



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 Josh Stafursky NVH Administrator

Greetings,

November in Nebraska brings a change in the weather and ushers in the season of holiday celebrations, festive foods and celebrations with friends and loved ones! This year at the Norfolk Veterans' Home November also brings the retirement of Administrator Jerry Eisenhauer. Jerry's contributions to NVH over the years are too numerous to mention. He will be greatly missed.



I am honored to have the opportunity to be your new Administrator. While I have met many teammates and members already, there are many more to meet in the coming days and weeks! For those of you I have not met, I wanted to provide a little information about myself.

I was born at the former Walson Army Hospital at Fort Dix, New Jersey, while my father served in the Vietnam War. I grew up in New Hampshire and Massachusetts, graduating from Martha's Vineyard Regional High School in Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts. After graduating from the University of Missouri-Columbia, I moved to Nebraska and have called the state my home for 30 years. I obtained my master's degree in public administration from Bellevue University and have worked in the field of residential care for juveniles and adults for more than 20 years, the last six with the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs as the liaison between the four veterans' homes and Director John Hilgert. I have two children, Olivia (26), and Noah (22), both graduates of UNL. My son played for the Husker football team from 2018-2022!

Over the last few weeks, I have spent time with Jerry learning the ins and outs of NVH and am incredibly impressed with the facility, the teammates and the members. While I have worked in all four of the state's veterans' homes, I can honestly say NVH is the "cream of the crop," and it will be my priority to keep it that way! Recently, NVH Certified Master Social Work Supervisor Emily Rogers was recognized by Gov. Jim Pillen for excellence in leadership at a ceremony at the Governor's Residence in Lincoln. This is just one example I've seen so far of the topnotch teammates providing service to members here. There are so many more examples!

I'm looking forward to meeting as many people as possible at the large number of events we have scheduled this month and throughout the rest of the year, including the Dollar Days event on November 2nd, the Veterans Day program on November 10th, and the traditional Thanksgiving feast later in the month!

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



The Norfolk Police Department held a drone demonstration in Heroes' Park.



Elkhorn Valley Hunting Dog Trials held at NVH!

Below: Pod F members enjoyed some fall baking.



HOME HAPPENINGS CONTINUED



Members painted pumpkins and passed out candy for Halloween! It's always a treat for the members to see all the kids dressed up for Halloween.

Thank you to everyone who donated candy and helped in any way make this event enjoyable for our members.



RETIREMENT CELEBRATION



Jerry Eisenhauer (center) retired on November 1st after 15 years of dedicated service to our members.

We wish Jerry the very best.



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.

MEMBER BELONGINGS



New items brought to the facility after admission are to be labeled and reported to our Member Services department for inclusion on the member inventory sheet.

New clothing items should be labeled with a laundry pen prior to sending to laundry for permanent labeling.

Family members are encouraged to place their member's items in a bag labeled with the member's name. This may be left at the front desk or with any teammate to ensure they get taken to our laundry department.

Anything that includes electrical cords, need to be assessed by maintenance prior to being plugged in and also make sure member services are notified so they can be inventoried and labeled.

SALUTE OUR NEW MEMBERS

NORFOLK VETERANS HOME WELCOMES YOU

Robert F.

U.S. Army Veteran

Edwin P.

U.S. Marine Corps Veteran

Anthony K.

U.S. Air Force Veteran

Billy J.

U.S. Army Veteran

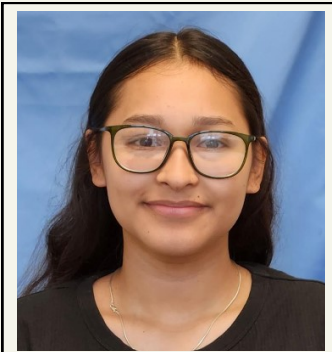
Charles B.

U.S. Army Veteran

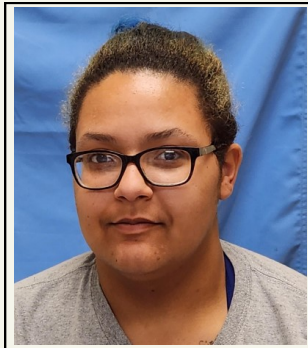
Linda D.

Spouse of a U.S. Marine Corps Veteran

NEW TEAMMATES



Cielo Arreguin
Staff Care Tech II



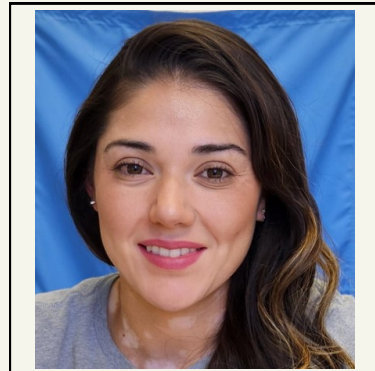
Aireanna Brown
Staff Care Tech II



Paige Schroeder
Staff Care Tech II



Hailey Firth
Staff Care Tech II



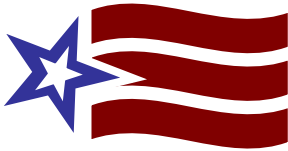
Deisy Kelley
Staff Care Tech II

Please welcome the following new teammates to NVH.





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Bits & Pieces

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Special Occasion
Reservations:
Call Activities @ (402) 370-
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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, THEIR SPOUSES AND GOLD STAR
PARENTS.**

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

