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PA State Veterans Home Week
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DVVH Veterans getting Tattoos during the Army’s Birthday Party
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

from all of us
American Legion Post 810 sponsored the U.S. Army’s 247th Birthday party and picnic at DVVH.
Our Oldest (103) and Youngest Army Vets cut the cake.
DVVH Veterans participated in the T.A.G.’s annual fishing tournament catching many FISH as well as the largest Trout.
T.A.G. FISHING TRIP 2022
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Tournament Winners
Most Fish Caught 29
Biggest Trout Caught
Car Show
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"I am the flag of the United States of America. My name is Old Glory.

I fly atop the world’s tallest buildings. I stand watch in America’s halls of justice. I stand guard majestically over great institutions of learning.

I stand guard with the greatest military power in the world. Look up and see me. I stand for peace, honor, truth and justice. I stand for freedom. I am confident; I am arrogant; I am proud. When I am flown with my fellow banners, my head is a little higher, my colors a little truer. I bow to no one. I am recognized all over the world.

I am worshipped. I am loved and I am feared. I have fought in every battle of every war for more than 200 years: Gettysburg, Shilo, Appomattox, San Juan Hill, the trenches of France, the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome, the beaches of Normandy, Guam, Okinawa, Japan, Korea, Vietnam, in the Persian Gulf and a score of places long forgotten, by all but those who were there with me. I was there.

I led my Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines. I followed them and watched over them. They loved me. I was on a small hill in Iwo Jima. I was dirty, battle-worn and tired, but my Marines and Sailors cheered me. And I was proud. I have been soiled, burned, torn and trampled on the streets of countries that I have helped set free. It does not hurt, for I have been soiled, burned, torn and trampled on the streets of my own country. and when it is by those I have served in battle with, it hurts. But I shall overcome, for I am strong. I have slipped the bonds of earth and from my vantagepoint on the moon, I stand watch over the uncharted new frontiers of space.

I have been silent witness to all of America’s finest hours. But my finest hour comes when I am torn in strips to be used as bandages for my wounded comrades on the field of battle - when I fly at half mast to honor my Soldiers, my Airman, my Sailors, my Marines, and when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving mother, at the graveside of her fallen son or daughter.

I am proud. My name is “Old Glory.” Long may I wave, dear God, long may I wave.

Flag Retirement Ceremony conducted by American Legion Post 810

DVVH Honor Guard: Sandra Johnson, Wayne Glenn, Amaury Darocha, Jeffery Knapp, Scott Gallen

John Starr, Joe Wysochanski, Tom Cook, George Moy, John Schwartz, Frank Lopez, Ben Kletcheck, Tony Carroll

Joe Wysochanski
We had many great events for our residents and staff during the month of June.

During the week of June 13th State Veterans Home Week was celebrated. Entertainment and colors corresponded with each event during the week.

Themes for the week “Modes of Transportation” Motorcycle Monday, Tanker Tuesday, Water Wednesday, Thunderbird Thursday, Flyin’ Friday, USA Day Saturday and the festivities concluded Sunday, with a Father’s Day celebration luncheon enjoying the sounds of a Brass Band.

There were many other events during the month of June.

Including: Outdoor Reading, Exercise, Gardening, Tabletop Horse Racing, Music, Belly Dancer, Devotions Service, Protestant Service, Virtual Mass, Lunch & Movie, and a June Birthday Bash.

June 15th kicked off the start of Certified Nursing Assistant Appreciation Week. The CNA’s received gift cards, lunch, ice cream and water ice during the course of the week.

Thank you for being (C)aring, (N)urturing & (A)ttentive to our residents, you are appreciated.

To all residents and staff, my door is always open for you. Again, I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work every day to make this facility the best.

Peter

If you have an idea or would like to write an article about your loved one, contact: Bill McGoldrick at wmcgoldric@pa.gov or 215-856-2743

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Thank you for your generosity and support. You are deeply appreciated by the veterans, families and staff at DVVH.

New Members of DVVH Welcome Home

Charles Curry - Army  Mitchell Gordon - Army
Larry Nelson - Air Force  Richard Rossbauer - Air Force
James Freid - Air Force
Delaware Valley Veterans Home extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones of the following Veterans who had recently passed away. Their presence will be greatly missed.