

Norseland News

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF NORSELAND NURSING HOME



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Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENT: PATIO REMODEL

Our patio remodel project is complete! Please utilize our 200 wing door to access our new patio. If you are interested in reserving the patio for a family gathering/event, please stop by the recreation office and speak with Ange Kaye. We look forward to hosting more outdoor programming in this space. Thank you again to Grant & Carrie Leum for your generosity in making this remodel possible!

-Megan Arnold, NHA
 Administrator

Employee Highlights:

WORK ANNIVERSARIES:

- Anne Cary, CNA: 37 yrs.
- Dorie Wyman, Dietary: 12 yrs.
- Linda Davidson, LPN: 3 yrs.
- Madison Cole, Dietary : 1 yr.
- Greg Kelly, CNA: 1 yr
- Christine Primmer, LPN: 1 yr.
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NEW EMPLOYEES:

- Courtney Holmes, CNA
- Mason Mosher, Dietary Aide



ANNOUNCEMENT: WE'RE HIRING

We are hiring! Be sure to check out our website for available positions:

- **Director of Nursing**
- CNAs (PMs & Nights)
- Nurse (LPN or RN) Days
- Med Tech (Days & PM)
- Dietary Aid (PMs)

Apply today at:
www.bsjcorp.com/employment/

-Megan Arnold, NHA
 Administrator

Special Events



Genoa Hatchery

We will be taking a trip to the Genoa Hatchery on Friday, Aug. 2nd. Residents will have the opportunity to learn about the Driftless Area history and aquatic species that inhabit the Mississippi River. We will be taking a tour of the Great River Road Interpretive Center and trout fishing from the accessible dock (weather permitting). Please sign up with Rec. Therapy as there is limited availability.

Bachelorette Party

We have 4 staff members getting married within weeks of each other at the end of August/early September: Juila, Recreation Therapist; Hannah, CNA; Janae, Nutrition Services Supervisor; and Ange, Recreation Therapy Director. Residents have been patiently awaiting for their "special days" and have been wanting a way to celebrate with the staff. We will be hosting a bachelorette party on Aug. 16 with nail painting, bridal bingo, wine sampling, and party bus (UTV rides). What a fun way to celebrate!



Patio Picnic w/ Nordic Lanes

We will be hosting a picnic on our newly renovated patio on August 7th at 12:00PM. Residents will have the opportunity to order in from Nordic Lanes while enjoying the sunshine, therapy chickens, and flowers on our patio! If interested, please sign up with Rec. Therapy as there is limited availability.

In Memory of Edith Solberg

Edith Solberg was extremely creative and talented. She loved to make quilts, crochet, sew, and make door decorations. Thank you to those that donated in her memory: Lynn & Alan Fisher, Sandy & Roger Mathison, Susanne Wedwick, Joyce & Dennis Smalley, Lori & Gary Larson, Gwendolyn Siverhus, David & Betty Wemette, Susanne Mlsna, & Anonymous Donors. With your monetary gifts, we will be purchasing new craft supplies for residents to utilize during craft groups and hosting a scarecrow guided painting program on Sept. 18th @ 9:15am. Please sign up with Rec. Therapy as there is limited availability.



Community Engagement



Nordic Creamery

We have been loving getting out into the community by means of scenic rides on our accessible UTV. We will be taking a drive and making a stop at the Nordic Creamery for ice cream on August 14th. Thank you to the Nordic Creamery for donating "free ice cream chips" for residents to utilize. We appreciate your generosity! Please sign up with Rec. Therapy if interested as there is limited availability.



La Crosse Queen Cruise

We will be taking a group of 4 residents for a scenic tour on the La Crosse Queen @ 11:00am on Sept 24th. We look forward to seeing the fall colors and learning about the history of the Mighty Mississippi! Please sign up with Rec. Therapy if interested as we have limited availability.



History Alive Project

The History Alive Project will be coming in September to lead a reminiscing discussion on one room schoolhouses. We look forward to an recalling our school days and looking at historical photos. Residents may even recognize some familiar faces! Thank you History Alive Project for your community engagement efforts. We look forward to spending the morning with you on Sept 4th @ 10:00am.

