

MARY CHESEBRO LEE
DETACHED TENT #23<https://www.marychesebroleewi23.org><https://www.facebook.com/duvcwmarylee>

L-R: Col. Nathan Bond,
Charlene Staples, Pat Blackmer,
Janelle Powers, DAR



DAR Samuel Phoenix Chapter
and DUVCW Tent 23 sponsord
the 2019 Veterans Day Program



CELEBRATING OUR VETERANS

Despite the frigid temperatures and the falling snow, the community honored the sacrifices of those who served in the Armed Forces of the United States from Walworth County. The annual Veteran's Day program was hosted at the Walworth County Historical Society. The event took place at 1:00 pm at Heritage Hall in Elkhorn on Monday, November 11th and was the first time in everyone's recent memory that it snowed on Veterans Day. Assisting with the planning and presentation of the program to honor our veterans were the Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mary Chesbro Lee Tent 23 and the Samuel Phoenix Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The keynote speaker was Lt. Colonel Nathan Bond, U.S. Army, Retired. Col. Bond served 24 years in the U.S. Army as both a Corps of Engineer Officer and a Public Affairs Officer, retiring as a Lt. Colonel. Bond is the Walworth County Veterans Service Officer who provides professional claims assistance, advocacy, benefits counseling and outreach for over 7,000 Walworth County Veterans and their family members. He is no stranger to Tent 23 having been the guest speaker in June of this year.

The program concluded with the introduction of veterans and current military personnel. Refreshments were served and the Veterans Museum at the Walworth County Historical Society was open for tours.

FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
on Tuesday, November 26 at 6:30pm

TENT 23 VETERANS DAY REMEMBRANCE TRADITION

It has been a tradition of the Tent to remember our Veterans on Nov. 11 by attending a program in their celebration, but we have also sent cards to those Veterans in our community who we wish to remember with a special message. This year cards were sent to: George Ballman, Harry Larsen, Larry Malsch, Frank Eames, Albert Anstedt, Paul Rausch, James Boardman, Dale Folkers, Nathan Bond, Merlyn Dahl, Fred Winchowky, Allen Buzzell, Bill Bultman, Dick Carlson, Ray Woods, Christine Jordan, Denise Doerries, Lisa Brellenthin and our Sisters who are Veterans Linda Tanner-Frietag and Susan Fallon.



TENT 23 DONATES LAP BLANKETS TO VETERANS

Tent 23 completed “23” lap blankets at their fall meetings, (5) of which were donated to the Walworth County Veterans Administration, (1) donated to Harry Larsen (Uncle of Sandy Stratmeyer, Kathy Willemsen and Nancy Braatz featured in the photo to the left) and the remainder went to the Zablocki Medical Center for Veterans in Milwaukee. While the Tent had intended to donate the blankets to the Union Grove Veterans Home, they were not in need of the blankets at this time.

CARDS AND CANDY

Tent 23’s annual November tradition is to pack candy bags for the homeless veterans shelter in Janesville and sign Christmas cards for those in our state veterans hospitals. This year, Sister Linda Tanner-Frietag of Madison, who can’t join us on our meeting day, signed thirty cards which she will deliver to the William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital in Madison the first week of December.

Please remember to bring candy and Christmas cards for our meeting on November 26th.



Tent 23 is collecting winter apparel (gloves, mittens, hats and scarves) for our student veterans at UW-Whitewater.

**TENT 23 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON: DECEMBER 1, 2019 AT 11:30
WHISKEY RANCH RESTAURANT, W9002, HWY 11, DELAVAN
(located at the corner of Hwys. 11 and 89)**



CIVIL WAR RECIPES

Pumpkin Bread

- (2) eggs
- (1) cup of cooked pumpkin, mashed
- (2) cups of flour
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp grated nutmeg

Mix the eggs and pumpkin, then mix the flour, sugar and nutmeg. Fold together and put in a well-buttered 9x5 inch loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour



THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT

In 1863, the third year of the Civil War, the nation was torn apart by polarizing politics and bloody battles. It was in this year that thousands lost their lives at places like Gettysburg, Vicksburg and Chickamauga. While there were glimmers of hope, such as the passage of the Emancipation Proclamation, many saw no end to the fighting and destruction.

One of the many letters that crossed the President's desk during September 1863 was a proposition by writer Sarah Josepha Hale. Hale generated a campaign to formalize a day of thanksgiving, published magazine articles on the subject and sent correspondence to President Lincoln and to every governor of U.S. states and territories. She wrote to Lincoln:

You may have observed that for some years past, there has been an increasing interest felt in our land to have the Thanksgiving held on the same day in all the states; it now needs national recognition and authoritative fixation, only, to become permanently, an American custom and institution.

Would it not be fitting and patriotic ... to appeal to the Governors of all the States, inviting and commending these to unite in issuing proclamations for the last Thursday in November as the Day of Thanksgiving for the people of each State? Thus the great Union Festival of America would be established.

Only days after receiving Hale's letter at the White House, Lincoln went further than any president before him and declared, on October 3, 1863, that the final Thursday of November be observed indefinitely as a national holiday of Thanksgiving. In his proclamation, Lincoln asked all Americans to express thanks to God and to "commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife" and to "heal the wounds of the nation."

(The above article is reprinted from the Ford Theater's Blog)

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU
AND YOUR FAMILY!**

50th Annual Patriotic Luncheon/ "Lincoln and the Common Soldier"
Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 12:30 p.m., Alioto's Restaurant, 3041 N Mayfair Rd., Wauwatosa
For more information call (414) 614-3690