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Dear Veterans, Family and Friends:

Good day to everyone! I know I've been saying this for several months but I'm 99% certain the major construction project will be completed this summer! Again, Veterans on C-Unit will have private rooms, bathrooms and showers. The C-Unit design is based on the VA "Small House Model." This design philosophy is based on incorporating elements of home and minimizing institutional aspects.

We continue to have many outings for our Veterans. With these outings we also need Volunteers to help our Veterans. We also need Volunteers to help with our many daily activities that our Recreation Department plans. Please contact Sherita

Crosby, Supervisor of Volunteer Services, at 314-421-8639 or email her at Sherita.Crosby@mvc.dps.mo.gov if you have any questions or if you are interested in volunteering.

As always, thank you for your support in our efforts to serve America's Heroes! Please feel free to contact me at any time at 314-421-8605 or Leonard.Rhine@mvc.dps.mo.gov if you ever have any questions or concerns. Thanks again and have a blessed day!!!

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 senior therapeutic staff member Rosa Hughes at 314-421-8684, Rosa.Hughes@mvc.dps.mo.gov or visit us at www.stlvhal.org



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.

There are not enough words to express our appreciation and heartfelt wishes to each of you who donated to the 2023 Memorial/Honor Remembrance Fund.

Thank you for partnering with us as we reach out and touch our Veteran residents with loving care. Because of your generosity, our purpose remains the same: to make a life-changing atmosphere for our Veteran residents as well as the staff. Your support and commitment has allowed us to build on our successes as we expand into the digital world

and increase our presence in the community. Your investment will help us ensure that we continue on this pathway.

Once again, we truly value your support for the Missouri Veterans Home-St. Louis Assistance League as we continue to make a difference for our resident veterans.

Rosemarie W. Hauck
Rosemarie W. Hauck,
STLVHAL President



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Thank You To Our Volunteers

Time is going fast. I am six months in and I am learning new things day by day. I also get a chance to laugh and talk with some of Americas Heroes. Everyday is an adventure. Many thanks go to the Assistance League and our incredible volunteers. Without out you all many things would not be possible.

Recruiting volunteers is an important part of what I do at the Missouri Veterans Home - St Louis. If you have a few hours to spare one day out of the week would be great. We are in need of someone to help fill the vending machines and work a few hours in the Canteen. If you know someone that would be interested please send them our way. Maybe you are a student that is on summer break and need service hours to graduate or a retiree looking to stay occupied. Pass the word on! This is a great place to volunteer.

I know National Volunteer Month was last month but I would like to salute Sharon Michael. Sharon goes above and beyond to support our veterans. Her commitment to others is inspiring. We are very lucky to have someone with the passion and drive she has. Your time and energy are invaluable, and I can't thank you enough for all that you do. Thank you for being the kind person you are.

Thank you for all that you do.

Sherita Crosby
Supervisor of Volunteer Services



UPCOMING EVENTS

June

Arcade days
Cardinal game
Father's Day
Petting Zoo
Fourth of July Family Day
Happy hour



July

Fourth of July Celebration
Christmas in July
Around the globe
Cardinals game
Muny
Happy hour



August

Cardinals Game
Muny
Luau
Happy Hour



September

Ice cream Social
Let it Glow
Day @ the races
Happy hour






STAFF SPOTLIGHT

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Maria Manahan

She is a GREAT Nurse and star team player, she goes above and beyond the call of duty, she is efficient, dependable and punctual in all aspects of her nursing title. Maria is a HUGE asset to the nursing department. She never complains about anything or any task that is given to her, she is always willing to give help no matter how complicated the task may be. She performs her duty very well, meets all expectations of her ability and job description. She is a very dedicated nurse and she is greatly appreciated by all evening staff employees.



Recreation Happenings

The month of May started off with a trip to Busch Stadium for a baseball game, the veterans love going to see the Cardinals. There are more games scheduled for the veterans. For Mother's Day the women veterans of the home were treated to a lovely brunch of chicken and waffles, hash browns, fresh fruit, and mimosas. They also got their nails done, a lovely gift basket that included a necklace, rose quartz bracelet, Led Himalayan salt lamp, and fresh flowers. The home will be celebrating Nursing Home week May 15th- 19th, our staff and veterans will be enjoying popsicles, a carnival, therapy dog visits, a barbecue, and tie dyeing shirts. The home has two performances scheduled by The Hazelwood North Middle School band and a church band. The veterans will be going to the casino, fishing, and a visit from the Cowboy Critters. We will end the month with our Memorial Day Celebration.

The month of June will kick off with our monthly trip to the American Legion post #397 fish fry. Father's Day our men will partake in a Chicken wing bar and beer and friendly conversation. We have a baseball game planned, therapy dog visits, two outings to The Florissant Elks for bingo, and Flag Day. The veterans love going to the Florissant Elks Lodge, it brings joy, love, and comfort to them. We will also have horse racing and our annual Family Day 4th of July celebration.

July will start off with a blast continuing from the end of June. The veterans will enjoy barbecues, fishing outings, therapy dog visits, baseball game, pig racing, bingo, poker, and the casino. They will also have Ted Drews and Gus's Pretzels. The month of August is full of lots of fun activities scheduled, we have the Muny, St. Louis Cardinals game, therapy dog visits, and Luau. We look forward to planning more exciting activities for the veterans.

If you would like to sponsor any activity. You may send your donation for recreation activities made payable to the:

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Also, please make a note on what activity you would like to sponsor. If you would like to host an activity, please reach out to Rosa Hughes at: Rosa.Hughes@mvc.dps.mo.gov

Rosa Hughes
Senior Therapeutic Staff



Canteen

– Lon Lowrey, Canteen Manager

During an upgrade of the Internet in the home, the canteen lost complete connectivity which resulted in much diminished sales. Despite the extra efforts of IT and Maintenance personnel, we could not gain access to the Wi-Fi. Much thanks to Leonard Rhine, Mary English in IT and the State, we were allowed to gain access to the State Internet!! Thank you

We cannot keep the Veterans and staff pleased without the tremendous support of staff to help us with stocking the canteen and vending machines.

We thank the staff and our Veterans for supporting the canteen. We try to meet your needs as best we can.



Donations

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to those individuals, groups, organizations and companies that donated in the first quarter of 2023 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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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.



Honoring the Dead by Helping the Living

Donations Have Been Made In The Memory and Honor Of Friends And Loved Ones

Your 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. Thank you all for supporting this worthy cause with your kindness and generosity. Please accept our apology if you and/or your organization has unintentionally been left off this list.

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