# Illinois Veterans Home at Quincy

135 Years... A Proud History; A Bight Future

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## Tremendous Progress!

Progress continues to be made on the \$245 million investment in the Illinois Veterans Home. Construction of the two buildings is the largest construction project in the State of Illinois at this time and shows the state's dedication to our veterans.

JB PRITZKER
Governor
State of Illinois

TERRY PRINCE
Acting Director
IL Dept. Veterans' Affairs

TROY CULBERTSON
Administrator
Illinois Veterans Home at Quincy



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#### **Population Report**

#### Men Women WWII 11 1 WWII & Korea 0 0 Korea 40 WWII, Korea & Vietnam Korea & Vietnam 4 Vietnam 95 Vietnam & Gulf 3 Gulf 7 Peace Time 40 Non-Veterans 0 53 Total200 **59** Total Population 260

#### **Age Range Chart**

	Men	Women
39 & Under	0	0
40-49	1	0
50-59	3	0
60-69	14	0
70-79	82	7
80-89	67	33
90-99	33	19
100 & Over	1	0

#### **Branch of Service Report**

Air Force	24
Army	120
Coast Guard	4
Marine Corps	15
Navy	46

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# Administrator's Column

BY ADMINISTRATOR TROY CULBERTSON

Recently, I wanted to turn a newly excavated parcel of land into a beautiful hillside of wildflowers. With very little maintenance such as natural watering and absolutely no mowing, I decided it is the perfect solution to the small hillside that needed some type of ground cover. So, a couple weekends ago I frost-seeded the area with a variety of annual and perennial wildflowers that should be beautiful for years to come. Frost seeding itself is a miracle in disguise. It's nature's way of putting seed in contact with the soil. The extreme cold temperatures cause moisture in the ground to heave, and the thawing contracts back to its natural size. The varying temperatures in March are quite conducive to ensuring the seed is firmly in contact with the soil and watered appropriately. It's fascinating to consider something so beautiful coming from such extreme conditions and a tumultuous process.

I am reminded that at the Illinois Veterans Home we are undergoing some of those same tumultuous conditions in our campus renovation project and with our ongoing mission to care for our veterans. The construction fence has engulfed a large portion of the campus along with excavating equipment, mounds of dirt and concrete materials line the area causing the landscape to be far from our usual beauty. The park-like beauty of the campus is temporarily undergoing an extreme makeover. We are excited to see the first steps of the concrete foundations being poured and structural steel begin to be erected. The campus will once again become busy with construction workers marching in unison to construct these beautiful structures and return the landscape to its original beauty. Construction has continued pace throughout the cold winter months and continues regardless of the mud from the spring rains.

In an effort to provide a safe viewing area, Veterans United Contractors (VUC) have proposed a few concrete viewing platforms to allow our residents to monitor construction progress firsthand. As we tie up last-minute details and decisions, the construction continues to remain on schedule as the independent living building should be completed in a little over a year from now. In addition, VUC will be building model room replicas inside of Lippincott that illustrate the room amenities of both the



Domiciliary and the Long-Term Care buildings for staff and residents to review.

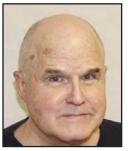
Sunset Cemetery also looks to have two new additions this spring. Through a federal grant, a local contractor is constructing a committal shelter that will allow funeral services and memorials to be held more comfortably regardless of the weather. Following the construction of the committal shelter, there will be a columbarium constructed near the materials shed. This will be a new addition to Sunset that will more efficiently provide interment of cremated remains.

Regarding other tumultuous conditions, like all long-term care facilities in the area, Covid has been an unyielding foe these past few months. Our diligent and capable staff continue the drumbeat of testing weekly with continued precautions in place with appropriate personal protective equipment. The Omicron variant swept through our campus as it also has in Adams County. We have been fortunate that as this variant passes, the most serious symptoms we have seen associated have been a runny nose and a headache or a persistent cough. Our medical providers on site have access to the most current therapeutic medications available and promptly deliver to any resident that meets the criteria for infusion. The beauty we seek from this tumult will be evident with the end of this Pandemic when we regain normalcy once again in our lives.



# NEW ADMISSIONS (SEPTEMBER 16TH THROUGH MARCH 22ND)

# Welcome to IVHQ



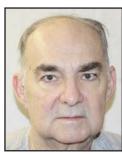
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Jim Campbell Schapers From Quincy Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB is 8/15



Buster Craven
Hammond 1
From Griggsville
Korean War
Navy Veteran
DOB is 6/15



Dan Custeau Schapers From Rochester Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB is 2/27



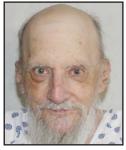
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Schapers
From Jacksonville
Peace Time
Army Veteran
DOB is 9/22



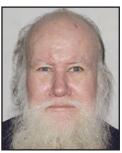
Tom Gott Fifer A From Quincy Korean War Army Veteran DOB is 9/26



Verne Hagstrom
Hammond 2
From Quincy
KW & VW
Navy Veteran
DOB is 10/21



Al Hunsaker Hammond 2 From Quincy Vietnam War Air Force Veteran DOB is 4/19



Thomas Liesen
Markword 2
From Quincy
Vietnam War
Army Veteran
DOB is 5/26



Dave Limes
Markword 2
From Decatur
Vietnam War
Air Force Veteran
DOB is 7/3



Eppie Mason Fifer A From Macomb Non-Veteran DOB is 12/19



Gayland Mason Fifer A From Macomb KW & VW Air Force Veteran DOB is 7/15



Brad Miracle Schapers From Quincy Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB is 8/15



Jerry Neumann
Schapers
From Quincy
Korean War
Navy Veteran
DOB is 3/30



Dick Patton Fifer D From Mt. Sterling Korean War Army Veteran DOB is 4/13

# NEW ADMISSIONS CONTINUED



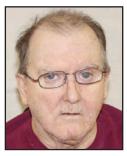
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Dan Prorok
Schapers
From Oak Lawn
Vietnam War
Marine Corps Veteran
DOB is 5/2



Roger Rupp Fifer B From Quincy Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB is 6/29



Tom Sherer Hammond 2 From Quincy Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB 4/27



Jerry Szachnitowski
Markword 2
From Springfield
Vietnam War
Navy Veteran
DOB is 5/4



John Vernon
Fifer D
From Quincy
Korean War
Marine Corps Veteran
DOB is 7/26



Maury Wells Somerville From Colchester Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB is 5/23



Dan Wenzel Markword 1 From Oak Park Korean War Army Veteran DOB is 1/25



Ted Willer Hammond 2 From Quincy Vietnam War Army Veteran DOB is 5/19



Jim Wort
Fifer A
From Mt. Sterling
Korean War
Army Veteran
DOB is 5/31



Marilyn Wort
Fifer A
From Mt. Sterling
Non-Veteran
DOB is 8/20







# Chaplain's Corner

BY REV. DAVE HALL

As a Chaplain, one of the things I enjoy most is getting together with other Pastors. Every once in a while I get to go sit around a big table and drink coffee with other Ministers. I remember one such gathering a few years ago. Some of them had retired after fifty years in ministry and some of them were still in their first years of ministry. Our ages ranged from the upper twenties to mid-eighties. Some of us were very traditional, while others were very contemporary. Some were youth pastors, some were music ministers, and some were preachers. Some of us were bi-vocational ministers of small churches while others lead rather large churches with lots and lots The group is not of people. always the exact same people, but no matter who is there I always gain a lot of insight and wisdom from these guys.

