



## A WALKING TOUR OF ROUTE 66

Member Larry Cavanaugh started his walking Route 66 Journey on May 17th, 2022 in Chicago, Illinois and ended on February 22, 2024 at the Santa Monica pier in California.

Larry walked 2448 miles in 646 days, averaging 3-4 miles per day. His walking tour took him through Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California.

Congrats Larry on your walk across Route 66! We are so proud of you and cant wait to see where you go next!





## SECRETARY-DESIGNEE BOND VISITS KING

Secretary-designee James Bond visited King on January 25, 2024 to chat with members and meet with staff, including an operations update from Commandant Tammy Servatius (*above*). He met Larry Cavanaugh (*below left*), an Army veteran who has been a member at King for ten years; and DAV State Commander Rob Hilliard and his father, Richard Hilliard (*below right*), a Marine veteran. Members shared stories of their military experiences, their families, and about enjoying life at King.



# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## *Journeying with the Lord during Lent*

Lent is a period characterized by Reflection on the Word of God, Repentance, Fasting, Almsgiving, and Prayer. The Church has many devotions that can greatly help observe this auspicious season; pilgrimages to sacred places, Praying the Stations of the Cross, the rosary, and different novenas. It is a period of spiritual exercises at the individual and community level. Above all it is a period of no comforts, even the Churches are maintained plain and unadorned in appearance.

(Matthew 4:17) Jesus begins His public ministry by declaring, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." The focus is repentance during Lent, encouraging believers to turn away from sin, embrace humility, and seek reconciliation with God and others.

(Luke 15:11-32) The text gives relevant themes of reflection during Lent, Love, repentance,

forgiveness, and reconciliation. The spirit of the Father's unconditional love and mercy is what the faithful need to emulate and extend to others.

(Matthew 4:1-11) For forty days and forty nights, Jesus was in the wilderness, fasting and praying. Thus, The Church established Lent as a time for increased personal and communal prayer, fostering a deeper connection with God. Stations of the Cross, reciting the Rosary, engaging in spiritual reading, attending daily services, and spending time in prayer, can help one to grow in relationship with Christ.

Let us use this Lenten season to walk with the Lord by engaging in various spiritual exercises and works of charity. By doing so, we can deepen our faith, strengthen our relationship with God, and become better versions of ourselves.

## IN MEMORIAM

REMEMBERING OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED  
FROM DECEMBER 20, 2023 THROUGH FEBRUARY 16, 2024

Roy Anderson  
Donald Dombrowski  
Donald Fallon  
Jimmie Fowler  
Phillip Hagen  
Steven House

Lawrence Johnson  
Leslie Kidd  
Shirley Lorge  
Paul Nebel  
Eugene Paalman  
Nathan Smith

James Weasner  
Delbert Weller



# THANK YOU!

Mosinee Sportsman's Alliance Club members donated a tabletop spotting scope for wheelchair bound members to use down in the Café overlooking Rainbow Lake. Pictured here are Nick Ficken and Jim Rheinschmidt from the Alliance Club presenting the scope to Terry Heschke, Volunteer Coordinator. They also donated many miscellaneous toiletry items for the KX as well.

## Can Quitting Smoking Improve My Heart Health?

If you smoke cigarettes, the **sooner you can quit, the better.**

Twenty minutes after you quit smoking, your heart rate drops.

12 hours after quitting smoking, the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal.

Within four years of quitting, your risk of stroke drops to that of lifetime nonsmokers.

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# THANK YOU!

Non-monetary donors to the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King from October through December.

