

# VETERANS HOME NEWS



CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

SUMMER 2015

## VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED



Our annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon was held at the Cape Elks Lodge in April. Each year a few volunteers are recognized for their outstanding service. This year's Volunteers of the Year are pictured above, left to right, Rich Wright, Mary Sue Wright, Linda Kern, and Ronnie Biester. Also recognized was Karl "Bo" Grose (bottom left). All of these volunteers have given many hours to our Veterans over a number of years. Also recognized as our Star Volunteers were Truman and Ruth Smith (bottom right). This couple has faithfully volunteered to fill numerous outside bird feeders during the winter months for the past 10 years.

A complete list of all MVH Volunteers who have accumulated 100+ hours are listed on Page 9 in this newsletter.

## SPIRIT OF '45 EVENT



The "Spirit of '45 Day" has been celebrated nationally since 2010 to honor the legacy of the men and women who served our country in World War II. On this, the 70th anniversary of the end of WWII, this special celebration was held at the Missouri Veterans Home. In addition to the residents of the home, several WWII Veterans and families from the community attended the event. Pictured above is the featured speaker, Retired Staff Sgt. John Dragoni. Faune Riggon, on-air personality from KZIM/KSIM Radio, served as emcee. The Jackson Municipal Band performed patriotic music and the National Anthem was performed by Senior Girls 8 from Jackson High School. During the ceremony, Mike Stafford, the home's oldest Veteran, accepted an American flag for display in the home. The Jackson American Legion Color Guard posted colors,

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 Larry Kay, Executive Director

**VETERANS CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Our Veterans Home fireworks display this year was spectacular, thanks to Tony Tucker and his crew, who did a fabulous job with the design and music. This was all made possible by the generous donors who gave donations designated specifically for the purchase of fireworks.

Donors who contributed a significant amount toward this event were: American Legion Auxiliary Department of MO, Estate of Delmar Witt, The Bank of Missouri, Kosmetic Kar Doctor, Pierce Supercenter, First State Community Bank, Mid-America Hotels, Integrated Supply Co, First Missouri State Bank, Hoffman Family Fireworks, Coast to Coast Signs, and Crain Funeral Home. Additional contributions were made by: Major Custom Cable, Missouri Power & Transmission, Ron & Judy Biester, Grecian Steak House, Heuer Sons Implement, Dylan Rhymer, Pat Hagan, Grace Coy, Agri Systems, Medicine Shop, Rhymers on the Plaza, Campus Auto & Tire, Alliance Bank, Huckstep Body & Paint, Pure Country C106.1, Cape Communications, Southeast MO Builders, Van Matre, Scott Geringer, Plaza Tire Service, 1st Tire & Wheel, River City Flags, Miracle Supply, Bi-State, and Dorothy Klein.

**Spirit of '45 (Continued from P. 1)**

and the Marine Corps League conducted a rifle salute. The SEMO Military Vehicle Group also brought some WWII era vehicles to view throughout the afternoon. At the end of the ceremony all WWII Veterans received a special Spirit of '45 Cap to commemorate the day.

Special thanks to Dave Hitt and Plearla Smith for coordinating this event. We also appreciate the volunteers from MVH, RSVP and Southeast Hospice for their help serving refreshments.

This event was made possible by sponsors: MidAmerica Hotels, Isle Casino, Southeast Hospice and Benchmark Printing.

## Veterans of the Month

### March



**Warren Abell**

The Resident Council selected Warren Abell as Veteran of the Month for March. Warren enlisted in the Army Air Corps at age 17 and was trained as a bombardier. After discharge he worked for the Corps of Engineers and various construction jobs before starting his own income tax businesses. He and his wife, Genevieve, also worked at Silver Dollar city selling frozen lemonade. They have five children. Warren came to live at the Veterans Home in March of 2013. Mr. Abell passed away on August 15, 2015.

### April



**Allen Moss**

The Resident Council selected Allen Moss as Veteran of the Month for April. Allen was born in Cairo, IL and attended John A. Logan College. He married his childhood sweetheart, Nellie, before entering the Air Force in 1953. After discharge they moved to San Diego then eventually back to Cape and ended up in Jackson MO. They have one son, Allen, Jr. Allen came to live at the Veterans Home in July of 2012. Mr. Moss passed away on October 8, 2015.

