



St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League

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St. Louis, MO 63136

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Dear Families and Friends:

Spring is finally approaching as our Saint Louis Cardinals have begun Spring Training!

Our C-Wing is coming together very nicely. Our current plan is for it to be finished by the end of March. Also in March we will have new furniture for our lobby. I am excited to continue to share our on-going improvements to the Veterans Home.

We have been accepting new admissions for several months now. Our B-Unit has a capacity of one hundred. Our plan is to fill up our B-Unit unit and hold at one hundred Veterans until C-Unit is completed.

We appreciate our Volunteers and Groups that support and serve our Veterans. Our

Veterans love Bingo, Happy Hour and celebrating events throughout the year. If you are interested in Volunteering or making a donation please contact Sherita Crosby our Supervisor of Volunteer Services at 314-421-8639. Sherita would be happy to visit with you on how you can help.

As always, thanks for entrusting the care of your loved ones with MVH – Saint Louis as it is our honor and privilege to care for America’s Heroes! Please stop by my office or call me if you ever have any concerns. Again, Let’s GO Cardinals!!!



Len Rhine,
Administrator

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More information

If you are looking for more information on the Missouri Veterans Home – St. Louis on how to donate, volunteer, or would like a speaker for your next event, please contact the **recreation manager Kali Gagnon at 314-421-8684, kali.gagnon@mvc.dps.mo.gov** or visit us at www.stlvhal.org



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Thank You For Your Support

The St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League solicits and handles all donations for the Home. All donations (checks) shall be made out to:

**The St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League
or
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*Thanks To
Our Veterans!*

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Thank You To Our Volunteers

It has been 3 months now since I've been in this position as the Volunteer Services Supervisor and I will say it has been great. I get a chance to talk with the Veterans and their family. I Especially enjoy putting faces with names and meeting new people in the organizations that volunteer. Every day is different and I am learning.

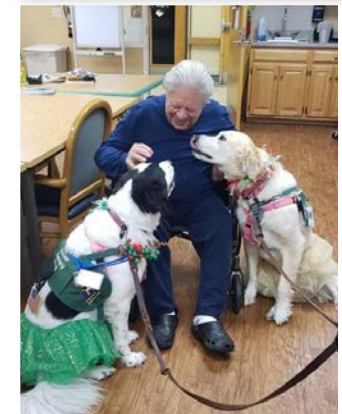
My main focus is to recruit more volunteers. Our Veterans and the St. Louis Veterans Home rely on volunteers to make it possible to go on certain outings. Without volunteers our Veterans would be unable to attend local Veteran supporting organizations, local restaurants, and sporting events. Our Veterans would not have many in-home activities such as bingo, church services, parties, and crafting activities.

I will do my very best to make sure our Veterans continue to live a meaningful life. With doing so I need your help. Do you have a few hours to attend one of our outing or an in-house activity? If you have time in your schedule to become a regular scheduled volunteer, there are many opportunities available. Maybe you would just like to come in and visit with our Veterans for one-on-one or maybe read to a group, we can make it possible.

We are looking for students that need community service hours, service projects or plan to work in the nursing field. We would love to have you here. Our youth are our future and they can improve the lives of our Veterans.

I look forward to meeting each of you! Thank you for all that you do. If you have any questions, always feel free to contact me.

Sherita Crosby
Supervisor of Volunteer Services
Sherita.crosby@mvc.dps.mo.gov



UPCOMING EVENTS

February

Arcade Days
Around the Globe
Day at the races
Mardi Gras
Valentine's Day Party



March

March Madness
Spring Fling
St. Patrick's Day Party



April

Casino Week
Day at the Races
Cardinals Opening day party
Cardinals Game Outing
Ice cream Social



May

Cinco de Mayo
Cardinals Game Outing
Memorial Day Celebration
Mothers Day Celebration
Western Week





STAFF SPOTLIGHT

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Jon Thomas – Custodial Worker

Jon has done an impeccable job keeping up with the home while his supervisor was out. He stepped up and maintained the housekeeping department running smooth. He never showed any frustrations, annoyance and remained calm in all situations. Jon assisted with 6 new admissions, 1 with a short notice, room moves, and double checking that the

rooms were clean and ready to go with everything that was needed for the morning admission. He assisted the rest of his department on the floor when they were short staffed due to inclement weather.

Jon is a valuable team member.



Recreation Happenings

Kali Gagnon, CTRS

Director of Recreation and Volunteer Services



Wow, What a Great holiday Season!!

Many thanks go out to our Assistance League and all our amazing volunteers, and Donors. We have appreciated all the thoughtful phone calls, cards, groups, donations and support we received during our holiday season! Our Veterans surely were spoiled!

We started October out strong with a Fall Festivals- Pick your own pumpkins and In-house zoo visits; Donkeys, bunnies, and Pigs Oh my! Then quickly moved into all the fun Halloween things, getting back into some of our old routines with Trunk or treats and pumpkin carving with volunteers! Also, our monthly pet therapy.

November we celebrated all of our Veterans with a small in house ceremony and big bucks bingos, BBQ's and Ice Cream Socials! We are so thankful for all the groups and volunteers who pitched in to make this an extra special day for our Veterans!! Thanksgiving we celebrated all things to be grateful for and enjoyed MANY different goodies from Pumpkin Pies, peach cobblers, turkey, stuffing, greens, hams, rolls, pecan pies, apple cider and so much more! It was one delicious feast!

