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From the Desk of Mark Johnson, Administrator

Have you ever been caught in a whirlwind? Well that is what has happened to us down at the Veteran's Home this year. In the last year we have admitted approximately 100 new residents, hired approximately 100 new staff members, been through three VA surveys and a state health department survey. Therefore, you can only imagine how busy staff has been with training and educating staff.



Even though things have been busy at the new home, I have had many discussions with residents about their new home. Almost 99% of them have been positive; they really like the new place.

The Geothermal heating and cooling system has been keeping the building at a very comfortable temperature. We no longer have to deal with elevators stopping and having to be serviced, no stairways and waiting lines in dietary.

The facility has caught the eye of various states looking at remodeling or building new. We are the first state Veterans Home to develop an enclosed campus that utilizes the new household/neighborhood model. The states of South Dakota, Oregon, Washington, Michigan and Iowa have contacted us about our new model of care and how we have implemented the program. South Dakota Veterans Home representatives will soon be here for a second time to glean new information about our building and how they can make it work for them.

Visitors are amazed at the small town feel when they walk through the front door. They enjoy the main street theme with the bank, barber shop, library and clinic. Their excitement rises when they see the Town Hall, Show Theater, Pool Room and Chapel. Several individuals have commented on how quiet the individual household units seem to be. Our restorative therapy unit has allowed several of our residents to become more independent because of the new therapy treatments we offer.

I can't believe summer has come and gone! We have a new sprinkler system that has lead to many new outdoor improvements. The oxbow area straight east of the new building has been re-landscaped to provide positive drainage. A new irrigation holding pond has been installed to handle overland flooding and assist with daily irrigation. My hat goes off to the outside maintenance crew! Tom Strahm, John Anderson and Seth Lunneborg have done an amazing job, the outside grounds look incredible. They have spent hundreds of hours this summer landscaping, planting grass and trimming trees.

The Gazebo has been moved and remodeled. Concrete has been poured thanks to many outstanding groups and individuals that have donated to the gazebo project. Once it is complete, we will be able to host outside groups and organizations that want to provide activities for our residents.

In closing, I want to thank each and every organization that has contributed to our success in the last year. Without your volunteerism and/or donations the Veterans Home would not be where we are today.

Since 1893, the Veteran's Home has been providing high quality care for honorably discharged veterans and their spouses. The Home has 52 skilled nursing home beds and 98 basic care beds. We are dedicated to the health and welfare of each individual resident.

ADMISSIONS ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for admission, veterans must meet one of the following criteria:

- Bone fide resident of North Dakota for 30 days
- Must have served in a North Dakota regiment
- Entered the Armed Services as a North Dakota resident ; or
- Spouse or surviving spouse of above veteran

For more information or to schedule a tour contact Susie Schlecht at 701-683-6540



Pastoral Ponderings



Some years ago I led a Bible study on Jesus' communication skills. Good communication is the key to all relationships. Several scripture verses give us in-sight into the way Jesus communicated with people.

-He always had time for individuals: Luke 7...centurion's son, Dining with a Pharisee, see also Matthew 26:6, Mark 14:3.

Jesus was willing to visit with anyone, whether they were part of his native Hebrew culture or not. He valued all persons and was willing to engage them in conversation.

-He gave people his full attention: John 4:7... the woman at the well.

Even the Samaritan woman at the well was worthy of conversation. Samaritans (from the country of Samaria) were not well-liked in those days. Jesus gave this woman the better part of a hot afternoon to hear her story and offer her a new life--even though she was a member of a despised sect of people.

-He listened and asked questions: Luke 10:25. Jesus often posed questions to those who came to him with questions. "What does the Law say?" he would ask when people confronted him. He invited people to explore their own conscience and tradition. He recognized that people had minds and could think for themselves.

-He did not force people: Luke 9:51-56, see also Romans 14. Jesus gently allowed people to be who and where they were. He did not force anyone to his point of view. He did not engage in talk just for the sake of arguing opinions.

-He forgave people: see Luke 23:34, John 8:1-11. Forgiveness is the balm that can soothe a relationship. True forgiveness can disarm all sides in a relationship and open the future to hope and love.

I invite you to take time and look up the scripture verses in this article. Study the stories and try to apply Jesus' ways to your life. We can all learn from the Master how to improve our communication skills as residents and employees of the Veterans Home. God bless you all!