This gathering really was not any different than the dozens of other such gatherings which I have attended over the past several years. We had a good devotional message. We had good coffee (and donuts!) and we had lots of great fellowship. Then when it was time to leave we closed with prayer. Our leader asked one of us to pray and I was particularly moved by this man's prayer. I'm not absolutely positive, but the man who prayed may have been the eldest man in the room. I have heard him share many golden nuggets of wisdom and I truly admire this man. He has been a great encourager to me. After his prayer, as we walked to our cars, I told him that his prayer really touched me, and I asked him if he would email it to me. He most graciously obliged. He told me this particular prayer was not original with him, but he memorized it when he was in the seminary nearly 70 years ago. He was told that it was from an old English litany. Now, I am usually not a big fan of poetic memorized prayers and litanies. I typically like my prayers to be more spontaneous, but this particular prayer spoke volumes to me. This prayer is short and sweet, so I would like to share it with you now:

From the laziness that is content with half-truth,

From the cowardice that shrinks from new truth,

And from the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, O God of Truth, deliver us.

I cannot help but wonder how many times have I been lazy and content with half-truths. How many times do we as Christians read a verse or two from the Bible but fail to take into account the context of that scripture? When we do this, it is easy for us to miss the true message from the Lord.

How many times do we shrink back from new truth? Our God is truth and no, his message has not changed in 2,000 years.

But our culture has changed and is changing at an ever increasingly rapid pace. Sometimes, we as Christians are afraid of our everchanging culture and the new truths that come along every day. In reality, all truth is God's truth and we have nothing to fear.

From the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, oh I am so guilty of this one (and I'm sure I'm not the only one). The arrogance of the Pharisees who thought they knew all truth was the sin that Jesus despised the most. Those who do not yet have a personal relationship with Jesus may never know Him if our arrogance turns them away from Him. It is good for us Christians to be confident in our faith, but not arrogant. There is a difference between confidence and arrogance and we are responsible to know the difference.

Laziness, cowardice, and arrogance are three of the worst characteristics anyone can exhibit, especially a follower of Jesus Christ. As Christians we must not; be content with half-truth, shrink from new truth, or think we know all truth. We will never fulfill our great commission if we behave in such a way. I think that's why this prayer, which my extremely wise friend shared at a gathering of diverse ministers, means so much to me. I cannot say it any better than he did, and so to his prayer I can only add... Amen!



## NEW EMPLOYEES (SEPTEMBER 16TH THROUGH MARCH 22ND)

#### RESIDENTS AND FELLOW STAFF WELCOME YOU TO IVHQ!



**Jeff Bergman** Dietary - 10/18



Matt Bliven Dietary - 11/29



Amber Dorris Nursing - 12/20



Samantha Fagan Dietary 10/13



**Taylor Gilker** Housekeeping - 1/4



Amanda Harness Nursing - 11/1



Holly Hughes Dietary - 12/13



Katie Hummel Pharmacy - 3/7



Andrew Juette Nursing - 12/16



Sandy Koontz Nursing - 9/29



Bobbi Mock Library - 10/18



Dan Nicholson Dietary - 10/25



Morgan Pridemore Nursing - 12/13



Sherri Rostine Nursing - 12/6



Jessica Ruby Nursing 2/14



**Laken Smith** Nursing - 12/13



**Trina Terstriep** Dietary - 12/27



Alexis Wolkitt-Willing Nursing - 2/14

Karl and Milly were lying in bed one night. Carl was falling asleep but Milly was in a romantic mood and wanted to talk. she said, "You used to hold my hand when we were courting."

Wearily, Karl reached across, held her hand for a second, and rolled over to try to fall asleep.

A few moments later she said, "Then you used to kiss me."

Mildly irritated, he leaned across, gave her a peck on the cheek and settled back down to sleep.

Thirty seconds later she said, "Then you used to nibble on my neck."

Angerly, he threw back the covers and got out of bed.

"Where are you going?" she asked.

"To the bathroom to get my teeth," he replied!





# Volunteer Voices

BY SARA COLGROVE

I want to first express my thankfulness gratitude and towards everyone who supported the Veterans Home during the holiday season. We were blown away by the generosity of the employees from Knapheide Manufacturing, the Quincy Lowe's Home Improvement Store and members of the Northenders VFW Post #10302 in Springfield. Between these three organizations, they adopted ALL of the residents for Christmas. Santa Claus had his hands full trying to compete with these three groups! Their gift-giving skills are out of this world! Many thanks to EVERYONE who donated a little of everything (I don't have enough space to type it all out but here are a few items that were much appreciated - money for Channel #2 bingos, candy, chips, ice cream and other snacks, electric razors, a three-wheeled bike, sweatpants, t-shirts and body wash) for our residents. This was truly a very special Christmas.

Please welcome Roberta Mock, "Bobbi" as our new IVHQ Librarian! We are so excited to have Bobbi join our team and she brings with her lots of experience in library services. The library is open Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Please stop in to meet her and check out all of what the library can do for you!

Looking for something to do? Anyone interested in helping Carolyn Kling with the Welcome Corner? The Welcome Corner is our very own thrift store for residents and provides all types and sizes of clothing for anyone in need. It is based only on donations. Currently the Welcome Corner is not accessible to most residents due to the construction (and we are currently not accepting any clothing due to the inac-

cessibility). Carolyn has been a very dedicated volunteer, coming in every Tuesday to maintain the continuous supply of clothing donations that seem to just appear and we keep thinking, we'll get it all organized and welcome the residents back again. Well, we just can't keep up! Is there anyone that would be interested in helping on Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. to sort clothes, hang and organize our thrift store with Carolyn? Give me a call at ext. 02260!

Lastly, I want to thank each and every volunteer that has supported IVHQ and especially during the last two years. Because of COVID, it has been difficult to find a normal in our routine and I hope some day I can welcome all of our volunteers back with open arms! No matter if you have volunteered one hour or 80 hours or haven't been here since the pandemic, we thank you from the bottom of our heart for dedicating your time, understanding what we are going through and being there to support residents, their families, and staff. We couldn't do it without you! National Volunteer Week is April 17th -23rd. Be sure to keep that week open. We have something special planned for you!

## EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

#### THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO AND HOW YOU DO IT!



March 2022 Ivan Hicks Dietary



February 2022 **Lindsey Kelley** Nursing Office



January 2022 **Chad Ballinger** Truck Garage



December 2021 **Dawn Whitcomb** Adjutant's Office



November 2021 **Kringle Lindsey** Dietary



October 2021 Brennan Casey Business Office

# **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

## Residents

## **Employees**

Don Thomas	4/1	Hammond 1
Margie Rose	4/1	Somerville
Dick Brannon	4/2	Hammond 2
Bob Fischer	4/3	Fifer D
Bob Gillet	4/3	Markword 2
Brad Shireman	4/4	Hammond 1
Russ Valberg	4/4	Markword 2
Steve Conkright	4/9	Markword 2
Ken Denny	4/12	Markword 1
Ruth Taylor	4/12	Somerville
Maurine Corbin	4/13	Markword 2
Dick Patton	4/13	Fifer D
Fred Reinking	4/14	Hammond 2
Bobby Weisenburger	4/16	Somerville
Gene East	4/17	Hammond 1
Lois Hammitt	4/18	Anderson
Patricia Riggins	4/18	Hammond 2
Al Hunsaker	4/19	Hammond 2
Ron Whittaker	4/19	Hammond 2
Bill Day	4/20	Markword 2
Vivian Henry	4/21	Somerville
David Endicott	4/21	Schapers
Tom Roberts	4/22	Fifer B
Carl Enloe	4/26	Hammond 1
Larry Keck	4/26	Hammond 2
Tom Sherer	4/27	Hammond 2
Joe Elmore	4/29	Hammond 2
Peggy Shafter	4/29	Somerville
Harold Lentz	4/30	Schapers
Tony Parry	4/30	Hammond 2
Betty Bradshaw	4/30	Somerville

Summer Prenger	4/1	General Store
Aaron Lubbert	4/5	Carpenter
Cheryl Howard	4/6	Nursing
Triana Best	4/7	Nursing
Jennifer Hudelson	4/8	Nursing
Brooke Thomas	4/8	Nursing
Tammie Dieterich	4/10	Nursing
Kayla Dingerson	4/12	Dietary
Amy Sandidge	4/12	Physical Therapy
Amanda Beswick	4/13	Nursing
Leslie Alfred	4/14	Nursing
Maddie Jezierski	4/14	Dietary
Dawn Alexander	4/15	Nursing
Jim Muldoon	4/15	Social Services
Deanna Lefringhouse	4/17	Housekeeping
John Wellman	4/17	Maintenance
Jennifer Whitaker	4/17	Nursing
April Gallaher	4/19	Nursing
Carrie Veile	4/19	Laundry
Lindsey Kelley	4/20	Nursing
Charity Campbell	4/21	Nursing
Taylor Gilker	4/21	Nursing
David Waack	4/21	Nursing
Darin Lefringhouse	4/22	Housekeeping
Michael Orrill	4/22	Nursing
Danell Tullock	4/25	Personnel
Steve Winters	4/27	Dietary
Amber Dorris	4/28	Nursing
Kate Hummel	4/29	Pharmacy
Byron Saathoff	4/29	Bank
Scott Alberts	4/30	Activities
Sarah Koehler	4/30	Nursing



# MAY BIRTHDAYS

### Residents

## **Employees**

Wayne Buesking	5/2	Markword 1
Dan Prorok	5/2	Schapers
Jerry Szachnitowski	5/4	Markword 2
George Wojtas	5/5	Fifer A
Joan Queiroli	5/6	Somerville
Shorty Stupasky	5/8	Hammond 2
Sharon Holthaus	5/8	Hammond 1
Pauline Uppinghouse	5/9	Markword 1
Abe Huber	5/10	Hammond 1
Cal Thiele	5/11	Markword 2
Aubrey Baker	5/11	Hammond 2
Elva Johnson	5/14	Markword 1
Tom Meleski	5/16	Hammond 2
Junior Huddleston	5/18	Hammond 2
Dave Jansen	5/18	Hammond 1
Ted Willer	5/19	Hammond 2
Jim Gall	5/19	Fifer B
Maury Wells	5/23	Somerville
Larry Brewster	5/24	Schapers
Cobb Sprout	5/25	Hammond 1
Thomas Liesen	5/26	Markword 2
Lee Behra	5/27	Hammond 1
Jim Wort	5/31	Fifer A

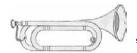
Chantel Baker	5/1	General Store
Jennifer Fantz	5/1	Dietary
Greg Flachs	5/2	Nursing
Michael Mace	5/2	Dietary
Alexis Wolkitt-Willing	5/2	Nursing
Josh Boyd	5/4	Dietary
Amy Campbell	5/4	Nursing
Sandy Wemhoener	5/5	Physical Therapy
Khristy Lovan	5/6	Nursing
Scott Witt	5/8	Nursing
Tori Dameron	5/9	Nursing
Gerald Deming	5/9	Power Plant
Bryant Melton	5/9	Dietary
Mary Craft	5/13	Nursing
John Freidinger	5/15	Power Plant
Jessica Perrine	5/15	Nursing
Jauna Byrd	5/18	Nursing
William Campbell	5/18	Dietary
Jerrilyn Mason	5/18	Pharmacy
Tisha Deeter	5/19	Nursing
Robert Johnston	5/19	Facilities
Elebade Akakpo-Lado	5/20	Nursing
Jon Kammerer	5/20	Nursing
Jordan Meyer	5/21	Nursing
Sarah Starr	5/22	Nursing
Rick Gengenbacher	5/23	Marketing
Paige Houston	5/23	Dietary
Dawn Evans	5/24	Nursing
Amanda Hubner	5/24	Nursing
Bryan Brocksieck	5/25	Dietary
Dan Nicholson	5/25	Dietary
Tiffany Seaver	5/26	Medical Office
Tanya Wolf	5/26	Nursing
Dave Batterton	5/28	Housekeeping
Tina M. Powell	5/28	Adjutant's Office
John Goehl	5/29	Nursing
Eric Couchman	5/30	Dietary
Heather Swank	5/30	Nursing
Pam Will	5/30	Nursing
John Frank	5/31	Maintenance
Tom Pettitt	5/31	Dietary

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

## Residents

## **Employees**

Marty Martin	6/2	Fifer D	Hannah Ajdinovich	6/2	Accounting
		•	Sierra Eldridge	6/2	Nursing
Bob Miller	6/7	Hammond 1	Monica Williams	6/2	Nursing
200 11211101	0.1	•	Robyn Welty	6/4	Nursing
		•	David Brinkley	6/5	Dietary
Eva Wellman	6/8	Hammond 1	Larry Bugh	6/5	Power Plant
		•	Stephanie Davis	6/5	Nursing
Nancy Hall	6/10	Hammond 1	Lynda Melton	6/7	Nursing
		•	Laken Smith	6/7	Nursing
T) 11 IV. 1	0/11	• •	Lisa Schuckman	6/8	Nursing
Donelle Mackey	6/11	Hammond 1	Angela Bevans	6/9	Nursing
		•	Tony Barnard	6/10	Dietary
Al Fail	6/13	Markword 1	Mary Hoelscher	6/10	Dietary
		•	Sidney Sutton	6/10	Nursing
Pete Erio	6/14	Markword 2	Laura Williams	6/10	Physical Therapy
T CUC LITTO	0/11	Markword 2	Tracy Ford	6/11	Nursing
	•	Cory Naderhoff	6/11	Painter	
Buster Craven	6/15	Hammond 1	Julie Sharrow	6/11	Dietary
		•	Michelle Cooley	6/12	Nursing
Donna Rischar	6/19	Hammond 1	Angela Redman	6/12	Nursing
	•	Charles Klingele	6/13	Maintenance	
	0/01	M 1 10	Sondra Binger	6/15	Switchboard
Bruce Crawford	6/21	Markword 2	Brandon Brod	6/15	Nursing
		•	Tammy McCune	6/18	Nursing
Mike Davidson	9/21	Hammond 2	Laura Anderson	6/19	Nursing
		•	Ken Barner	6/19	Truck Garage
Dorothy Decker	6/22	Somerville	Kerrie Hilgenbrinck	6/20	Business Office
Dorothy Decker	0/22	•	Adriauna Maltby	6/23	Nursing
		•	Laurie Noble	6/23	Nursing
Donnie McQueen	6/22	Hammond 2	Cindy Rees	6/25	Nursing
			Lorri Booth	6/27	Physical Therapy
Robert Sword	6/22	Schapers	Ashley Cobb	6/27	Nursing
		•	Tina L. Powell	6/27	Dietary
D'11 O 1	0/00	Mr. 1 14	Julius Young	6/27	Dietary
Bill Osborne	6/28	Markword 1	Shalana Crider	6/28	Nursing
		•	Darren Schnelle	6/29	Plumber
Roger Rupp	6/29	Fifer B	Kourtney Spradlin	6/30	Nursing



