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NORTH STAR MANOR 2025 ROYALTY

Congratulations to Don Saiger and Evelyn Skjerven, the newly crowned 2025 North Star Manor King and Queen! Cheers also to the fantastic candidates: Mark Edman, Jim Johnson, Marlene Saiger, and Frances Fanfulik! It was wonderful celebrating with you all.



King Don Saiger



King Don, NSM Administrator Morgan Skeim, and Queen Evelyn



Queen Evelyn Skjerven



Left to right: Mark Edman, Marlene Saiger, Don Saiger, Evelyn Skjerven, and Frances Fanfulik. Not pictured: Jim Johnson.

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EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

1 YEAR

Liz Kezar Kassi Winge Emmie McGlynn Eva Langen Judy Weiland

2 YEAR

Elizabeth Sunde Claire McGlynn Abby McMahon Katelyn Groven Shianne Kostrzewski Darrel Flaten

3 YEAR

Kenny Johnson Krystal Jacobson Ericia Cossette

4 YEAR

Kayla Bergh Laura Nybladh Brenda Peipus

5 YEAR

Nicky Johnson

7 YEAR

Sheena Quient 10 YEAR

Izzy Omdahl

11 YEAR

Deb Labine

14 YEAR

Cameron Finseth

37 YEAR

Tammy Duckstad

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER 2ND QUARTER



Tammy Duckstad NSM Employee: 37 Years

Tammy consistently demonstrates a willingness to assist in various capacities, motivated by a commitment to ensuring that all residents receive the highest standard of care. Currently employed in restorative services, she frequently goes above and beyond by actively participating on the floor, providing baths, delivering meals, and engaging in activities with residents.

Her compassionate nature and dedication to exceptional care are evident. Additionally, she contributes to the facility's environment by decorating and bringing treats, thereby enhancing the daily experiences of our residents.

Her commitment to the organization is exemplary, as she has willingly taken on extra hours and worked on her days off for many years. Notably, she is nearing her 37th year at North Star Manor, highlighting her long-standing dedication to our community.

Thank you for all you do, Tammy!

ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

North Star Manor is thrilled to celebrate our outstanding Athletes of the Month! These dedicated individuals embody the spirit of perseverance, demonstrating incredible hard work and commitment in their restorative rehabilitation journeys. Their unwavering dedication to strengthening their bodies has yielded remarkable results, allowing them to continue gaining strength and achieve significant successes. We are so proud of their efforts and the inspiring progress they've made!



March Leatrice Field



April Shirley Aure



May Jim Johnson



June Kathy Hudson

NORTH STAR MANOR CELEBRATES GRADS



NSM honored our graduating seniors at our all staff meeting on May 20th. Pictured are: Emmie McGlynn, Sophia Westman, Cameron Swope, Shianne Kostrzewski, Eva Langen and Abby McMahon. Not pictured: Elizabeth Sunde and Isabelle Westman.



7 of the 20 Stephen-Argyle Central graduates work at North Star Manor! Left to right: Isabelle Westman, Sophia Westman, Shianne Kostrzewski, Eva Langen, Elizabeth Sunde, Abby McMahon, and Emmie McGlynn.



North Star Manor Administrator, Morgan Skeim, recently graduated with her MBA with a specialization in Healthcare Management.



Warren-Alvarado-Oslo High School Class of 2025 did a graduation walk through at North Star Manor.



Stephen-Argyle Central Class of 2025 did a graduation walk through at North Star Manor.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA

North Star Manor hosted a delightful Mother's Day Tea on May 10th, for our wonderful residents and their families. The afternoon was filled with delicious refreshments, joyful company, and a truly special entertainment highlight: a fashion show showcasing the stunning wedding dresses of some of our residents! These beautiful gowns were lovingly modeled by staff and family members, creating a memorable and touching experience for everyone.

















BRIDAL FASHION SHOW

What a special and fun event it was to share our collection of wedding dresses, spanning every decade from 1915 to 2024 at our Mother's Day Tea! Models beautifully showcased dresses from various sources, many generously loaned by our NSM staff's family members. The highlight was seeing our models wear the final five dresses, which belonged to NSM residents: Dororthy Nybladh, Eulalie Peterson, Leatrice Field, Frances Fanfulik, and Marlene Saiger.



Darline Broten and her granddaughter, Amy Swanson, pose next to Darline's mother-in-law's dress from 1915.



Brynn Benitt and Shianne Kostrzewski wear handmade dresses made by the original bride.