This Christmas Season was one to be remembered. We thank everyone who participated in our 12 days of gift giving for the

Veterans, Christmas shops, Christmas parties or who showered us with love this year. WE received lots of really nice things including beautifully, embroidered blankets from our League. We have started more outings to Post, VFW's and Church's and feel blessed to have such a wonderful support group! If you would like to have us out to your Post please don't hesitate to reach out! The Veterans love it!!

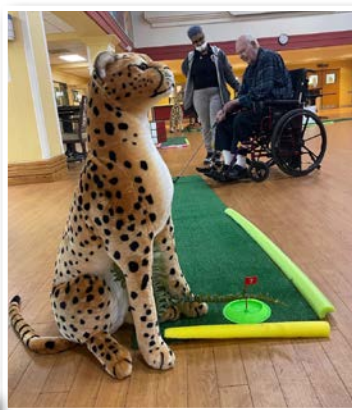
This New Year is shaping up to be lots of fun! With Even more outings, trips "around the world", Celebration of Valentine 's Day, Mardi Gras, St. Patricks Day, In House Horse Racing, Billikens Games, Cinco De Mayo, Easter, spring flings and More! We are looking forward to an exciting 2023 year!

If you would like to get involved whether that be volunteering, hosting an event, or simply donating. Please don't hesitate to reach out! Our Veterans would greatly appreciate it! You can Check out all the fun we are having by following us on our Facebook pages: Missouri Veterans Home St. Louis or STL Veterans Home St. Louis!

If you would like to sponsor an activity, you may send your donation to:

STL Veterans Home Assistance League or STLVHAL
10600 Lewis & Clark Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63136

Please make a note of what activity you would like to sponsor. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at Kali.Gagnon@mvc.dps.mo.gov.



Donations

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to those individuals, groups, organizations and companies that donated in the fourth quarter of 2022 to ensure our heroes "live life to the fullest." The STL Veterans Home Assistance League is grateful to be part of this united effort on behalf of our Veterans. Please accept our apology if you and/or your organization has unintentionally been left off this list.

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St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League

Our mission is to improve the livelihood of the men and women who fought for the freedoms we enjoy every day.

February, 2023

Dear Friends,

The May Newsletter will give you an opportunity to remember and honor loved ones who have fought or are fighting for our freedom. This issue will be our Memorial Issue in which everyone in the community can list the names of those near and dear to your heart.

All names received will be listed in this Memorial Issue. I am asking for a minimum donation of \$5.00 per name. Please use the form that can be found in this issue or for your convenience we have added a form to our website where you can donate online at www.stlvhal.org.

I ask that all names be typed or printed clearly. All checks should be made payable to St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League or STLVHAL. The deadline for submission is April 15, 2023. Any submittals received after this date will not be printed.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to thank you! Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of the veterans we serve.



Rosemarie W. Hauck

Rosemarie W. Hauck
President

STL Veterans Home Assistance League, 10600 Lewis & Clark Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63136



A Memorial Remembrance

We pay tribute to our friends and loved ones who served in the armed forces of our nation during war and peace and the members of their family that are now with God.



Honor the Dead by Helping the Living

Donations Made In The Memory Of A Friend Or Loved One

The next issue of our publication will be in May. We call this our Memorial Issue. This issue allows you the opportunity to remember and honor loved ones who have fought or are fighting for our freedom. This remembrance of a loved one, friend, post or auxiliary member will impact those who live on, our Veterans who reside at the Missouri Veterans' Home - St. Louis.

In this Memorial Remembrance, no Memorial Card will be mailed. We also request that donations are at least \$5.00 per name. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause with this act of kindness to the ones you fondly remember. **The deadline is April 15, 2023.**

Please Print

Donation By: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

In Memory Of:

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Total Memorial Donation \$ _____

Make Checks Payable To And Mail To:

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St. Louis, MO 63136

For your convenience we have also added a form to our website where you can donate online at www.stlvhal.org



Deadline For The May Memorial Issue Is April 15, 2023



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Email: stl.veteranshome.al@gmail.com
Website: www.stlvhal.org

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Please clip this address panel and mail it to us, noting your request.

STL Veterans Home Assistance League

Services Rendered To All Eligible Veterans Without Regard To Race, Color, Religion, Sex, Age, Handicap, Or National Origin.



Adopt ★ A ★ Vet



Yes! I/we would like to help our veterans. My donation will help provide each veteran a gift and also be utilized for other special events throughout the year.

\$30 \$60 \$90 \$180

Donation of Any Amount \$ _____

Payment options:

- Check Cash

Make Checks Payable To:

STL Veterans Home Assistance League
or STLVHAL
10600 Lewis & Clark Boulevard
St. Louis, MO 63136

Donate Online
@ www.stlvhal.org

Donation Made By:

- Individual
- Organization

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Memorial Remembrance Campaign

The next issue of our newsletter will be in May and is known as our Memorial issue. It is in this issue that friends, family and organizations can honor their loved ones.

We ask you to send a memorial donation in a Veteran's honor to the St. Louis Veterans Home Assistance League to ensure that our men and women who have fought for our freedoms are remembered. There is no better way to honor a loved one than by supporting a cause which supports the men and women who fought for our freedoms as Americans, All names will be listed in the Memorial Issue in May. (See form on page 7)

