



MVH GRAND RAPIDS

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

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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.



Happy October!

Hi everyone!

Welcome Great Pumpkin!



We have quite a month ahead of us with several volunteer opportunities to celebrate the upcoming festivities! October is my favorite month of the year, and our Annual Haunted House is probably the event I always look forward to the most. We also have our member trick or treating taking place on Tuesday, October 27th so if you have kids in your life who love to receive large amounts of candy, this is an event you are not going to want to miss! If you'd like to learn more about it or are planning on attending, please let me know!

We also have a trip out to Gun Lake Casino and a bowling outing we are looking for volunteers to help support with. As always, please take a look at the attached activity calendar to see what other fun activities, bingos and more we have planned for the month!

As always, my door is always opened and I'm happy to chat! Thanks!

-Gretchen

Outings, Trips & Activities for Volunteer Support

If you are available to support any of these trips or events below, please let Gretchen know! We always appreciate the extra help and support that make these trips possible!

Gun Lake Casino- Thursday, October 15th from 8:45am-3:30pm

- Assist members throughout the casino by helping transport to different spots throughout the casino. This is typically an all day trip, and lunch is NOT provided. There is a buffet option for lunch for \$22, and members typically like to dine in for this trip.

Bowling Trip- Monday, October 19th from 9:15am-Noon

- Assist members with bowling and cheering them on!

Tuesday Shopping- Every Tuesday from 12:45-3:30pm

- Assist members with shopping at Meijer or Walmart

MVH Annual Trick or Treating- Tuesday, October 27th at 5pm

- Another annual event we have is our trick or treating here at the home! If you have kids or grandkids you'd like to bring by, our members are notoriously known to be very generous with handing out Halloween candy to participants. This takes place in our GRR.

MVH Annual Haunted House- Thursday, October 29th from 1-3pm

- Our spookiest event of the year and one of the most anticipated- our annual haunted house! This year our theme is a haunted mall, so shoppers beware! Volunteer support is appreciated with wheeling and transporting members through the haunted house (our current building and decorated rooms). This is mildly spooky so please keep that in mind before signing up!

