D.J. Jacobetti December 2023



Volunteer & Donor Newsletter



Hello Friends of MVH D.J. Jacobetti,

Sing it with me! It's the most wonderful time of the year

November was a special month. We celebrated Veterans Day with a beautiful ceremony planned and sponsored by Amvets Post 122. We received a variety of special donations including fruit and veggie trays, lottery tickets for a big buck\$ bingo, and a visit from Negaunee City Band, along with cards, banners and decorated placemats from our community. The veteran members of MVH D.J. Jacobetti know they are loved and appreciated because of you! Thank you.

Other November activities included:

- DJJ Deer Camp includes a big buck\$ bingo, meat and cheese trays and reminiscing, pasties and happy hour, hunting games in the chapel, and more plaid!
- Professional photos of our veterans and the opportunity for loved ones to take an updated, beautiful photo with their veteran member!
- Members bell ringing, the TV6 canathon, and decorating a tree for Peter White Public Library's Winter Wonderland
- A Thanksgiving meal for members and their loved ones
- Allison Stawara, Farm Manager, at Partridge Creek Farms provided a presentation, tips and expertise so we can fully utilize our greenhouse!
- Lunch outings to Elks Lodge #405, NMU hockey, and live music with Dan Jackovich, Lois Westman, Curtis Laasko, Chris Valenti, Linda Smith and much, much more

December is filled with special holiday activities:

- Lunch outings to Elks Lodge #405 and American Legion Auxiliary Greenwood Post holiday party
- Onsite football parties and outings to watch NMU hockey
- Holiday crafting, baking, decorating, light tours, and luncheons with visits from Santa and Mrs. Claus
- Holiday music with carolers from the NMU Choir and Gwinn National Honor Society, Superior Hand Bells, Holiday Brass Choir, and special holiday karaoke too!
- American Legion Auxiliary's Christmas Gift Shop where members "shop" for loved ones and themselves
- So many incredible holiday donations including Secret Santa gifts, lottery tickets for Big Buck\$ Bingo, fruit trays, and stockings for every member
- A holiday meal for our veteran members and their loved ones and New Year's eve festivities to ring in 2024!

Supporting Our Veteran Members:

- Attached and below, please find our December Wish List (updated monthly). These wish list items allow us to provide our veteran members a choice, the best quality products, and the ability to fulfill member requests, just as they are needed and with no wait.
- Check out our Facebook page! <u>https://www.facebook.com/MiVeteranHomesDJJ</u>
- To stay up-to-date on progress of our new U.P. veterans home, visit: https://bit.ly/NewMVHDJJ

As we close out 2024, we would like to extend our gratitude to everyone who volunteers, donates, and supports Michigan Veteran Homes D.J. Jacobetti. It is because of you that we are able to provide the very best for the veterans who call MVHDJJ home.

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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