

AVVA Newsletter July 2024



Four members, Bonnie, Corrine, Sandy and I attended our June 13th membership meeting. Roy Hall and Tim also attended. If you are in the Ann Arbor area on July 11th, please plan to attend.

Membership

We have 36 members, AVVA has changed their membership dues. There is no longer a 3-year membership.

https://www.avva.org/forms/membership/new_memberapp_2022.pdf

1 Year \$20

Lifetime membership \$100*

*There is a Lifetime Membership payment plan of \$25 down / \$25 monthly until paid in full

VVA Dual membership \$50

AVVA 310 Service Projects

We reached our \$700 goal for the Veteran Service Dog fundraiser. Meni is organizing the presentation to the Veteran Service Dog organization.

AVVA 310 Fundraising

- I will be sending out our annual "No Bake Bakeless" fundraising appeal letter this month. Please mail your donation to Kathy Driscoll. Donations are to be made payable to VVA 310 with "No Bake" on the memo line. This is our main fundraiser, which funds our chapter. To date we have received \$240. Thank you to everyone, who donated.
- Linda Colby our newest member, is making Pocket Prayer Quilt blocks. I will have them at our July 11th Meeting. Tim will have them available at the VVA 310 July Membership meeting. I donated 10 to Cheryl Vatcher-Martin from DAV Chapter 13 at the WCCV June meeting. She will present them to her members.



- We have 37 donated Wrist Story Bracelets left. Suggested donation is \$5. When we sellout, we will donate an additional \$300 to Fisher House Michigan. Contact Kathy Driscoll if you would like one. All proceeds will go to Fisher House Michigan.



VISTA Report

Please email me your VISTA hours. If you assisted our chapter at the Memorial and VA Hospital visits, I need to report them to AVVA VISTA chairman.

Chapter Happenings!

Our members will be volunteering at the Annual VVA 310 Pig Roast. Please contact Meni or Jane to volunteer. Meni is chairing the kitchen details. I will have more information at our July 11th membership meeting.

Service Projects

- Please consider donating food to your local community food banks. Our communities still have families who are food insecure due to economic circumstances. Especially now that school is out.

Links to local Food Banks:

Saline Social Services:

<https://www.salinesocialservice.com/ways-to-give/donate/>

Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor:

<https://www.foodgatherers.org/?module=Page&SID=donate-funds>

SOS Community Services Ypsilanti, MI:

<https://soscs.org/ways-to-give/>

Catholic Social Services

<https://csswashtenaw.org/family-children/cssw-food-pantry/>

Google Search for Food Banks in Washtenaw County:

<https://www.google.com/search?client=firefox-b-1-d&q=washtenaw+county+food+banks>

Lois Perrault Memorial Fund – 2022 Girls’ State Update!

The fund balance is \$1,913.25.

AVVA National and AVVA Michigan State Association News

Our AVVA National Leadership Conference is August 20-24th in Reno, NV. I do not plan to attend.

WCCV

Meni and I attended the June 17th meeting. I plan to attend the July 22nd meeting at the Saline American Legion Post 322.

Next Meeting

Our July 11th meeting will be at noon pm at the Alpha Coney Restaurant. Please enjoy us for a luncheon meeting.

Keep up to date with our chapter: All AVVA and VVA 310 events are posted on our chapter's webpage, www.vva310.org in the VVA News Flash section on the right column on the homepage.

AVVA Charles S. Kettles Chapter 310 proudly supports the AVVA Mission and Vision Statements.

AVVA Mission Statement:

To provide support to Veterans and their families through programs, projects, and education.

AVVA Vision Statement:

To Create a better everyday life for Veterans and their families.

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