

The Eagle



February 2020

Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home, 12505 S. 40th Street, Bellevue NE 68123 402-595-2180



Some of you will relate to the television show, "Dragnet." This show featured Detective Joe Friday. He spoke the catch phrase, "Just the facts." He wanted to know what the truth was as he would interrogate the suspect at hand.

This message is to present the facts regarding the current COGIV-19 "Corona Virus" issues we face here in the United States specifically as it pertains to Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home. We care for our members, each and every one. Ultimately we are responsible for their health and safety. Currently, we are in a preparation stage and watchful wait to see what will happen.

We work close with Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs, and our local County Health Departments. To maintain clear and concise direction from our chain of command. I like the military term as we all are accountable to our superiors. It makes it easier to prepare and respond with unity of command.

The Centers of Disease Control (CDC) is the lead agency for the government. That chain goes down to the County Health Departments. We follow their guidelines and procedures. We do not follow local newscasts, Facebook, or the many other outlets of information. That would be confusing.

Here at ENVH, we have conducted a Table Top exercise to discuss the Corona Virus outbreak. It was very informational and a good time to discuss this a topic. NDVA Central Office is meeting regularly to discuss what the facilities need to do and working with all the facility administrators to ensure we're doing everything to prevent and protect our members from the virus.

At present, we have sent information to the members, their POA's, volunteers and our vendors who service the facility. We have limited access to teammates and medical personnel only, and they are all being screened with questions related to any recent travel, potential exposure and, symptoms to watch and be aware of. We have posted a Restrictive Visitation Flyer on the front entrance door.

We are also limiting non-essential travel for members. Currently we are not taking our members out of the facility unless it is for an essential appointment. Essential doctor's appointments will continue to happen.

To ensure our members can stay in touch with their loved ones, we have implemented a "Virtual Visitor" system. To set up a virtual visit or learn more about that process please contact either Sarah Ryan or Paul Thober.

So as Detective Friday used to say, 'Just the facts.' We are here to continue to provide for the health and safety of those entrusted to our care. Thanks for your understanding. As information changes, we will keep you informed.

Thank you, David Williamson Facility Administrator

Welcome to the Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home

Admit Date	Name

February 03. 2020 Raymond C.

February 10, 2020 Glenn S.

February 11, 2020 Ronald W.

February 21, 2020 Frank K.

February 26, 2020 Joseph M.



The Department of Nebraska American Legion Auxiliary Representative to ENVH: Leatrice Doolen presented member, Richard H. with a Certificate of Appreciation. Richard counted over 114, 000 poppies that he created. Poppies are given out to the public for a donation. One hundred percent of the donations collected directly support the needs of veterans, military, and their families.



Below: Members attended the Shrine Circus at the Mid-America Center on Feb. 20th. Several clowns came to visit and pose for photos. They had a great time at the Shrine Circus!

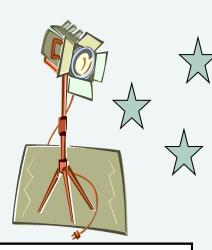




Bellevue Police Officer Gray brought his working canine, named Murph to the Home on Feb. 26.

Murph is an 8-year-old Belgian Malinois. He is super smart and well trained. Office Gray had interesting stories about Murph. Thank you for visiting us!











Member Spotlight

We are shining a spotlight on......

Thank you for your service to the United States of America

We are honored to serve those who served!

Bill	H			Allegiance
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Ron R.....Dedication

John C.....Motivation

Arthur J.....Service



Certificate of Excellence: Sara Stalzer

Presented by: Member Council
President, Kendall B.



Music at ENVH



Left: Singer and Musician, Tim Javorski performs every other month and practically blows the roof off. He is very talented.

Right: Singer Denell Danner invited member, Vic T. up to the microphone to sing a special song together. Good job!

Family Council Corner:

This is a wonderful group of family members who meet at the Home on the **2nd Thursday** each month at **10:00 a.m**.

They discuss many issues concerning members and their families. They are a good support system for each other.

March 12, 2020 April 9, 2020

Please plan to join them and to see what it's all about.

Family Council President: Mrs. Jean Funkhouser

For more information, please contact Social Services by

Ombudsman's Corner:

Ombudsmen are dedicated to enhancing the lives of long term care residents.

Ombudsmen:

- Advocate for residents' rights and quality care
- Educate consumers and providers
- Resolve residents' complaints
- Provide information to the public

ENVH's Ombudsman:

Pat Holstein

402-444-6536



Now is the time to purchase your brick to be installed in the Veteran's Memorial Garden at the Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home.

Bricks may be purchased in honor or memory of a loved one, the name of your organization or business, or you may simply want to thank a veteran!

You may purchase your brick donation using the form below for \$100. There are 14 characters on each line and there are 3 lines on each brick.

JOHN M. SCHENDT

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Email address:			
Phone number:			
Make checks payable t	o: American Legion Bens	son Post 112/Memoria	l Brick Fund
Please provide	the exact wording yo	ou would like on the l	brick:

Bricks may be purchased by mailing a \$100 check or money order per engraved brick to:

Benson Post 112, American Legion, P.O. Box 4084, Omaha, NE 68104.

Contact Bruce Husted at 402-981-6820 with any questions.











King Ralph S. Queen Mary Ann S. Valentine's Day Royalty 2020





Above Left: Member Matt N., with his guest for Valentine's Day Lunch.

Above Right: Volunteers from Woodmen Life who helped during the lunch by busing tables and taking photos.

Lower Right: Members Denny M., and Dale M., with their two guests.

Thank you Baker's Florists for the Roses—Galvin Road.



Bellevue West HS Show Choir gave a special performance in January 2020. There were several different groups who sang and danced like professionals. We witnessed something spectacular!





Elmer Wallahan

Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain

Dale Powell

Weekly Services are held in the Chapel (unless stated otherwise)

Sundays:

9:45 a.m. All Faith Service 10:45 a.m. Catholic Communion

Mondays:

9:30 a.m. Devotional Reading (held in Service)

10:00 am Devotional Reading (held in Allegiance)

Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Memorial Services will be held as
necessary on the first Thursday of each
month.

1:00 p.m. Catholic Mass

Fridays: 10:00 a.m. Rosary

Several years ago, I had a 101 year old hospice patient in a Gretna nursing home that I visited for several months. As with many of the patients that I would visit, I played some hymns for her at most every visit. "Jesus Loves Me" was her favorite--and I had to play it every time that I saw her! (Actually you might be surprised how popular it is with many older folks.) In thinking about this woman's choice of songs, I was reminded that, whether we are a one year old or a 101 years, we all need the reassurance that Jesus really does love us and that in our weakness He is strong! That's never something that we

will outgrow!