

SERVICE FOR VETERANS

Activities during Sept. 2014 – June 2015 include:

1. Notes of appreciation, written and sent by one member to families of deceased Veterans.
2. Several members collected postage stamps for veterans at rehab facilities.
3. Several members collected manufactures coupons for distribution to families of deployed service members through the "Blue Star Mother's" organization.
4. Several members participated in the Veterans "Stand Down". One member helped to facilitate that event through the "Disabled American Veterans".
5. One member is acting "liaison" between the Kootenai County Veterans Council and Lt. George Farragut Chapter.
6. Three members are on the committee and directly involved in planning a fund raiser, dinner, dance and auction, for Inland Northwest Honor Flight, requiring contacting area merchants for donations, selling tickets to the event and monthly meetings in Spokane.
7. Several members plan to attend the "Welcome Home" celebration at the Spokane International Airport on June 4th, for the latest returning Honor Flight.
8. One member helped at a fund raiser for Honor Flight during a car show. The same member made phone calls to families of registered veterans going on the next Honor Flight, requesting personal notes of appreciation from friends and family for the veteran's service, to be included in "mail call" bags they receive on the air flight home.
9. Nearly all members participated in signing "Thank You for Your Service" cards, to be included in "mail call" bags.

10. Several members attended special services for Vietnam Veterans on May 16th .
11. Most members are helping at the annual fundraiser at Applebee's where proceeds will be divided between Inland Northwest Honor Flight and National DAR, Service for Veterans. Duties include selling tickets, helping serve breakfast at the event on June 20th, and helping in the kitchen area and front desk. One member is also making "tip" jars for the tables.
12. Vietnam Veterans were honored at a monthly luncheon where several members hosted veterans of that era.
13. Women in the Military were honored at a monthly luncheon, with members hosting their guests.
14. Several members participated in a Memorial Day Service on May 25th at Forrest Cemetery where they presented a wreath on behalf of Lt. George Farragut Chapter of DAR. Another member presented a wreath on behalf of the American WWII Orphans Network.
15. Two members attended the "welcome home" for Honor Flight in Oct. 2014 where they presented 4 returning women veterans with bouquets of roses.