

HOMEFRONT NEWSLETTER

Wisconsin Veterans Home at Union Grove

Penich Car Show and Ice Cream Social

September 2018



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Commandant's Corner



Dear Members, Families and Representatives:

August 20, 2018

Commandant's Corner,

It's hard to believe that in just two short weeks it will be September already and families are sending their children back to school!

It's been a great summer of fun at our Veterans Home at Union Grove with a fantastic day of fun at our annual summer picnic earlier this month; many now are anticipating the annual fishing trip to Wind Lake!

Getting enough employees hired fast enough is still a major challenge for us, and also everyone else in the healthcare industry throughout the state and nation. If you have family members or friends that are healthcare professionals please encourage them to apply for a job at our Veterans Home. The wages are competitive and the fringe benefits are far above what is offered in the private sector.

Thank you again to all who attended and helped out at our annual summer picnic.

With Highest Regards,

Randy

If you have any questions you can call Randy Nitschke, Commandant, at (262)878-6770.

Welcome Aboard!!

Tom Brodek

Army-Korean War
Birthplace: Racine, WI
Occupation: 25 years ExxonMobile



John Logue

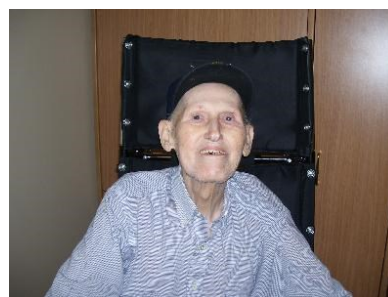
Air Force-Korean War
Birthplace: Chicago, IL
Occupation: Police Officer



*Please welcome
our new
Members,
Volunteers, and
staff to the
Veterans Home.*

Edward 'Bob' Luedtke

Army—Korean War
Birthplace: Bay View, WI
Occupation: Door-to-door Milk Man



*Feel free to stop by
and introduce
yourself, we are so
happy to have
them here.*

Theodore Wasiak

Army— Korean
Birthplace: Racine, WI
Occupation: Custodian



WELCOME VOLUNTEER (WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE)

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Thomas Goetz

Will be helping at Fairchild Hall and with VFW Bingo. Thomas enjoys playing cards and served in the Army as a truck driver/mechanic.

Ben Bochenski

Will be helping with outing assistance, Member computer help, and movie night. He is a Marquette H.S. Student.

Jean Karpinski

Will be helping with Memories in the Making story writing, and library organization. Jean was a MPS teacher for 30 years. She has also offered her services as a volunteer to Aurora Memorial Hospital of Burlington, provides funeral lunches, and is a hospitality/communion minister. She enjoys writing, reading, and games.

James Fitzgerald

Will be our new Red Cross Representative. James also offers his services with the Hunger Task Force, and The Gathering. He enjoys fishing, motorcycles, and the outdoors.

Happy Birthday's!!!



Sept. 4th David Knabel 1st
Sept. 4th Charles Smith 1st
Sept. 8th Richard Binder GH
Sept. 8th Allen Clausen 1st
Sept. 8th John Logue 1st
Sept. 10th Leonard Lewins 1st
Sept. 12th Pete Purvis 1st
Sept. 13th Christine Brace 2nd
Sept. 13th Joy Kras GH
Sept. 5th Herman Spencer GH

Sept. 15th Ivory Young GH
Sept. 17th Eugene Barrette 1st
Sept. 17th Francis Potter 3rd
Sept. 19th Dale Jante GH
Sept. 22nd Ed Habendott GH
Sept. 22nd David Moran 3rd
Sept. 22nd Joseph Mulick GH
Sept. 24th Robert Osenga 1st
Sept. 28th James Kimberlain 1st

WDVA Care Giver Support Group

When: **Wednesday, September 19, 2018**

1:30-2:30pm

Where: **Maurer Hall Chapel**

***Please join us for an informal discussion with
fellow care givers.***

Please contact Lisa Buse (262-878-6723) or Megan Bower (262-878-6759) with any questions.

Please RSVP to Lisa Buse (262)878-6723 if you are able to attend by

Monday, September 17th.

Our Wish List

Large hardcover picture books: animals, planes, cars

Gift Cards to NASCO senior living catalog

Monetary funds for activities supplies or special events

Fun size snack bars, bags of individually wrapped chocolate candy, Diet soda, small bags of chips (for prizes)

Walmart gift cards

(for a complete list of items please visit: **dva.wi.gov** -> **Veterans Home** -> **Union Grove** -> **Media** -> **Union Grove Wish List.pdf**)



Just a Reminder.....

If you or your family wishes to reserve a room at the Home for a family event please contact Lisa Peterson for Boland and Gates Hall's at ext. 6702 or Sharon Popp for Fairchild Hall at ext. 6785.

