DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Michael J. Fitzmaurice South Dakota Veterans Home

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Dear Resident, and/or Resident Representative, Staff of Veterans Lane, Old Glory, Jasco, and South Pacific,

We are excited to announce we are starting a construction project today that we have been preparing for over two years. It is construction of a pergola over the Veterans Lane & Old Glory courtyard. The purpose is to provide needed shade for residents, staff, and guests while enjoying the outdoors. There will also be two covered eating areas to enjoy cookouts! The covered areas will have outdoor fans and there will be lighting throughout the courtyard.

We will be adding new landscaping, plants, and outdoor furniture. Initially, this project was to be funded with the Reinert inheritance, however, we were awarded a COVID grant from the VA for 100% funding to provide additional space for residents.

There will be noise throughout the day from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday – Friday. The project is to be completed by November 14th. For everyone's safety, we ask all residents, staff, and visitors to stay away from the construction area and do not enter the courtyard. You are welcome to watch progress through the windows!

If you have any questions about this project, please contact Deputy Superintendent, Teresa Phillipson at Extension 1500220.

Leadership Team at SVH