

MARY CHESEBRO LEE

DETACHED TENT #23

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It's that special time of year when bringing smiles through our kindness of giving to those less fortunate is our mission. At our November meeting we will prepare candy packets, holiday cards, and wrap our adopted vet's gifts. Please bring candy to this event on November 22nd at 4:30. Family and friends are invited to participate. If you have donations for Pine Ridge Reservation, please bring those as well! We will order pizza when we complete our work!



Housing 4 Our Vets

Veteran Transitional Housing in Rock County

Tent 23 has once again adopted a homeless veteran residing at the transitional housing facility in Rock County. We have received a wish list from BRIAN M. who has asked for the following items: Speakers for a computer, New Balance tennis shoes, size XXL underwear and a size XXXL hooded sweatshirt. As usual, Tent members have been generous in making his wishes come true!

In April of 2011 Rock Valley Community Programs, Inc. opened the veterans transitional housing program, Housing 4 Our Vets, with the ability to house up to 48 homeless veterans and provide support services at once. Veterans can stay for up to 24 months before transitioning to permanent housing. Since the Ending Veteran's Homelessness Initiative began in 2011, programs like Housing 4 Our Vets across the nation have helped reduce the number of homeless veterans on the street on any given night from 150,000 to less than 40,000.

The Housing 4 Our Vets, Rock County facility has served more than 500 veterans since opening in 2011!!

Tent 23 has been involved in supporting the facility since 2012!

FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
on Saturday November 22, 2025 at 4:30pm

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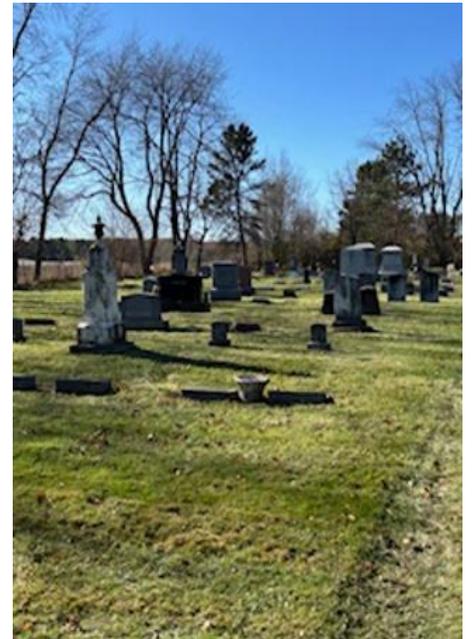


Since Tent 23 is located in Walworth County, we will take part in a history making event on December 13th when our members will place 8 wreaths honoring those veterans of the Civil War who are buried at the Heart Prairie Cemetery. This will be the first year that the county will be recognized as a location for this National event. The Samuel Phoenix Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which is also located in Delavan will spearhead the event. The small rural cemetery has 42 veterans buried there. Those veterans who will have a wreath placed at their burial site extend from the War of 1812 to current conflicts. It is both an honor and a privilege that we are able to recognize our Civil War ancestors in this national event and forever “keep their memory green”.



Civil War Veterans to be honored:

- ANDREW ARWOOD**
- LINDSEY BIGELOW**
- ALFRED COOLEY**
- HENRY COOLEY**
- AUGUSTUS COONROD**
- CYRUS GIBBS**
- GEORGE HOLDEN**
- WILLAM HOLDEN**



You are cordially invited to attend the 56th Annual PATRIOTIC LUNCHEON on February 7, 2026 at 12:30 at Aliotos, Wauwatosa Wisconsin. The cost is \$28.50. More information to follow by email.

WELCOME EDENS!

Tent 23 welcomes our newest members, the Edens Sisters. Jean Edens resides in Stevens Point and is the genealogist in the family. Mary Sue Edens Kuss resides in Wausau and receives our best wishes for her recent marriage. They both have been life members of DUVCW as NMAL's when they joined in 1999. At that time there were no Tents in Wisconsin. Wishing to honor their Civil War ancestors, Jean's eligibility is based on the service of Thomas Pirtle, her 2nd great grandfather who served in Co. F of the 78th Missouri Infantry while Mary Sue honored Israel Meek, her 2nd great grandfather who was with Co. B of the 60th Illinois.



Sister Sharon Carlson has prepared 150 holiday cards which she will send to the veterans. Thank you!



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Membership Dues Notice for 2026

Dues must be received prior to December 31, 2025
2026 Membership Dues \$35.00

Please provide current information below:

Name _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip _____

email _____ Telephone _____

*Please make your check payable to **Mary Chesebro Lee Detached Tent 23** and return this form and your check to:*

Mary Winchowky, Treasurer
520 Fox Street
Mukwonago, WI 53149

Your dues support our National DUVCW Headquarters and Museum as well as the veterans and current military that we are proud to serve. If you need financial assistance we will waive our Tent dues of \$11.00 so that you only pay the national dues of \$24.00. In the event that you need further financial assistance, contact Pat Blackmer at (262) 721-7621 or email blackmerpa@aol.com

Thanking you in advance for a speedy response.



Linda Tanner-Freitag took 100 cards that the Tent wrote to the Madison VA clinic for Veterans Day. The veterans that received them appreciative of the hand-written touch that we provided. Thank you, Tent 23!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!