

QoV Meeting Minutes - March 23, 2019

We had a very successful presentation this past Saturday at Switlik for four vets. Thank you to everyone who brought refreshments and to Alice for setting up getting bagels for all our presentations from Bordentown Bagels. We gave their owner a certificate of appreciation & a non-patriotic quilt that BJ donated as a thank you.

Kits/quilting/binding/fabric:

- Donna & Joann asked if anyone working on a kit could bring them back in May so they can get them quilted over the summer.
- Please remember to reach out to the kit committee (Margaret, Chris, Betty K & Maria) if you want to pick up a kit at one of our meetings
- We need more volunteers to bind quilts (hand or machine), please reach out to Joann
- We also could use volunteers to wash & iron the cheaper red & navy fabric before it is cut for kits to avoid bleeding when the quilt is washed (color catchers aren't always enough)

Fund raising/grants:

- Margaret drafted a letter to J&J about sewing days of service (similar to Novo Nordisk event last year. We will follow-up with Pat & Jeanne for contact name from J&J.
- Betty requested & received another \$250 Thrivent grant. Joann & Donna will work with her to buy fabric & batting.
- Debbi is working on a Wawa grant, Joann will review once ready
- If you know if any other companies that offer grants for charity work, please let Debbi know

T treasurer's report from Maria:

- Our balance as of 2/28/19 is \$1,400.57
- We will be depositing donations in the amount of \$50.00
- Reimbursements totaling \$365.19 were sent. Another \$156.16 going out Monday.

Future presentations:

- April 27 at Switlik - as of now, four vets on the schedule who are friends of Jeanne T
- Pat W. & Jeanne T. will join Debbi at the Capital Health Regional Hospital presentation in Trenton on April 11th to a Reserves trauma surgeon
- July - Vietnam Vet group in Edison (approximately six vets) - done last year

- Novo Nordisk in Plainsboro - employee sewing event & Nov presentation - done last year but since our NJ State coordinator is resigning effective 4/1 and she setup this event, we're not sure if it will happen this year. Still waiting to get her replacement
- Carol Olynk's company in Trenton in Nov - done last year but Carol will already be retired so not sure if this will still happen
- Debbi meeting with Bristol-Myers Squibb in May about working with their Veterans Group for an employee sewing date and presentation later in the year

Please note: since we're doing group presentations two months in a row, we will not do them at our May 25 sew date (Memorial Day Weekend), and we don't have the Switlik pavilion in June & July due to baseball season there. We will do one-offs for special events if needed.