#### MAY 2024



THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF NORSELAND NURSING HOME





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# **Employee Highlights:**

### WORK ANNIVERSARIES:

- Grace Hebel, CNA 4 yrs.
- Claire Griffin, CNA 4 yrs.
- Brianna Connelly, Nurse Tech. 1 yr. Anahi Ramirez-Velasco: 1 yr.
- Serenity Pahl, Dietary: 1 yr.
- Megan Arnold, Administrator: 3 yrs.

### **NEW EMPLOYEES:**

- Maya Dunnum, CNA
- Jocelyn Pedretti, RN

## Announcements

### **ANNOUNCEMENT: PATIO CONSTRUCTION**

We will be resuming our patio construction project with Second Nature at Reads Creek this spring. Construction start time will be dictated by weather. Our estimated timeframe to begin construction is end of May or early June. We look forward to sharing this new space with all of you and hosting many activities and gatherings for residents and their families!

> -Ange Kaye, CTRS Director of Recreation Therapy

### ANNOUNCEMENT: RESIDENT CARE COORDINATOR

We will be welcoming a Jocelyn Pedretti, RN as our new Resident Care Coordinator. Jocelyn will begin in her new role on May 23rd, 2024. Welcome to our team!

#### -Starr Onshus, RN

Director of Nursing

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT: WE'RE HIRING**

We are hiring! Be sure to check out our website for available positions (CNAs, Nurse Techs, Dietary Aide and more!) Apply today at: www.bsjcorp.com/employment/

-Megan Arnold, NHA

Administrator

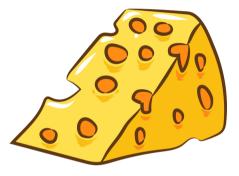
# **Special Events**



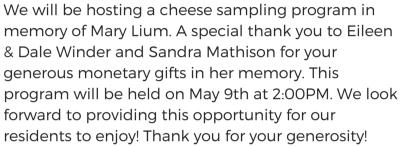
Guess The Mother

In honor of Mother's Day, we will be hosting a "guess the mother" program. Please send in a photo of your mother from her younger years and residents will have the opportunity to see who they can recognize. Please email your photo to: akaye@bsjcorp.com or drop off a COPY of the original photo to the recreation office. Please have all photos submitted by May 6th.

Cheese Sampling







Genoa Hatchery Buting

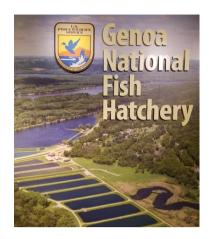
We will be taking a group of four residents to visit the Genoa National Fish Hatchery where they can tour the Great River Road Interpretive Center and learn all about the Mississippi River & local history. Residents will also have the opportunity to fish for trout from their accessible dock. This program will be hosted on May 21st. Be sure to sign up with Rec. Therapy if interested!



Syttende Mai Parade

We will be participating in Westby Syttende Mai Big Parade! Four residents will have the opportunity to ride in the UTV and distribute candy to parade attendees. We are excited to participate in this wonderful community event. Be sure to sign up with Rec. Therapy if interested.

# **Community Engagement**



Genoa National Fish Hatchery

We would like to extend a special thank you to the Genoa National Fish Hatchery who will be providing LIVE trout for our fishing event during National Nursing Home Week. Thank you for assisting us in the making the IMPOSSIBLE, POSSIBLE! We appreciate your efforts in providing community engagement and look forward to our scheduled visits to the hatchery this summer!



Syttende Mai Royalty

Westby Syttende Mai Royalty, Prince Kaston Compton, 1st Attendant Faith Hoff and 2nd Attendant Isabelle Weaver will be visiting Norseland residents on May 17th in celebration of Syttende Mai. We look forward to seeing you, asking questions about your royalty experience, and playing Syttende Mai bingo! A special thank you to the royalty advisors, David & Darlene Kraabel, for organizing and partnering with us!



History alive Project

A special thank you to the The History Alive Project for offering their Syttende Mai educational materials for us to view during Syttende Mai week. Residents will have the opportunity to look at various posterboards, old photo albums, troll story books, and Syttende Mai button collection. Thank you History Alive Project for always including us into community events!

# Special Thanks to our Donors



In Memory of Selma Olsen

Thank you to Wayne & Marilyn Olsen for your generous monetary gift in memory of Selma Olsen. Your continued support of Norseland Nursing Home is so appreciated. With your monetary gift, we will be purchasing flowers/vegetable plants for our accessible planters. We look forward to watching them grow throughout the summer season!