Chaplain John

NDVH CHAPEL SERVICES
 11:00 Thursday Catholic Mass
 1:30 Sunday Protestant Service





The NDVH Staff and Residents want to extend a Thank You to all the groups that come to see us and donate money to our Activity Fund. Without you we would not be able to do all these fun things. There are too many people to mention and I am nervous I would forget someone, but we really appreciate everything that people, groups and organizations do for the residents.



Jann Neameyer,

Director of Activities and Social Services





Welcome to Activities!

We did many things here at the home during the Winter of 2012 and I want to highlight a few of our favorites. We kicked off the year with our casino party which brings in help from the local VFW chapter. The Bismarck AMVETS hosted their annual Holiday Party; this day is filled with music/entertainment and presents for all the residents. We have had several dances and various groups come into the facility. The residents love to play BINGO and many Legions/Posts and Auxiliaries have come to the home to host them. It is great to have the involvement of these groups. One group that came on a regular basis was **"The Legion Riders" from Wahpeton**. The NDVH has started having Block Parties monthly in the Town Hall so that everyone can gather as a community and get to know each other over a meal.

Activities Coordinator, Brenda Elijah adds a lot of excitement into the lives of the residents of NDVH. As you can see she will do anything to get a smile. 😊

Jann Neameyer, Director of Activities and Social Services



DANCING

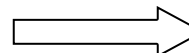




Elvis aka Dan Wagner



Sonny Johnson, NDVH Basic Care Resident shares his coin collection with fellow residents.



RAW SUGAR



Joe and Jann



Brenda and Jack



Stan and LaVonne



Brenda and Bruce



Orvis and Maxine



American Legion Auxiliary National President Kris Nelson and ND ALA State President Betty Malkowski joined us in April for a tour and special round of BINGO.







Lisbon students took time to visit with residents and ask questions about their military experience.



Spring /Summer

We celebrated our 1 year anniversary this Spring; it is hard to believe time has gone so fast. We went on our annual fishing trip to Cormorant Lake thanks to the FM Walleye group. We have had the Drum and Bugle Corp play for us as well as the Devils Lake Elk Band and the 188th Army Band. The Veterans Home has different groups and organizations that come for Picnics. Some of the other things we have enjoyed this summer have included a trip to the Wahpeton Zoo; Red hawks Games, Casino Trip, a Jamestown Shopping trip and many scenic drives with Brenda. With the summer coming to a close we are looking forward to our annual Family Picnic which will be on September 8th. This is a great time for us to all gather and visit with the residents and their families.



We celebrated our **one year anniversary** with the **Red River Valley Veterans Concert Band**. The band was gracious to come and share their music with us; just as they did the year before when we moved residents to their new home.



Happy one year anniversary to the residents of NDVH! Residents celebrated with Administrator Mark Johnson as they dined on steaks to celebrate.

Gone Fishin'



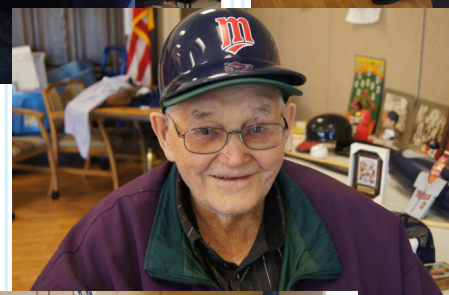
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Friends of the Grafton School entertained the NDVH residents with music.



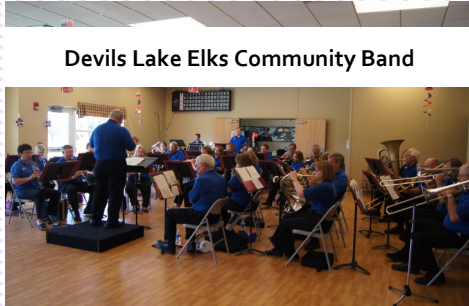
All American Past Time



*I AM YOUR FLAG**I was born on June 14, 1777**I am more than cloth shaped into a design.**I am the refuge of the world's oppressed people.**I am the silent sentinel of Freedom.**I am the emblem of the greatest sovereign nation on earth.**I am the inspiration for which American Patriots gave their lives and fortunes.**I have led your sons in to battle from Valley Forge to the blistering desert of the Arabian Peninsula.**I walked in silence with each of your honored dead to their final resting place beneath the silent white crosses, row upon row.**I have flown through peace and war, strife and prosperity, and amidst it all I have been respected.**"Old Glory" is my nickname; proudly I wave on high. Honor me, respect me, defend me with your lives and fortunes. Never let my enemies tear me down from my lofty position lest I never return. Keep alight the fires of patriotism, strive earnestly for the spirit of democracy. Worship Eternal God and keep his commandments, and I shall remain the bulwark of peace of freedom for all people.*

Lisbon area Boy and Girl Scouts joined with the residents of NDVH to participate in the flag retirement ceremony.