### May



**Charles Henderson**

The Resident Council selected Charles Henderson, as Veteran of the Month for May. Charles was born in Perryville. He served in the Navy for 20 years as an aviation electrician. He traveled all over the world working on aircraft, then moved back to Perryville where he and his wife, Frances, raised two sons. Charles came to live at the Veterans Home in January of 2013.

### June



**Fred Moxley**

The Resident Council selected Fred Moxley, as Veteran of the Month for June. Fred was born in Senath MO. He served in the Marine Corps during WWII. He and his wife Freida, lived in Charleston MO where he farmed and operated a seed company. They had three children. He came to live at the Veterans Home in February of 2011. Mr. Moxley passed away on September 9, 2015.

### July



**Ken Torbet**

The Resident Council selected Ken Torbet as Veteran of the Month for July. Ken was born in Mitchell, South Dakota. After serving our country in the Navy, he held several jobs including mechanic and pipeline engineer. He has two sons and a daughter. He lived in Jackson MO before coming to live at the Veterans Home in February of 2014.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS for Missouri Veterans Homes

To be eligible for admission, a Veteran must meet ALL of the following criteria:

- Active military duty with discharge status other than dishonorable.
- Resident of the State of Missouri for 180 days sometime in their lifetime.
- Must have documentation from a physician that he/she needs skilled nursing home care.
- Health condition must be such that the home has resources to provide adequate care.

Applications are available at any Missouri Veterans Home or Veterans Service Office. Call Kim Snell, Admissions Coordinator for the Cape Girardeau Home at 573-290-5870 ext. 5484 if you have questions or to have an application mailed to you.

Applications and other valuable information for Veterans can be found on line at [www.mvc.dps.mo.gov](http://www.mvc.dps.mo.gov).

## Golf Tournament - 2015



Veterans having lunch in the club house before the tournament.



Golfers lined up waiting for the shot-gun start.



Blake Esicar picking up a mulligan, hoping to improve his score.

### GOLF TEAMS

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|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Kevin Greaser  | Dave Hitt       |
| Chris Adkisson | Eddie Schreiner |
| Blake Esicar   | Rock Finch      |

*Thanks to Everyone who supported the*

## **19th Annual Flag Day Golf Tournament**

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### **SPECIAL THANKS TO**

Lisa Reitzel  
Schaeffer Water  
Wings, etc

Safe Harbor Hospice  
MVH Staff & Volunteers  
Staff of Bent Creek Golf Course

## Activities & Celebrations

### Cape Girardeau Home Celebrates 25 Years of Serving our Veterans



Kim Packard, Director of the Homes Program for the Veterans Commission visits with Glenna Vogelsang during a reception commemorating the home's 25th Anniversary. Vogelsang and her late husband, Calvin, were instrumental in bringing this home to Cape Girardeau. Above, Debbie Griffin presents a proclamation from US Representative Jason Smith to Foundation Board President Ron Acord. Bottom right, Acord accepts a proclamation from State Rep. Kathy Swan.



Throughout the entire Anniversary Week, daily activities were held involving the Veterans and staff. Here Carolyn Schreiner helps Janet Cook assemble an American Flag out of cupcakes. Music on this day was provided by the Jerry Ford Combo.



Pat Schwent and the Hot German Band provided lively entertainment for Veterans and Staff. A few polka dancers added to the afternoon's fun.



This busy week ended with our annual Veteran/Family Picnic on Saturday. All of our Veteran residents invited family and friends to join them for a picnic in the parking lot. This is made possible by our help and support from members of the 1140th Engineer Battalion of the MO National Guard. These men and women soldiers helped set up tables, push wheelchairs, carry food trays, and empty trash. We could not pull off this event without them.



The meat for our picnic was purchased through a donation from the Perryville Elks. Members of their Lodge spent hours smoking pork loin and cooking hot dogs for the meal. Pictured above are some of the Elks along with some of the National Guard and Veterans Jim Slinkard and Harold Hicks. The picnic offers our Veterans a unique opportunity to share a picnic lunch with their families.



## Our Dedicated Staff

### Staff Celebrates National Nursing Home Week



Viviane Markle and Lynn Haupt try their hand at making tie dye t-shirt.



Angi Gwaltney, Jessica Vandeusen and Jean Sherrill prepare ice cream sundaes for the staff



Funnel cakes added a carnival-like atmosphere and provided a special treat to employees.