# In Memory of Harlan Stoleson

Thank you to the Stoleson family for directing donations made in memory of Harlan Stoleson to Norseland Nursing Home. A special thank you to: Brian & Karen Rude, Kristina & Bradley Furlano, Karen Mack, Ronald & Susanna Brudos, Reagan & Karen Reynolds, Kay Vosseteig, Timothy Iverson, Marcus & Sharon Nelson, Adelaide Bott, Cynthia Langhus, Howard Dunnum, Tim & Jane Gaskell, Annette Easterday, and Jacqulyn Pertzborn. Thank you for your generous monetary gifts made in his memory. Monetary donations allow us to continue offering unique and engaging programs for residents and their families to enjoy! Harlan will be dearly missed and always remembered!



Norseland Auxiliary

Thank you to the Norseland Auxiliary for purchasing new flower planters for our front entrance. We are excited for garden season and for our residents to get to enjoy the sight and smell of fresh flowers! Thank you for also purchasing candy for residents to toss at the Syttende Mai parade! We are so grateful for your continued support!

# Special Thanks to our Donors



Ellen Jaegar La Bounta

We would like to extend a special thank you to Ellen for her generous monetary gift to provide flowers for the facility. Residents and their families truly enjoy walking the facility grounds and looking at all of garden spaces. Our garden spaces provide an opportunity to reminisce of life on the farm and provide an opportunity for our residents to take ownership in caring for facility plants. We can't wait to watch them flourish throughout the summer season! Thank you Ellen!



In Memory of Beth Cary

Thank you to the family of Beth Cary for your generous monetary gift made in memory of your mother and grandmother, Beth. Beth's favorite program offered at Norseland was musical entertainment provided by Mary Beth Smith & Jean Geier also known as "Two Sisters." Two Sisters will be here to perform on May 5th at 2:00 PM in Beth's memory. We will also be serving banana splitz ice cream treats and adding new puzzles to our puzzle collection in her memory. Thank you for your generosity!



Coulee Quilters

Thank you to the Coulee Quilters who have donated numerous bed sized quilts throughout the past year. We are so fortunate to be able to welcome our new residents with a handmade quilt upon their arrival. Thank you for sharing your time, talent, and materials with us! National Nursing Home Week Recreation Calendar... May 13-May 17

**Programs are subject to change**\*\*\*

### MONDAY, MAY 13TH-CARNIVAL DAY

10:00 MUSIC WITH TOM WALTER ON PATIO 11:15 EXERCISE 2:00 MAGIC SHOW WITH MAGICIAN ISAIAH FOSTER MADE POSSIBLE BY DONATIONS MADE IN MEMORY OF DARLENE HANSON

3:30 COTTON CANDY & CARNIVAL GAMES (BALLOON DARTS & PICK A DUCK)

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 14TH-ZOO DAY**

9:45 SAFARI BINGO
11:00 EXERCISE WITH SAFARI MUSIC
2:00 LIVE REPTILE PRESENTATION (FROGS, LIZARDS, GECKOS, SNAKES, TURTLES, AND MORE. PROGRAM MADE POSSIBLE BY DONATION MADE POSSIBLE BY TAMSEN MORGAN)
3:00 PHOTOBOOTH STATION-GET YOUR PHOTO TAKEN WITH THE LIVE REPTILES!

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 15TH- WILDERNESS DAY IN MEMORY OF DARLENE HANSON

9:45 RIVER VALLEY RAPTORS LIVE OWL PRESENTATION MADE POSSIBLE BY DONATIONS MADE IN MEMORY OF DARLENE HANSON

11:00 EXERCISE

2:00 TROUT FISHING IN FRONT PARKING LOT TROUT PROVIDED BY GENOA NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY

4:00 SMORES MAKING

### THURSDAY, MAY 16TH-NORSELAND DAY

10:00 CARICATURE DRAWINGS – GET YOUR PHOTO DRAWN BY LOCAL CARICATURE ARTIST —MADE POSSIBLE BY DONATIONS MADE IN MEMORY OF DARLENE HANSON

11:00 EXERCISE 1:30 CHICKEN POOP BINGO ON PATIO 3:00 MUSIC WITH JAY HOFFMAN

### FRIDAY, MAY 17-HAPPY SYTTENDE MAI

ALL DAY: NORSELAND TROLL HUNT (FIND THE TROLLS & BRING TO REC. THERAPY OFFICE TO WIN A KING SIZE CANDY BAR!) 9:45 SANDBAKKEL BAKING GROUP 11:00 EXERCISE 2:00 SYTTENDE MAI/NORWEGIAN BINGO WITH SYTTENDE MAI ROYALTY 4:00 NORWEGIAN TRIVIA COMPETITION (WINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED AS NORSELAND SYTTENDE MAI KING OR QUEEN!)