

NEWSLETTER CHARLOTTE HALL VETERANS HOME



PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY

CHVH Annual Holiday Shoppe

For this month's Partners in the Community feature, Charlotte Hall Veterans Home would like to thank every individual, family, and organization participating in this year's Holiday Shoppe. This entire event is made possible only because of your support. The inventory for the event comes exclusively from donations. All of the items are sorted and set out by category. Residents are given an empty holiday gift bag and invited to fill it up with their chosen items. Residents can go holiday shopping without spending a penny as all of the things are free to them! Staff and volunteers partnered with residents to fill their bags. The program takes months to plan and collect donations. Thank you to all of our team who worked diligently to make this possible for our community. Thank you to all of our donors, volunteers, and supporters!

The event was outstanding!



FEATURED DEPARTMENT

arzyNet, Inc.



Rick Zeeger
 Founder & CEO,
 IT Consultant/Engineer

The Charlotte Hall IT department has been contracted through arzyNet, Inc. since 2008. Their initial project was to create the network that you see today. Prior to this network, there were only about two dozen PCs, paper medical records, and no Wi-Fi. Since then, they coordinated the creation of the residential network (wired and wireless). They made it possible to bring the electronic medical record (EMR) system in-house for better performance, making it possible to pass meds from mobile med carts.



Ethan Lucini
 Desktop Support/
 Network
 Administrator



Charles Rodriguez
 Network Engineer

Both Rick Zeeger (IT Consultant/Engineer) and Ethan Lucini (Desktop Support/Network Administrator) have been with us since the beginning of the contract. Charles Rodriguez (Network Engineer) is their newest addition with years of experience in the Small Business networks. ArzyNet also manages the IT for three other nursing homes in our area and funeral homes, contractors, churches, public services, property management, and a defense contractor.

Rick has mentioned that nurses often say, "Sorry, I am really terrible with PCs." His reply has always been, "You should see me draw blood. Let's call it even."

VETERAN SPOTLIGHT

Bill Gianci, USAF RET



William (Bill) Gianci is a United States Air Force veteran. He is 86 years old. Bill grew up in Revere, Massachusetts, and served four years in the Air Force, then 15 years in the Air National Guard. He served his country working in communications, mostly maintaining and using radar; tracking incoming and outgoing aircraft. He retired from the Military. Bill then married in 1956 and was married for ten years, until 1966 when he lost the love of his life to a battle with breast cancer. He never remarried. He has one daughter, age 40, and two grandchildren, ages 8 and 5.

After his military service, he worked at MIT in research and development building space communication satellites for 45 years and retired from there. He started working at MIT at the age of 17 and retired at the age of 62. Bill's happiest thing in life is maintaining a close and loving relationship with his daughter and grandchildren. They are "the light of my life," he states.



FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Healthcare workers have a special obligation to protect themselves, their families, coworkers, and especially our residents. 2021 was undoubtedly a challenging year for us all, but please know your efforts are noticed by your colleagues, residents, resident families, and community partners. As we continue to see an uptick in cases of COVID-19 within our Home, like many others, I want to remind you of the importance of hand hygiene, vaccinations, social distancing, and face masks. I am confident that we will overcome this variant with these things in place.

I look forward to this New Year and being with you all as we continue to pursue our mission of "Serving those who served." As always, stay safe.



-Zena Merchant, MHA, LNHA



LET US ALL CELEBRATE

These employees have dedicated 15 to 20 years of service to the mission of serving those who served! We thank you for your dedication of skills and talents!

- Lisa Murphy
- Thomasina Chase
- Sonya Smith-McKenzie
- Mary Campbell
- Daisy Riley
- Crystal Welch
- Cheryl Garman
- Michelle Reede
- Janina Serafin
- Kevin Doar
- Linda Hayden
- Tamika Thompson
- Lacresia Washington
- Carol Powell
- Darlene Walker
- Mary Dyson

- Rebecca Hiner
- Shannon Kauffman
- Lashawn Brown
- Bonnie Pelletier
- Mary Adams
- Gladys Taylor
- Kelly Knode
- June Gant
- Colleen Nimmerrichter
- Jennifer Goddard
- Adrienne Jones
- Harold Jeffries
- Patricia Miller
- Monica Tyler
- Heather Morgan
- Louis Jordan

- Chris Carlucci
- Karen Zinn
- Contina Cooper
- Shannon Wilkerson
- Amy Gaines
- Robin Keys
- Martha Edmonds
- Audrey Chase
- Ibrahim Kargbo
- Judy Lee
- Joyce Johnson
- Cindie Crockett
- Sylvia Farmah
- Joyce Dorsey
- Joyce Anderson
- Mary Gilroy



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