Memorial Day
A volunteer pauses while placing flags in the cemetery to say a few words followed by a salute.

We are a ★★★★★★ star nursing facility!
Most Americans associate the United States’ “defeat” in Vietnam with humiliating images of swarming masses of refugees atop the American embassy roof in Saigon clamoring for evacuation by helicopters.

Or, they recall the television images of thousands of Vietnamese pounding on the U.S. embassy gates to avoid capture by advancing North Vietnamese Army troops—only to watch NVA tanks break through as they swarmed the embassy.

But those images, in fact, had little to do with the American military or our soldiers who fought the war. This year, as we reflect on the 40th anniversary of the war in Vietnam, it is important we pierce the cloud of history that shrouds the end of that war in 1975. The war for U.S. soldiers, who performed with remarkable effectiveness and efficiency, ended two years earlier, when President Nixon in 1973 pulled out the last American battalions. The masses of refugees being evacuated in 1975 were not Americans or U.S. soldiers. Almost all were Vietnamese and the choppers evacuating them were private helicopters.

Historians also debate the idea that the United States was “defeated” in Vietnam. The United States certainly did not defeat and capture North Vietnam (which was never intended). Nor did the U.S. military force a stalemate to halt the war as in Korea, with a divided North and South.

But wars are fought for foreign policy reasons. In the end, some historians note, the dominos of Communism actually stopped falling after Vietnam. After horrendous expenditures of money in Indochina, the Soviet Union and China seemingly lost the revolutionary and financial zeal it took to continue promoting the advance of world Communism via the path of armed insurrection.

Today, with the exception of Vietnam, Indochina aligns itself with the democratic governments of the area and with Western nations. And, with the exception of only a few countries around the world, such as North Korea and Cuba, Communism as an ideology is on the wane.

For the United States, ending the war in Vietnam was a slow, bitterly debated process. Candidate Richard Nixon promised to conclude the war during his campaign for president in 1968. When all the votes were counted for Nixon, Hubert Humphrey and anti-war activist Eugene McCarthy, it was overwhelmingly clear that America wanted out of Vietnam. Politically, Nixon had little choice but to honor his promise.

The next year, Nixon started withdrawing troops. But the reduction of American forces took time. He first secretly expanded the war into Laos and Cambodia and stepped up bombing attacks while, at the same time, negotiating for peace in Paris. By January 1973, the “Agreement on Ending the War and Restoring Peace in Vietnam” was signed. And by the end of March, the last U.S. troops left for home.

The war hardly ended, however. As many as 300,000 regular North Vietnamese Army troops still occupied huge swathes of South Vietnamese countryside (which the North denied). Within days of the declaration of peace, skirmishes began to erupt around the countryside and, in the spring of 1975, the North Vietnamese Army attacked in force. Through massive financial American support, the South Vietnamese Army had become one of the world’s largest and most advanced militaries. In fact, some experts predicted a stalemate in Vietnam.

But under relentless attack by mechanized NVA forces, the South Vietnamese troops disintegrated. Cities closest to North Vietnam fell quickly including Hue and Da Nang. Within weeks of the major invasion, most of Vietnam was under the control of the NVA and the South Vietnamese Army had been reduced to an ineffective group. As the North Vietnamese Army swarmed down the coastline, more than 140,000 American civilians and Vietnamese allies were airlifted out of the country.

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“The end: America withdraws, the South collapses”  

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The war in Vietnam, which the North had fought for nearly 30 years, finally ended.

In the United States, however, the political acrimony about the war lingered. Questions and criticisms about the cost of the war were launched not only toward those who planned the war, but also toward those who served their country to fight it. Our soldiers did not deserve those criticisms.

No matter what the war, no matter who the enemy, and no matter what the reasons, our troops deserve our respect. “Mission: Welcome Home” is our way to help fight for those who fought for us.

This is the last in a series of 15 columns about the Vietnam War.

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Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery

A King member visits her husband’s grave.

Thank you to all who helped plant flags at the cemetery.

