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DELAWARE VALLEY VETERANS' HOME

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DVVH had some special visitors in November. 5 residents were presented with sports jersey's from the Philadelphia Eagles, Flyers, 76ers, Union and Phillies. Numerous other giveaways were donated by the PA Wounded Warriors.

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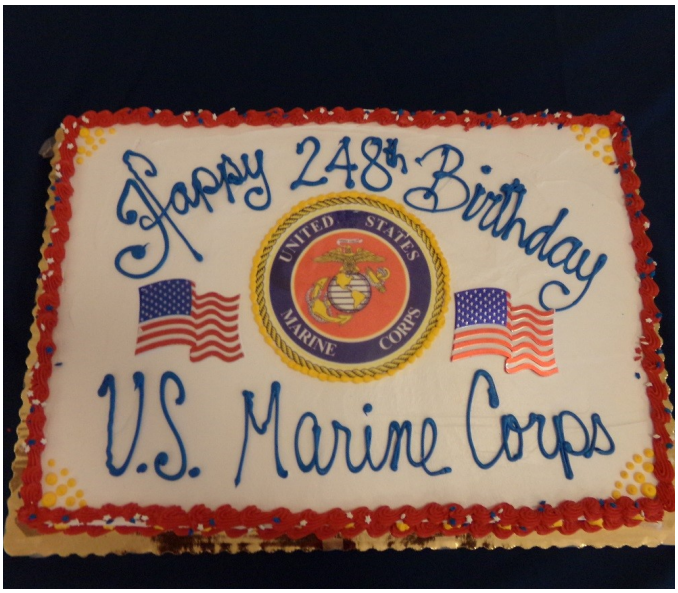
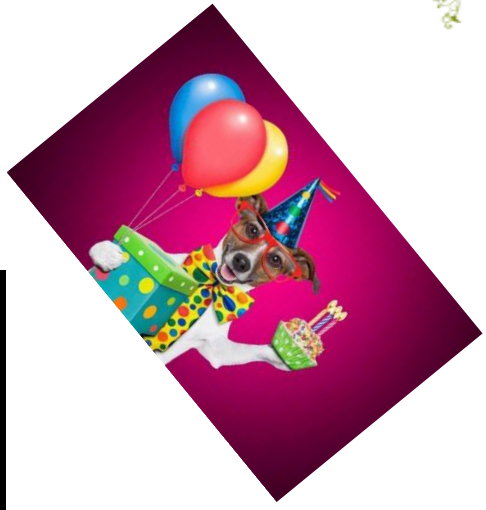
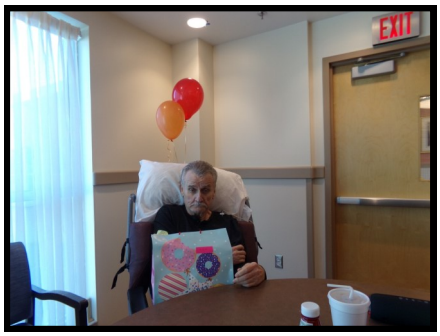
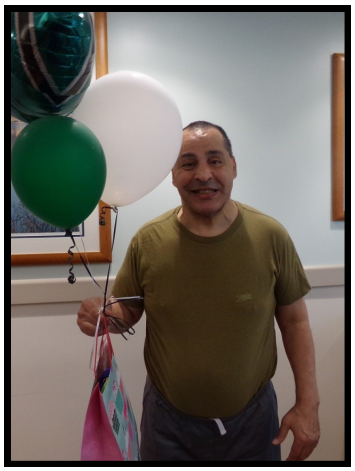
DVVH celebrated the United States Marine Corps 248th Birthday in grand fashion. American Legion Post 810 hosted the party and cake cutting ceremony. Traditionally the oldest and youngest cut the cake and pass it on.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY







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Welcome
Philly Mascots

IT'S A PHILLY THING
EAGLES
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS
FLYERS
FLYERS
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING
PENNSYLVANIA WOUNDED WARRIORS, INC.
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THOMAS

PHILA
76

Phillies

DVVH celebrated it's annual Thanksgiving Dinner with family and friends on 16 November. Over 300 servings of Thanksgiving Dinner was served, a special THANK YOU!!! to all the volunteers who helped make this Thanksgiving Dinner memorable for the residents. And a Salute goes out to all the DVVH staff for the set-up, decorations, food and service.

Job Well Done!!!

Happy Thanksgiving

BLACK BOX

Happy Thanksgiving

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UNITED STATES
NAVY

Commandant's Corner

As the colder weather sets in, we anxiously anticipate the holiday season. During the month of November, we rolled back into our normal activities by kicking the month off with a visit from all 5 Philly Mascots on November 2nd. It was a great afternoon and one of the best events we have put on at DVVH. We celebrated Veterans Day in November by attending the Veterans Day parade and holding special events on Saturday November 11th. Big thanks go out to our Dietary Department for the steak and shrimp luncheon. The annual Thanksgiving dinner on November 16th went off without a hitch, we had over 100 family members attend with their loved ones to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

The weather is really changing now and with the first day of winter quickly approaching our time outdoors will be limited due to the colder weather. And as this colder weather hits, we must remain on guard for COVID and the FLU. From time to time we will need to react to testing results in the facility and will need to make changes to schedules and activities related to positive tests. We appreciate everyone's understanding and patience during this process, it is not easy responding to these types of diseases. We will continue to do our best to ensure all residents remain safe.

There are many holiday events scheduled for the upcoming month with the highlight being our Christmas Dinner on December 20th. Just prior to that event on December 19th, the PA Adjutant General will visit DVVH to wish residents well during the holiday season.

Congratulations and a special welcome to our new staff.

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.

Andrew

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Knights of Columbus	
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Bristol & Fairless Hills Elks	

New Members of DVVH Welcome Home

Joseph O'Hara- Army

Alan Hunter- Marines

Gary Robinson- Navy

Leon Roberts Sr.- Army

Charles Greer Jr.- Marines

Joshua Johnson Sr.- Air Force

Walter Taylor- Air Force

TAPS

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.

Charles Curry - Army

A **caisson** (US: / ˈkeɪsɒn /) is a two-wheeled cart designed to carry artillery ammunition; the British term is "ammunition wagon".

Caissons are also used to bear the casket of the deceased in some state and **military** funerals in certain Western cultures, including the United States.