Darlene Pagnac models her wedding dress and parasol.



Rosalyn and Bernice start off the fashion show with their flower girl dresses. Bernice is wearing a dress from Darlene's wedding.



Ruth Sandstrom and her wedding dress she made. Worn by Gracie Jenson.



Evelyn Skjerven models her vow renewal dress.



Emmie McGlynn and Eva Langen pose for a photo.



Marlene Saiger (center) poses with her granddaughter Megan Erdahl (left), and Brynn Bennitt (right). Brynn is wearing Marlene's wedding dress.



Dorothy Nybladh, dress worn by her great granddaughter Shianne who is also a CNA at NSM.



Eulalie Peterson, dress worn by her great granddaughter Caliopi.



Frances Fanfulik, dress worn by Emmie McGlynn, CNA at NSM.



Leatrice Field, Dress worn by Eva Langen, CNA at NSM



Marlene Saiger, dress worn by Brynn Benitt.



Tapestry of Life

NATIONAL SKILLED NURSING CARE WEEK® | MAY 11 - 17, 2025

This year's National Skilled Nursing Week theme was "Tapestry of Life." Tapestry of Life highlights the meaningful stories that make up each person's journey in skilled nursing care. From residents and families to caregivers and staff, everyone adds a unique thread that is woven into this vibrant tapestry. This theme celebrates the connections, resilience and strength that unite us all.

Established by AHCA in 1967, NSNCW starts each year on Mother's Day and encourages skilled nursing care centers around the country to host a variety of events that shine a light on the individuals who reside, work, and volunteer in nursing centers while adhering to infection control requirements.

Throughout the week residents enjoyed a variety of activities including: Coronation of the 2025 North Star Manor King and Queen, dress up days, a carnival, and a host of other fun things!



Residents, staff, family and friends enjoyed looking at photos from the "good old days" during National Skilled Nursing Week.



Basket toss is always a carnival classic.



Members of the Junior Auxiliary delivered treats for staff in honor of National Skilled Nursing Home week.



Carnival gals Marlene Saiger and Eulalie Peterson pose for a quick picture during National Skilled Nursing Week.



Residents and family enjoyed fresh cotton candy at our carnival!



Sharon Nicholls clowns around during National Skilled Nursing Week.



Gene Halvorson tests out his balloon toss skills.



Chaplain Dann assists residents playing ladder golf.



Residents enjoyed a large variety of carnival games and treats.

SNAPSHOTS: THE LATEST & GREATEST



North Star Manor residents enjoyed attending the Warren American Legion's Memorial Day service.



Jim Johnson poses for a photo with Grant Peterson at the Memorial Day service.



Don Loeslie speaks at North Star Manor's Memorial Day service.



WAO's National Honor Society Students treated us with a prom fashion show and stayed to play a game of special Bingo with residents.



Elva had the chance to spend time at Central Street Creations making some shirts!



Ms. Diaz brought some of her English students to visit with and learn from a group of out residents.



Katie Decker with Great-Grandma Mae Krpoun.



Darby Benitt and Shianne Kostrzewski with great grandmother and resident Dorothy Nybladh.



Ava Oberg with Grandma Dorothy Oberg.



Warren Lions hosted a Summer Grill Out on June 24th for residents and families to enjoy.



Once a Lion, always a Lion! Left to right, Darrell Rindy, Alan Poole, and Mike DuBore.

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CELEBRATING OUR NURSES







North Star Manor recently took immense pride in celebrating our incredible nurses during National Nursing Week (May 6-12, 2025) and our dedicated Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) during National CNA Week (June 12-18, 2025). These weeks provided a wonderful opportunity to honor the unwavering commitment and compassionate care that our nursing staff provides every single day. Their expertise, tireless efforts, and genuine empathy are truly the backbone of our community, ensuring the well-being and comfort of every resident.

We cannot overstate how valuable our nurses and CNAs are to North Star Manor. They are the frontline heroes who consistently go above and beyond, offering not just medical care but also emotional support, companionship, and a comforting presence. We are profoundly grateful for their dedication, resilience, and the positive impact they have on the lives of those entrusted to our care. Thank you, North Star Manor nurses and CNAs, for all that you do!

CENTENARIANS OF NSM



Proof that age is just a number! This beautiful group of centenarians – Bernice Wetterlund, Darline Broten, and Agnes Sinn (all 100!), and the amazing Eulalie Peterson and Minerva Schantzen (both 101) – are a true blessing and inspiration to everyone at North Star Manor.