## OCTOBER

Pine Tree Quilters  
Lord of the Lakes Quilters  
Gloria Ostrenga  
Hope Lutheran Church  
Karren Olaveson  
Deb Rogstad  
Wisconsin Correctional Association  
Linda Gresbach

Rozella Buss  
Fremont American Legion Aux.  
VFW Aux. Post 6007  
Margie Metzger  
VFW Shawano 2723  
St. John Lutheran Church, LCMC  
AMVETS/Aux. Post 7  
VFW Dept. WI  
DAR – Plymouth Post  
Mary Anderson

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## NOVEMBER

Yarn It All  
WI Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Ms. Marilyn Rudser  
St. John's Lutheran Church, Saxeville  
Old National Investments  
Fairview Elementary School  
Nikolay  
Westfield Elementary  
St. Paul Lutheran Sunday School, Manawa  
Wilson & Magellan Middle Schools  
The Power of 5, Inc.  
Tom Santag, DAV Chapter 3  
American Legion Aux, Unit 332, Black Creek  
BSA Scout Troop 104, Madison  
Parkview Elementary, Plymouth  
Sunny Day Childcare 4 K Class, Waupaca  
Wisconsin Elks Association  
Nu Chapter Delta Kappa Gamma  
thebrigade 5th& 6th boys, Neenah  
SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church, WI Rapids  
Bannach Elementary 4th Grade Class  
Radiant Fellowship  
McDill Elementary School, Stevens Point  
Pier Elementary School, Fond du Lac  
David Vanderloop Jr.  
Peace Lutheran School, Antigo  
Patriots for Warriors

Shiocton American Legion Auxiliary 512  
Kaukauna Elks #962  
Weyauwega Elementary 1st Graders  
MPQ School, Ripon Area School District  
Shiocton School 5th Grade Class  
Gusmer Enterprises  
Oakwood Elementary School  
Victor Haen Elementary, Girls on the Run  
Charles F. Fernandez Center  
1st Grade Class, Washington Elementary School  
American Legion Aux. Unit 391, Fremont  
American Legion Aux. Unit 106, Seymour  
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception  
Fundamentals LLC  
Oshkosh Herald / Neenah News  
Tomorrow River Voyagers &  
Mushkodany OA Chapter  
John Bell Chapter Daughters of the  
American Revolution  
Weyauwega H.S. FCCLA Chapter  
Mountain Bay 1st Graders  
Ms. Cynthia Parry  
Fort Atkinson American Legion Aux. Unit #166  
DAR Plymouth Chapter  
Northgate Senior Apartments  
Tom Blackburn  
ALA Units of the Dane County Council  
Sherry Wanta