Upcoming Events

Monday, September 10th-Air Force Recognition at 1:00pm in the deli

Thursday, September 13th-Korean Vets lunch cookout Fairchild Hall

Friday, September 14th-Bong Fishing outing and lunch-Fairchild Hall

Friday, September 21st-POW/MIA Remembrance

Monday, October 15th-Navy/Coast Guard Recognition at 1:00pm in the deli

Wednesday, October 31st-Halloween Events

Friday, November 9th-Veteran's Day Program

Monday, November 12th-Marine Recognition at 1pm in the deli

Friday, December 7th-Pearl Harbor Remembrance



Building:	Where To:	Date/Time:	Volunteers Needed:
Boland Hall-1 st Floor	Walmart	Thursday, Sept. 20 th 1:00pm	2-3
	Lunch Outing	Wednesday, Sept. 26 th 10:30am	2-3
Boland Hall – 2 nd Floor	Lunch Outing, Crossroads	Wednesday, Sept. 5 th 10:45am	1-2
	Walmart	Monday, Sept. 17 th 1:00pm	3-4
Boland Hall-3 rd Floor	Lunch Outing	Friday, Sept. 7 th 11:00am	1-2
	Walmart	Friday, Sept. 28 st 9:00am	1-2
Gates Hall	Walmart	Monday Sept. 10 th 1:00pm	2-3
	Lunch Outing	Thursday, Sept. 27 th 11:00am	1
Fairchild Hall	Walmart	Monday, Sept. 10 th 1:00pm	2-3
	SRB free lunch	Thursday, Sept. 13 th 11:30am	1
	Bong Fishing & Cookout	Friday, Sept. 14 th 9:00am	2-3
	Raymond Free Lunch	Wednesday, Sept. 19 th 10:30am	2-3
	Walmart	Monday, Sept. 24 th 1:00pm	2-3
Campus Wide	Dollar General	Wednesday, Sept. 12 th 1:30pm	1-2

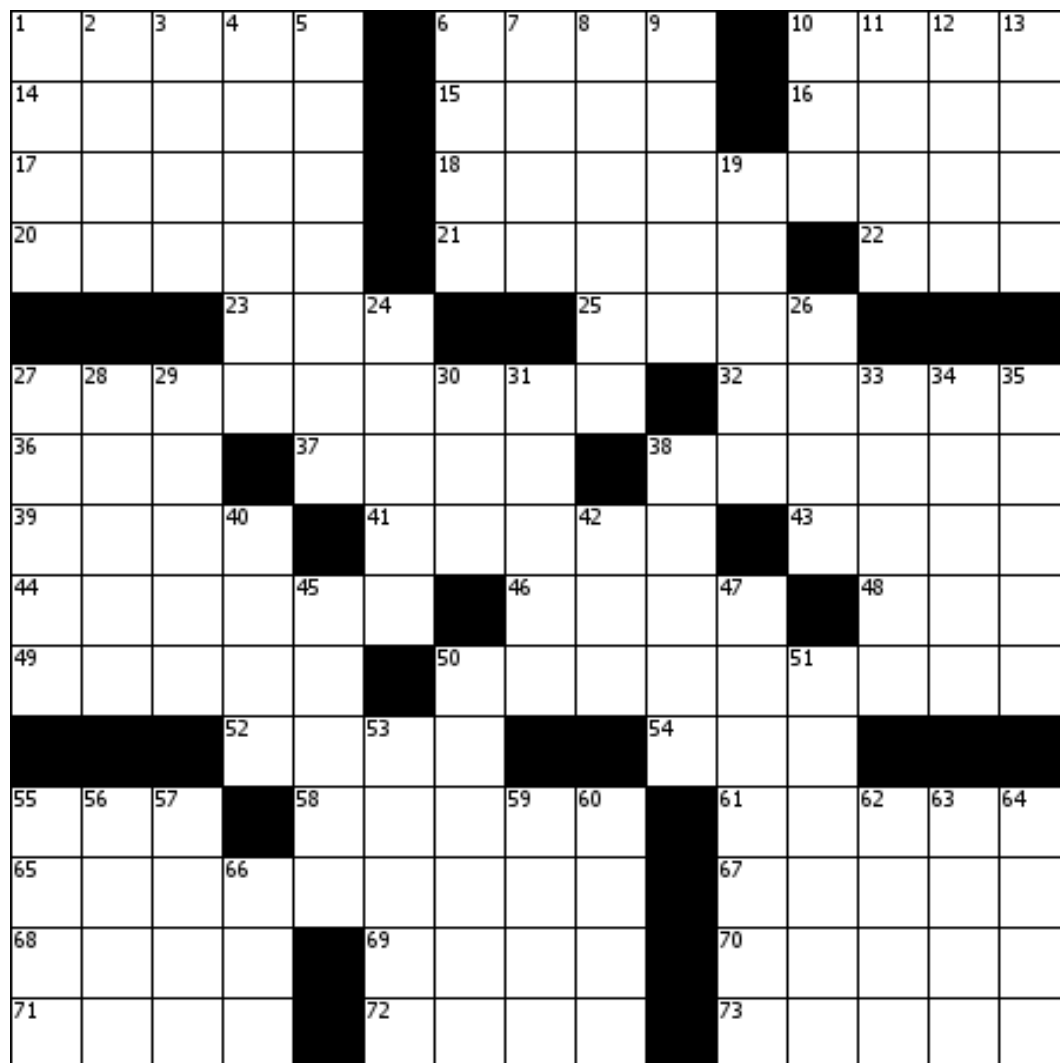
In-house Volunteer Opportunities – If you are interested in the following volunteer opportunities, please contact the Activity and Volunteer Director, Terri Presser at 262-878-6725 or email at Teresa.Presser@dva.wisconsin.gov

