

Hello Family and Friends of MVH D.J. Jacobetti,

Happy November! November is the time for some of the more special times in our lives. The theme of giving thanks is very prominent. First, we give thanks for our veterans and recognize their sacrifices on Veterans Day.

Thanksgiving is our opportunity to give thanks for the gifts in our lives. I hope you have a lovely time with family and friends and get to share time with your loved ones.

As for the new Home, the road relocation project should be completed soon and open to the public. The road is paved, the guardrails are up and the stripes are painted! They are starting work on the foundations for at least one neighborhood, so work won't stop for the winter. If you are interested, updates will be posted on the website: <https://bit.ly/NewMVHDJJ>

We recognize that the transition in dietary services this October has had some bumps along the way. Please know that we have been meeting regularly with the contractor, and we are seeing steady improvements. We sincerely appreciate your continued trust in Jacobetti as we work to provide the highest quality care. - Ron Oja, Administrator

October continued to share beautiful weather and our veteran members had opportunities to go on lunch outings to American Legions Post 44 and 114, a side x side outing and lunch with Hiawatha Snowmobile Club, fall color tours, and NMU hockey games! Other highlights included:

- The Navy turned 250 on October 13th! We celebrated with a bingo sponsored by American Legion Aux Greenwood #114 and Amvets Aux #122 and the DAR brought a beautiful cake and banner!
- Halloween festivities included a big Buck\$ bingo sponsored by one of our members in memory of his parents. We also hosted a costume parade and trick-or-treating, welcoming our members' loved ones, staff, and volunteers to bring their healthy kiddos!
- Mary from Partridge Creek Farms brought in harvest treats and a Copper Country recipe for beets and helped with our second "We Can Pickle That!" class. After members noshed on the bologna and veggies they pickled in the first session!
- Soon, we will be growing produce all year round!! Thanks to a grant from the Hirvonen Foundation, we now have a Flex Farm – Indoor Hydroponic System and a whole year of growing supplies from Fork Farms. We are incredibly excited
- We also had lots of live music, karaoke with Mama Court, art class with Allison, pet visits, yoga with Micaiah and other exercise, and much, much more.

November is here and it brings the 3 best holidays of the year: Veterans Day, DJJ Deer Camp and Thanksgiving!

As you know, every day, the staff at D.J. Jacobetti work diligently to provide the very best for our veteran members. Holidays like Veterans Day allow us to really stop, pause, count our blessings and express our gratitude for the veterans that live here (work here and volunteer here!). This year's Veterans Day ceremony is led by Marine Corps Marine Corps League Lake Superior Detachment #764. Members will enjoy an extra special lunch and then an afternoon social with patriotic parfaits and music by Linda Smith. Thanks to our amazing supporters we have a lot of extra special fun planned for November including:

- Happy 250th Birthday, Marines! On 11/10, we celebrate with a birthday bingo and social thanks to Onagominkway Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and American Legion Aux #349
- DJJ Deer Camp includes special music (ala da Yoopers and Elmer Aho +), chili tastings (member-made), hunting stories, cribbage and cards, and lots of orange and plaid!
- Daniele Carol will be onsite to take updated photos of our members (Loved ones are invited to come in too!) so there is a fresh, beautiful photo for the holidays!
- A delicious onsite Thanksgiving meal—families and friends are invited! (See page 3)
- The Teal Lakes Singers and Drum will visit and help us celebrate and recognize Native American Heritage Month
- Add, church services, bingo, live music, pet therapy, art, exercise, and more....November is going to be great!

Supporting Our Veteran Members:

- Attached, find our November 2025 Wish List. There, you will find requests for personal care items, clothing, special requests, and an Amazon option which ships straight to our Home.
- Check out our Facebook page! <https://www.facebook.com/MiVeteranHomesDJJ>

On behalf of all the staff and members at MVH D.J. Jacobetti, thank you!

Thank you for being champions for the veterans at Michigan Veteran Homes D.J. Jacobetti.

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If you would prefer to not to receive this monthly newsletter, please let me know and I will remove you from future sends.



L to R: Eric from Courage Incorporated came in to chat with our veterans. Side x side goodness and a lunch with Hiawatha Snowmobile Club. Mary from Partridge Creek Farm brought in farm produce and all the fixings and led a pickling session.



We painted pumpkins with students from Father Marquette Catholic Academy's 3rd and 4th grade classes. Sometimes we just get silly and play games like "Cheese Head." Soon, we will be growing produce year round!! Thanks to a grant from the Ray and Peg Hirvonen Foundation, we now have a Flex Farm hydroponic indoor system and a year's supply of seeds. We will start with 4 varieties of lettuces and expect a harvest beginning of December!!!



D.J. Jacobetti

Veterans Day Ceremony

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

11:00 Chapel



**Special Thanks to
Marine Corps League
Lake Superior Detachment #764
for leading our 2025 ceremony**



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2025 Veterans Day Events

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**led by Marine Corps League
Lake Superior Detachment #764
11:00AM - Chapel**

Veterans Day Lunch

**Enjoy a special meal from
Powerlink Healthcare Services with Dessert
provided by UP Home Health & Hospice and
Lake Superior Life Care & Hospice
12:00PM – Dining Rooms and On Units**

Veterans Day Social

**with Music by Linda Smith and Patriotic
Parfaits provided by MCL #764
1:30PM - Rec Room**



Each year we participate in the TV6 Canathon and Toys for Tots. We welcome everyone to join us as we collect for these worthy while causes!



Thanksgiving Meal

Thursday, November 27, 2025

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Ground Floor Dining Room

If you would like to have Thanksgiving dinner with a member of the home, Reservations are Required by calling the D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans front office line at 906-226-3576 Ext. 0. Please call during regular business office hours (Monday – Friday * 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) We will need your name, phone number, and how many people are attending. The deadline for reservations is November 18, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

A meal ticket is required to attend the Thanksgiving meal, and you may purchase the tickets at the front office at 425 Fisher Street in Marquette between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and must be purchased PRIOR to Thanksgiving Day (\$2.75 each or 10 for \$23.00 – Cash or Check only.)

****The member who lives here does not need a meal ticket.**