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# THE NVH OBSERVER

NORFOLK VETERANS HOME

#### **NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

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

As I often times do when preparing to write my newsletter article, I look back on what I wrote about the prior year. Surprisingly from a Covid perspective, we were in exactly the same position we find ourselves today; no Covid positive members or teammates.

The difference a year ago was that we continued to have positive members and teammates as we progressed through the pandemic. The wonderful news this week is that the county positivity rate for Madison County is rated at Blue which means Low. This also equates to the fact that we have gone several weeks without any positive members or teammates.

The numbers certainly seem to be progressively going down and with any luck perhaps the worst of the pandemic is behind us! The timing couldn't be better with nice weather about to start up and families wanting to take their loved ones out or venture in to catch up.

As I mentioned last month, the flood gates for admissions has been opened and we have welcomed many new members to NVH. With our sister facilities also opening up for admissions, we have been able to transfer some members to Bellevue or Kearney who have family much closer to those locations. While it is sad to lose members that we have taken care of and grown fond of, it is rewarding to be able to re-locate them and enable family to visit more often.

John Hilgert, Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs Director paid a visit to NVH on March 15. John was here to personally thank every teammate for their efforts over the past two plus years in dealing with the pandemic. John presented each teammate with a plaque to commend their teamwork.

The activities department is gearing up for the nicer weather ahead and have several outings planned.

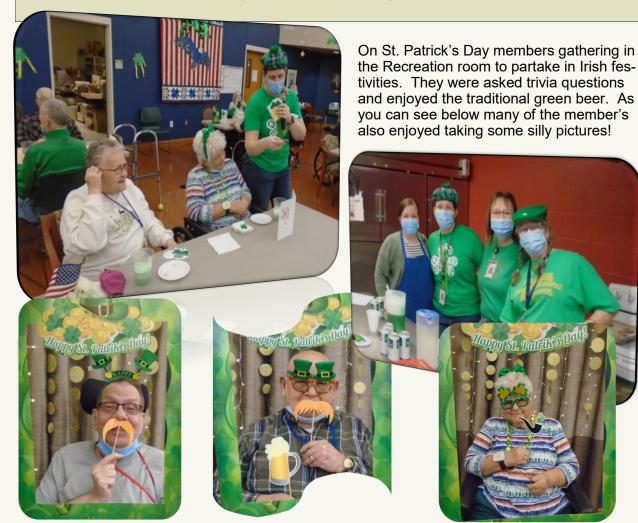
Thank you for your continued patience as we work towards re-opening Norfolk Veterans Home.

Sincerely,

Jerry Eisenhauer Administrator

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## HOME HAPPENINGS



## 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

**Lyle Ransen** U.S. Navy Veteran Wesley Bloom U.S. Army Veteran

**Lyla Fuhrman**Spouse of a U.S. Air Force Veteran



### SALUTE OUR NEW MEMBERS

NORFOLK VETERANS HOME WELCOMES YOU

Dale M.

Linda M.

U.S. Air Force Veteran

Spouse of a U.S. Air Force Veteran

Daniel S.

Erick P.

Ivan B.

U.S. Air Force Veteran

U.S. Army Veteran

U.S. Army Veteran

George H.

Alvin K.

Agnes K.

U.S. Army Veteran

U.S. Navy Veteran

Spouse of a U.S. Navy Veteran

## NEW TEAMMATES



Mashala Davis
Staff Care Tech II



Yuli Ramirez Marino Staff Care Tech II



<u>Aaron Holzkamp</u> Staff Care Tech II



Shyann Ramsay Staff Care Tech II



Audrey Kyncl Staff Care Tech II



Hailey Gregory Hamersma Staff Care Tech II



Ashley Rosas Araujo Staff Care Tech II



Jessica Meyer RN



Ephraim Bunner Staff Care Tech II



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### **Bits & Pieces**

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

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



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