## NOVEMBER

VFW Aux. Post 6352

Jessica Hintz

Howard Elementary School

New Holstein Elementary School

Judy Gilliam

Marine Corps League

Central WI Detachment #350, Plover  
DAR, Two Rivers

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## DECEMBER

Valley Christian School

St. Pius X Church, Appleton

Dave & Nancy Pyrzynski

Theresa Kuehl

Amcor Oshkosh South

American Legion Aux. 263

Sharon Kampert

American Legion Aux. 317 Junior Members

Carey & Candy Koats

Karren Olaveson

Debra Davis

Westfield VFW

Westfield American Legion

Westfield Elementary School

Angel Card Project

MH Indiana

VFW Auxiliary 659, Manitowoc

The Palmbach Family

The Jirikowic Family

Debbie Birkin

Denise Shaw

The Angel Card Project, Madison

The Angel Card Project, Georgia

Patriots for Warriors

Trinity Lutheran Church, Arkdale

American Legion Post 370

Sylvia Zimmer Cards for Vets

Thrivent Badgerland Group

American Legion Post 452

Neenah High School Red Cross Club

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

V Batchelor

VFW Post 9336

DAV and DAV Auxiliary

DAVA State Dept. of WI King Home  
Rep. & Deputies

Retired Senior Program ADRC Portage Cty

Angel Card Project, Newton

Hortonville BSA Troop 36

St. Johns Episcopal Church

American Legion Auxiliary & Post 370

Carol Romundson

Nelsonville Lutheran Church

Lynn McKellan

St. Patrick's Parish

The Angel Card Project, Louisiana

VFW Aux Post 8068

Bree's Inn & AMVETS

Renaissance, Wisconsin Rapids

St. Bron's Parish

Associated Bank, Green Bay

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Donna Ranney

Scott & Diane Gratton

Park View School

Lakeshore United Women in Faith

Angel Card Project, Iowa

Trinity Lutheran Church

VFW Post 2723

American Legion Post 117

E. Recchia

The Angel Card Project, MN

Forest Lane Elementary

Hope Lutheran Church

Fox Lake Public Library

Ross Olson

American Legion Post 477

VFW 2687 Post & Auxiliary

Nature Hill Intermediate

Hilbert Cub Scout Pack 3079

Jim Jenson

Fox Cities Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol

DAV & DAVA Wisconsin

## DECEMBER

Cub Scout Pack 110  
American Legion Aux. 271  
American Legion Aux. Unit 469  
Maple Grove Charter School Kindergarten  
Fox Valley Initiative  
Emmans Road PCA Sunday School Class  
Matthews of Neenah  
The Boys & Girls Club of the Northwoods  
Almond Busy Bee's 4-H Club  
Campbellsport High School  
Bowler School  
Rick Thiel & Hope  
Casey Lake 4-H Club  
VFW Auxiliary Dept. of Wisconsin  
Lori Tomaselli  
Patricia Tomaselli  
Don & Gert Neuendorf

Manitowoc Senior Center  
Elizabeth Kurth  
Singer Barnes Post & Aux. 3  
Kathy & Bob Hawkins  
Mary McDonald  
Gayle Schertz  
Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes  
Patriot Riders of America Chapter 1 WI  
Sons of the American Legion Squadron 75  
Boudry Dental  
Karen Barten  
VFW & Auxiliary Antigo Post 2653  
VFW Electric City Post 3319  
DAR Stevens Point Chapter  
Kristene Stacker & Rinda Dederig  
MCW MSA Class of 2025  
Janesville Craig High School Red Cross Club  
Employees of Wal-Mart, Plover  
Whitetail Valley Farm



## THANK YOU!

On Feb. 12, Community First Credit Union mascot Cash the Bear delivered more than 500 Valentine's Day cards created by credit union employees for distribution to King members like Suzanne. Community First has operated a branch at the King home since 1991.



## VALENTINES FOR VETERANS

WDVA delivered cheer on Valentine's Day to members at all three of our Wisconsin Veterans Homes at King, Union Grove, and Chippewa Falls. Secretary-designee James Bond made a special trip to King, and our outreach team went to all three homes to deliver the 30,000 cards we received from across the country.







# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

My name is Candy McElroy and I have been volunteering at the Wisconsin Veterans Home since September 2021. For the past year, I have been answering the phones taking food orders for the Veterans Cafe. Caring for veterans is what brought me to volunteer at King, and being only five miles away from the Home is also very convenient. This coming December I will have been married to my spouse, Lee, for 51 years. We have two children, Ryan who lives in Wild Rose and Corey who lives in Green Bay. I enjoy several hobbies, including sewing, knitting, walking, and hiking. My past jobs were working as an accountant at a nursing home and an administrator for Senior HUD Housing.

Outside of King, my past volunteering includes that of Sunday School teacher for our church and as PTO president and treasurer at my children's school. I've also volunteered for meal deliveries. Giving back to our veterans by volunteering at King makes me feel worthy.



## WELCOME

TO OUR NEW MEMBERS AT KING!

Margaret Bourne	Roger Pierce
Donald Fallon	James Pownell
Donald Honold	Robert Reiter
Steven House	George Smith
Lawrence Johnson	Jerome Van Deraa
Phillip Mauritz	Kathleen White
Andrew Ossowski	Beth Zellmer

# MOSES HALL

SUPERBOWL SPAGHETTI AND SNACKS



2024 has started off with a bang at Moses Hall. We did drum circle, exercise group, and card games. We had special music and a catered meal. Of course, we celebrated the Superbowl and had special snacks. The ladies got to be pampered and have a spa day; then for Valentine's Day we celebrated by having a "Barbie" party, watched the movie, and had an ice cream bar.



