

Chesterfield October 2025

Family & Friends Newsletter



Hello Family and Friends of MVH Chesterfield,

On Friday, September 19, MVH Chesterfield honored **POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY** with a remembrance ceremony conducted by the **Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 284 of St Clair**.

POW ceremonies serve to recognize the sacrifices made by service members who were captured or went missing during conflicts. These events are often held on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, observed annually on the third Friday of September. The day was established to honor the commitment to achieving a full accounting of all POWs and MIAs from various wars, including the Vietnam War, Korean War, and World War II.

According to the federal government, more than 80,000 American service personnel remain missing from prior conflicts. They left their homes and families in service to our nation – and in service to each one of us – and they never made it home. Lest we forget.



We are grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with others who share our commitment to making a difference. Thank you to everyone who made this experience possible. To learn more about Michigan Veterans Home, visit www.michigan.gov/MVH.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

The Michigan Veteran Home at Chesterfield Township would like to thank our September sponsors and donors for supporting our members via the Charitable Support Fund (CSF). The CSF is used support programs and services that bring joy, comfort and connection to our veteran members. Some of the amazing organizations and individuals are listed below:

- American Legion S.A.L 326
- American Legion Auxiliary 326
- Girl Scout Troop 77440
- Nick & Karin Green
- Linda Maksymiuk & Friends
- Michigan Department of the Auxiliary to the VFW
- Military Order of the Cooties PT-24
- Polish Legion of American Veterans
- Selfridge Base Community Council
- Swirly Top Ice Cream Shop
- Vietnam Veterans of America, Detroit Chapter 9
- Warning Group, LLC
- Wayne County Voiture 102 La Societe



Wayne County Voiture 102
Shannon Wawruck and
Jennifer Manning, Administrator



Girl Scout Troop 77440



Jim Kardoosh, Owner



Polish Legion American Veterans
Joanne Jacobs-Foster and
Frank Vettese

Hello Fall! Our members spent the month enjoying summertime festivities before the warm air turns into a crisp chill and the seasons do their thing in our beautiful state.

September was chock-full of with lively activities, celebrations, and unforgettable moments. Among the many was **MVH Chesterfield's 4th annual Car Show** on September 14.

We are so grateful to the **Royal Oak American Legion Post 253** for coordinating and supporting this annual event year after year and to our volunteers and community members who helped make the show a success!





Lunch at Sugarbush Tavern



Picnic at Pine Grove Park



Dave & Busters



Concert in the Park



Luau



Luau Fun



Candlelight Concert at Jimmy Johns



Dinner at Ping On



Chesterfield Twp. Fire Dept. visit with Chester



Gratiot Cruise



Gratiot Cruise



Dinner at Freighters



Watching the Freighters



Lunch at Sugarbush Tavern



Euchre & Poker Night



Dave & Busters



Euchre & Poker Night

ANNUAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

On September 30, MVH Chesterfield hosted our fourth annual appreciation dinner for our dedicated, hardworking volunteers! Over 50 individuals joined us for an evening of gratitude and recognition for their continued commitment to the men and women who served our country and provided us the freedom and liberty we cherish.

We are deeply thankful for their time, compassion, and tireless efforts. Here's to our volunteers who make a difference every day!



SUPPORTING OUR MEMBERS

For those interested in donating, our **October 2025 Wish List** can be found at <https://www.michigan.gov/mvh/locations/michigan-veteran-homes-at-chesterfield-township> then select 'wish list'.

IMPORTANT: Amazon no longer provides a way to for us to thank you and sometimes donations come in multiple deliveries with no receipt or identifying information. If you plan to donate, please contact Hilary at 586-256-9921 so we can acknowledge your generosity. Here is the link: <https://a.co/cl2Ceff>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We welcome new volunteers! Volunteers help make all the Home's wonderful activities possible. Game nights, bonfires, outings, bingo, movies and comedy nights, and more! There is something for everyone.

Volunteer applications are available at reception or on-line at www.Michigan.gov/mvh, select 'support' and 'volunteering'.

Special Request:

Evening volunteers are needed Monday through Friday from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. to assist with programs and outings.

MVH Chesterfield is incredibly lucky to have the support of our families, the community, and our loyal volunteers. If you're an individual, organization, or group (large or small) and want to impact the lives of veterans – by donating your time and talent, please contact us!

On behalf of the staff and members at MVH Chesterfield, thank you!

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Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves"

– James Matthew Barrie.

MICHIGAN
VETERANS HOME



BACK
TO
80'S

Party

TUESDAY OCTOBER 28TH

7:00PM-8:30PM

FEATURING ENTERTAINMENT BY
JIM TELLER & DEAN JOHNSON

SPECIAL APPEARANCES BY:
ROD STEWERT, TOM CRUISE & MORE



JOIN US FOR A

Halloween party

**COSTUME CONTEST-DRESS IN YOUR BEST!!!
DJ OSCAR, GAMES AND FOOD PROVIDED BY
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**

FRIDAY

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OCT.

AT 7:00 PM

