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JACK NEUBAUER GIVES FIVE DECADES TO BRIGADE

A ceremony was held recently, at the Valley VNA Senior Services to honor resident Jack Neubauer for 55 years of volunteer leadership at the Boys' & Girls' Brigade in Neenah. Karlene Neubauer, Jack's wife, arranged for a number of family, friends, and fellow volunteers to gather to help celebrate Jack's dedicated service to boys and girls in the community. Jack holds the position of director emeritus on the Brigade's Board of Directors and has served at the Boys' & Girls' Brigade and Camp Onaway.

Fellow Brigade Board of Director Emeriti Jim Lenz and Russ Carpenter were on hand to help celebrate Jack's dedicated service. Both of these gentlemen were recognized earlier in the year at the Brigade's annual awards banquet for their 55 years of service as well.

"Caring volunteer mentors like Jack create an atmosphere where youth feel accepted, a sense of belonging, and a safe place to experience the companionship that may be missing in their lives. The importance of the positive impact these men of great character, like Jack, have in the lives of youth can not be over emphasized. Additionally we are grateful to their spouses, like Karlene, who support their efforts to serve the community," said John Dery, Brigade's executive director.

The Brigade mission is: We Build Leaders. Hundreds of adult volunteers interact with youth in mentoring roles to build character and leadership skills in the youth. In addition to the Brigade program, summer camp experiences are offered at Onaway Island in Waupaca, Wisconsin. For more information on how to join or become a volunteer visit Brigade's website at www.bgbrigade.com or call (920) 725-3983.



CAPTION: A ceremony was held June 1 at Valley VNA Senior Services to honor resident Jack Neubauer, seated center, for 55 years of volunteer leadership at the Boys' & Girls' Brigade. Also pictured are (left to right) John Dery, Brigade executive director, and Jim Lenz, Don Feidler, Dan Donovan, and Russ Carpenter (all friends and fellow volunteers). Jim Lenz and Russ Carpenter also received recognition for 55 years of service at an earlier awards banquet in 2011.