



# John F. McNulty Memorial Post 298

29449 Charlotte Hall Road  
Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

## NEWSLETTER

Greetings and welcome to our spring newsletter. We are all hopeful the cold weather is behind us, greener pastures and warmer weather is on the way. John F. McNulty Memorial Post 298, especially those who reside at *Charlotte Hall Veterans Home* are ready to feel the sunshine on their bones, get out, attend some ball games, seek out outdoor activities and stretch a little.

As many of you might already know, while we are made up of members in the community, Post 298 for the most part is made of members who reside at



Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. We are more advanced in age than your typical post where many of our members are disabled, in wheelchairs and are frail. We are thankful..... in that our post has been fortunate to find we are welcomed and allowed to exist within the walls of Charlotte Hall Veterans Home.

Typical programs, activities you might find in an American Legion Post you will not find here at 298 as we are not capable of providing those services due to the unique nature of our post. The flip side of that being we simultaneously exist in Charlotte Hall Veterans Home is that you never have to go far to find something to do. There are daily activities, trips, functions, groups and individuals that always present themselves for the sake of our veterans, which happily include the many members of Post 298. Many of those activities are provided by our fellow, local posts, etc..

John F. McNulty Memorial Post 298 is proud of the fact that we are unique in that we are the only American Legion Post that exists within a veteran's facility such as Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in the entire country.

Physically the best days might be behind the majority of our members, but the spirit and enthusiasm they bare even when many are physically unable is undeniable. I am proud to be in a company, a post of whom I call "heroes." It is not every day you get to spend time with an individual who served, fought



for their country, were captured by the enemy, endured hardship and many afflicted in mind, body and spirit. There is no vanity in their character and their humbleness of pride in what they did in days gone by is contagious. Their humility in stepping up when their country asked them to without any misgivings is something we can all take something away from and apply to our own walk. You sit down to encourage them, bolster their spirit, thank them for the trials,



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### NEXT POST MEETING

Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 2:00pm with open bingo to all residents of *Charlotte Hall Veterans Home*



Join  
The American Legion  
Today!



sacrifices many endured and you walk away finding the exact opposite. They instill something in you that is profound where you are the one feeling clothed and nurtured in a manner you were striving to give them. Money cannot buy everything.....

Post 298 is beholden at the generosity of the many posts here within the State of Maryland who help to support us. Because of you our membership presently stands at 159% where we have improved to the ranking of #2 for posts under 150 members. We thank all of our brother and sister posts and those individuals, who have taken it upon themselves to support us and see that our charter here at 298 is strong and successful. The “*adopt-a-vet*” program, which pays for membership dues enables our members who are without financial means to be afforded the chance to belong, has been a great source of our survivability, so “thank you” for the efforts you have put forth on our behalf.

As post commander here at 298 I cannot explain the thrill it is to present an existing member or new member that lives at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home his or her new membership card. Seizing on the opportunity to tell them “it is on the house,” no charge and that your fellow American Legion Post comrades got your back, we want you, you belong and thank you for serving our country is a setting that cannot be put in words. Our post members whom being mostly advanced in age, somewhat feeble, however does not take away the pride or worth they feel knowing the fact they are appreciated and valued by others. As commander, I would like to personally thank you on their behalf.



Visit Our  
Website

Our new post website ([www.mdlegionpost298.com](http://www.mdlegionpost298.com)) appears to be well received as we have received many compliments in the way we try to present our post, The American Legion in general and Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. It has been a lot of work, but are pleased thus far with its success and am thankful to those persons locally who have provided us the chance to be able to catch up to the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We strive to inform others about our states only unique veterans’ facility that is purposed to provide a home, personal care for veterans who served the military from our state, who meet the requirements and so forth. You may visit [www.charhall.org](http://www.charhall.org) or look on our website menu and click Charlotte Hall VH for further information.