Special Thanks to our Donors

In Memory of Herman Hall, Jr.



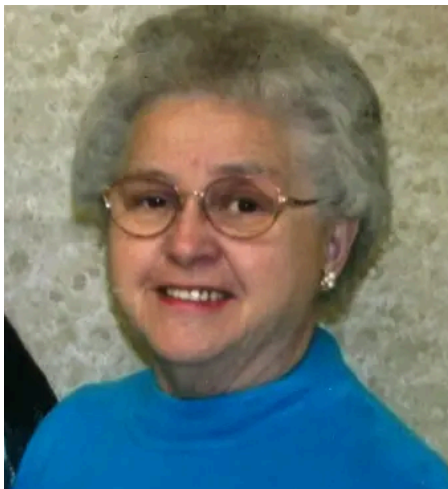
Thank you to those that donated to our Recreation Therapy Dept. in memory of Herman Hall, Jr. Donors include: Linda Irrthum, Jacquelyn Pertzborn, Nancy Lovstad, Marsha and Ronald Hall, Lisa and Steve Sugrue, Kay Vosseteig, Betty Barstad, Alene and Allen Olson, and Anonymous Donor. Junior served his country in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He was stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base Alaska as a member of the Engineering Section of the 66th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron. Junior was incredibly intelligent and liked to learn or understand the way things worked. We will be hosting Larry Scheckel, who taught physics and aerospace science to more than four thousand high school students in Tomah, Wisconsin during his 38 years in the classroom. Larry will be providing a "science show" on Oct 22nd at 2:00PM in Junior's memory. Thank to the donors that made this event possible!



Westby Coon Prairie Lutheran Church

Thank you to Westby Coon Prairie Lutheran Church for their monetary donation to our Recreation Therapy Dept. With your monetary gift, we will be establishing a "resident help fund." Funds in this account will cover the cost of outings, special meals, and resident experiences. We will also use a portion of the funds to continue offerings unique and engaging programs for our residents and their families to enjoy. Thank you for supporting Norseland!

In Memory of Helen Hanson

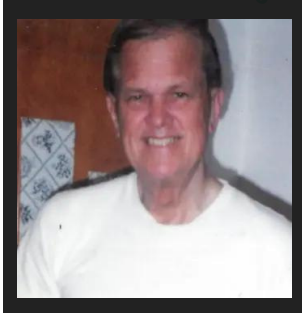


Thank you to those that donated in memory of Helen Hanson. Those that knew Helen, knew she was empathetic, had a great smile, and loved to see others having fun (especially kids!) A special thank you to: Karen and Dennis Miller, Eileen and Jeff Hanson, Stanley Turben, Dawn Hougom, Donna and Jack Dutcher, Kalynn Rodenkirch, and Karen Allness. With your monetary gift, we will be collaborating with Kindergarten classes from Westby Area School District to offer inter-generational programming in the fall once children have returned back to school. More details to come! Thank you for your generosity!

In Memory Of...

"Those who touch our lives stay in our hearts forever."

Bruce Packey



Aug. 7, 1936 - July 11, 2024

Bruce D. Packey, age 87, of Westby, passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at Norseland Nursing Home. He was born on August 7, 1936, in Chicago to Al and Constance (Eitland) Packey. Bruce was a very accomplished pianist and played at Carnegie Hall. He lived in Boston until moving to Westby to be closer to his cousins. He was an ordained minister and served a parish in Boston. Bruce was very friendly and well-liked by many.

Survivors include his cousins, Diane (Milo) Ellefson, Carol Clemment, Judy (John) McEachren, and Marlin (Pat) Eitland; and several nieces and nephews.

Bruce was preceded in death by his parents.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 18, 2024, at Bethesda Lutheran Brethren Church in Westby. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Online Condolences may be expressed at www.vossfh.com.

Bruce's family would like to thank the staff members at Norseland Nursing Home and St. Croix Hospice for the wonderful care they provided. Also, a special thank you to Pastor George Shick and Pastor Paul Tjelta for visiting Bruce.

“After glow”

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun; Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