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Sons of the American Revolution.

Waterside ceremony at Rainbow Lake was led by the Woman's Relief Corps.

Lynda Taylor-AMVETS Aux, Rose Williams-DAV Aux., and Linda Gresbach, Dav Aux.

Speaker Mike Gallagher, U.S. Marine Corps.

Flyover performed by Darrel Massman.

Featured Speaker
Brigadier General Vincent Barker.
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HELP WANTED!

Welcome Salute Volunteers are NEEDED!

The Welcome Salute is a program you may have heard about which started a few months ago at the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King. It is a program which offers new members an opportunity to get to know each other, current members, volunteers, and to learn a little bit more about the King campus.

When first coming to King, it is fair to say, one’s impression may be that it is a big place with a lot of people to meet, places to go, and things to become familiar with. The Welcome Salute was initiated to assist with making the move to King an easier transition with a more welcoming environment.

So what is the Welcome Salute all about? Within a couple of weeks of being admitted to the Veterans Home at King, new members will receive an invitation from a current member or volunteer to attend the next program. The program takes place every other Thursday in the Marden Library from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. On the morning of the Welcome Salute, a member or volunteer will come directly to the new member’s room to personally escort them to the Library, so there are no worries for the new member to try to find the location on their own. Coffee and snacks are provided while we go around the room making introductions. Each member is presented with a ribbon honoring their service specific to the branch in which they served. From the Library’s meet and greet the new members are taken on a personalized tour of the campus by a volunteer. The new member is able to direct where they want to go and what they want to see. Once the tour is completed, the volunteer escorts the new member back to their room. If the new member would prefer to skip the tour and go directly to their room, they are able to do that as well.

If you would like to volunteer and become involved, please call Amber Nikolai at 715.258.4247.
VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATION
MEETING TIMES

AMERICAN LEGION POST 161
Meets second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
POST meets in the Marden Memorial Center meeting room. AUXILIARY meets in the Marden Memorial Center Multi-Purpose room.

AMVETS POST 1887
Meets last Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Marden Memorial Center Multi-Purpose room.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS
Chapter #53 meets at 7:30 p.m. at the New London Community Center. Call (715) 823-5335 for meeting room.

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
Meets third Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the Marden Memorial Center Multi-Purpose room.

OPERATION DUSTOFF-VIETNAM VETERANS
Meets second Wednesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in the Marden Memorial Center Multi-Purpose room. Please call (715) 258-5586 ext. 3311 with any questions.

WAUPACA CVSO
Jesse Cuff will be in the Marden Social Security Office on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m to noon. For any questions, please call (715) 258-6477 or email him at jesse.cuff@co.waupaca.wi.us.

WI BASE OF SUBMARINE VETERANS
Meets the last Saturday of every month in the Marden Memorial Center meeting room at 10:00 a.m. Please call (715) 630-0279 with any questions.

June Anniversaries
1 Russell and Minnie Ahlm
16 Garth and Constance Morgan
19 Lewis and Alice Hansen
26 Hugo and Joyce Johnson

July Anniversaries
2 Elmer and Nancy Martens
29 Victor and Ruth Gutt
31 Elmer and Ruth Prodel
Updates at the Marden Center

There are many improvements being made at the Marden Center. We’d like to take the time to update you further:

**The King Exchange (KX):** The opening of the KX was well received and we are noticing more member traffic coming through this area. There have been a lot of positive comments on how great the space looks.

**Veterans Café:** We have made some updates and continue to plan further updates to the Marden Center Veterans Café as well as for the Social Room and Alley 5.