# Candid Shots

"Candid Shots" from around IVHQ over the past several months. Enjoy.

















Thank you "Snow Crew Volunteers"!



St. Patrick's Day Fun at Schapers



Sen. Jil Tracy Dropping Off Valentine's Day Cards





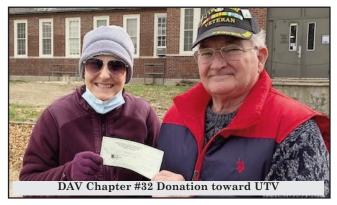
St. Patrick's Day Fun at Schapers



St. Patrick's Day Fun at Schapers



Valentine's Day







Knapheide Angel Tree Project - 150 residents adopted!



Lowe's Christmas Generosity



Veterans Day - Jim Miller Speaker, QU provided music





Springfield VFW Post #10302 Angel Tree - 40 gifts!



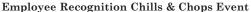
Robert Wake Foundation Christmas Donation - 200 gift bags



Veterans Parade on IVHQ grounds









Fun on Halloween at Markword



# Library Notes

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Welcome! As your new librarian, I would love to welcome everyone to visit the library here on campus. Prior to starting here in late October, I worked for the Quincy Public Library and before that in various public school districts in Missouri and Illinois as librarian and English teacher. I graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia with Masters Degree in Information Science and Learning Technologies in 2005. Having worked in academic, school, and public libraries I am excited to start this new chapter at IVHQ Library and serve our residents.

The Library is open Monday Friday 8:30 - 12:00, 1:00 - 4:00 excluding State Holidays. Residents are encouraged to visit the library, if able. Not able to visit the library? Talk with your Activities staff and they will help arrange delivery of library materials to your room. The library also provides "free" bookshelves at

Somerville, Anderson and Hammond Hall.

The library offers Large Print Books, DVDs, CDs as well as computer access and a Gmail account to connect families with their resident. Contact your resident at vetslibrary@gmail.com include the resident's name and building in the subject line. Feel free to send photos. Those emails are printed and shared with the resident. The Library offers several current TV series, along with old favorites. Residents can now check out: BONES; Cisco Kid; Justice; Longmire; Red Skelton Show; Schitt's Creek; Yellowstone and more.

April 3rd through 9th, we will celebrate National Library Week. This is a celebration of our nation's libraries, library workers and a way to promote library use and support dating back to 1958. IVHQ will be celebrating with a Story Walk that will be featured around campus during the month

of April. Story Walks came about in response to the closure of public libraries and story time programming during the pandemic in 2020. A Story Walk consists of short children's book being placed outside along a walking path, so children and adults can enjoy reading a story together while being outside. Residents and visitors can walk the campus and read, Maya Lin: Artist-Architect of Light and Lines by Jeanne Walker Harvey. The children's picture book tells the story of Maya Lin, the architect and designer of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington D.C. Maya Lin was an architecture student at Yale when her design was selected during a national contest. Her design, a long V of shiny black granite to honor the sacrifices of all who served and to reflect the faces of the visitors, who come to remember the 58,318 names etched chronologically along the wall. The memorial wall was dedicated November 11, 1982; making 2022 the wall's 40th Anniversary. You are encouraged to get outside, and read the short story while you stroll and enjoy our beautiful cam-

The Library welcomes donations of gently read Large Print books, DVDs and magazines- especially hunting and fishing types.





# In My Rearview Mirror

BY REV. FR. ZACH EDGAR

Another Lent is upon us, and I hope what I write here today will help you have one of the most joy and gratitude-filled Easters you've ever had in your life. Our Lord's 40 days of fasting in the desert was a fitting preparation for His public ministry. It still serves as an example for us. To best focus on the Lord, and to let all the anxieties and things in life that ultimately do not matter melt away, we need the solitude of the spiritual desert to allow our hearts to "tune-in" to the voice of God and His Spirit of Counsel. As we more deeply desire to surrender all, and allow Jesus to have control of every part of our lives, we quickly realize we are in the midst of a spiritual battle in this world. The biggest lie that the devil proposes to us within that battle, is that we are not forgivable. That our past defines us. That we can't really receive Mercy. This is a lie, and it is a path that leads first to complacency, and potentially, to despair.

Let's pay special attention then to the remedy: the Good News given to us in God's Word in this holy season. As we continue through Luke's Gospel this year, we will hear the parable at the very heart of the whole Gospel message in Chapter 15: The Prodigal Son. (March 27th – The 4th Sunday of Lent)

Since this is one of the most famous passages in the Scriptures, I think it's very easy to assume "we know" everything we can know about this story and

could easily re-tell it ourselves to someone else. We may identify with the wayward son coming to his senses after just wanting to indulge in the moment. We may identify with his acknowledging that, even though he told his dad he basically wished he was already dead (so he could take his inheritance early), there's something in him that draws him back home and believes in a parent's unconditional love. He would likely be better off at home working alongside the other laborers than in his present state, and so he only hopes for a little mercy and in no way expects things to go 'back to normal.' He hopes too little! He has lost the truth of his self-worth.

We might also identify with the older brother who is indignant that he always "does what he's supposed to" but doesn't get any kind of reward for it. He assumes there's an unequal favoritism in his family. He complains about not getting the same treatment - a feast with his friends. (Note how the father might feel about that statement, that the older son just wants his animal/money for a feast 'with his friends' and doesn't include the father at all. Pretty similar to the self-centeredness originally shown by the younger son, no? Seems to fit the pattern of "I want x, y, and z from you, Dad, but I don't want you!")

But let's not overlook the bigger picture. Yes, we know forgiveness is difficult on a natural level, including forgiving oneself sometimes. But remember, of all the ways that God could reveal Himself to us and show us His power in mighty deeds and great wonders, He shows us His power, His omnipotence, most of all in His Mercy. (Which is easier to say, "Your sins are forgiven" or "Rise, take up your mat, and walk"? Lk 5:23) We were created for union with God. Sin separates us from Him. We can't save ourselves. The Savior extends the beautiful gift of Mercy to us, He makes heaven a possibility for us, He elevates us to a place we could never raise ourselves (as adopted sons and daughters of God in baptism). This free gift must move the heart to gratitude, to thanksgiving, and to truly share this same mercy with others. To live out "forgive us our trespasses AS we forgive those who trespass against us."