If you find that you have time to spare, are in need for finding a venue to give of your time we invite you to volunteer at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. You should contact the Volunteer Coordinator LaDonna Mohler at [lmohler@hmrmd.com](mailto:lmohler@hmrmd.com) “prior” to visiting for an appointment. We also encourage you to donate for the benefit of our veterans. Any monetary amount is appreciated. Please find the *form below to answer any questions you might have.*



**CHARLOTTE HALL VETERANS HOME  
DONATION/EVENT FORM**

**Return Completed Form to State Office – D Wing**

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home appreciates your interest in helping the residents. We can only accept items in good condition. If you have any questions regarding items you would like to donate please call **LaDonna Mohler, Director, Volunteer/Community Outreach at 301-884-8171, Ext. 664**. We are not allowed to put a monetary value on any items donated. However, you will receive an acknowledgement of your donation.

<b>Organization Name:</b> _____		<b>Email:</b> _____	
<b>Contact Person:</b> _____			
<b>Address:</b> _____			
<b>City:</b> _____	<b>State:</b> _____	<b>Zip:</b> _____	<b>Phone:</b> _____
<b>ITEM(S) OR SERVICES DONATED</b>			
<b>Monetary Donation: (NO CASH)</b> Check/money order # _____ Amount: \$ _____ Payable to: <b>Charlotte Hall Veterans Home</b>			
<b><u>To be used for (check all boxes that apply):</u></b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Bingo	<input type="checkbox"/> Clothing	<input type="checkbox"/> CHVH Veterans Assistance Fund (any)
<input type="checkbox"/> Decorating	<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Final Honors	<input type="checkbox"/> Gift card (include store name): _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Grounds	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Resident Internet/Computers	
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Projects	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Events	<input type="checkbox"/> TV's	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<b>Item Donation:</b> Preferred donation hours: Monday - Friday between the hours of 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.			
<b>Please note that we NO LONGER ACCEPT the following:</b>			
USED walkers, wheelchairs, shower chairs, bathroom chairs, scooters Books and Magazines (regardless of condition) USED/Soiled clothing (all clothing items, shoes and accessories must be "NEW") Hotel/Travel size toiletries VHS tapes, used TV's or electronic equipment (computers, radios, etc)			
<b>WE CANNOT ACCEPT HOME-BAKED GOODS</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Clothing	<input type="checkbox"/> DVD's/CD's	<input type="checkbox"/> Games/Puzzles	<input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries
<input type="checkbox"/> New TV's (flat screen)	<input type="checkbox"/> New Electronics (lap tops, DVD player etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	_____		
<b>Event/Activity:</b> (inside/outside CHVH) _____		<b>Staff member scheduling event:</b> _____	
<b>Date of Event/Donation:</b> _____		<b>Time of Event:</b> _____ a.m. _____ p.m.	
<b>Number of Volunteers:</b> _____		<b>Total Volunteer Hours:</b> _____	
<b>Number of Residents Participating:</b> _____		<i>(Provide names on separate sheet)</i>	
<b>Received By:</b> _____		<b>Date:</b> _____	

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If you would like to contact me feel free to drop a line at [post298@gmail.com](mailto:post298@gmail.com). If you are a Post 298 member and would like to take a more active role in our post, please contact me. There is a drop box installed by our Post 298 Office located in Charlotte Hall Veterans Home on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Room 2 (2A).

For God and Country



## - BIRTHDAYS -

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (Month and Day) \_\_\_\_\_

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If you are a member of *John F. McNulty Memorial Post 298* and would like your birthday remembered in our Post Newsletter, please email me at [post298@gmail.com](mailto:post298@gmail.com) or mail this form to John F. McNulty Memorial Post 298, ATTN: Wes Simpkins. Please put birthday in the SUBJECT line of your email. Charlotte Hall Veterans Home members you may drop off in our Post drop box outside of our office. *\*PLEASE NOTIFY A MONTH AHEAD OF YOUR BIRTHDAY.*