- New cabinetry and a diner style counter along the window should be installed in July 2016. These items are currently on order and we look forward to their arrival.
- New tables, chairs, and flooring for the Veterans Café will be ordered very soon. The King Recreation group, Member Council, and Member Coffee Shop improvement committee have provided input on the desired style of furniture and flooring. The new flooring and furniture will eventually expand to Alley 5 and the social room.
- Artwork: The American Legion Auxiliary has graciously sponsored a beautiful new Branch of Service display built by our very own carpenter. It is prominently displayed in the Veterans Café and members have made very positive comments on this new piece of art. Other patriotic artwork will be added once the cabinets and counter are installed. We will also be mounting member focused artwork on the wall.
- Product updates:
  - A new coffee machine has been installed with many more options and members are pleased with this upgrade.
  - A custom designed cabinet is being made for the Checkout kiosk which will lower it 4 inches, making it more accessible for those in wheelchairs.
  - The dedicated King staff who work in the coffee shop assisting members have noted they are becoming more comfortable with the new flooring system. Members have commented on how happy they are not having to carry cash in this area and are enjoying the increased product selection.

It has taken some getting used to, but members who use the Veterans Café and Alley 5 area seem pleased with both spaces. In the past several members council meetings, we have had members express their satisfaction with the Veterans Café. Our team will continue to strive to ensure that both the Veterans Café and Alley 5 meet the members’ needs both with products and environmentally.

**Expanded Hours for Alley 5:** Previous hours were 12:30 – 4 PM daily. In May, hours were expanded to 11 AM – 5 PM and 6 PM – 8 PM. We continue to serve members and their guests pizza and hot dogs in the bar. This offers King members the best of both worlds.

**Reveille:** We have initiated a new morning activity called Reveille. For those VSO groups who were and wish to continue sponsoring free morning coffee and donuts for the members, this option is still available. Otherwise, members are still able to purchase fresh donuts. We understand the importance of this feature to members and the VSO groups, and found a way to keep it going.

**Programming:** We are initiating more specialty programming / sales during the summer months both on the patio and in the park. The VFW has recently donated portable Tiki bar so we can hold fun activities for members in the park and on the patio. We also received a donation from the American Legion which will allow us to sell ice cream from a cart attached to a bicycle. We are initiating an “Ice Cream” bike on our campus which will make the rounds selling ice cream to members and staff as a fun, special treat in the summer.

**Construction Updates:** Both the lower and main level bathrooms are currently out of operation and under construction for the next 4 – 5 weeks. These bathrooms are being upgraded to meet the ADA requirements. The library level bathrooms are still open (they will be under construction next). The all camp bingo events have been moved into the member buildings while construction is happening and porta potties have been placed outside of the Marden Center. We will keep you updated on the progress of this project.

Marden MPR flooring will also be replaced. We’ve had issues with the tile lifting due to humidity. This project has been in the works for some time and is coming to fruition this summer. We will keep you posted.

**Volunteerism:** We are excited to announce Amber Nikolai as our new Volunteer Coordinator. Amber is our Agency Liaison and will be taking on the added duties and responsibilities of the Volunteer Coordinator position. Amber is already making updates to our Volunteer program in an effort to build on this very important program at King. Some of the changes we look forward to seeing for our volunteers are a New Volunteer Orientation program, networking opportunities, training opportunities, and to show our appreciation to our dedicated volunteers, we are now offering free coffee and bottled water. Volunteers give our members and our Home so much and this is just a very small token of our appreciation.

We want to thank you for your patience during all of these transitions. As always, please stop in and speak to Shelley Jandt if you have questions, comments or concerns.
Menus are subject to change. Please speak to dining room staff or your dietitian to request alternate choices which are indicated on the menu in parentheses.

### Lunch Menus for June 19 - July 16, 2016

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It is true that our sincere sense of gratitude comes through grace. It is the awareness we have not earned, nor do we deserve all we have been given. We often take for granted that which we receive on a regular basis. How often do we take life, homes, talents, and our daily food for granted?

A gentle reminder from Melody Beattie who states that, “Gratitude turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion into clarity...it makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.”

We give thanks to God in many different ways. Even in our struggles from the loss of our beloved ones, the denial will turn into acceptance. Sometimes we hear people say, “The will of God should be done on me.” We can say it is a turning point for someone suffering to have faith in God he believe is in control of his life. He calms the storm in the sea, can He not calm my situation too? Matthew 8: 23- 27 Thanking and praising God opens the channels to which He comes into our midst.