So here's the deal. I don't think we fully understand the celebration, the robe, the ring, the fatted calf, the restored sonship. I think we gloss over the depth of the Father's UNILATERAL forgiveness. (And, potentially, the depth of God's Mercy towards us.) Why? Because we do not experience this in our everyday relationships. When there is tension and awkwardness in our family relationships, work relationships, whatever, we don't just drop it five seconds later and then turn a complete 180 degrees and say, "Hey, please come over for a party at my place tonight, it'd be wonderful to spend time with you." Nobody acts that way. We let wounds fester. We avoid or give a cold shoulder. We remember how people hurt us long after we've "forgiven." We let our trust remain broken, unhealed. Towards ourselves, we can let our past failures impose a ceiling upon us for how holy we think we

could become in the future.

But the Father, towards both of his sons, says, "I don't care about the insults, the injuries, I just want the joy of being with you because I love you more than you could ever understand." He sees past the selfishness of the sons, he doesn't define them by their past and adopts that attitude immediately. He rejoices, in love, about the relationship that can be restored with his beloved family. He doesn't care about the money, the stuff, the cost of the feast, the blown inheritance. No, he only sees the person, his child, without the past mistakes, and the deep love he has for them. We make it awkward with God way too often. It's almost as if we say,

"don't you want to still be mad or disappointed in me? Because I'm still disappointed, etc., in myself." Yet, He looks at us in love, He can see the perfect version of us – the Saint that He created us to be in eternity – and He says, "Let's celebrate. The past, the lies, are destroyed! Let's start over right now, it's not awkward for Me!" We likely have a lived experience of how thrilled grandparents are to spend time with their grandchildren. Multiply that joy times a billion or more, and that's how happy the Lord is to see us every time we choose to spend time with Him! What do you have to lose by talking normally to Jesus? He never abandons us no matter how many times we've betrayed or neglected Him in personal sin, and He is willing to immediately turn and say to us, "Give it all to Me. Forget all of it. Let's go now, together, on the trip of a lifetime!"

So this Lent, as we pray for a deepened faith and the ability to surrender the 'stuff' in our lives that's not from God: hear His invitation to healing. Then go experience the joy, the fun, of the deep, lasting, unconditional bond that is God's merciful love. He's ready to move forward now, with you. Are you ready to let go? The medicine is Mercy, the prognosis is Joy. Ask for Him, receive Him, know Him, remain with Him, share Him. Go have fun with Him! You are loved! Always.

## RETIREMENTS (SEPTEMBER 16TH THROUGH MARCH 22ND)

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO IVHQ! WE WISH YOU THE BEST!



Lola Brumbaugh retired from Nursing at the end of October with over 20 years of IVHQ Service.



Bill Buss retired form Nursing at the end of October with 20 years of IVHQ service.



Sally Ducey retired from Nursing at the end of February with nearly 23 years of IVHQ service.



Angie English retired from House-keeping at the end of December with 28 years of IVHQ service.



Tracie Pepper retired at the end of October with nearly 21 years of IVHQ service.



Deb Sparrow retired from Laundry at the end of October with nearly 21 years of IVHQ service.

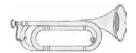


Dawn Whitcomb retired at the end of December as the Adjutant with 25 years of IVHQ service.



Dale Waterman retired from the Power House at the end of December with nearly 25 years of IVHQ service.





## ANNIVERSARY DATES (JANUARY THROUGH APRIL)

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE EMPLOYEES FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE!



Paula Goodwin Nursing 25 years on 3/19



Deanna Lefringhouse Housekeeping 26 years on 3/6



Chad Roberts
Power Plant
25 years on 3/3



Kelvin Roberts Social Services 27 years on 1/4



Byron Saathoff Bank 34 years on 4/11



#### 20 YEAR ANNIVERSARIES:

Kristen Westerheide	Nursing	January 3rd
Robert Johnston	Facilities	January 7th
Shelly Watson	Dietary	February 25th
Carrie Veile	Laundry	April 9th
Chris Dever	Housekeeping	April 22nd

#### 15 YEAR ANNIVERSARIES:

Amy Barrington	Nursing	January 2nd
Michelle Cooley	Nursing	January 2nd
Kathy Goehl	P.T.	January 2nd
Shearie Harmon	Nursing	January 2nd
Lindsey King-Kelley	Nursing	January 2nd
Megan Rainbolt	Nursing	January 2nd
Kathy Wright	Nursing	January 2nd
Brandon Holder	Security	February 20th
Resty McDonald	Nursing	March 12th

#### 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARIES:

Leslie Alfred	Nursing	January 3rd
Greg Flachs	Nursing	January 3rd
Todd Breuer	Nursing	February 14th
Brandon Brod	Nursing	February 14th
Angie Clark	Nursing	February 14th
Kayla Dingerson	Nursing	February 14th
Steve Lindsey	Bus. Off.	February 14th
John Freidinger	Facilities	February 16th
Dottie Cartmill	Nursing	April 2nd
Dana Herring	Nursing	April 2nd
Evelyn Mustread	Nursing	April 2nd
Michael Orrill	Nursing	April 2nd

#### 5 YEAR ANNIVERSARIES:

Lynn Dingerson	Nursing	January 25th
Liz Harness	Nursing	January 25th
Lisa Delcour	Nursing	March 20th

Anniversary dates are printed at the 5, 10, 15, and 20 year anniversaries. Starting at 25 years (and all those above) employees will have their photo published as well. Congratulations to all celebrating anniversaries during these months!

#### A Message from an IVHQ Resident

After spending three months at Hammond Hall rehabbing from a major shoulder surgery, I would like to honor and acknowledge all the "invisible heroes" which are anyone and everyone who work the 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shift.

Until I lived at Hammond, I had NO IDEA how much work was done while I was going to sleep or actually asleep! A lot of the dirty - hard work with residents was done during this time! You are great!

Thank you all for all you do for all of us here at IVHQ!

Louise Seaver IVHQ Resident since 2012

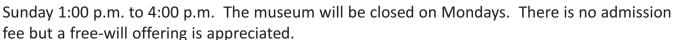
## ALL WARS MUSEUM

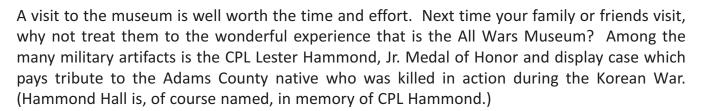
## **OPENED MARCH 1ST**

## A GREAT PLACE TO VISIT!

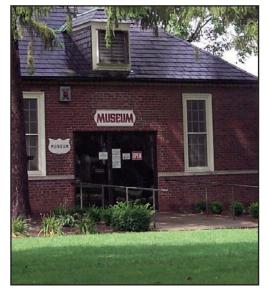
The All Wars Museum, located on the grounds of the Illinois Veterans Home, opened for the 2022 season on March 1st

Days of operation for the museum will be Tuesday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Tuesday through





Mr. Bob Craig is the Museum Curator. He can be reached at (217) 640-5405. The museum season runs through the Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving. Monetary donations and artifacts are accepted year round.





