

The Philadelphia Chapter of the Blue Star Mothers PA9 August, 2010 to August,2011

Monthly Event: Military Prayer service BSM Luncheon @ Bryn Mawr College
Packing nights 3 times annually Postage of Comfort Care \$ 207.02
Blue to Gold~ 5 ! teddy bear with father image to child \$ 15 Flowers to Chapter Gold Star family\$ 65.00

Participated in Union League Armed Forces special programs
August~ Post Convention 2010/ worked hard to be in "Compliance" correct the wrong things and were proud of all the good we had accomplished.

September~ collection for Comfort Care to Deployed

October~ Packing Night Marine Corps Law Enforcement Foundation dinner

November ~

Election Day meeting with Board of Elections

Veteran Day TV appearance on NBC's the Philadelphia 10 Show; Many participated in Community Parades

Fund Raiser Blue Star mother Note Cards.

ARMY /NAVY DINING OUT ~ Union League of Philadelphia

December ~ Packing night Intensive preparation for the dinner presentation : The Hidden Scars of Iraq & Afghanistan.

January ~ the 12th Welcomed The National Board Members to Philadelphia

The 13th The Event..... Total in attendance 425 Live News Coverage by NBC, The Philadelphia Inquire, the Catholic Standard & Times Honored guests were Vice Chief of Staff of the Army GEN Pete Chiarelli US ARMY, Paul (Bud) Bucha, Medal of Honor Recipient, Honorable President Judge Pamela Dembe, Congressman Patrick Meehan, Congressman Joseph Sestak, Lt. Gen Ronald Coleman USMC (ret) Lori Maas VA Program Director (Philadelphia), Gen Wes Craig US Army, Gen Leroy Sisco US Army. All together there were 20 Flag and General Officers present. Gold Star Family, Veterans, Armed Forces members of the Union League of Philadelphia, League members, and Blue Star families.

Donations to our Chapter: \$ 1, 605. 00

Donations made on our behalf directly to the union League \$ 5, 155. 00

Total : \$6, 760.00

We comped dinners for 21 panelists and military staff.

One Hotel room @ the League Gifts for panel Marian Moran

Approx 30 Thank you notes were written.

February~ Knit & Needle Program Woolen scarves for soldiers serving in Afghanistan.

Spoke @ 2 Rotary Clubs, Spoke @ Churches 6 X

Lincoln celebration @ the Union League

March Collection for comfort care packages

April~ Purchased flags major campaigning to Elective officials in State and counties for the flying of the Blue Star Banners. City Hall Cost \$ 192.00 Eleven Blue Star banners \$ 367.59

Packing Night

May~ Blue Star Mother Month in PA !!!!!!!!!!!

Walk for the Wounded ~ Operation First response

Attended Civic celebrations for Flying of the Blue Star banner.
Spoke to ROTC Seniors in 5 Universities

June ~ dinners for OUR COMMUNITY SALUTES in South Jersey and Philadelphia

Independence Hall , Philadelphia participated, witnessed the oath on Flag Day ...
Birthday of the Army @ the birthplace. Cake and gifts were distributed from the Blue
Star mothers. Chapter Flyers \$181.79 Lapel Pins \$ 132.60

July ~ Pool party; no business !

August~ Convention and possible burial ceremony @ Arlington