It is not by sheer luck that we are still alive today after having gone through all the battles and war zones of life in defense of humanity and human dignity. This was prescribed and expected of us by God. Many of our peers perished and others became handicapped in the process of establishing peace and tranquility in many parts of the world. But here we are today. We are alive and healthy, not because we were well trained and competent combatants, but by God’s grace we walked through the shadows of death and received divine protection unto this very day.

Why? Because God had a purpose for us....that is, to be the living testimony of His grace; to be witnesses of His grace through the sharing of our hard and dangerous experiences of war and how we managed to escape: He wants us to express our gratitude to Him by being evangelists telling the world how great He is for having enabled us to safe pass through the shadows of death.

When God is doing all this good for us, He obviously expects us to thank Him. Of the ten lepers who were healed by Jesus in the Bible, only one came back and thanked the Lord. Jesus even asked the grateful leper where the others had gone. By asking this question, Jesus was sending a message that when God does something good for us we should thank Him. The other nine lepers probably did not return because they thought they had a right to be treated and healed by Jesus and so they did not see the need to thank Him. We often find ourselves in this situation where we receive blessings or grace from God, and we think we have the right to receive them and don’t see the need to thank God through prayer and acts of mercy to others.

“What shall I return to the LORD for all His goodness to me.” Psalm 116: 12

As I was meditating on the Veterans Home at King, I could not help giving thanks to God for the beautiful Home. In 2014, in Waupaca, Wisconsin, I came across several people at gas stations, church parishes, shops, and restaurants. All these people are telling me they worked at King forty years, thirty years, twenty years.

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Blessings We Received And Are Receiving

Some say all their children are working at King. Some say I got married while working at King. A number of staff obtained professional jobs through working at the Veterans Home at King. These are blessings we should not take for granted.

All that we have and achieved is from above; let us take time to thank and praise God for this. I had an opportunity to talk to two RN staff here at King. I have their permission to share these stories. Cindy Rendall RN who grew up on a farm, came to King and worked as a LTE dietitian in July 1994. She was hired in June 1995 as the dietitian for Olson Hall. From October 2005-2006 Cindy advanced in her education and completed her RN training. In February 2007 she started her career as a RN at King. Since November 2007 she has been working as a RN in Olson Hall. I could write about many more here at King who have a story to tell. Let us join in and thank God for His blessings.

Different struggles in life; you and I have gone through. It could be physically and spiritually difficult situations; it was or was not easy going. However, if we take time to reflect on our lives, we often discover that for which we are most grateful was a gift which we struggled to receive. All that came to us in the form of hardship has in hindsight revealed itself as a gift from above. This is why, according to Meister Eckhart, each day’s struggles and trials should be met with a heartfelt “Thank You!”

“What shall I return to the LORD for all His goodness to me” Psalm 116: 12. Let each one of us take time to express our gratitude to the loving God in whatever form each one prefers. AMEN

Memorial Day: One Veteran’s Perspective

Every May, thoughts turn to Memorial Day as our nation marks this special day to honor the veterans of our great land. The special observance is held in every community large and small across the United States. It is a time to remember and reflect upon the ultimate sacrifice so many veterans made to protect our country, and to those veterans who also served and followed their comrades later.

It is our fervent hope that these brave men and women, who served so gallantly along with those who made the ultimate sacrifice, may somehow become aware of our unending gratitude for their service. May our ceremonies reveal our sincere intent to comfort and console grieving families for the loss of loved ones in more recent conflicts. As a veteran of WWII, I can only hope that world leaders will finally realize the human carnage they have caused over centuries of wars that never ended in a prolonged peace, but simply fostered another conflict. The human sacrifice is intolerable and it is time to find a sensible, intelligent and humane course to world peace. By doing so, we would truly honor the memory of our fallen heroes.
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Sr. Martha Mafurutu • ext. 2381 • Office Olson Hall, room 136

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Chaplain Wayne Schwanke • ext. 2465 • Office Ainsworth Hall, room P07

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Chaplain Rich Engle • ext. 2531 • Office Ainsworth Hall, room P07

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***Ainsworth Hall 1 & 2 Service - Monday Mornings at 9:30 AM & 10:30 AM***
We would like to welcome the following new members to the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King:

Due to the Federal HIPAA Privacy Act only those members who have releases on file are listed.