# TAPS (SEPTEMBER 16TH THROUGH MARCH 22ND)

#### GOD BLESS THESE SPECIAL MEN AND WOMEN, OUR COMRADES...



Charles Akright, 86, died November 3rd. Charles was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resident since 10/30/19.



Chester Boggs, 74, died October 26th. Chester was a Vietnam War Army Veteran and a resident since 6/21/21.



Gerold Boice, 80, died February 8th. Gerold was a War Vietnam Veteran and a resident since 5/25/21.



John Botsko, 97, died January 13th. John was a WWII Navy Veteran and a resident since 3/17/14.



Mason Bouillon. 100, died December 19th. Mason was a WWII Army Veteran and a resident since 7/6/16.



Butch Busse, 79. died October 4th. Butch was a Peace Time Marine Corps Veteran and a resident since 4/21/15.



Tom Ciucci, 98, died December 3rd. Tom was a W W I I Army Veteran and a resident since 7/10/19.



Pop Collins, 87, died September 29th. Pop was a Korean War Navy Veteran and a resident since 2/6/19.



Budro Daily, 94, died December 11th. Budro was a WWII Navy Veteran and a resident since 10/17/19.



Jim Day, 76, died March 9th.  $_{
m Jim}$ Was a Vietnam War Army and Marine Corps Veteran and a resident since 1/12/22.



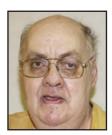
Glenn Drechsel, 98, died Marcy 21st. Glenn was a 5th. Marilyn was a WWII Navy non-veteran and a Veteran and a resiresident dent since 4/22/21. 4/28/15.



Marilyn Dunn, 94, died December



Charles Ervin, 87, died September 30th. Charles was a Korean War Navy Veteran and a resident since 1/6/12.



28th. Jesse was a Vietnam War Army Veteran and a resident since 11/12/08.



Jesse Foglesong, Norm Gerecke, 77, died October 92, died December 30th. Norm was a Korean War Army Veteran and a resident since 10/30/17.



Bill Godsil, 89, died February 20th. Bill was a Korean War & Vietnam War Navy Veteran and a resident since 7/2/21.



Howard Guenther, 87, died December 22nd. Howard was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resident since 7/20/18.



Thomas Halberstadt, 73, died October 26th. Thomas was a Vietnam War Army Veteran and a resident since 8/8/19.

## **TAPS**

#### God Bless these special men and women, our comrades...



Hanks, 88, died February 10th. Bob was a Korean War Navv Veteran and a resident since 5/17/21.



Bill Hull, 95, died February Korean War Navv Veteran and a resident since 10/20/09.



23rd. died Vietnam War Marine Corps Veterans and a resident since 7/24/18.



David Jones, 76, Leland Kennedy, November 95, died March died Bill was a WWII & 8th. David was a 12th. Leland was a WWII Army Veteran and a resident since 5/22/18



Wayne Kilver, 93, December 18th. Wayne was a Korean War Army Veteran and a resident since 3/15/21.



Eldon Lashbrook, 82, died September 18th. Eldon was a Peace Time Marine Corps Veteran and a resident since 3/20/19.



John Litz, 87, December 11th. John was a Korean War Army Veteran and a resident since 6/30/21.



Alvie Louck, 78, died November 10th. Alvie was a Vietnam Army Veteran and a resident since 6/14/21.



Dave Magner, 85, died February 7th. Dave was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resident since 4/26/06.



Don McCabe, 95, died March 6th. Don was a WWII Navy Veteran and a resident since 5/6/21.



Buzzy McLaughlin, dent since 1/24/17.



Richard Miller, 72, died Septem- 83, died January ber 25th. Buzzy 20th. Richard was was a Vietnam a Vietnam war War Marine Corps Army Veteran and Veteran and a resi- a resident since 6/4/21.



Bud Niekamp, 83, died March 10th. Bud was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resident 6/23/21.



Steve Nosser, 102, died January 20th. Steve was a WWII Navy



Dave Ogle, 79, died January 10th. Dave was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resi- Veteran and a resident since 5/18/18. dent since 12/31/19.



Mick O'Connor, 79, died October 24th. Mick was a Peace Time Marine Corps Veteran and resident since 1/7/13.



Ray Parkinson, 87, died October 24th. Ray was a Korean & Vietnam Air Force Veteran and a resident since 6/5/18.



Pete Rischar, 87, died February 13th. Pete was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resident since 1/23/20.

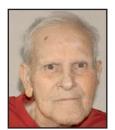


## **TAPS**

#### GOD BLESS THESE SPECIAL MEN AND WOMEN, OUR COMRADES...



Betty Robb, 97, died February 22nd. Betty was a Non-Veteran and a resident since 1/30/20.



Norm Schaller, 87, died October 23rd. Norm was a Korean War Army Veteran and a resident since 6/18/21.



Bob Schmitt, 96, died December 14th. Bob was a WWII Navy Veteran and a resident since 3/8/21.



Wilma Taylor, 89, died January 17th. Wilma was a Non-Veteran and a resident 8/18/92.



Hank Tameling, 94, died October 15th. Hank was a Korean War Army Veteran and a resident since 8/29/19.



Brad Tripp, 55, died October 27th. Brad was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a resident since 10/12/21.



Mary Wagy, 92, died March 8th. Mary was a Non-Veteran and a residents ince 5/5/15.



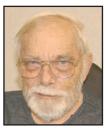
Ed Watts, 81, died February 9th. Ed was a Peace Time Navy Veteran and a resident since 4/17/19.



Jim Wilcoxen, 84, died September 23rd. Jim was a Peace Time Army Veteran and a residdent since 5/9/16.



Ray Wilhite, 80, died November 29th. Ray was a Korean War Air Force Veteran and 11/29/16.



Dave Zimmerman, 76, died October 7th. Dave was a Vietnam War Air Force Veteran and a resident since a resident since 1/22/18.



#### GOD BLESS THE SOULS OF OUR DEPARTED COMRADES

Man who is born of woman is of a few days and is full of trouble. He cometh forth as a flower and is cut down. He fleath also as a shadow and continuith not. For as much as God has taken the soul of our departed comrade we now commit his body to the ground to sleep and his soul to endless peace to rest. The dust returneth to the earth as it was, and the Spirit returneth to God who gave it.

