

Norseland News

THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF NORSELAND NURSING HOME



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 and announcements.

Employee Highlights:

WORK ANNIVERSARIES:

- Ashley Hoff, CNA 2 yrs.
- Jamie Haakenson, Nurse Manager 5 yrs.
- Diane Wang, Dietary Aide 7 yrs.
- Trena Theige, CNA 8 yrs.
- Angelique Viau, SW 9 yrs.
- Wayne Peterson, Maintenance/ Housekeeping/Laundry 39 yrs

NEW EMPLOYEES:

- Brianna Helgeson, RN
- Nayeli Flores, CNA

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENT: STAFF RECRUITMENT

Norseland is offering special retention bonuses as a part of our recruitment efforts.

We have a **\$5,000** retention bonus for full-time day shift **RNs** and **\$2,500** for day shift **LPNs** through November 1st.

Please refer any potential candidates to our website to apply:

www.bsjcorp.com/employment/

-Megan Arnold, NHA
 Administrator



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
- Nurse Tech (Days & PM)

Apply today at:

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Special Events



Trick or Treating

Norseland will be hosting a trick-or-treating event in celebration of Halloween. The event will take place Thurs. Oct 31st from 3:30 - 5:00 PM. This event is open to the public. If you would like to donate candy, please drop off at the recreation office. We look forward to seeing all of the goblin and ghouls that may visit!



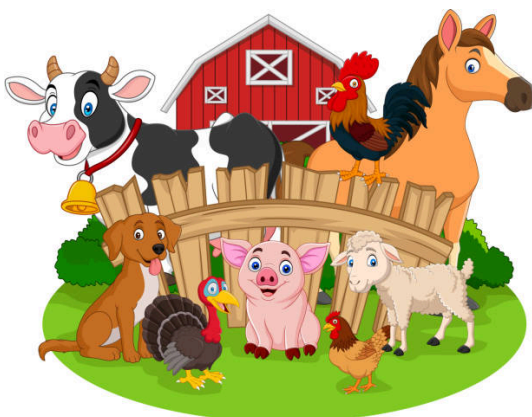
Science Show In Memory of Junior Hall

We will be welcoming Larry Scheckel who will be entertaining us with a science show. Larry taught physics and aerospace science to more than four thousand high school students in Tomah, Wisconsin during his 38 years in the classroom. We look forward to an afternoon of observing science experiments! Thank you to the Junior Hall family and friends for making this program possible!



Grumpy Old Men In Memory of Miriam Lewison

Miriam always enjoyed listening to Big Band music. Thanks to donations made in her memory, Grumpy Old Men will be here to entertain our residents with various musical instruments on Thurs. October 10th @ 2:00 PM. We look forward to enjoying an afternoon of music! Thank you do the donors that made this program possible.



Petting Zoo In Memory of Miriam Lewison

We will be hosting a Petting Zoo in memory of Miriam Lewison on Wednesday, October 9th from 2-4:00PM. The petting zoo will consist of: tank of bunnies, tank of chicks, 6 lambs, 6 goats, 2 chickens, 2 ducks, 2 geese, alpaca and llama, mini pot belly pig, mini donkey, and a calf. This event was made possible by donations made by Miriam's family. Thank you: Ruth & Al Darelus, Paul & Karla Lewison, and Roger & Kathy Lewison and their families.

Community Engagement

History Alive Project



Thank you to Ruth and Dave Amundson from the History Alive Project for visiting with the residents of Norseland and leading a One Room School House discussion and presentation. We had a great time looking at photos of local one room schoolhouses, recalling memories of our past school days, and looking at historical schoolhouse memorabilia. Thank you for sharing your time with us!



Norsefest--Norseland Auxiliary

The Norseland Auxiliary will be hosting their annual Norsefest fundraiser consisting of a pie and ice cream social and a bake sale. This event will be held on October 19th from 2-4pm at Norseland Nursing Home. This event will be free will offering and all funds raised will go directly to Norseland Auxiliary. Thank you to the Norseland Auxiliary for your continued dedication to serving the Norseland residents! We hope to see you there!



Westby High School Band

Thank you to Kory Dahlen, Westby High School's Band Director for coordinating with Norseland so that students could share their musical talent with us in celebration of homecoming week! What a great way to spread community cheer! We later attended the homecoming parade in our accessible UTV. What a fun day for all!

Special Thanks to our Donors



Norseland Auxiliary

Thank you to the Norseland Auxiliary for their monetary gift to help sponsor our Halloween Trick or Treating event. Your monetary gift will be put towards the cost of candy for trick or treaters. We appreciate your continued support of Norseland Nursing Home. If anyone is interested in joining the auxiliary, please reach out to Ange (Kaye) DeWinter in Recreation Therapy and she will be happy to connect you!



Pat Jaegar Family

Thank you to Lynn & Dave Marks and Cheryl Bland for your donation of pumpkins, gourds, corn stalks, and assorted mums to decorate the exterior of our facility! Residents and visitors certainly enjoy the festive decorations! Thank you for choosing to share your generosity with us!



In Memory of Edith Solberg

We hosted a guided painting program in memory of Edith Solberg this past month. Artist Barb Larsen took a step-by-step approach, and each resident was able to create their own beautiful scarecrow painting. Residents were so proud of their work--as they should be! Thank you again to the friends and family that donated in Edith's memory. What a fun day!

In Memory Of....

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

Roger Strangstalien



Aug. 25, 1934 - Aug. 25, 2024

Roger Strangstalien, 90, passed away on August 25, 2024, at Norseland Nursing Home in Westby, surrounded by family and friends, who gathered to celebrate his 90th birthday.

Roger was born on August 25, 1934, to Art and Mabel Strangstalien. He was active in farm programs during high school and graduated from Westby High School in 1952. Following graduation, Roger proudly served his country in the U.S. Army, spending two years as a cryptographer while stationed in Germany. During his service, he received a Good Conduct Medal and a Marksmanship Medal.

On May 4, 1963, Roger married Donna Shisler at the Viroqua Methodist Church. Together, they built a loving family and raised two children, Thomas and Leah.

A dedicated dairy farmer, Roger devoted many years milking cows and working the land on his home farm. A man of strong faith, he served on multiple boards at Vang Lutheran Church. After retiring from farming, Roger worked in maintenance for Walmart. He was an avid Milwaukee Brewers fan and a skilled woodworker, a hobby he treasured before losing the use of his legs.

His family cherishes the beautiful woodcrafts he created and the countless hours he spent passing on his woodworking skills to his grandchildren.

Roger leaves behind his devoted wife Donna, his son Tom Strangstalien, his daughter Leah (Ryan) Call, his grandchildren Avery Strangstalien, Shaw Strangstalien, George Call, Joe (Julia) Call, Jack Call, and Julianne Call; two brothers, Dennis (Suzanne) Strangstalien and Larry (Rachel) Strangstalien, sister Gloria Storey, sister-in-law Marie Strangstalien, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, as well as his brothers Gordon, Verlyn, and Robert Strangstalien, and his sisters Beverly Jensen, Dorothy Sievertson, Lucille Ostrem, and Arlene Townsend.

Roger will be remembered as a hard-working, kind, patient, and honest man who was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

“Our Deepest Sympathy”

To send our deepest
sympathy
Just doesn't seem like
enough.

We know how your grief must
burden you,
How this time must be so
rough.

But try to believe in your
heart of hearts,
That your pain won't last
forever,

That sadness will lighten a
little each day,
and you'll eventually feel
much better.

When that day comes, your
memories

Will focus on the good, not
the bad.

Instead of feeling burdened
by tears,

You'll cherish the happy
times you had.