



The Eagle



March 2019

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



Greetings from the Administrator of Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home located in Bellevue, NE. Recently I had the opportunity to go to Alexandria, VA to participate in the National Association of State Veterans Home. This Winter Conference was very informative and I was able to meet Secretary Wilkie from Department of Veterans Affairs. It was rather unusual to have Secret Service scanning the audience while he was speaking.

Upon return from the Washington, D.C. area I was able to endure the blizzard of 2019. Here we are and should be facing Spring in the air and all we got is snow, snow, and more snow. It just happens we tie a record for the most snow from December through February. In addition March is looking like one of the top ten winter conditions in history.

I am pretty sure we will it won't be long and we will be saying, "It's so hot." Until then expect some more snow. Be careful with the adverse weather. I do know that we will all keep track of what the weather person says, and we have all learned they will be right about half the time. Hang in there and the weather will be changing.

We have been hiring staff and we just completed a nursing assistant class. All to help serve the members and provide greater quality of care. This has been so important to me that we fill positions. I continue to be impressed with the facility and am really proud to be your administrator.

David E. Williamson

Administrator

**Welcome to the
Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home**

Admit Date	Name	Neighborhood
Feb 28	James Schweiss	Allegiance
Feb 19	William Clark	Allegiance
Mar 04	Jake Stevenson	Service



**Brunch for Our
Volunteers!**

Saturday, March 30

Time: 9 am - 11 am

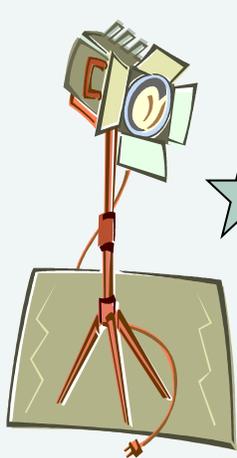
Food! Music! Gifts!

**Please plan to
Attend!**



Teammate of the Month
Sara Kroupa

- **Spends quality time with Members and listens to them talk about their days**
- **Recently decorated the halls, on her time off, with individual Members Valentines**
- **Proactively recommends medication changes to the doctor based on the member's needs**



Member Spotlight
 We are shining a spotlight on.....

Thank you for your service to the United States of America

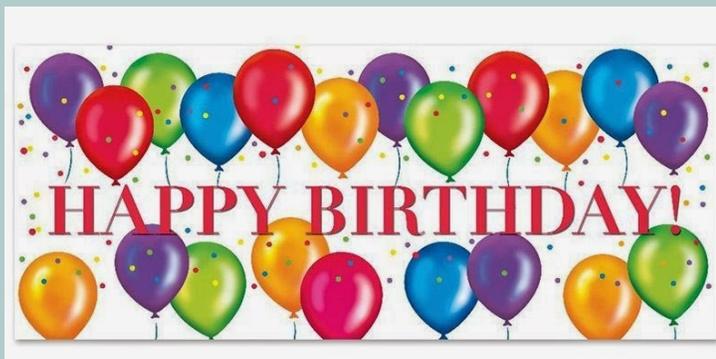
We are honored to serve those who served!

- Lonnie Cross.....Allegiance
- Allen Cox.....Dedication
- Jerry Furr.....Motivation
- Bob Davis.....Service

March Birthdays

March 02	John McCoubrey	Service
March 03	Dwight Hindman	Motivation
March 04	William Buck	Service
March 06	Richard Coffman	Motivation
March 09	Leona Schlunsen	Dedication
March 10	Stanley Aarhus	Allegiance
March 10	Joseph Havelka	Allegiance
March 12	Mark Kennedy	Dedication
March 13	Michael Duncan	Allegiance
March 16	Thomas Trail	Motivation
March 18	Elmer Hoeneman	Motivation
March 20	John Carter	Motivation
March 22	Eleanor Julsen	Dedication
March 23	John Belsky	Service
March 23	Paul Curtis *	Motivation
March 31	Evelyn Bills	Motivation

* Age 95+





Certificate of Excellence:

Melissa Borck

Maria Peralta

Presented by: Member Council

President, Carroll Roberts



Canteen News: You can use your debit card to put funds onto a gift card. Gift cards are good for any amount and can be used for any item even meal tickets. Meal tickets cost \$2.50. There are many new items to look at and purchase if you are interested. Stop by and see what is available. Open to the public. Invite family and friends to stop by too.



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.

This month: March 14, 2019

Next month: April 11, 2019

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 asking for Kari, Lynda or Paul

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:

Beth Nodes and Sharon Greco

402-444-6536



Veteran's Memorial Garden Brick Form Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home

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.



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Name of person donating brick: _____

Email address: _____

Phone number: _____

Make checks payable to: **American Legion Benson Post 112/Memorial Brick Fund**

Please provide the exact wording you would like on the 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.



Music:

It is a joyous thing!

We have high quality performances. The members enjoy such events.



ABOVE:

Steel drummer, Michael Pollock who teaches at Iowa Western Community College, explained how his steel drum was made. He does a great job playing on that drum.

Upper Right: Tim Javorsky is multi-talented. He sings and plays several different instruments. He asked the audience what kind of music they wanted to listen to, this time it was all about Elvis.



LEFT: New to us, Adam Lee with his guitar. He sang songs that many of the members knew and could sing-a-long.





Above: Dietary staff, Tallestin Olson with member, Mary E. during the Mardi Gras Ice Cream Social.

Left: Activity Specialist, Sue Sheely with volunteer, Jeri Thomas

Right: Member Eleanor J. was wearing the mask she created after a Mardi Gras crafting session.



Above: Members were playing Scrabble while waiting for the Mardi Gras Ice Cream Social to begin. Above Right: Musicians who represent the American Legion Post #1 Omaha performed a lively set. Stan Galli was on the drums and Steve Reed played guitar.

When someone you love
becomes a memory,
the memory
becomes a treasure.



Arthur Connie Johnson

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Eugene Bob McCabe

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Roland Leavitt

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

The weather is quite often the main focus of our conversations these days. But, as usual, we can talk about it but we can't DO anything about it. Why, we can't always even predict it with total accuracy. But that is like much of life—we have limited control over the things that happen in our life. But we DO have control over the way we respond to our life's circumstances/events. A good place to start is by trusting daily in Jesus, who, on more than one occasion, calmed the storm on the Sea of Galilee while riding in a boat with His disciples. As we trust Him, we will find (as one song expresses it) that "sometimes He calms the storm and sometimes He calms His child."