

Happy New Year

Greetings and Happy New Year! I hope that this message finds you and your family safe and well. As we begin the new year, allow me to welcome all our new members to our Home in King. Thank you for choosing our Home to be your home!

As the representative of more than 300,000 Wisconsin veterans, please know we are proud to serve and deliver eligible benefits for our veterans and families. The hardworking employees at our Homes dedicate their days to caring for those who served our country. I am extremely thankful for the steady and skilled care staff and the wonderful job they do for members at our Home here in King.

Having served in the Marine Corps, I know the commitment and sacrifice of service. With that, I firmly believe the primary mission of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs is to always deliver for those who have served and their families. The call to serve is powerful, as you well know, and I am humbled to serve my fellow veterans as Secretary-designee.

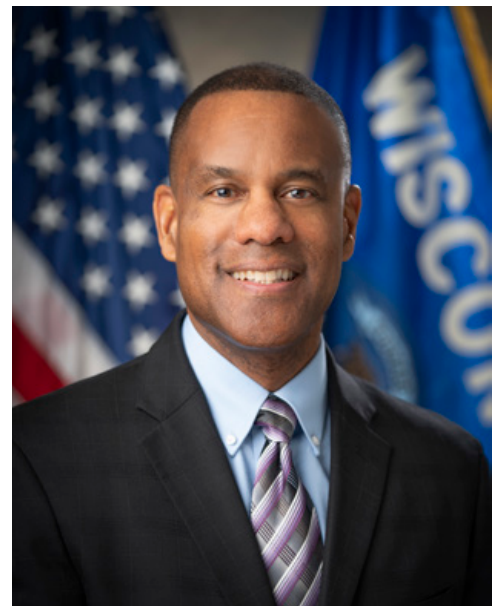
Lastly, to our members and families, thank you for your service to this country. We are so pleased you have chosen us.

I wish you and your families a joyous and happy new year!

Yours in Service,



James Bond
WDVA Secretary-designee



Superglued to God in 2024

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, 39 neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Romans 8:38-39/NIV)

Can you name some brands of glue? Here are some: Elmers, Titebond, and Crazy Glue. Apparently, the strongest glue brand out there from what I have heard is Gorilla Glue!! Gorillas are known to have extremely strong gripping hands. Thus, the name for that product. I once read that you can glue the front bumper of one car to the back bumper of another using Gorilla Glue. Amazing, isn't it?!

Loved ones in Christ, you are superglued to God through His Son. Nothing can break or dissolve the bond you have with God the Father because of the

Son of God. The Lord Jesus came to this earth to reconcile you to Holy God by dying on the Cross for all your sins. And then He rose from the dead guaranteeing your own resurrection on the Last Day. Nothing in all creation can separate you from God or His love. You're in the Triune God's eternal grip in 2024 and beyond!

Lord Jesus, thank you for bonding me to God the Father. Thank you for another year to experience Your love and to extend Your love to others. Use me for holy purposes in 2024. Amen.

IN MEMORIAM

REMEMBERING OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED
FROM OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER 2023

Royce Blankinship
Wayne Coombs
Richard Forster
David Koenig
Joseph Koller
Adolph Kraus
David Kuehl

Ernst Lasanske
Kathleen Ligenza
Thomas Lindeman
Bruce Motquin
Bruce Pelzek
Etola Pingel
Donald Rozga

Robert Stark
Vernon Steffes
Daniel Wenzel
Marlin Worm



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Hello. I am Nellie P. DeBaker. I am a very proud U.S. Navy Vietnam Veteran. Currently, for the Wisconsin Veterans Home, I am the CDCE representative on the King Recreation Committee for the Polish Legion of American Veterans (PLAV). My PLAV activities include Immediate Past State Commander for 6 consecutive years, current State First Vice Commander, 2 years as the National Vice Commander carrying out 2 national fundraisers.

For the State of Wisconsin, I continue to serve on the Council of Veterans Programs (COVP) where we advise the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs on veteran issues. As a very active 36-year Legionnaire, for many years I have attended King supporting American Legion functions and hand-carrying donations for various entities - served as the Department Vice Commander/Historian/Trainer

and national history book judge for 26 years. I have gone through chairs from local to national in two other veterans' organizations setting up a National Newsletter Contest in one of them. I volunteered as a DAV driver to Milwaukee. I have served as a Veterans Commissioner for 5-1/2 years. Upon the opening of the VA Outpatient in Green Bay, I volunteered every Friday for 3-1/2 years. I have served my community as well in Human Services and currently serve in Transportation. I thoroughly enjoyed Learning in Retirement serving the older retirees setting up 12 to 15 new classes each semester for 20 years. And my greatest enjoyment is continuation as a member for over 35 years in three community bands.

There is nothing better than serving mankind, giving of yourself, and asking for nothing in return. Ask any volunteer.



THANK YOU!

A big thank you to the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 75 (*above*) their generous donation of \$2000 worth of toiletries, clothing, accessibility accessories, books, puzzles, and sundries for the King Xchange shop for our members.

