

MARY CHESEBRO LEE DETACHED TENT #23

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HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED!

A glimpse into the Delavan Community Centre during the August 27th meeting found Tent #23 hard at work lovingly crafting lap blankets for the Union Grove Veterans Home.

Donations by Tent members were overwhelming and will lead to a second meeting (September 24th) devoted to completing the project.

The lap blankets are a variety of colors and designs for both male and female veterans. While the pattern is simple and requires two pieces of fleece each one and one-half yards in size with fringe cut on each side, tying the required knots became a topic of discussion. "Do we tie granny knots or square knots?" It was decided that the individual tying could determine the knot style.

Those of us with little "craft" knowledge were mentored by our "sisters" skilled in the art of making lap blankets.



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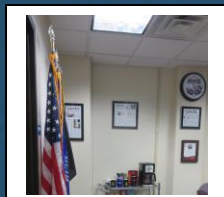
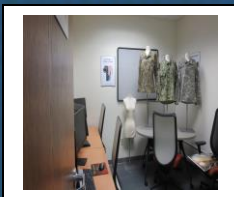


The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
on Tuesday, September 24 at 6:30pm

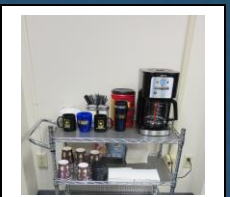
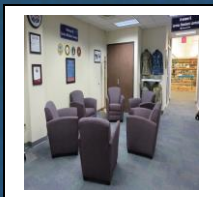
OUR DONATIONS SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING VETERANS FACILITIES

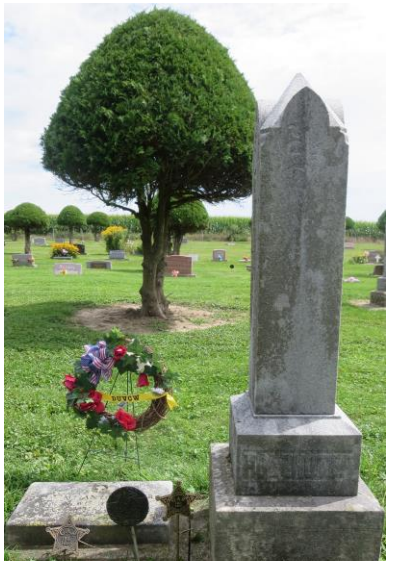


Through the generosity of Tent #23 our sisters support the following veterans facilities in Wisconsin:
Upper left: Madison Veterans Home Upper right: King Veterans Home
Middle left: Milwaukee Veterans Home Middle right: Housing 4 Our Vets, Homeless Shelter
Lower left: UW-Whitewater Lounge Lower right: Union Grove Veterans Home



**Photos of:
UW-Whitewater
Veterans Lounge**





Christian Holzhueter’s grave site located at the Kroghville Cemetery was marked signifying him as the the “Last Civil War Soldier” of Jefferson County, WI.



John Gilbert Dorn’s grave will be marked as the “Last Civil War Soldier” of Rock County, WI in October.

THE LAST CIVIL WAR SOLDIER OF JEEFERSON COUNTY, WISCONSIN IS HONORED

Honoring the last Civil War soldier to be buried in Jefferson County, the Mary Chesebro Lee Detached Tent 23 of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 on behalf of the Sons of Union Veterans (SUVCW), Col. Hans C. Heg Camp 15 marked the grave of Christian Friedrich Holzhueter II. The grave is located at the Kroghville Cemetery.

The “Last Soldier” project was initiated in 2003 by the SUVCW as a national effort to locate and appropriately mark the grave of the Last Union Civil War Soldier buried in each county or parrish in each state of our nation.

In August of 1864, at the age of 17, Christian Holzhueter enlisted in Co. M of the First Wisconsin Heavy Artillery. He was stationed at Fort Weed near Washington, D.C. during his service as a Union soldier. Holzhueter had the honor during his military career of standing guard at the funeral of President Abraham Lincoln. He mustered out of service on June 26, 1865 in Grand Haven, Michigan. Returning to Wisconsin, Holzhueter purchased a 190 acre farm near Kroghville. Like his comrades, he joined the G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic), first being a member of the Waterloo Post. When the last member of that Post died, he joined the G.A.R. Post in Cambridge which also disappeared leaving him as the sole survivor.

Holzhueter immigrated from Stolzhagen, Germany where he was born on January 1, 1847, with his parents who were farmers. In 1875 he married Amelia Berndt. They had eight daughters. Many of his descendants still reside in the area today. While Amelia preceded him in death by 44 years, Holzhueter passed away on September 23, 1941 at the age of 94.

It is interesting to note that Holzhueter’s great grandnephew, Gary Schroeder was a guard at the funeral of President John F. Kennedy.

We are proud to assist the Sons of Union Veterans in honoring our Civil War ancestors and “keeping their memory green”.

The SUVCW, Camp 1 has invited us to a grave stone dedication for Corp. Edward Allen, Co. A of the 43rd WI on Saturday, September 28 at 1:30 pm at Forest Home Cemetery, Milwaukee