#### **WISH LIST**

## CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED (since last issue)

Eva Adele Family donated \$11,000.00 for a Bathtub for Fifer

The Harry Gerecke Memorial donated \$20.00 to Activities

Diane & Floyd Alexander donated \$600.00 Activities

Department of Illinois Marine Corps League Auxiliary donated \$100.00 to Activities

The Bob Ericson memorial donated \$150.00 to Activities

The Michael Bowen Memorial donated \$1150.06 to Activities

The Michael Bowen Trust donated \$396.64 to Activities

The Ron Jacobs Memorial donated \$25.00 to Activities

Mavis Knowles donated \$40.00 to Activities

The Garry Rayl Memorial donated \$260 to Activities

Elks National Service Commission donated \$2,800.00 for Activity Boards

The Leroy Veach Memorial donated \$20.00 to Activities

Reserve Officer Association, Chapter #35 donated \$100.00 to the All Wars Museum

Wanda O'Hara donated \$25.00 to Activities

The John Kirkham Memorial donated \$100.00 to Activities

The John Scranton Memorial donated \$215.00 to Activities

The Charles Akright Memorial donated \$590.00 to Activities

Swansea Community American Legion Post #2007 donated \$175.00 to Activities

Darrel Mink donated \$250.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents and \$100.00 to Activities

National Society of DAR General Macomb Chapter donated \$160.00 to Activities

Haubrich Enterprises donated \$400.00 to Activities

Kelly's donated \$400.00 to Activities

Judy Sims donated \$400.00 to the Bugle Fund

Karen & Steven March donated \$20.00 to Activities

VFW US Frant Post #2665 donated \$1,000.00 to the Christmas Party

Helen Glenn donated \$10.00 to Activities

VFW Auxiliary Gift Shop donated \$680.00 to Activities

Catholic War Veterans, INC Post #1916 donated \$500.00 to Activities

The Emerald Stevenson Memorial donated \$1,000.00 to Activities The Donald Seymour Memorial donated \$50.00 to Activities

Bethany United Church of Christ donated \$150.00 to Activities

Sturhan Jewelers donated \$828.00 to Activities

Daughters of the Veterans of the Civil War donated \$50.00 to Activities

The James Shaffer Estate donated \$14.66 to Activities

Lorie Turner donated \$200.00 to Activities

Illinois State NSDAR 12/20 donated \$6,000.00 for the Utility Task Vehicle and \$200.00 to Activities

The Charlie Sly Memorial donated \$525.00 to Activities

The James Wilcoxen Memorial donated \$285.00 to Activities

The Roger Ellison Memorial donated \$440.00 to Activities

Linda Schneider donated \$25.00 to the Bugle Fund

Ralph Hobson donated \$500.00 for the Utility Task Vehicle

The Alan McLaughlin Memorial donated \$920.00 to Activities

The Thomas Halberstadt Memorial donated \$975.00 to the All Wars Museum and \$25.00 to Activities Nancy Boriff donated \$100.00 for Christmas Gifts for Residents

Military Order of the Purple Heart, Chapter #138 donated \$100.00 to the Resident Christmas Party

Korean War Veterans Association, Charles Parlier Chapter donated \$2,000 to Christmas Gifts for Residents and \$1,000.00 to the Christmas Party

Carolyn Briddle donated \$50.00 for Christmas Gifts for Residents

The John Busse Memorial donated \$460.00 to Activities

The John Busse Trust donated \$111.88 to Activities

The John Busse/Charles Akright Memorial donated \$50.00 to Activities

Jacksonville Emblem Club #467 donated \$100.00 to the Christmas Party

Jeff & Martha Burns donated \$45.00 to Activities

Mars Meyer American Legion Auxiliary Unit #991 donated \$1,000.00 to Activities

American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Fund Unit #125 donated \$50.00 to Activities

American Legion Edwin Corpin Post #905 donated \$2,500.00 to Activities



Paul Kramer donated \$200.00 to Activities Marine Corps League Collier Harrison Det #075 donated \$800.00 to Activities

Brad & Barbara Richmiller donated \$40.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Blessing Patient Services-Outreach Program donated \$320.00 to Activities

Disabled American Veterans Chapter #33 donated \$1,000.00 to Activities

Atkinson Women's Club donated \$100.00 to Activities

Lois Brechbiel donated \$25.00 to the Bugle Fund

Quincy Adams County DAV Chapter #32 donated \$3,000.00 for the Utility Task Vehicle

VFW Auxiliary Post #5691 donated \$250.00 to Activities

The Jesse Franklin Foglesong
Jr. Memorial donated
\$335.00 to Activities

Rick & Becky Gengenbacher donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Jim Muldoon donated \$500.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Ricky Leonard donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Various donors donated \$150.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

George & Sandy Smith donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Linda Thomas donated

\$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Devin Huner donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Harrison Pub donated \$733.00 to Activities

Earlene Miller donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Joseph Gallaher donated \$300.00 to Activities and \$200.00 for the Utility Task Vehicle

Doug & Diane Campbell donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Daniel & Karen Gerding donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

George & Shirley Thielbar donated \$100.00 to Activities

Author Ted Ridder donated book sale proceeds of \$148.26 to Activities

Carol Drzewicki donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

The Norman Jenssen Memorial donated \$50.00 to Activities

Linda Wackher donated \$100.00 to the Christmas Gifts for Residents and \$30.00 to Activities

The Terry Schaffnit Memorial donated \$240.00 to Activities

Area Distributers donated \$1,000 to Activities in honor of Kevin Slough

American Legion Quincy Post #37 donated \$5,000.00 for the Utility Task Vehicle American Legion Auxiliary Quincy Unit #37 donated \$1,000.00 for High Definition Televisions

The Mary Dickerman Memorial donated \$40.00 to Activities

The David Zimmerman Memorial donated \$225.00 to Activities

The Michael Noble Memorial donated \$100.00 to Activities

Laura Steinkamp donated \$43.00 to Activities

AMVETS Post # 94 donated \$200.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

VFW Auxiliary Unit #630 donated \$500.00 to Activities

VFW Auxiliary Unit # 1921 donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Martha Beck donated \$100.00 to Activities

NSDAR Sgt. Caleb Hopkins Chapter donated \$600.00 to Activities

Northenders VFW Auxiliary #10302 donated \$200.00 for High Definition Televisions

Marge Sly donated \$60.00 to Activities

Roy Hummelsheim donated \$30.00 to Activities

AMVETS Riders North Pekin Chapter donated \$500.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Korean War Veterans Association Chapter #27 donated \$500.00 to the Resident Christmas Party

The George Belker Memorial donated \$25.00 to Activities

The Monty Foster & John Robert Miller Memorial donated \$200.00 to Activities

Piasa Rifle & Pistol Club donated \$200.00 to Activities

Lorie Turner donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Mississippi Rat Pak Car Club donated \$150.00 to Activities

Paul & Diana Hunt donated \$100.00 to Activities

Randy & Laura Peterson donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Kyle & Kari Muskopf donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Bernie & Cyndi Ott donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Carol & Georgia Short donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Leonard & Sue Craft donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

IL Chapter National 4th Infantry Division donated \$100.00 to Activities

Sons of the American Legion donated \$100.00 to Activities

Sean & Carla O'Neil donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Timothy & Beverly Bell donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Barbara Nisbet donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Robert & Leann Garkie donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Jan Weber donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Barbara Buesking donated \$150.00 to Activities

Brandon Volk donated \$200.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Carleen Duncan donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Rosemary Nesbit donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Quincy USBC donated \$600.00 for the Resident Christmas Party

The Robert Reynolds Memorial donated \$50.00 to Activities

Ernest Gregory donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

VFW Quincy Post #5129 donated \$200.00 for the Resident Christmas Party

DAV Will County Chapter #103 donated \$500.00 to Activities

Michael & Martha Marshall donated \$50.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Kristie McNay donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for

Residents

Davis Memorial Christian Church Disciples of Christ donated \$1,000.00 to Activities

Bethany Women's Fellowship donated \$88.00 to Activities

Mt. Sterling American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Fund donated \$10.00 to Activities

