



Greetings from your Hospital Chairman,

Recently I attended the VAVS quarterly meeting at the VA Medical Center and would like to share some updates that you can share with your Auxiliaries and share some options for your Auxiliary to consider and participate.....

➤ *Volunteers have been welcomed back into the Community Living Center "CLC" with the following guidelines:*

- **If you are closer than **six feet to a Veteran, you must wear a mask.****
- **If you go on the "CLC" more than two times to assist, sponsor, or participate with an event, you must go through the process of becoming a "Registered Volunteer".**
- **If you would like to sponsor any event (i.e. Bingo, Ice Cream Social etc) you have to go through Recreation Therapy to ensure organization and tracking.**
- **Bingo is now held every Thursday 6 - 7 PM. Currently the Elks are committed to doing Bingo on the 3rd Thursday of the month. The CLC Recreation Dept is hoping that additional VSO (Veteran Service Organizations) will also "volunteer" to sponsor Bingo for the CLC Veterans. Please "note "BINGO BUCKS has now increased to \$40.00 in Bingo Bucks.**
- **CLC Veterans are now able to go out to organizations for various events. Recreation Therapy has asked that each VSO let them know in advance of any events they would like the CLC residents to attend.**

Contact **Kristina Marshall** 603 624-4366 X2308
Sunday to Thursday 12:30 – 9:00 PM

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Tues to Saturday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Facility Updates:

- **Eagle Circle** (entrance with stairs) closed to allow for updates/improvements. new sidewalks, new flag poles, etc. Granite blocks to be placed at Eagle with each branch of service engraved.
- Looking at completion of this project around the end of October 2023
- Engineering working on upgrades to the air conditioning within the building. They are looking to have all upgrades completed by Summer 2024.

Compassionate Care Program

- Started planning for Voluntary Service to begin utilizing the Compassionate Care Program
- This would be a position that would require no face-to-face, **all contact will be via telephone.**
- Voluntary and Social work will work to match up volunteers with Veteran.

STAY TUNED FOR UPDATED DETAILED INFORMATION TO VOLUNTEER FOR THIS!



Open volunteer positions:

Business Office • Pharmacy • Transporters • Dispatchers • Optometry (reminder calls) • Logistics • Warehouse (2) • Drivers for recreational therapy (short and long trips) • Recreational Therapy (monthly mailing and reminder calls) • DAV looking to increase its volunteer drivers to be between **25-30 because more & more Veterans are depending on this service to get to their VA appointments.**

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Thank You & Please Share Info with your members!

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