Thank you to the Wisconsin Correctional Association members who collected many donations (*below*) as their yearly community service project during their conference in Stevens Point. This year, they decided to help the Wisconsin Veterans Home. Over 30+ boxes filled with misc. clothing items, toiletries, and snacks for our members.



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HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES



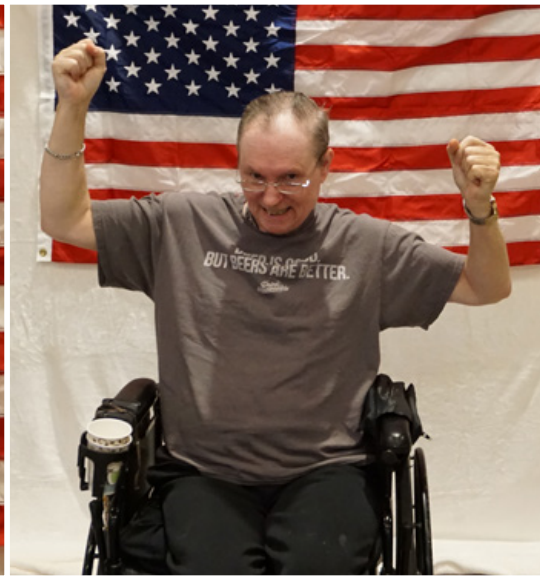
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DECORATING AND CARVING PUMPKINS



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VETERANS BALL



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MOSES HALL

DEER CAMP & PURPLE DAY



MOSES HALL

GLENNA "DUTCH" MEYER'S 100TH
& MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY



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LADY VETERANS & RED HAT LADIES



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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER

Lee Beattie
Rose Bemowski
Larry Cavanaugh
Donald Edwards
Donna Johnson
Maryann Kelley

Leonard King
Dean Loewenhagen
Roseann Ohap
Robert Rentmeester
Arlene Schuth
James Stevens

George Swagel
Kenneth Vander Steen
Alan Vater
Marlin Worm

DECEMBER

Dennis L Anderson
Robert Andrus
Priscilla Barber
Kathy Belt
Donald Braatz
Thomas Costello
Stephen Dombek
Joyce Giebel
Angela Hahn

Christopher Hupf
Terry Jackson
Richard Kaquatosh
Charles Kinsey
David Lain
Brent Lorbetske
Raymond Lombardi
William McMahon
Tod Meierhofer

Eugene Paalman
Etola Pingel
Laurel Rooks
Robert Russell
JoAnn Stack
Guy Wade
Donald Wasrud

JANUARY

Donald Allen
Crystal Anderson
Martin Apps
Kenneth Berger
Liliana Bieber
Jane Buck
Jeffrey Church
Alan Cosh
Mary Cutchen
Sedric Elder
Douglas Frank

Donald Gernetzke
John Giebel
Joseph Kogelmann
Gary Mader
Edward Menal
Steve Morack
Laverne Pink
John Prochnow
David Ruff
Richard Schuh II
James Schultz

Gary Thoe
Elizabeth Vandenboom
Joyce Vitek
Herbert Warax
John Weaver
Brian Wrosch

AINSWORTH HALL

BREAKFAST ON THE UNIT



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WAUPACA HOMECOMING GAME &
MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE TEAM BINGO



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HALLOWEEN COOKIES &
HAUNTED HOLLOW



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STAFF PUMPKIN CONTEST



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HALLOWEEN PARTY



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HALLOWEEN PARTY



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FUSED GLASS WORKSHOP



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KRB'S CATERED MEAL



WELCOME

TO OUR NEW MEMBERS AT KING!

Crystal Anderson
Richard Anderson
Robert Andrus
Albert Becker
Kathy Belt
Douglas Belt
Rose Bemowski
Kent Callies
Alan Cosh
Donald Dombrowski
Roger Dreier
Daniel Friel
Adrian Gilliam
Mary Graves

Phillip Hagen
Glenn Harvey
Bruce Motquin
Robert Seidl
Nathan Smith
Robert Stedman
Vernon Steffes
James Stevens
Elizabeth Vandenoorn
James Vandenoorn
Marlin Worm
Norman Young
Beth Zellmer
Erwin Zick



Can Quitting Smoking Improve My Heart Health?



If you smoke cigarettes, the **sooner you can quit, the better.**



Twenty minutes after you quit smoking, your heart rate drops.



12 hours after quitting smoking, the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal.



Within four years of quitting, your risk of stroke drops to that of lifetime nonsmokers.

Quitting smoking benefits your heart and cardiovascular system now and in the future:

If you smoke cigarettes and are concerned about your heart and cardiovascular health, consult with your health care provider about ways to quit to help protect your heart. You can also find resources to help you on your journey to living a smoke-free life at Smokefree.gov.

You didn't fail at quitting smoking.

*You're just
not done yet.*

Every time you try to quit,
you get closer to quitting
for good. Keep going at
[EveryTryCounts.gov](https://www.everytrycounts.gov)



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