**Thomas G. Hetzel**
a Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on May 3, 2016 from Kenosha. He is living at SH 516B.

**Walter H. Tollers**
a Korean War Air Force Veteran joined us on May 3, 2016 from Waupun. He is living at AH 207.

**Clarence D. Kovalski**
a Korean War Air Force Veteran joined us on May 4, 2016 from Wautoma. He is living at AH 123.

**William R. Longstaff**
a Korean War Army Veteran joined us on May 6, 2016 from Greenfield. He is living at OH 579A.

**Marilyn A. Longstaff**
a Korean War Army Veteran’s spouse joined us on May 6, 2016 from Greenfield. She is living at OH 579B.

**Richard P. Bishop**
a WW II Navy Veteran joined us on May 12, 2016 from Plover. He is living at OH 276A.

**Joyce J. Bishop**
a WW II Navy Veteran’s spouse joined us on May 12, 2016 from Plover. She is living at OH 276B.

**Mildred H. McKeehan**
a Peacetime Era Marine Corps Veteran joined us on May 13, 2016 from Rochester, MN. She is living at SH 538.

**Roy R. Zemlock**
a Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on May 16, 2016 from Neenah. He is living at SH 316B.

**Anton J. Novak**
a Korean War Army Veteran joined us on May 19, 2016 from Deerbrook. He is living at MH 260B.

**Michael S. Humphrey**
a Vietnam War Navy Veteran joined us on May 19, 2016 from Wausau. He is living at SH 519B.

**James D. Chartier**
a Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on May 23, 2016 from Merrill. He is living at SH 516A.

**Larry J. Stemper**
a Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on May 23, 2016 from Adams. He is living at OH 419B.

**Norman C. Toso**
a Korean and Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on May 26, 2016 from Janesville. He is living at MH 374A.

**Steven A. Borre**
a Vietnam War Coast Guard Veteran joined us on May 31, 2016 from Milwaukee. He is living at SH 519A.

Wanna listen to music that will bring back memories? WAUP runs a Big Band program on Sunday mornings from 6 to 10am.
Members Donated Cross

Members Don and Darlene Hoefs donated a handmade cross crafted by our Woodshop staff, Karl Branske. This was the last project the WVH woodshop produced and it will now hang on the wall of the MacArthur Hall Chapel.

Fun times at the King Fisher!

Volunteer Bob Schoen and his boys had a blast fishing with members.

May activities sponsored by the King Recreation Committee, Inc.

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Thank you for your support and for making a difference in the lives of King veterans and their families.

Announcing ALLEY 5 EXPANDED HOURS!

Monday – Saturday
11 AM – 5 PM
6 – 8 PM

Sunday
11 AM – 5PM

please ask before you photograph

Please respect the privacy of each of our individual Members.

Respectfully we ask that you do not take any photographs of any Member unless they or a staff member has authorized you to do so.

If you are uncertain, please ask a member of our staff and they will be happy to assist you.
JUNE Birthdays

1. Ruth Gutt  
   Robert Meyer  
   2. Robert Chubeck  
   3. Hugo Johnson  
   William Eddy  
   Dennis Olsen  
   4. Otto Tiedemann  
   Corrine Radloff  
   James Holeman  
   5. Gerald Bussian  
   George Conner  
   6. Ernest Boggs  
   Darvey Guidry  
   Thomas Martin  
   7. Russell Wolden  
   Kurtis Kading  
   8. David Johnson  
   Charles Condon  
   Robert Green  

