

Minutes from Jan. 19, 2019 Quilts of Valor meeting:

-Debbi and Lori Leonardi did a last minute QoV presentation at Capital Health Medical Center in Trenton on Jan 2. It was a surprise for female Army Reserve vet who was coming back to work after being deployed in Kuwait. Pictures are on the QoV page of the Turtle Creek website.

-We had a very successful presentation this past Saturday at Switlik for five of the six veterans invited (we had one no show). We had three Korean war vets, one Vietnam vet & one army reserves vet. We had a packed house (approx 50 guests attended) and received a lot of positive feedback from the vets and their guests (I'll forward an email from the wife of a Korean war vet separately). We also received \$310 in donations from the vet's families.

Below are recommendations for future presentations:

- due to limited seating at Switlik, will ask vets to try to limit number of guess to six
- try to do group presentations every other month and limit them to six per event
- if we have a smaller group of vets, ask if any of them would like to speak
- since all refreshments offered to vets were funded by individual members, it was suggested that going forward we fund them from treasury. We will use the raffle basket proceeds as petty cash for this and items the QoVF does not reimburse us for.
- Debbi will get the Turtle Creek tax ID number, and then we will ask coffee shops if they would donate coffee & supplies for our presentations.
- BJ placed an ad in the Hamilton on-line yard sale asking for a Keurig coffee maker and Debbi did the same with West Windsor/Plainsboro & Princeton

-Maria gave the following treasurer's report: Our current balance is \$954.27. We will be depositing donations in the amount of \$400.00. We will be requesting a reimbursement of \$501.70 which was for fabric and quilt labels.

-Sat, Feb 2 - QoV National Sew Day which is the same day as our UFO. Let Joann T know if you would like to participate so she can register you for participation/prizes. We will keep the blocks we make this day rather than send them into QoVF since that's what we did last year and never received blocks from other groups.

-Sat, Feb 23 - QoV sew day where Debbi, Margaret, Joann & Donna are all away. Joann & Donna are leading the sew date & meeting.

-Sat, March 23 - QoV sew day and 3-4 quilt presentations already scheduled at 3:00 pm

-Debbi is meeting with BMS Veterans Community Network to discuss an employee sew date at their office in the Spring (similar to Novo Nordisk event last year). I will keep you posted on the outcome of the meeting.