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Staring a New Year at Central Nebraska Veterans' Home -Jessica Modlin, Activity Manager

As we move into the month of January we close out 2022 here at Central Nebraska Veterans' Foxt Home and start the New Year of 2023! We are excited to kick off the 2023 activity programming and to see what is in store for us this year! Thur

Tuesday January 24th at 3:00 Happy Hour– for Delta, Echo & Foxtrot-Hotel Hub Activity Room-ALA & SAL



Thursday January 26th at 3:00 Happy Hour-for Alpha and Bravo-Golf Hub Activity Room-ALA & SAL

Here are some of the Facility Activities that will be happening in January:



Tuesday January 10th at 2:00 Candy Bomber Bingo- Activity Rooms in Golf and Hotel Hubs-—ALA

Thursday January 12th at 7:00—Bingo—Activity Rooms in Golf and Hotel Hubs-— Kearney VFW

Thursday January 19th at 7:00—Bingo—Activity Rooms in Golf and Hotel Hubs-— Kearney Legion

Monday January 23rd at 7:00– Bingo— Activity Rooms in Golf and Hotel Hubs-Kearney Elks Tuesday January 31st at 2:00— Chinese New Year Bingo Party—Activity Rooms in Golf and Hotel Hubs-—ALA-*The year of the Rabbit*

Please see the Neighborhood Calendars posted in your area for additional programming that will be taking place throughout January.

Activity Professionals Week— January 23rd—29th— Take time to thank your Activity staff for the great job they do all year!

From all of us at Central Nebraska Veterans' Home we would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year!



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Message from the Administrator

Farewell 2022! Reflecting on the year 2022 and our achievements at Central Nebraska Veterans' Home (CNVH) during this year, I would say it was not a bad year, despite the COVID outbreaks. Our team gained 52 more teammates

which is a great accomplishment for our area already challenged by a strong competition for the same categories of personnel. In the past 12 months, our Quality Measures improved each quarter showing great improvements in the quality of care to our members. All meals are now prepared in house, which was greatly appreciated by our members and reflected in their improved satisfaction. We have a new Medical Director group which can be reached anytime during regular hours as well as after hours and holiday. Our members benefit now of additional in-house and remotely access to two physicians and three APRNs. THANK YOU to all our teammates for their hard work and for the constant improvements made throughout 2022!

In December 2022 the community of Kearney overwhelmed us with plenty of gifts for our members, beyond our expectation, including 25 Christmas Trees that had been placed throughout the building by different organizations from our great community. This is an attestation of our good reputation in the community as well as community's gratitude to our members for the sacrifice they made for this great country and our freedom! Welcome 2023! Have you formulated your resolutions yet? Here is one for CNVH: Please join me in making CNVH the preferred employer in the community providing excellent care to our veterans!

Wishing you a happy and prosperous 2023, filled with work and personal achievements!

Dorin C. Vaipan, CNVH Administrator



Gifts For Yanks Parties

Members played The 12 Days of Christmas Bingo! They enjoyed winning prizes and having goodies during the parties. Following the parties volunteers and staff delivered envelopes with Christmas cheer inside and a cookie from Eileen's.







Member of the Month: Darwin Blanchard

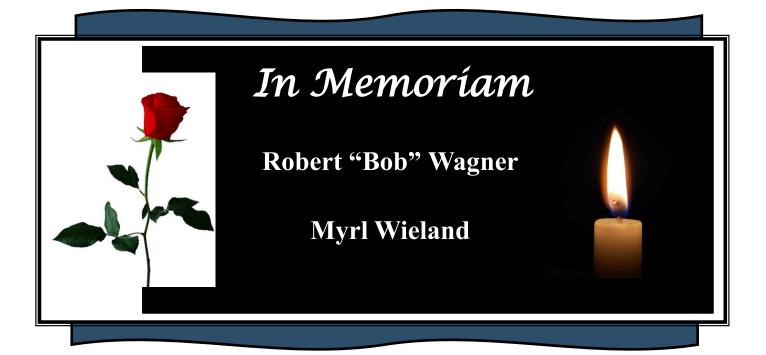
Darwin Blanchard was selected as the "Member of the Month" by the CNVH Member Council. Darwin was born and raised in Ravenna, Nebraska. He also lived in Texas, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Missouri.



Darwin was a Sergeant in the Army and worked on Radar Maintenance. He was stationed in Fort Bliss, Texas and Korea. Darwin's occupation was a Radar Equipment Foreman and he was a road trucker for about 42 years.

When Darwin was a teenager he enjoyed collecting stamps. Some of Darwin's favorite things are the color blue and favorite book is Call of the Wild. Darwin's favorite car is a 85 Volkswagen and a 61 Chevy Supersport. Darwin enjoys Mexican food and his favorite holiday is Christmas. Darwin enjoyed his time that he was in a Trucking Club.

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



Happenings On Campus......

New Book Donation for CNVH Library



Elizabeth Thede is part of the Junior American Legion Auxiliary and for her project she raised money to buy books for not only our Veterans Home but all the Veterans Homes in Nebraska. Elizabeth donated 42 books to be added to our library collection!





Puppy Visits











We receive many donations through the holiday season and throughout the year! Our members appreciate all the donations that CNVH receives. They help support the activities programs here at CNVH!

Moxie's puppies came for a visit, the members enjoyed loving on them!





FFA Poinsettia Donation





Merrymakers Musical Concert: The Links



The Links from Merrymakers came and performed a musical concert for us! The members enjoyed listening to the music and participating with bells and other instruments! This activity was sponsored by the ALA!



Pearl Harbor Remembrance



Members and staff took a moment on Pearl Harbor Day to reflect on the events that took place that day.







Christmas Trees Across Campus

The Christmas Trees Across Campus were sponsored by different organizations! The members enjoyed the beautiful trees around the building!









Sponsors that provided Christmas Trees this year:



Heartland Bank Riverdale Knights of Columbus, Kearney The Buckle Sampson Construction Leadership Kearney Tasha and crew Gold Star Mothers and Wilcox ALA Slagle Plumbing Graczyk Lawn & Landscape, Kearney Nebraskaland National Bank, Kearney Nancy Klimek Latter Day Saints Youth

Thank you to all of our sponsors for making CNVH look wonderful for the holidays!









Christmas Cheer Across Campus



The members were blessed by different organizations with their Christmas Gifts this year! We also had organizations adopt the dens in each neighborhood and gifts were bought for those areas too!









The Sponsors that provided member and den gifts this year were:

YRTC Office Staff, Kearney; Staff members of First National Bank of Omaha, Kearney Branch

Staff members of IconPoly, Gibbon; Twin Rivers Public Health Department Staff, Kearney

Staff members of Nebraska Public Power District, Kearney; St. James Catholic Church, Kearney

Staff members of American Fence Company, Kearney; Staff members of Wilkins ADP, Kearney

Staff members of Ashley Furniture, Kearney; Veterans First Organization Members, Kearney

Staff members of Bruning Bank, Kearney Branch; Kearney Area Children's Museum Patrons, Kearney

Staff members of Cash-Wa Distributing, Kearney; Staff members of The Sporting Edge and Sports Village, Kearney

Staff members of Pathway Design Group, Kearney; Staff members of Miller & Associates, Kearney

CHI Good Samaritan Administration Staff, Kearney; Staff members of Trius Federal Credit Union, Kearney Branch

Members of DAV Chapter 14; Post 52 American Legion Riders

Members of VFW & VFW Aux Post 759; Staff members of Twin Rivers Public Health Department, Kearney



Thank you to all of our sponsors for making it a wonderful time of year for our members!





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