DOT Foods Inc. donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

An Anonymous donor donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Justin & Sara Poynter donated \$30.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Pinkerton Prairie Chapter donated \$25.00 to Activities

VFW Post #2791 donated \$500.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

William Garrett donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Richfield Methodist Church donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Bethany United Church of Christ donated \$150.00 to Activities

Quincy Public Schools Board Office Staff donated \$90.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

The Jiggs & Marielle Hermes Memorial donated \$200.00

to Activities

American Legion Post #371 donated \$400.00 to Activities

The Laura Geiser Memorial donated \$30.00 to Activities

The Raymond & Marilyn Dunn Memorial donated \$50.00 to Activities

Douglas & Tamella Pool donated \$200.00 to Activities

Dave Clifford donated \$25.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

Connie Bottorff donated \$50.00 to Activities

Polish Legion of American Veterans donated \$100.00 to Christmas Gifts for Residents

The Byron Pempek Memorial donated \$855.00 to Activities

West Central Illinois Leathernecks #1177 donated \$200.00 to Activities

American Legion Central Park Post #1028 donated \$100.00 to Activities

The Marilyn Dunn Memorial donated \$170.00 to Activities

Adams County Home & Community Education donated \$1,557.82 to Activities

Daughters of the American Revolution Stephen Decatur Chapter donated \$500.00 to Activities

Alvera Bardon donated \$20.00 to Activities

VFW #8821 PF Ted Stempien donated \$100.00 to Activities

Elks Ladies #158 donated \$455.00 to Activities

The Sugar Cookie Open Golf Tournament donated \$5,026.99 to Activities

Jean Norfolk donated \$260.00 to Activities

Gem Unit HCE- Home Extension donated \$120.88 to Activities

The Joseph Yohn Memorial donated \$20.00 to Activities

Dick Nash donated \$50.00 to Activities

Steven Schrock donated \$100.00 to Activities

David Russell donated \$350.00 to Activities

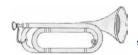
Eliza American Legion Post #1971 donated \$500.00 to Activities

Navy Club of USA Illinois Squadron donated \$300.00 to Activities

Joyce Losch donated \$150.00 to Activities

Northenders VFW Post #10302 donated \$800.00 for High Definition Televisions and \$159.99 to Activities

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!





Illinois Veterans Home at Quincy

# WISH LIST



If you or your organization are interested in funding a portion or an entire project, simply contact Administrator Troy Culbertson at (217) 640-2266 or Director of Marketing Rick Gengenbacher at (217) 640-2270. All contributions, no matter the size, will be noted in the Bugle with the Wish List. These items will remain on the list until we have received enough funds to purchase them. New items will be added from time to time. (Checks should be made payable to the Illinois Veterans Home. Please write the name of the project you wish to adopt in the memo note.) This list is in Priority Order. As always, thank you for your time and consideration.

REQUESTED: UTILITY TASK VEHICLE (UTV)

REASON: With the demolition of several buildings (going on now) and the construction of a couple new

can custom build this UTV for us!

Price: Approximately \$32,000

REQUESTED: 32" HIGH DEFINITION TELEVISIONS

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Price: Thankeyour for your generosity 100.

REQUESTED: ACTIVITY CALENDAR FOR UNITS

REASON: AFTER DECADES OF USE, WEAR AND TEAR, IT IS TIME TO REPLACE THE ACTIVITY CALENDARS ON THE UNITS

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PRICE: \$2,106 EACH (WE'LL SOON BE PURCHASING CALENDARS FOR MARKWORD AND FIFER. WE ARE STILL SEEKING ONE FOR HAMMOND.)

#### NEXT TWO PROJECTS ARE NEW TO THE WISH LIST

REQUESTED: NORDIC WELLNESS CHAIR

REASON: This is a special dementia chair that rocks and soothes, plays calming music, and helps relax

dementia residents who may be upset or at a fall risk. We were able to purchase one of these chairs for Hammond in 2020 and have had great results. We know Schapers residents would benefit

from a chair as well.

Price: Approximately \$11,000.00

REQUESTED: INTERACTING PROJECTOR

Reason: This interactive gaming console projects custom made games onto any surface (tabletops, floors

and walls) and encourages resident to engage in moving, hand-eye coordination, thinking and fun skills on the images. The system can be set up as a scheduled activity or programmed to turn on at certain times of the day, which can be especially helpful during shift change and sundowning episodes. Over 100 games are available, designated for seniors in high functioning, middle functioning or late stages of dementia. It is available on a mobile cart so can be used on several units

PRICE: \$8,000.00

REQUESTED: DONATIONS TO THE RESIDENTS BENEFIT (ACTIVITIES) FUND

Reason: Daily activities for residents and all special events (such as the Family Picnic and the Christmas

Party) are funded out of the Residents Benefit Fund. Donations of all sizes are always welcome as our Activities Department continues to provide first-class events and reaches out to all residents

through a variety of activities.

PRICE: ONGOING FUND -- Donations of all sizes are appreciated.

REQUESTED: HOMELIKE ENVIRONMENT PROJECT

Reason: Living environments influence quality of life and many studies have been done regarding the

impact the environment around us has on our health; physical, and emotional well-being. Such things as wall coverings/color, window coverings, lighting, and wall art influence us whether we realize it or not. These things help humanize healthcare environments and can make a setting more reminiscent of home; that's our goal with this endeavor, to create a more homelike environment for our residents. We have made great progress on this front but it is ongoing and one of the

items we would like to add next are a few Nordic chairs.

PRICE: ONGOING FUND -- Donations of all sizes are appreciated.

REQUESTED: DONATIONS TO COVER PRINTING & MAILING EXPENSE FOR THE BUGLE

REASON: Donations are requested to help offset a portion of the annual expenses for the publication which,

between printing and postage will exceed \$10,000.00 per year.

PRICE: ONGOING FUND -- Donations of all sizes are appreciated.

REQUESTED: MONETARY DONATIONS FOR OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Reason: Our outdoor Christmas decorations are basically outdated, in disrepair, or non-existent. We

would like to purchase large outdoor Christmas decorations that can be used along the 12th Street entrance boulevard and placed in front of all the residential buildings. The thought is to purchase several different items and rotate them annually so each building has a different look each

Christmas season.

PRICE: \$10,000.00

REQUESTED: A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR EACH RESIDENT

REASON: It has been become a tradition to purchase a gift for every resident each year. Often we wait too

long to start requesting donations and our Christmas account has become depleted so we will be

leaving it on our Wish List in order to get a jump start on the program.

PRICE: \$20.00 will sponsor one resident. (We currently have nearly 260 residents.)

#### Thank You For Your Consideration!!!

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## Sugar Cookie Open Donation



IVHQ thanks Sugar Cookie Open organizers, Jared and Kate Ogden, as well as the many individuals and organizations who made the event possible with the generous donation of \$5,026.00 to the resident activity Fund. Jared, pictured in middle, is a former Navy SEAL who desired to help organizations and first responders who keep us safe. (The Quincy Fire Department and the Adams County Sheriff's Department each received \$5,026.00 as well!) Pictured with Jared are Administrator Troy Culbertson and Dave Rakers from First Bankers Trust. Thank you, Sugar Cookie Open!