

We Honor Veterans Newsletter



Veterans Day 2024 Special Edition

This is a special Veterans Day edition of Gilchrist's We Honor Veterans newsletter.

The observance of Veterans Day on November 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

This past Veterans Day, Gilchrist military veteran volunteers, ROTC cadets, Young Marines as well as active-duty military personnel and Gilchrist staff celebrated several hundred veterans in 18 senior living communities. These Veterans Day ceremonies included the Pledge of Allegiance, singing of the National Anthem and God Bless America, Veterans Day readings, recognition and pinning of veterans,

military and patriotic music, and a formal salute presented by the military veteran volunteers, military personnel, ROTC cadets and Young Marines.

Here are some photos from some of the Veterans Day events conducted by Gilchrist staff and volunteers.



Jerry Vervack, USMC and Vietnam veteran with the Gilchrist team for a Veterans Day event at Brightview White Marsh.



Gilchrist team honoring veterans at Augsburg.



Gilchrist veteran volunteers Virgil Wright (USMC Veteran on left) and Damon Whitley (Army & USMC Veteran) along with the Anne Arundel County Young Marines conducted the Veterans Day Event at Brightview Annapolis.



Army Veteran William Joyce (L seated) and Army Veteran Diana “Lynn” Batts with the Gilchrist team at the Brightview Perry Hall Veterans Day celebration.



The Gilchrist team conducting a Veterans Day event at Lorien Harmony Hall



Gilchrist team at College Manor with Stanley Siuta (seated left) who served in the Army National Guard and Gordon Chapline (saluting) who served in the Army.



Gilchrist team conducting the Veterans Day event at Keswick.



The Gilchrist team at Oak Crest to conduct a Veterans Day event.



The Gilchrist team conducting the Veterans Day event at Symphony Manor



The Gilchrist team at Maryland Masonic Homes with Norma Busch (husband served in the Army) and Army Veteran John Basch (standing behind Norma).



Gilchrist Team saluting veterans at Maryland Masonic Homes.



Gilchrist team conducting the Veterans Day event at Pickersgill.



Lieutenant JG Bill Temminik, 101-year-old WWII Navy Veteran with Gilchrist volunteer Rick Uhlig at the Pickersgill Veterans Day event.



Gilchrist team conducting Veterans Day event at Heartlands



Vietnam Veteran Mike Rizzo with Gilchrist volunteers and Vietnam Veterans Paul Sullivan (left) and Art Grau at the Veterans Day event at Heartlands.



100-year-old veteran William Lewis (left) and 101-year-old veteran Bernard Vine with Gilchrist volunteers Bill Hill (Army) and Rick Uhlig (Navy) at the Veterans Day Celebration at North Oaks.

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Looking For a Few Good Volunteers

Would you like to be a Gilchrist volunteer? We are always looking for volunteers – especially those who have military experience. Our military veteran volunteers are involved in Salute to Service Tributes for veterans under hospice care, visiting public schools to talk about military service, meeting with veterans to talk about their military service, supporting our annual Welcome Home event for Vietnam Veterans, and many other activities.

If you would like to learn how to become a volunteer, contact Gilchrist at kmcdonnell@gilchristcares.org.

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