

## Volunteer & Donor Newsletter

Hello Friends of MVH D.J. Jacobetti,

April is here and with temps forecasted into the low 50s, it's starting to feel a bit like Spring! We made the most of March with a lot of musicians performing in the chapel, Spread Goodness Day activities by and for our veteran members, a DNR presentation on moose, and our Veteran Facility Coordinators sponsored 2 great days of blackjack during Vegas Days. We celebrated Tigers Opening Day, Rosie the Riveter Day and our Vietnam veterans on National Vietnam War Veterans Day! Outings included luncheons at Marquette Elks Lodge #405, and American Legion Post #44, meals at local restaurants, shopping at Walmart and a trip to the Marquette Regional History Center.

April brings many Spring-inspired activities like jelly bean tasting, egg decorating (and eating), crafting and special church services for Good Friday and Easter. A lot of our veteran members love motorcycles and they are excited for a visit to our local Harley Davidson shop. On April 6th, we will have a live auction event with Butch Patient of B. Patient Auction Service donating his time as our auctioneer! The event will be full of great auction items and a few surprises. We expect this event to be a big hit! Also planned are luncheons to Elks Lodge #405, AL Post 44, and AL Post 114, a movie outing, Earth Day activities, shopping at Meijer, paint and sips, and SO MUCH MORE, thanks to your donations and support!

**April 16th - 22nd is Volunteer Appreciation Week!** Our volunteers and donors play a very special role and simply allow us to do more for the veterans who call MVHDJJ Home. Our volunteers serve our veteran members with kindness, compassion and dedication. ***On behalf of the veteran members and staff at MVHDJJ, thank you. We are incredibly grateful for your service!***



Summer is coming! We always welcome fresh ideas for events and outings.

Would your group like to run a game at our Annual Member Carnival to run a game (August 16th)? How about throwing a BBQ for veteran members onsite or offsite? Sponsor a cribbage tourney? Perhaps you have a beautiful car you could bring to our Classic Car Show (July 19th). So many fun ways to bring joy to our veteran members, give us a ring and let's make 2023 the best summer yet! Please note that we are planning summer activities now.

### Supporting Our Veteran Members:

- Attached, find our April 2023 Wish List.
- Our **26th Annual Charity Golf Outing is Thursday, June 29, 2023** at the Marquette Heritage Golf Course and benefits the MVHDJJ Life Enrichment Fund. To learn more about this event, sign up to play or support through sponsorships or raffle prizes, visit:

<https://www.michigan.gov/mvh/events/2023/06/29/26th-annual-mvhdjj-golf-outing>

-or- contact Ann Barsch at barscha@michigan.gov or 906-226-3576 x 2520348

### MVH D.J. Jacobetti In The News:

[March 29 is National Vietnam War Veterans Day \(uppermichiganssource.com\)](http://uppermichiganssource.com)

[Former Cliffs Dow property could be location for new DJ Jacobetti Home for Veterans \(uppermichiganssource.com\)](http://uppermichiganssource.com)

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

**Thank you for being champions of our veterans at MVHDJJ!**

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