### Tina Blyzes Names DPS Employee of the Month



Tina Blyzes, Nursing Assistant II within the Missouri Veterans Commission – Cape Girardeau Veterans Home, has been selected as the September, 2015 Employee of the Month for the Department of Public Safety. Tina was chosen as the Employee of the Month because of her dedication to and focus on the well-being of the Veterans she serves. Tina approaches each day with a positive, caring, compassionate attitude toward every Veteran and every staff member. As a strong advocate for the needs of the Veterans, Tina makes every effort possible to ensure that the Veterans have the highest level of care possible, while taking the time to accommodate the "little things" for the Veterans in her care.



Staff show off their hats on Derby Day. Pictured (l-r) Janet Cook, Holly Lovel, Kim Dodson, Margaret Gerge, and Vicki Scherer.

## ADMISSIONS

| DATE     | NAME             | BRANCH    |
|----------|------------------|-----------|
| April 15 | James Vanover    | Army      |
| April 16 | Steven Parsons   | Air Force |
| April 22 | Levi Woods       | Army      |
| April 23 | Buford Miller    | Army      |
| May 13   | Edgar Moll       | Army      |
| May 14   | Kifton Dillow    | Marines   |
| May 21   | Robert Martin    | Navy      |
| May 27   | Thomas Phillips  | Army      |
| June 3   | Lawrence Eeftink | Air Force |
| June 9   | Curtis Moore     | Navy      |
| June 17  | Kelly Shirrell   | Army      |
| June 30  | Raymond Burbach  | Army      |
| July 1   | Lawrence Pugh    | Navy      |
| July 15  | Marvin Bigelow   | Army      |
| July 22  | Paul Erwin       | Army      |
| July 23  | Leonard Koenig   | Navy      |
| July 29  | Truman Waddle    | Navy      |
| July 30  | Bob Hensley      | Army      |
| Aug 3    | Mason Clayton    | Army      |
| Aug 12   | Gendron McFall   | Navy      |
| Aug 19   | Rusby Niswonger  | Army      |
| Aug 26   | Roy Wendel       | Army      |

## FINAL ROLL CALL

| DATE     | NAME               | BRANCH    |
|----------|--------------------|-----------|
| April 12 | Del Witt           | Air Force |
| April 17 | Normandy Myers     | Navy      |
| April 19 | Hilden Ross        | Navy      |
| May 3    | Henry Shipp        | Navy      |
| May 17   | Delbert Spurlock   | Army      |
| May 20   | Ray Lucy           | Army      |
| June 5   | William Pledger    | Air Force |
| June 16  | Edgar Moll         | Army      |
| June 23  | Leonard Ludwig     | Army      |
| July 4   | Truman Sigman      | Army      |
| July 14  | Rodney Riehn       | Navy      |
| July 19  | Patricia Dearinger | Army      |
| July 25  | Kelly Shirrell     | Army      |
| July 25  | Curtis Lee Moore   | Navy      |
| Aug 15   | Warren Abell       | Air Force |
| Aug 19   | Curtis Jackson     | Navy      |
| Aug 29   | Edgard Woodard     | Army      |

# SAVE THE DATE

The Annual

# Holiday Dinner

For our Veterans and their families  
will be held on

**Friday, December 11, 2015**

A-Wing dining to begin at 5:00 PM

B & C Wing dining to begin at 5:30 PM

Please make your reservation by contacting  
Debbie Monroe at 573-290-5870 ext. 5459  
no later than Wednesday, December 2nd

*Due to limited space, we ask that you limit the number of  
family members to 6 or less.*

MO Veterans Home

*25<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Cookbook*  
**ON SALE NOW!**

**\$8.00 each**

**Available at:**

**The Canteen (Mon – Sat 8:30 am – 1:00 pm)**

**MVH Volunteer Office (Mon – Fri 7:30 am – 4:00 pm)**

*This is a project of the Spirit Committee*

*Makes a Great Christmas Gift !*

## Family Comments

*We are proud of our outstanding team of highly dedicated and skilled employees in all departments who honor our Veterans through superior nursing home care. Here are some recent comments from families and friends:*

Thank you to all the VA staff for your loving care of our dad, Tom Elfrink, for the past two years. Special thanks to the B wing staff for your great care and your hugs and laughs. Thanks also to the Activities Dept, the Therapy Dept, and the dining hall staff. We all enjoyed the Holiday Dinner and special celebrations. Special thanks also to all the resident Veterans and volunteers who befriended Dad, brought him snacks and included and encouraged him to join in your activities. We appreciate your friendship to us girls and your kindness and friendship to our dad.