10. Kathleen Huhta  
   11. Harold Kennison  
   Larry Steibs  
   12. Bruce Wildman  
   14. David Christie  
   Charles Jones  
   17. Theresa Demmert  
   John Miller  
   18. Gilbert Guolee  
   19. Gustav Finkbeiner  
   21. Minnie Ahlm  
   James Vaux  
   22. Marilyn Feldmann  
   23. Richard Westenberger  
   Colin Young  
   William Godfrey  
   24. Elmer Feltz  
   La Verne Langer  
   Robert Ashburn  

25. James Reynolds  
   26. La Von Repp  
   27. Frank Mettler  
   28. Edna Hanamann  
   29. Marian Wienandt  
   Kenneth O’Malley  
   Robert Kohlmann  

JULY Birthdays

2. James Bruckner  
   Kenneth Halverson  
   4. Mary Lund  
   Roy Gray  
   5. Mildred McKeenan  
   6. Allan Boutwell  
   James Lunde  
   Gary White  
   7. Chester Strosin  
   Barbara Hoerman  
   8. William Bristol  
   9. Kermit Peterson  
   10. Myron Hollman  
   William Neddo  
   11. Donald Von Rase  
   12. Henry Polzin  
   Jamil Roggow  
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   Fred Johns  
   Carol Stuckart  
   Lavern Phelps  
   Florian Maslonka  
   15. Leonard Bruce  
   Henry Kriha  
   16. Robert Bascue  
   17. Arnold Mickelson  
   Gerald Polster  
   Michael Starnie  
   18. John Smith  
   August Bemke  
   19. Thomas Smith  
   20. Erwin Beach  
   Edwin Gabor  
   Beverly Gerner  
   21. Albert Ebben  
   John Cejka  
   Beverly Bloedorn  
   23. Kenneth Rindt  
   Joyce Kielman  
   Richard Hilliard  
   Delore Deau  
   Alvin Tesch  

22. Joanne Evanicki  
   23. Donald Truesdale  
   24. Joseph Tibbitts  
   25. Carole Moloney  
   Raymond Kaquatosh  
   Thomas Vincent  
   27. Harold Hoelzer  
   Gerald Gerdin  
   Cora Schworsinske  
   28. Florence Landon  
   Barth Swindall  
   James Lieberger  
   29. Norman Frauenfelder  
   William Johnson  
   30. Vera Neidy  
   Betty Martin  
   31. James Bleck  

26. Alan Freezy  
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   28. Edna Hanamann  
   29. Marian Wienandt  
   30. Vera Neidy  
   Betty Martin  
   31. James Bleck
Some of the members at Ainsworth Hall had the opportunity to go see a Waupaca High School baseball game.

Outdoor tugger rides have begun.

Patiently waiting for the tugger.

Celebrating Mother’s Day!

Wood crafting class.
WE NEED YOUR HELP: When making a donation, please provide the full name, phone number and complete address (including zip code) of the person or group to be acknowledged.

Donations

Robert & Armilla Jankowski
New London, WI

American Legion Post 317 Auxiliary
Wild Rose, WI

Sam Schroeder
Stevens Point, WI

Sharon Riske
Manawa, WI

Sherry VanOuse
Mosinee, WI

DAR - Jean Nicolet Chapter / Pilgrim Congregational Church
Green Bay, WI

Steve Labus
Oshkosh, WI

WRC-Sue Waid
Waupaca, WI

Taffy Morgan
Amherst, WI

Tomorrow River Lutheran Parish
Amherst Junction, WI

Tonya Boutwell
Ogdensburg, WI

American Legion Post 161
Nekoosa, WI

Vern Keenlance Estate
Wild Rose, WI

VFW Aux. Merrill
Merrill, WI

VFW Post 1707
Portage, WI

Wendy Mathison
Redgranite, WI

Wendy Mitch
Plover, WI

Wilhelm Kriehn
Plover, WI

Arms
Written by member Ricky Engstrom

Put your arms around me.
Hold me just like this.
Cover me with your love.
So much I can’t resist.