Devils Lake Elks Community Band

PURE ENTERTAINMENT

Thank you to all the individuals and groups that provide entertainment!

Talent from Jamestown



North Dakota Yodeler: Kristie Goldade



Steel Drum: Dave Herzog



Lisbon Students entertain at the end of the school year.



CMA:H.C. Derkson



POPPIES-R-US



The North Dakota Veterans Home is honored to be the home to the ND American Legion Auxiliary Poppy makers. Alfred Steiger(L) and Leo Hecker (Right) make nearly 100,000 poppies each year. Thanks Leo and Alfred for all of your hard work!

In Flanders Fields

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved, and were loved, and now we
lie*

In Flanders fields.

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies
grow*

In Flanders fields.

—Lt. Col. John McCrae

This poppy, as a memorial flower to the war dead, can be traced to a single individual, Miss Moina Michael. She was so moved by Lt. Col. McCrae's poem, "In Flanders Fields," that she wrote a response:

*. . . the blood of heroes never dies
But lends a luster to the red
Of the flower that blooms above the
dead*

In Flanders' Fields.

On impulse, she bought a bouquet of poppies – all that New York City's Wanamaker's Department Store had – and handed them to businessmen meeting at the New York YMCA where she worked. She asked them to wear the poppy as a tribute to the fallen. That was November 1918. World War I was over, but America's sons would rest forever "in Flanders' Fields." Later she would spearhead a campaign that would result in the adoption of the poppy as the national symbol of sacrifice.

Source: http://www.alaforveterans.org/what_we_do/mission_outreach_programs/Pages/PoppyStory.aspx

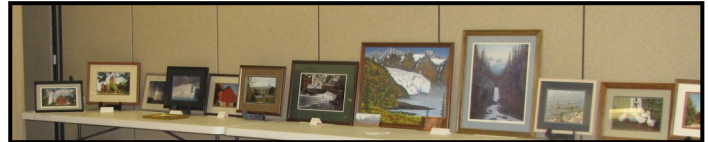


In April of 2012 we had a visit from Kris Nelson, ALA National President and ND ALA State President Betty Malokowski who were thrilled to see Betty's President Project: a whisper glide swing.

The **AMVETS** department of North Dakota and Auxiliary donated a Whisper Glide swing for the Courtyard between Honor Hill and Peace Garden.



Art Show



Rosie Gilbert , area artist shared her idea of having a community art show at NDVH with Activities Coordinator, Brenda Elijah. This Spring ,the idea came to be. Residents, staff members and area artist enjoyed participating in the event.



WWI VETERANS



On Wednesday June 20th we held a program honoring the memory of WWI veterans. The idea for the day stemmed from resident Rodger Severson and his friends, Gayle Hove King and Dale Erlanson.

Rodger, Gayle and Dale donated a WWI uniform and bayonet to the Veterans' Home on this day in the name of Ernest Samuelson whose uncle was a WWI Veteran.

Tom McKinnon, Ransom County, Veteran Service Officer opened the program by sharing a history of WWI and also presented the Veterans Home a WWI metal that was given to him from a local resident. On the back of the medal it reads: Presented by the People of Ransom CO.,N,D. to one of her Loyal Defenders. The residents had a time of sharing some stories of relatives they had that had served in WWI. Video clips of WWI were also presented.



Pictured: Front: Resident Rodger Severson, Back L to R: Dale Erlanson, Tom McKinnon and Gayle Hove King.

Garden Party



HAYRIDE IN MCLEOD
WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS





NDVH Resident
Wayne McKirdy

Over the past few years in my dealing with "civilians" who deal with Vets, I hear over and over, phrases such as "We're so thankful for what you have done for our Country" or "I'm grateful for the sacrifices you have made in service to our Country". And I am thankful for such expression. But let me twist that a bit more truthfully. Because most of us that came back in one piece didn't really sacrifice anything. Oh, I'm not saying it was a pleasant adventure. And a few of my friends and buddies did sacrifice.

Let me tell you a story -- a true one -- a part of my experience.