*The Tom Elfrink family*

B-Wing Staff,  
Thank you to all of you who touched the life of my beloved husband, Leonard, with kindness, compassion, and respect during the last six months of his life.  
Bless each of you for your many kindnesses to me. I shall never forget you!  
Gratefully,

*Jackie Ludwig*

## Volunteers Recognized

The theme for this year's Volunteer Appreciation Banquet was "Volunteers are an Essential Piece of the Puzzle". This gave staff an opportunity to thank and recognize our wonderful volunteers for the vital role they play in providing our Veteran residents with an improved quality of life.

During the banquet, Barbara Yallaly was recognized as the volunteer with the largest total number of hours, with a grand total of 16,188 hours!

Others with a remarkable number of total hours include: Dorothy Klein, 11,031; Vergie Templeton, 8087; Johnny Schlenker, 6150; Fern Shultz, 5148; and Betty Cato 5145.

All other volunteers, who were active during 2014, and who have volunteered for 100 hours or more are listed, according to their total accumulated hours:

**3000 – 4999 Hours:** Al Mason, Dee Mantos, Glenneta Vogelsang, Grace Coy, Clinton Gerler, and Gary Estes.

**2000 – 2999 Hours:** Fern Schlimme, John Yallaly, Gil Clements, Judy Biester, Eddie Schreiner, Betty Hahs, Tom Whittard & Carolyn Schreiner.

**1000 – 1999 Hours:** John Powers, Rhonda Ray, Don Sides, Matt McDowell, Bill Harris, Lee Fee, Lucille

Frederick, Buddy Parrish, Karl Grose, Bob Henry, Robert Harper, Ralph Barks, Myrna Powers, Shirley Whittard, Bill Lynn, Doris Meier, Melvin Eggimann, Dorothy Siebert, Mary Sue Wright, Gladys Siebert, Bob Basler, Ruth Strack-Hunze & Harold Cobb.

**800 – 999 Hours:** Linda Kern, Ron Cunningham, Norman Brant, Rich Wright, Roy Rhodes, Ron Biester, Juanita Cook, Rudolf Bodenschatz, Marsha Parrish & Jim Hampton.

**700 – 799 Hours:** Marilyn Hampton, Marjorie Grindstaff, Ray Drury, Marie Hinkebein & Bill Engleman.

**500– 699 Hours:** Bruce Austin, Vivian Harris, Ron Bollinger, Bob Seabaugh, Marjorie Engleman, Mike George, Glenda George, Reba Strayhorn, Jerry Hampton, Wanda McGuire, Barbara Gorski, Joyce Brewer, Cathy Ring, & Bernice Haynes.

**300 - 499 Hours:** Don Winterberg, Colleen Kimmel, Ruby Tuschhoff, Allen Boren, Carolyn Hughes, Norman Tucker, Earl Rhodes, Alice Isaac, Darlene Fluegge, Harlan Siebert, Sue M. Protomaster & Charlie Protomaster.

**200 - 299 Hours:** Pat Pendergrass, Betty Hoffmeister, Len Guthrie,

Bill Adams, Ron Acord, Mike Phillips, Jim Lansmon, Jacob Rhodes, Dorothy Seabaugh, Jerry Pendergrass, Phyllis Thiele, Cheryl Rhodes, Vera Jean Voges & Ernest Slinkard.

**100 - 199 Hours:** Carolyn Myer, Connie Guthrie, Grizz Phillips, Don Hopper, Don Kuehle, Karen Kuehle, Laverne Skinner, Billie Hiett, Terry Crass, Zach Casey, Matt Kiefner, Nancy Prince, Jean Bollinger, Bill Sullivan, Cheryl Smith, Virgil Whitener, Dale Cronkrite, Lisa Showmaker, Jerry Hotop, Carl Black, Ruth Dillingham, Peggy Sullivan, Vernell Steiner, John Harper, Gerri Stone, Joe Don Randol, Don Seabaugh, Mildred Varvell, Bob Payne, Teresa Payne, Helen Reisenbichler, Mary Spurlock, Pauline Nitsch & Jerry Arnold.

