

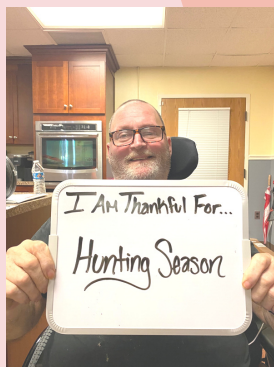
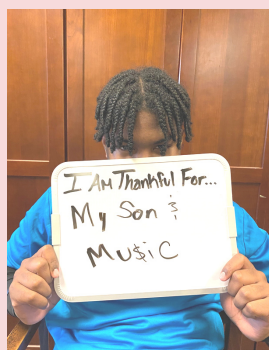
CHARLOTTE HALL VETERAN'S HOME

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



WHY WE ARE THANKFUL

In light of the upcoming Holiday, our Residents and staff have been asked why they are thankful.



You can find more photos like these posted throughout the month on our Facebook page

RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT: Donald Peck



This Army Veteran hails from the south side of Chicago. Donald was drafted into WWII, at the age of 16, then he started basic training to learn how to be a field medic. Donald didn't care for basic training and stated it felt like hell, most of his training was in the field and he even had severed the top of one of his fingers in a training accident. After basic, Don was stationed in Germany and never knew what was to come when a call for assistance came through until they pulled onto the site. He often traveled between Germany and France with about 40 people on a box cart pulled by 8 horses. He recalled a time they stopped in at the top of Germany and there was a man in bad shape with a beat-up uniform. He found a metal swastika next to the man's leg and has kept it to this day to remember the war they were fighting. Donald said, "I met a lot of pretty and smart women" as well. Women and children could not leave their homes during the war, so they dropped off bags of food for them. He also recalled trying to save "the most pretty German woman" whom he found in a ditch, but "I could not save her. It broke me when I could not save her." His advice to those considering entering the military is to "Be the best you can be and you will do wonderful." His advice to those transitioning out is to, "Try your best and keep your head up." Happy Veteran's Day to you Donald Peck and thank you for your dedicated service!

A LETTER FROM: OUR INTERIM-ADMINISTRATOR

I am happy to return as Interim Administrator at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. My career at Charlotte Hall began in 2016 when I entered to complete my Administrator in Training (AIT) program. The residents instantly captured my heart, and as a result, I cannot think of a better place to come to work every day.

My return is also a testament to the dedication of the employees who spend every day serving those who served. There are few decisions harder than placing a loved one or oneself in a long-term care setting. While I may never say Charlotte Hall is perfect, the staff of our home create an environment and provide a level of care I am proud to promote to anyone who inquires about admissions.

I believe that transparency is the foundation for a comprehensive operation. The more our staff, families, and community members know, the better we can advocate on behalf of those we are caring for. I ask that you please never withhold an observation, concern, or idea. Every moment that we are aware of your observations is an opportunity for us to evolve.


Thank you to our communities for all the support shown to Charlotte Hall. I hope that we can continue to work together to support our residents



Russell Keogler

LET US WELCOME:

Steve Bennett



Steve is our new IT technician. He brings IT experience from past jobs at The National Gallery of Art, National Geographic, and Northrop Grumman. Steven is an Army veteran who served as a 91B Combat Medic in the late 90s. His hobbies include photography, exercise, and spending quality time with his toddler son who keeps him on his toes. Welcome to the team Steve!

FEATURED DEPARTMENT:
CENTRAL SUPPLY

Stacy Kane has worked at CHVH for 10 years as a CNA then took the position as the Central Supply Coordinator in October of 2021. She is responsible for ordering and processing healthcare supplies throughout the building for all departments. With the help of James Mason and Jermaine Thomas, this team is able to keep an inventory of healthcare supplies and make sure the residents are given what they need. "We look forward to continue working with the staff at Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home."

A GLIMPSE AT LAST MONTH



The leaves have beautifully changed and fallen off our trees outside. But nothing is more beautiful than the Autumn festivities held inside! Here are photos from our Halloween celebrations this year!



EVENTS CALENDAR

- Re-Creation Big Band Salute on the 1st
 - Cooking Class: Buffalo Chicken Dip on the 1st
 - Apple Jacks Pet Therapy on the 2nd
 - American Legion Post 221 Ice Cream Social on the 2nd
 - College of Southern MD Concert on the 5th
 - Veterans Day Week PRIZE Bingo on the 7th
 - Active Games Mania on the 8th
 - Marine Corp Birthday Celebrations on the 10th
 - Purple Heart Bingo on the 10th
 - Veterans Day Ceremony on the 11th
 - Cruisin' SoMD Car Show on the 12th
 - Crafts w/ Sharon on the 15th
 - SMECO Bingo on the 15th
 - Fusion Cadets Junior Drum & Bugle Corps on the 19th
 - Sons of American Legion BINGO on the 21st
 - Thanksgiving Pie Social on the 22nd
 - Zoe Outreach Ministry Pie Social on the 23rd
 - Thanksgiving Bingo on the 24th
 - Deck the Halls! On the 26th
 - Board Games Mania on the 28th
 - Seasonal Food Crafts on the 29th
 - Cooking Class - Christmas Cookies on the 29th
- And a variety of musical entertainment, activities, and outings held throughout the month!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OUR 2022 HOLIDAY WISH LIST HAS BEEN POSTED ONLINE!

Visit the Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home Facebook page to see all the items you can contribute.



This newsletter is a joint effort of Sade' Herbert & The Recreational Services team for the whole CHVH community! Please like, follow, & share us on Facebook! #ServingThoseWhoServed