It was a very dark night, the clouds hanging low on the mountains that edged the river, as I picked my way along the rutted road that followed the Pukong Gong in the Iron Triangle near Kung Gol in North Korea. I was a messenger of the 300th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, on TDY to 5th Group Headquarters. As such, 2 of us, Duane Secord from a 155 Long Tom Battalion, and myself, had 3 message runs daily, everything from Group Headquarters, way behind the lines, to the forward observer posts ahead of the lines, and all the Batteries between. One of us would take the morning run, the

other the afternoon, and we'd both take the night run, with the morning driver driving the night run and the other riding shotgun. Occasionally there would be a night that would preclude a shot-gun rider. This was such a night.

As I picked my way along with the black out lights of the Jeep showing the road only a few feet in front of the Jeep, I was dreading the next crossing of the Pukong Gong. I had already crossed the easy one, but this one you had to hit just right or likely hang your vehicle up on a rock. I had already tried that and Duane and myself had rocked it off and gone our way. But could I do it myself if I hung up again? And this far north we met very few others on the road, even in daytime.

Suddenly the whole night lit up as if a full moon had burst thru the clouds, and I was able to see the whole country side, including the road, with all its ruts. As I came around the next bend of the river I found the source of this magical happening. There in a rice paddy, about a half mile from that dreaded crossing, was a huge search light beaming its ray into the clouds. An engineer battalion was putting a pontoon bridge at the very crossing I dreaded. They had to work at night because the area was within view of Chinese Artillery observes, and of course you could not use lights on the project. So on this night with low clouds hiding the tops of the mountains where the Chinese observers were, this search light a distance away gave them the light they needed.

I pulled over by the light and talked to the one in charge. He showed me this marvel. The light was about 10 feet in diameter, in the center was a small can of burning carbide, maybe about a gallon in size, and hundreds of little mirrors lined the back and sides of that great light, each set slightly different from the other so that together they gathered that small light into a powerful beam, which hit the clouds and the tiny drops of moisture in the clouds diffused the light back to the ground like moon light. What a wonder.

So what has this to do with the title of my little talk. Let me take you back a bit -- quite a bit back....

As a boy growing up in Gladstone, at the time 13 miles out of Dickinson, I had 3 dreams:

1) I wanted to travel -- I loved to travel -- and we only owned a car that Dad had made by combining parts of a Nash and Whippet -- and it hadn't been started since about the time Mom died when I was 5.

2) I wanted to drive a big truck, like those big grey Midnight Express trucks that came through town and/or to drive a Greyhound bus. And

3) I wanted adventure. Gladstone, with about 270 people, could be dullsville, although I admit I did not find it such most of the time.

Now put those 3 dreams into the Military. I got to travel. I was in Hawaii for Thanksgiving. Got to Honolulu for dinner, saw Wakiki Beach and the Diamond head (from the airport that is). Next was Guam, but it was about midnight there so we did not see much. I was in Japan for Christmas - one of the most memorial ever, for I got to attend a presentation of Handel's Messiah sung in Japanese, at the site of the first Atom Bomb drop in Hiroshima.

We got to Pusan, South Korea, on New Years Day. And I was in North Korea for Easter. In fact I'd be willing to bet that not many here can say they spent a year in North Korea. Coming home I had a 39 day cruise (took 36 hours to go over) on an excursion boat called the USS Marine Lynx. I didn't know the army had ships, but this was one of theirs. It was designed for about 2500 troops, but there were about 4000 of us anxious to get home, so we cuddled up a bit. Or maybe I should say stacked up a bit. Probably would not have been too bad, but we hit south to avoid a typhoon and suddenly swung east to try to get between it and another coming from the south. Between those two, we tossed, the bow coming out and then slapping down as the stern came out. And it bent the propeller shaft, so this projected two week cruise turned into a 39 day one as we slowed to 5 knots per hour. Of course they could not let us out of the hold in that rough weather, so the perfume got a bit heavy. Not the "slow boat to China", but the "slow boat from Japan" The ship got lighter fairly quickly. I myself, went from 210 pounds to 163 pounds. And I was not the exception.

And driving -- not only did they trust me with 3 different jeeps in those few months as messenger, but when they pulled me from that TDY, they gave me the Battalion Greyhound bus. Well, it was a 2 1/2 ton truck that hauled people and luggage, so that's Greyhound isn't it. And I and that Truck drove all over both North and South Korea: Pusan, Taegu, Incheon, Seoul, Chorwan, - Just about any where someone might get off a plane or a ship, and just about anywhere in our vicinity of North Korea they might be going. Not as dangerous as the message run, although when we'd meet a 4 or 6 ton truck on those narrow mountain passes, sometimes one would wonder.. Honestly, not many people traveled Korea as I did. I loved that job.