Give me reasons to believe.
That our love will ascend.
Let your heart heal.
With a love that just won’t end.

Free me from my worry.
Take away my doubt.
Leave the past behind.
And seek our future out.

Go beyond your limits.
And let love be a part of us.
I offer no gimmicks.
Just my arms like such.

The Fox Valley Wisconsin HOG Chapter donated $4064.00 to put towards the Home Exchange fund.

The Waupaca 6th Grade Band performed for members in the park.
King Annual Open House was a HIT!

Despite the very cool temperature, frigid wind, and partly cloudy skies, the 2016 Wisconsin Veterans Home at King annual Open House, which took place on Sunday, May 15th remained a hit. Members of King, their families and friends, WVH-King staff and their families, community members from inside and outside the area of all age groups, volunteers, numerous veteran and community service organizations bundled up to enjoy the various Open House activities ranging from the 200+ entry Old Car Show, Military Vintage Car display, Jump Houses, rides on the Chief Waupaca paddle boat, tours of all kinds, entertainment in the park by the 11-piece Justmann Band, and the Vietnam educational display, just to name a few.

One of the many highlights of the day was when the WVH-King Honor Guard took center stage to perform a flag folding ceremony. The Honor Guard proudly described the purpose for each color of the flag, and the significance and demonstration of each of the 13 folds. Following the Honor Guard’s presentation, our very own member choir, the King Singers, directed by King Staff Jeanne Trombla and Amy Formella, sang 6 old time favorites for the Open House crowd. What a great day to showcase and share with various stakeholders the mission of the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King.

A special thank you to the many staff, volunteers, members of King and their families, local businesses, veteran and community service organizations who made our annual Open House special. This day would not be possible without you!

Some pictures provided by volunteer Doug Watson.
King Annual Open House is a HIT!  (continued from page 20)

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Rootbeer float party with the WLC kids.

Olson Hall members had some visitors.

Barbara Weiss showed off her vintage clothing and jewelry collection for members to see.

Dale McFarlin

Doris Ostrowski

Frank Beidle
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SH Intergenerational group from the Waupaca Learning Center playing bingo with their buddies.

Eleanore Mikich celebrated her 100th Birthday with family and peers on SH5. Cake, ice cream and a bouquet of flowers was sponsored by the King Recreation Committee and 100 yellow roses by her family.

Last SH Intergenerational group in May with their WLC buddies.

Dennis Kinney and his puzzle.
The Library has added several books to its permanent collection. Following are some of those books.

The 34th Degree by Thomas Greanias
Sam Deker is trying to build a new life in Los Angeles after his dishonorable discharge from the armed forces. While in service, Sam had been subjected to an unusual lightwave-induced torture which he barely survived. He now believes that torture has changed him.

Enter the folks from the Pentagon. They believe the changes in Sam make him a good candidate to possibly endure their top secret neuro-simulation program (“The 34th Degree”). They plan to use sliced brain tissues of a legendary 1943 Nazi SS General to “send” Sam back to 1943. Their hope is that Sam can discover what the Nazi SS did with a certain ancient biblical text. Inside that text was encoded the supernatural alchemy for the ultimate weapon. Of course, Sam has to locate the ancient text before the “new SS” gets hold of it! The future of the world rests on Sam Deker’s shoulders.

Bel-Air Dead by Stuart Woods
(A Stone Barrington Novel)
Stone is asked by a beautiful Bel-Air widow (one of the wealthiest women in America) to help her divest her interest in Hollywood’s world-famous Centurion Studios. Since this will result in the dissolution of the studios, Stone finds out that not everyone is in favor of such a move. You will be entertained by this “complex and high-stakes game, the kind only the truly rich can play…and survive.”

