

# MARY CHESEBRO LEE

## DETACHED TENT #23

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### TENT 23 CELEBRATES THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH A LUNCHEON

It was a wonderful Sunday afternoon when the Sisters of Tent 23 gathered for a holiday luncheon at the Whiskey Ranch outside of Delavan. While several members could not be in attendance due to previous plans or illness, those who met enjoyed good food, comradery and a “white elephant” gift exchange. A gnome was even one of the gifts and the recipient indicated that this gnome has a permanent home and she is not giving him up!

In attendance at the luncheon were Sandy Stratmeyer, Nancy and Jerry Braatz, Susan and Patrick Fallon, Susan and Michael Fischbach, Linda Tanner-Frietag, Barb Stuerer, Mary and Fred Winchowky, Judy and Deanne Manning, Sue Urbush, Pam Wanasek, Dan Richardson and Pat Blackmer.

While Charlene Staples was unable to be present due to illness, she gifted those at the luncheon with beaded key chains which she obtained on her recent trip to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. The lovely bead work was a token of her appreciation for the continued support the Tent shows for the Veterans homeless shelter on the reservation.

While the Tent does not meet again until March, we wish those traveling away for the winter months to Florida, Tennessee and places beyond safe travels. To all the members of Tent 23, wishes are extended for a wonderful holiday season and a most healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.



## FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at  
The Delavan Community Centre  
on Tuesday, March 28 at 6:30pm

### THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT ABOUNDS IN TENT 23

The generosity of Tent 23 is incredible. This year Tent members participated in the Adopt a Vet program sponsored by Housing 4 Our Vets located between Beloit and Janesville. Robert was our adoptee and we were able to fulfill his wish list and add substantial gifts as well. The Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Veterans Homeless Shelter also received the benefits of our generosity when Charlene Staples took requested supplies of coffee, toilet paper, socks and snacks to the reservation in early December. Mary Picard delivered cards to the veterans at the veterans medical center and home in Milwaukee while Linda Tanner-Frietag delivered cards to veterans in Madison. Linda also provided baked goods for first responders in Madison. The elves of Tent 23 packed 35 candy packets for all the vets at the Housing 4 Our Vets facility which is an annual tradition since the formation of our Tent. Reference the collage of photos below.



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**



**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE 53<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL PATRIOTIC LUNCHEON**  
Saturday, February 4, 2023 at 12:30 p.m.  
At Aliotos' Restaurant, 3041 N. Mayfair Rd, Wauwatosa  
Luncheon Buffet is \$25 per person

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### WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA: December 16, 2022

In 1992, the Worcester Wreath company in Harrington, Maine, had a surplus at the end of the Christmas holiday season. Recalling a boyhood trip to Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, company founder Morrill Worcester donated to the cemetery 5,000 wreaths to honor the cemetery's dead, with the help of volunteers and a local trucking company. After thirteen years of similar donations, in 2005 a photo of snowy gravestones covered with wreaths at the cemetery received widespread circulation on the internet. Thousands of people called Worcester, wanting to replicate the wreath-laying service at their own veteran cemeteries. Now many different locations across the USA simultaneously hold ceremonies with Arlington's. Below Linda Tanner-Frietag, Barb Pahlow and Natalie Scott place wreaths at Forest Hill in Madison for the event.



**YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS IMPORTANT!**  
**PLEASE REMIT YOUR 2023 ANNUAL DUES OF \$30.00**  
**PAYABLE TO MARY CHESEBRO LEE TENT 23 AND SEND TO:**  
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