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### CHARLOTTE HALL VETERAN'S HOME

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

#### **CENTENNIAL SPOTLIGHT:**



Charlotte Delaney

This lovely young lady is from Upstate New York. She was raised Truck Farming, where they grew fruits, and vegetables, and maintained over 60 chickens. This is where her love for birds began, where she had her own chicken and rooster that would follow her around like a dog. When asked to speak about her fondest memory, she talked about her Wedding Day with Thomas Allen Delaney on June 4, 1944, at 4:00 pm. She was set for a church wedding in Wappinger's Falls, New York, while her husband was stationed a State over. He had to travel the same day to make it in time for their ceremony! She recalled someone saying, "The groom has arrived!" After their wedding, they spent 5 days together before he went off to World War II. Charlotte speaks highly of her husband, saying he was "so wonderful and very intelligent." They grew up "in the same little village" and went to school together. After high school, he became a male nurse, an Army Air Corps pilot, and then worked in the FBI. They had one child together, a son, whom she talks to every evening and seems to always get her exactly what she needs.

She would take care of birds if she could do anything in the world right now. "Birds are very smart and the cutest of them all is a baby duck." Her son found a Blue Jay on the road, which they named McGinty, who listened and understood when she spoke to him. McGinty and a Cardinal named Roselie had a baby together, which was very "unreal" to her. She also had a yellow Cockatoo named Blondie that loved to eat and lived to be 25 years old. When Charlotte moved to South Carolina, after her husband finished his job with the FBI and began his career in the Police Force, she started a Wild Birds Rehabilitation service, wrote a book, became president of the Audubon Society, and lectured about birds on television for 5 years.

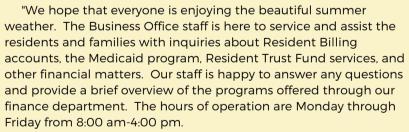
Her word of advice was about how to get rid of bats who like to live in people's attics. "They are protected, so you cannot exterminate them. Bats do us a favor by keeping mosquitos away, but if you truly cannot stand them, for two days and two nights, play loud music in your house and they will never come back." Charlotte enjoys talking with others, so she would love the company if you ever have time to sit and chat with someone.

### FEATURED DEPARTMENT: THE STAFFING OFFICE



Say hello to our Staffing team: Audrey Chase and Katina Johnson! Audrey started out as a GNA/CMA. She has been employed with CHVH for 15 years. Katina also started out as a GNA / CMA and has been employed with CHVH for 10 years. Together they strive to have adequate staff for Assisted Living and the Skilled Nursing Facility. The Staffing Office is open 7 days a week. Our goal is to be fully staffed in order to serve those who served. The best days in the Staffing Office is when the building is completely covered. "Our position can be very challenging but we thank everyone for all their support and understanding."

# GREETINGS FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE



Have you heard about the in-house bank at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home? The Resident Trust Fund bank is conveniently located inside the Business Office. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am-11:30 am and 12:30 pm-3:30 pm. Holiday closings will be posted on the entrance door when applicable. Account holders are welcome to visit the Resident Trust Fund bank during operating hours to conduct business for their financial and personal needs.

For further details regarding the services offered, please get in touch with the Business Office at the extensions listed below. We are here to serve those who have served."

Medicaid: 5116
Resident Trust Funds: 5139
Resident Billing & Collections: 5137
Accounts Payable: 5136

- LAKESHA,
Accounts Payable Manager

# OUR PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY: THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART

In honor of Purple Heart Day, August 7th, CHVH is highlighting the Delmarva Chapter 570, Military Order of the Purple Heart, which is a link in the chain that supports our fellow veterans and their families in their times of need. As the only Congressionally chartered organization for honoring veterans who have been wounded in combat, MOPH is dedicated to serving veterans. Chapter 570 serves the Delmarva area of Maryland, focusing only on local efforts. When people sign up for the military, they sign a contract for everything up to and including their lives; the Purple Heart is a recognition of that service for those who paid the price.



We assist local veterans through our Welfare and Scholarship Programs. We extend significant support to veterans unable to provide for all their own needs, such as those living in the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. We also award modest scholarships to outstanding academically qualified student descendants of MOPH members.

Our Welfare Program aims to support both active and retired veterans. We have specifically tagged Charlotte Hall Veterans Home as a continual special project. In the past, we provided needed personal items, fun Oriole memorabilia, and on one occasion, delivered plenty of snacks to celebrate "A Week at the Beach." Most significantly, for a small chapter like ours, we purchased 30 TVs to be installed in the patients' rooms during the COVID pandemic. We have recently been allowed to restart our monthly bingo/raffle visits. We bring raffle tickets and cash - everyone is given a ticket, and in between each bingo game, we draw a \$10 prize to be used in the snack bar. We enjoy interacting with the residents and staff on these special days, whether helping them play the game or just having a short conversation. It is truly a highlight of our activities, and we hope the residents enjoy our time together as much as we do.

Thank you for honoring our Purple Heart Veterans in August!

#### **EVENTS CALENDAR!!!**

Pontoon Boat Tour on the 1st (AL) Fish fry Snack Social on the 1st (SNF) Jerry's One Man Band on the 2nd (MC) Hope's Hoedown on the 3rd (AL) Redeemer Fishing Trip on the 4th (AL) Coast Guard Birthday Celebration on the 4th (AL) Chyp Davis Entertainment on the 8th (SNF) Suzette Entertainment on the 9th (MC) S&D Entertainment on the 10th (SNF) Blue Crabs Game on the 10th Bingo for Fun on the 11th (MC) Purple Heart Bingo on the 11th (SNF) Pets on Wheels on the 11th (AL) Jerry's One Man Band on the 15th (SNF) Son's of American Legion Bingo on the 15th (AL) Birthday Banana Split Social on the 16th (AL) SMECO Bingo on the 16th (SNF) Rita's Social on the 18th Ruritan Club Fishing Trip on the 19th (AL) Pets on Wheels on the 23rd (SNF) Daniel the Accordion Player on the 23rd (MC) Monthly Birthday Party on the 24th (SNF) U.S. Navy Band on the 24th (AL) Imagine Entertainment on the 26th (MC) Porsche Club Car Show Trip on the 27th (AL) Suzette Entertainment on the 31st (SNF)

#### A GLIMPSE AT LAST MONTH

