The Lightning Stones by Jack Du Brul
Philip Mercer hops an elevator and heads two thousand feet deep – into the earth of Leister Deep Mine in Minnesota. Philip is a geologist and wants to catch up with his friend and mentor, Abraham Jacobs. Jacobs is in the deepest section of the mine, leading a research team that is studying climate change. But, after hearing automatic gunfire in the massive chambers, Philip finds his friend and the entire research team have been brutally attacked.

Immediately, Philip gets to work searching for clues to the secret project on which his friend had been working. His search, which keeps him just one step ahead of a highly trained team of assassins, leads to a showdown in the rugged mountains of Afghanistan and to a remote island in the Pacific. It turns out everyone is scrambling to find a cache of rare crystals called lightning stones. Rumor has it that the stones were aboard Amelia Earhart’s plane when it vanished in 1937, and the stones are part of a scientific discovery that could irrevocably alter the planet!

The Last Kind Words Saloon by Larry McMurtry
This is an intriguing novel in which writer Larry McMurtry tells the story of the last of the American frontier. His story follows the travails of 2 legends: Doc Holliday and Wyatt Earp.

You will enjoy this page-turner as you follow Doc and Wyatt while they live out the last days of a way of life that is passing into history. “With the buffalo herds gone, the Comanche defeated, and vast swaths of the Great Plains being enclosed by cattle ranches, the 2 friends live on, even as the storied West that forged their myths disappears.”

Strong Darkness by Jon Land
Fifth generation Texas Ranger Caitlin Strong finds herself investigating a high-tech company that was recently awarded the contract to build the United States’ 5G network. The Chinese company’s founder is Li Zhen, and his hidden goal is total domination of the U.S. Caitlin and her boyfriend search for a way to stop Zhen in his tracks, but end up fending off forces of the Chinese underworld. Then they discover the shocking existence of an international human trafficking network that preys on children. Things begin to look bleak…

The Last Lie by Stephen White
Detective Sam Purdy and a deputy D.A. join forces to try to solve bizarre happenings that occurred at an affluent couple’s house party. Suffice it to say the situation deteriorates when a national celebrity is accused of rape, then a crucial witness is murdered. You won’t be able to put this one down!
What is the Memory Café?

The Memory Café provides a fun and comfortable environment where veterans and their dependents with early stage memory loss, along with their care partners, can relax, engage, socialize and enjoy the company of others who are on the same journey.

The Details

- 2nd Thursday of each month
- 9:30-11 a.m. in the Ainsworth Hall multi-purpose room (immediately to your left when you enter the main door)

Questions?

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The Experience

- Laughter
- Friendships
- Engaging activities
- Refreshments
- Built on member preferences

Funding for the Legends on the Lake Memory Café is currently provided by the DAV Auxiliary.
WDVA Educational Assistance Program for LPN Professional Development

The Wisconsin Veterans Home at King, in conjunction with FVTC School of Nursing, Appleton, offers a Practical Nursing degree opportunity to WVH-King CNAs.

The Practical Nursing stipend program was created out of a grant to encourage Veterans Home caregiver staff, interested in becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse, the opportunity to complete a nursing degree with the backing of our facility. The stipend program began the Fall 2002. There have been approximately 70 graduates of the PN stipend program and many graduates remain employed at WVH-King as LPNs or RNs.

The Practical Nurse stipend program accepts up to 8 students per year into the two semester FVTC Practical Nursing program. The students begin their first semester January through May which focuses on nursing fundamentals, nursing skills, pharmacology and introduction to clinical practice. School is not in session during the summer months, and students are able to return to their regular CNA position and hours. Second semester begins late August until graduation which is mid-December. Second semester is somewhat more intense with coursework focusing on alterations in health, health promotion across the lifespan in an acute care setting and clinical management for the practical nurse. Clinical placement is at the Veterans Home at King or Theda Care- Waupaca. Former students have mentioned how very beneficial clinical experiences at the Veterans Home at King was to their success after graduation. Students are exposed to many nursing skills and a varied member population while completing their clinical coursework.

More information is available through the WVH-King Staff Development Department for anyone interested in the LPN Development Program.
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