



MVH CHESTERFIELD

FAMILY & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

August 2026

MVH Mission Statement

Michigan Veteran Homes provides nation-leading long-term care and services that enhance the well-being of veterans and their families in the place they call home.



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 4 - BIKE RALLY



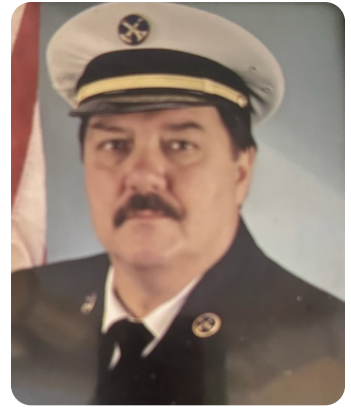
A special thank you to the American Legion Riders Post 4 for hosting their annual fundraiser bike rally in support of the members at Michigan Veterans Home at Chesterfield Township. More than 200 bikers participated in this year's rally, making it a tremendous success!

In addition to the wonderful food and camaraderie shared throughout the event, the riders brought smiles and excitement to our members and staff. Their generosity, compassion, and unwavering support made the day memorable for everyone involved!



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to John Nizol on being nominated as the new Member Council President for Michigan Veteran Homes (MVH) at Chesterfield Township! John, an Army Veteran, has been a member of MVH Chesterfield for over a year and says he is grateful for the opportunity to live in such a great place. "It's like a home away from home—just like the firehouse," John says. Born and raised in Detroit, John dedicated more than 35 years to the Detroit Fire Department. He retired in 2001 as Battalion Chief.



Before coming to MVH Chesterfield, John enjoyed spending his free time hunting deer and turkey in Capac, and making memories with his lovely wife, Shirley, along with their children and grandchildren. He says some of his favorite memories are the moments they've shared together as a family.

John is very impressed by the care that is provided to him along with the wonderful activities to keep him busy at MVH Chesterfield. His favorite thing to do is to play bingo with his fellow members. John says that he "loves the companionship and camaraderie." He is also very fond of pet therapy visits along with the cardinals and blue jays that frequent the birdfeeders outside his window.

As Member Council President, John looks forward to getting to know all of the members and helping in any way he can.

We congratulate John on this well-deserved nomination and wish him great success in his new role.

SOARING EAGLE AWARD



Joshua consistently goes above and beyond, no matter where he is working. He takes care of every member. As a true team player, he works well with both his co-workers and our members. Joshua is a real go-getter who brings a positive attitude to everything he does.

Congratulations, Joshua! Keep up the good work!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

The Michigan Veteran Home at Chesterfield Township would like to thank our July sponsors and donors for supporting our members via the Charitable Support Fund (CSF). The CSF is used to 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 - Post 253
- American Legion Riders - Post 4
- Mary Shaw
- Michigan Department of the Auxiliary to the VFW
- Patrica Mikel
- Military Order of the Purple Heart
- North Oakland VFW - Post 334
- Polish Legion of American Veterans Ladies Auxiliary Department of Michigan
- Vietnam Veterans of America, Detroit Chapter 9
- Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 287

THE NEW WHISPERGLIDE SWING HAS ARRIVED

A heartfelt thank you to the Four County Community Foundation, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and DAV Chapter 19 for making the purchase of our WhisperGlide Swing possible. The swing is available for use on the Heritage Patio.

The WhisperGlide Swing is so much more than a swing - it is an investment in quality of life. It provides cognitive stimulation, encourages physical activity, and promotes psychosocial wellness. It also creates opportunities for meaningful shared experiences between members, staff, and families.

The WhisperGlide Swing offers many benefits, including:

- Full wheelchair accessibility, ensuring everyone can participate
- Encouraging social interaction among members, families, and caregivers
- Helping reduce stress and anxiety through gentle, therapeutic motion

Your generosity has created a lasting impact! Thank you for helping make this wonderful addition a reality!



Thank you to our donors and volunteers for your generosity and ongoing support of MVH Chesterfield. Your charitable gifts make it possible for us to provide meaningful programs and experiences that enrich our members' quality of life.

From memorable outings like the behind-the-scenes tour of Tiger Stadium to fun-filled pizza parties at Pine Grove Park, your kindness creates opportunities for lasting memories.



SUPPORTING OUR MEMBERS

For those interested in donating, our July 2026 Wish List can be found at <https://www.michigan.gov/mvh/locations/michigan-veteran-homes-at-chesterfield-township>, select 'support' then 'make a gift'.

IMPORTANT: If purchasing items from Amazon, please know that donations may 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/05HqAxVH>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers help make all of the Home's wonderful activities possible. Game nights, outings, bingo, movies, comedy nights, and more. There is something for everyone.

To learn more or to complete a volunteer application, please visit, www.Michigan.gov/mvh, select 'support' and 'volunteering'. For questions, please call Hilary at 586-256-9921 or email her at kurecichh@michigan.gov.

TROOP 472 HELPS BEAUTIFY MVH CHESTERFIELD

A heartfelt thank you to the Scouts and parents of Troop 472 for helping clean up the patio and courtyard area on Heritage. The group did an outstanding job, and their hard work and dedication have made a noticeable difference. We truly appreciate everyone who volunteered their time and effort to help improve our Home. Thank you for your commitment and service!



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

Hilary Kurecich, Volunteer & Donation Coordinator 586-256-9921 | KurecichH@michigan.gov

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller



MVH

Fall Vendor Show



Date: Friday, September 25th, 2026

Time: 10am-4pm



Cost: \$30 for 10x10 space outdoors
(you must provide your own tent/tables)

or

\$30 per 6ft table (provided)
for indoor space



Place: Michigan Veterans Home at Chesterfield
47901 Sugarbush Rd.,
Chesterfield, MI 48047

Contact:

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HONOR ★ SUPPORT ★ RIDE

MICHIGAN VETERANS HOME

SIDE BY SIDE RIDE

★ CHARITY RIDE ★

SAINT CLAIR COUNTY, MI

★ SATURDAY ★

OCTOBER 17TH, 2026

START & END LOCATION:
BELLE RIVER GOLF COURSE
RILEY, MICHIGAN



REGISTRATION: 9:00AM



RIDE STARTS: 11:00AM

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE
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MICHIGAN
VETERANS HOME
OF CHESTERFIELD



ONLY
250

TICKETS AVAILABLE!
GET YOURS BEFORE
THEY'RE GONE!



RIDE TO HONOR.
RIDE TO SUPPORT.
RIDE FOR OUR
VETERANS.



SCENIC RIDE
THROUGH
SAINT CLAIR
COUNTY



ALL SIDE
BY SIDES
WELCOME



DINNER
INCLUDED
AT THE GOLF
COURSE
WITH TICKET PURCHASE

TICKETS
\$50
CASH



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