# MOSES HALL

A FRIENDLY GAME OF CARDS



# MOSES HALL

BARBIE FUN FOR VALENTINE'S DAY



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# MOSES HALL

DRUM CIRCLE



# MOSES HALL

SPA DAY





# MOSES HALL

TAKE-OUT DINNER FROM SCHUELLER'S



# MOSES HALL

MUSIC WITH TOM W &  
EXERCISE GROUP



# HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



## JANUARY

Donald Allen	Mary Cutchen	Steve Morack	Elizabeth Vandenboom
Crystal Anderson	Sedric Elder	Roger Pierce	Joyce Vitek
Martin Apps	Douglas Frank	Laverne Pink	Herbert Warax
Kenneth Berger	Donald Gernetzke	John Prochnow	John Weaver
Liliana Bieber	John Giebel	David Ruff	Brian Wrosch
Jane Buck	Joseph Kogelmann	Richard Schuh II	
Jeffrey Church	Gary Mader	James Schultz	
Alan Cosh	Edward Menal	Gary Thoe	

## FEBRUARY

Katheryn Aho	Phillip Hagen	Carol Keppeler	Melvin Turney
Stephen Carlberg	Edward Huff	Donald Miller	Larry Vegter
Anthony Dante	Thomas Jensen	Roland Neitzel	James Watson
Alfred Firminhac	Richard Johns	Michael Petrick	Janet Watson
Scott Forsyth	Dean Johnson	Alan Rudnitzki	Robert Wieland
John Gengler	Roy Kardoskee	Mary Schwebs	Emil Zmudka II
Martin Haefer	Patrick Keena	James Stratton	

## MARCH

Charles Barton	Franklin Fura	Jerome Plantikow	Paul Smith
Douglas Belt	Howard Hagen	Gladys Pleshek	Robert Stedman
Scottie Brinker	Allen Jacobsen	Patrick Pludeman	James Szutkowski
Michael Brocher	Kathleen Johnson	Joseph Polarek	Melda Ullman
William Brouillet	George Karpinski	Irvin Scherer	Joseph Wierzba
Shirley Cross	Edward Lein	Russel Schinke	Elmer Wold
Thomas Dunbar	Keith Miller	Robert Schmitt	

## APRIL

Jack Algiers	Earl Dorow	Michael Liegman	Angus Semple
James Anderson	Ruth Heyder	Jeffery Markstrum	Georgelene Thielen
Margaret Bourne	Robert Lampinen	George Mitchell	Dennis Wessel
Calvin Delikowski	Dorothy Lee	James Purcell	Martin Wozniak

# AINSWORTH HALL

ART GROUP WITH SALLY



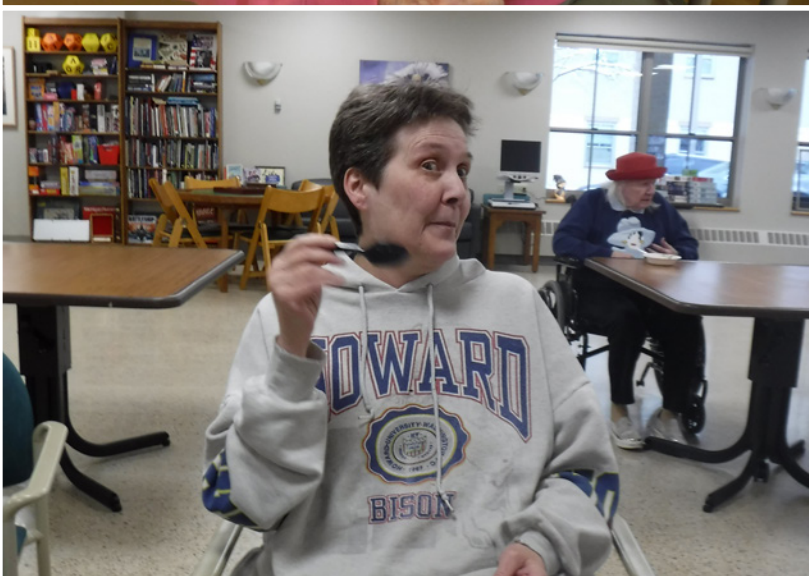
# AINSWORTH HALL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MILES &  
HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR MEAL



# AINSWORTH HALL

MARDI GRAS TREATS & MUSICAL WITH ROD FRANKOVIS



# AINSWORTH HALL

THE ELVIS MOVIE WITH  
PB & BANANA SANDWICHES



# AINSWORTH HALL

WINE AND CHEESE TASTING  
& WOODWORKING CLASS





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