Oh yes -- those driving jobs alone gave me plenty of adventure, and there were others... I would not trade my Military experiences for anything. I would not want to do them over again, nor would I wish them on anyone else. But it was a terrific adventure and I did come back alive and well.

Can you see what the Military did for me? My 3 dreams were more than fulfilled.

I come from a family of 16, coming out of the depression era. College was hardly worth dreaming about, but I did. When a Junior in High School, one day out on a hillside, I told Christ I would do whatever he wanted me to do, go wherever he wanted me to go. But he was going to have to show me and open the doors. I so wanted to go to college -- something in the line of Wildlife Management would be good. When I got home from Korea he opened the door -- the GI Bill provided me with 4 years of schooling. I just didn't know that the Wildlife aspect God dreamed up for me was with people. So I became a Methodist Preacher, with the idea of becoming a Chaplain, which I never did.

Again, can you see what the Military has done for me? It is not you who should be thankful that I have served, but me, for the tremendous opportunities my military experiences have opened.

You probably didn't guess it, but now I am an old man. I'm still a preacher. I got to preach 20 times last year, and not just in my own denomination. But my health, while not bad, has its ups and owns. About 3 years ago I started coming to the VA here in Fargo. And while I was only a PFC those people have treated me like a General. And my medical bills took a nose dive. Yet part of my health has been slipping and I became unsure of myself in my old house. So I applied and was accepted to the North Dakota Veterans Home in Lisbon. Those people either took the example of the ones at the VA or maybe they set the example. I am surrounded by love and care. I have to tell you that place is a slave labor camp -- we are expected to pick up our own Knife, Fork and Spoon and take it to our table, at each meal. And cost -- they take 55% of my monthly income. 55%... but wait .. that leaves me with 45% for incidentals (which are few) and doing what I want to do with it. Never had that experience in my life. You Vets may well want to consider it.

Yes, the Military -- My Country -- doesn't owe me anything. I am grateful.

But let me come back to that story I started with. You see that story has given me a great perspective that has served me all my ministry. The can of carbide is God -- by whatever name you want to use. God mirrors, focuses, his great love thru the Churches, Synagogues, Mosques, no two exactly alike even within the same denomination. And we, the people of our great land, we are those cloud droplets. We have the responsibility of diffusing that love throughout our country -- neigh -- even through the world. And we can do it: simply, with grateful hearts, go, love one another. Thank you.

By

Wayne McKirdy

*Wayne has been a resident of NDVH since January 2012.

We Welcome Visitors!



Employee of the Year: Kristin Lunneborg

Kristin Lunneborg, left, 2011 NDVH Employee of the Year, accepts her award from Mike Dobmeier, National Judge Advocate of the DAV (Disabled American Veterans).

Kristin Lunneborg was nominated by the residents and staff of the North Dakota Veterans Home (NDVH) as 2011 Employee of the Year at the 2012 State D.A.V. Convention.

Born and raised in Milnor, Kristin joined the NDVH team in 2003 as Chief Financial Officer. She is married to Brad Lunneborg, and is the mother of three children: Seth, Megan and Trey.

**Article from The Ransom County Gazette.*



Music from the Heart



NDLTCA 2012 Adult Volunteer of the Year

Irene Hoenhouse has volunteered 50 years of her time and talent to enhancing and enriching the lives of the residents of several care facilities in Lisbon, ND. Every week Irene plays the piano and sings for 6 facilities in the surrounding communities. Lively music is Irene's specialty, residents and staff cannot help but to clap along and sing in unison with Irene's music. Irene has a contagious smile and laughter which truly brightens the days of any who come in contact with her. Parkside Lutheran Home of Lisbon nominated Irene for this award and the North Dakota Veterans Home is grateful to say that we have the privilege of knowing Irene and receiving the blessings of her talents.



**Portions of this article were taken from the NDLTCA Convention Handbook*

Volunteers



In April of 2012 we set aside a special day to pamper our volunteers. Volunteers make a difference in the lives of our residents and we truly appreciate the time and talents that they lend to NDVH.

If you are interested in volunteering at the Veterans Home please contact:

Brenda Elijah 683-6548 or Susie Schlecht 683-6540

* The North Dakota Veterans Home is a registered station for RSVP+ Southern Valley



Patriotic Celebration



Cards on Tuesdays with Duane and Harold.



Dancing with Vicki



Sing-a-longs with Irene



Several of our readers answered the call for the need of funding for new patio furniture. Thanks to your generosity we have new patio furniture in many of the courtyards of NDVH. We also have been able to purchase digital cameras and scrapbook material with the donations that have been given



Thank you!