**Resident Veterans** who also volunteer are: Jim Slinkard & Paul Rollins.

*~The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others.~*

**MEMORIAL DONATIONS April - August, 2015****In Memory of Art Wilson**

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Bonnie Miller

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**CASH DONATIONS April - August, 2015****Up to \$99**

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**\$12,000.00**

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We try very hard to recognize all donations, but occasionally an error is made. If we have failed to recognize your donation properly, please know that it was unintentional. Just give us a call at 573-290-5870 ext 5459, and we will be happy to make a correction.

**LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY:  
Include the Veterans Home in your Estate Plans**

All of our donors are very important to us and to the Veterans we serve. Therefore, we want to make certain that all donations are given in a way that provides the greatest advantage to the donors. There are a number of ways that you can benefit by carefully planning all your charitable gifts.

**Gifts you can give now:** An outright gift is the easiest form of contribution. This may be made by simply writing a check. Contribution may be made in honor or memory of a friend or loved one.

**Gifts you can arrange to be given later:** More and more people are discovering creative ways to include their favorite charitable organization in their estate plans and still provide for their family, while taking advantage of substantial tax savings. If this is something that you have considered, a variety of opportunities may be available to you, such as: gifts through your will, gifts of life insurance, retirement plans, life income gifts, or charitable remainder trusts.

Clearly your best strategy depends upon your individual circumstances. It is always in your best interest to receive professional advice when making your will or other estate plans. You are encouraged to consult your attorney, accountant, or other professional tax advisor to help you make the decision that is right for you.

If you should decide to include the Veterans Home in those plans, you can rest assured that your gift will be used judiciously for the benefit of our Veteran residents.

If you have additional questions or would like to schedule a tour, please contact: Debbie Monroe at 573-204-8869 ext. 5459.

*Adopt a Vet*



From Veterans Day through the end of the year is a very busy time at the Veterans Home. The Activities Department has lots of special events planned and the home is decorated inside and out for Christmas.

Even with all the additional activities and decorations, many of our residents naturally miss being at home with family and friends. That is why the staff and volunteers do all they can to make this a special time of the year.

One way you can help is by participating in the "Adopt a Vet" program. With your donation of at least \$30 you can help provide Christmas for one Veteran. These donations make it possible for Santa to give each Veteran one special gift. It also helps cover the expenses of parties and decorations, to help cheer the Veterans and brighten the atmosphere.

Your donation will go a long way toward helping us spread the joy of the Christmas season while reminding the Veterans that their service to our country has not been forgotten.

**HOW TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION**

Checks should be made payable to the Veterans Home Foundation and mailed to:

Missouri Veterans Home  
2400 Veterans Memorial Dr.  
Cape Girardeau MO 63701

The Donation Form is provided for your convenience. If you have any questions, please contact:

Debbie Monroe  
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**DONATION FORM**

**DONOR INFORMATION:**

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation in  honor  memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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**OPTIONAL: Donor Designation**

Veterans Benevolent Fund

Activities Fund

Perpetual Trust

Christmas/Adopt-A-Vet

Caregiver Fund

Razor Fund

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Our Generous Community



Veteran Fred Parker accepted a check from representatives of the Vietnam Vets Motorcycle Club for proceeds raised at their annual Poker Run and Auction, held in May. This year's event raised \$2,224.00, to help provide for the individual needs of our Veterans.



Denny Owens accepts a check from Michael Seyer of Lilbourn VFW Post 7183 for their annual donation of \$12,000.00!



Scott County American Legion Post 369 in Benton recently presented a check for \$200. Veteran Mike Stafford is shown accepting the donation from Benton's Finance Officer and Legion Rider Captain



Organizers and volunteers from the Kow Pasture Classic presented a check for proceeds of this year's fundraiser, which totalled \$4,500.00. Pictured l-r are Board Member Grace Coy, Volunteer Ray Drury, Staff Member Debbie Monroe, Board President Ron Acord, Schindler's Tavern Owner Rick Lawson, Volunteer Slick Westrich, and Board Member Glenneta Vogelsang.



The Bank of Missouri is donating money to the Veterans Home for each Veteran who opens an account at their bank. They are shown presenting a check for \$900 to several of our Veterans. To date this project has generated \$4,150.



Jim Slinkard and Cotton Bernard check out the model B-17 Flying Fortress made by inmates at the Southeast Correctional Center. Mark Bartlett, Restorative Justice Coordinator, delivered the model to the home for display.