- ♦ " Provide a movie night on 2nd & 3rd floor Boland Hall.
- ♦ " We are in need of a volunteer to assist Members with simple computer tasks on a one-to-one basis.
- ♦ " Maintain organization of the Fairchild & Maurer Hall libraries.
- ♦ " Assist with Leather Shop projects on Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00pm.
- ♦ " Provide one-to-one assistance on walks with Members.
- ♦ " Assist activity staff with Member outings.
- ♦ " Escort Members to Happy Hour on Fridays at 2:00pm.
- ♦ " Escort Members to bingo on Tuesdays at 2:00pm.
- ♦ " Switch out seasonal bulletin boards.
- ♦ " Assist with writing Member's stories for their Memories in the Making art projects.
- ♦ " Play Monopoly, poker, or UNO with 2nd floor Members.
- ♦ " Water and weed plants during gardening season.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

1. Glossy fabric
6. Agreement
10. Trims (off)
14. Expiate
15. Burn balm
16. Fit
17. Inferior
18. Bygone river vehicle
20. Velocity
21. Trunk
22. 14th letters
23. Key near Ctrl
25. Welshman
27. Interest benchmark
(2 wds.)
32. Bride's walkway
36. Belgium's cont.
37. Heroic narrative
38. Robin Hood, e.g.
39. Significant times
41. TV Host ____ O'Brien
43. Broil
44. Most recent
46. Donate
48. First woman
49. Ice pellets
50. Proposed as a
candidate
52. Mexican coin
54. Journey part
55. Take to court
58. Tailor
61. Copper, e.g.
65. Impossible to erase
67. Foolish
68. Tractor-trailers
69. Surrealist painter
Salvador
70. Corrects copy
71. Dance move
72. Genesis location
73. Shoppers' delights



Down

1. Carpenters' tools
2. Above
3. Pulled apart
4. Trouser length
5. Tailors' needs
6. Historian's concern
7. Choir voice
8. Force
9. Taunt
10. Science rm.
11. Wind instrument
12. Plot
13. Groups
19. Back tooth
24. Digestive ____
26. Spasms
27. Pares
28. Rustic
29. Wrathful
30. Gone by
31. Argentine dance
33. Ghostly garment
34. Depart
35. Miscalculated
38. Blacksmith's block
40. Ooze
42. Purpose
45. Shoplift
47. Adversaries
50. Pretty good (2 wds.)
51. Program
53. Playground fixture
55. Misters
56. Single thing
57. Cliff's brink
59. She, in Lyon
60. Bridle strap
62. Kite feature
63. Poker payment
64. Smaller amount
66. Sixth sense (abbr.)

Word Search

BALER

BARN

BUTTER

CAT

CHICKENS

CREAM

DAIRY

EGGS

FERTILIZER

GRAIN

HARROW

HAY

HOUSE

MILK

PLOW

PRODUCE

TRACTOR

TURKEYS

WEATHERVANE

WEEDS

WELL

N O N G R A I N Y N E S U O H N S
 P V W Y A H Y K Z A V R Y P A G W
 B K O Z K C H I C K E N S M G E B
 T J R W S K W X R K K Q H E A R U
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 R L F R C E R U A L I L Q E L R S
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	7				2	8		5
6				5			7	
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3		8		2		6		1
		6	8					4
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		5	4			7		

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Wisconsin Veterans Home at UG
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Union Grove, WI 53182



One of our major responsibilities at the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs is providing 24-hour skilled nursing care to our nation's heroes. The WDVA is proud of the three Veterans' Homes we operate – Chippewa Falls, King and Union Grove – serving nearly 1,000 Veterans and their spouses.

The Wisconsin Veterans Homes are among the best in the country, boasting an excellent safety record and the highest quality of care ratings. Our Homes are very popular among Wisconsin's Veterans, evidenced by the occupancy levels and waiting lists associated with each Home, and our staff retention rates that exceed those of comparable facilities across the state.

We are here to serve those who have served us all.