars of any other similar facility in the state and I bet we offer far more opportunities than most!

I would be remiss if I didn’t mention a very exciting event that occurred in July and had staff and members swooning – “Elvis” was in the building! In almost two years here, I’m not sure I’ve seen the Rec Room so full, nor the sheer amount of pure joy this event brought to everyone. It was a truly heartwarming event for those in attendance and got many folks up and out of their chairs. This is exactly the kind of thing that makes NVH so special.

I hope everyone has a great August! And as Elvis would say, “thank you very much” for everything you do to make NVH a wonderful home for our members.

Sincerely,

Josh Stafursky, Administrator

## HOME HAPPENINGS



A group of veterans rode in the **Norfolk Odd Fellows 4th of July Parade**. Following the parade they had lunch at the Norfolk VFW.



Members attended the **Madison County Fair** in Madison. Members got to look at many exhibits and even hold some birds. Before leaving they enjoyed some traditional fair food!



## HOME HAPPENINGS CONTINUED



Members got to go fishing at Skyview Lake in Norfolk with the JOI club.



Members attended the **Nebraska Music Hall of Fame for Rock & Roll** and enjoyed an evening of live music from a variety of groups and artists. (Top right) Member Dale D. and former NVH Activities Supervisor Deb Becker pose for a picture.

## 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

**Marvin Werkmeister**  
U.S. Marine Veteran

**Ben Burton**  
U.S. Navy Veteran

**Russell Sila**  
U.S. Army Veteran

**Raymond Mielke**  
U.S. Army Veteran



### NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER



We are pleased to announce that Jessica Storovich has been selected as Employee of the Quarter at NVH.

Jessica represents both herself and the Health Information Department with professionalism and grace. She has a warm, welcoming personality and consistently greets members and staff with kindness—whether in person or over the phone.

During the admission process, Jessica demonstrates patience and compassion, taking the time to clearly explain each document to ensure our members fully understand what they are signing. Her genuine care and concern for our veteran population is evident in everything she does. She is a positive asset to the Norfolk Veterans' Home.

Congratulations, Jessica, on this well deserved honor!

# SALUTE OUR NEW MEMBERS

NORFOLK VETERANS HOME WELCOMES YOU

**Lynn P.**

U.S. Navy Veteran

**Caroline K.**

Spouse of a U.S. Air Force Veteran

**Dallas P.**

U.S. Army Veteran

## NEW NVH EMPLOYEES



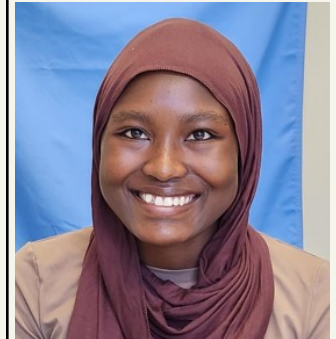
**Makayla Messenger**  
Staff Care Tech II



**Melanie Alvarez**  
Staff Care Tech II



**Gena Eddy**  
Food Service Assistant



**Halima Isaak**  
Staff Care Tech II



**Maggie Brandt**  
Staff Care Tech II



**Keila Domingo**  
Staff Care Tech II



**Litzy Valle**  
Staff Care Tech II



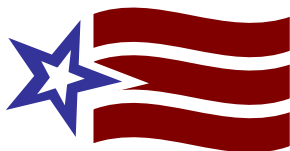
**Shiyann Bright**  
LPN

**Please welcome the following new staff to the Norfolk Veterans' Home.**





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3110

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

**FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING  
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