We Appreciate our Staff Members!

2012 Wish List

- Tennis Balls
- Men's Lightweight robes
- Lighters/matches
- Stamps
- Birthday and Get Well cards that are blank
- Photo Albums/Scrapbooks
- New Razors

⇒ If you have specific items that you are looking to donate please contact us at 701-683-6500

⇒ Thank you!



Donations Continued

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Flasher Elementary School- Flasher ND	Lawrence Thieling VFW Post 6833 Tuttle	Gerald & Lois Peterson of Larimore
Carolyn Flom	Linda Erhardt of Almont SD	Pedal Pushers of Emden
Harry & Jackie Futrell	Lorraine Boehler Bismarck ND	Pioneer Middle School- 5th Graders- Bismarck ND
Grand Forks DAV Junior Auxiliary	M.B. Cassell & Co of Finley	Violet Podenski of Edgley
DAV Auxiliary Unit #2 Grand Forks	Mary Stark School- Mandan	Powers Lake Legion Aux & Elementary Students Powers Lake
Grimsrud Elementary Bismarck	Maynard & Lucille Rieger- Hoople	R & B Wireless LLC of Finley
Hamilton & Marion Hurt of Hoople	Mayville Lutheran Church-Mayville	Mary Lou Roller
Harold Narum of Enderlin	Mayville VFW Post #4221- Mayville ND	Rugby School District #5- Rugby ND
Hazen Middle School 6th Graders- Hazen	Mic's Grocery	Nancy Ruland
Hegg's Body Shop of Finley	Midway Public School- Inkster ND	Rumors Tavern of Finley
Wally Hertwig	Minot Air Force Base Library- Minot ND	Ruth Quam of Wahpeton
Hope Electric	Pamela Montag of Finley	Rutland American legion Auxiliary Unit #215 Rutland
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Ihry Insurance Inc. of Hope	Mrs. Moser's Art Class- 3rd Graders- Bowman ND	Smokey's Saloon & Eatery
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Judy Neidlinger	ND American Legion Auxiliary Presidents' Project 2009-2011	St Mary's Parish- South Heart
Oran & Audrey Keith of Sherwood	ND National Guard Enlisted Association Auxiliary	Bonnie Stahlecker of Plainfield, IN
Marion Keller	Shelby Oberlander	Stone's Market of Finley
Elaine Koble	Odyssey Team- Horizon Middle School- Bismarck ND	Louisea Stuart of Knoxville, TN
Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post # 2764 Valley City	Ole Semiling Unit #135 Legion and Auxiliary McVile	Susan Kinkle of Devils Lake

We are so overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of those who have given of their time and talents to benefit the Veterans Home. Please realize how much your gift means to us and accept our apology if we neglected in sending you a thank you.

Donations Continued

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 VFW Post # 3363 of Lisbon
 VFW Post # 4324 of Wahpeton
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 VFW Post # 9070 of Colfax
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 American Legion Auxiliary Unit #251 of Forest River

In memory of Bob Nelson:
 Dorothy Anderson of Lisbon

In memory of Billie Olstad:
 Larry & Carolyn Christensen of Rutland
 Alan Olstad & Family

In memory of Clement Lonski:
 John & Mary Cobean of Apollo Beach, FL
 Alice Cueva of Jamestown
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 Dennis & Margaret Lonski of Harwood
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In memory of Jon Boman:
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 Richard & Nancy Gehrke of Hillsboro
 Dennis Grove of Adam
 Bob & Joan Halberg of Lakota
 Bruce & Lori Hendrickx of Ottertail MN

In memory of Harold Erickson & R. Joubert:
 Lois Schultz of Lisbon

In memory of Axel Nelson:
 Violet Podenski of Edgely
 Gladys Shockman of Oakes



Many thanks to the dedicated staff of NDVH who give financially as well as offering their time and talents. You are all so appreciated.

*Special thanks to **Larry Wagner** for sharing his home videos of Sodbusters, Bonanzaville and The BAGG Farm.



TAPS

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| Clement Lonski | Darlyne Gibbon |
| James Burk | Simon Bjerke |
| Cliff Martin | Richard Meyers |
| Ida Olstad | Jacqueline McDonnell |
| Richard Broline | Howard Fischer |
| Jon Boman | |
| Axel Nelson | |

*My comfort in my suffering is this:
Your promise preserves my life.*

Psalm 119:50



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