



Lewis Clark Quilts of Valor Jan. 2023

January Sew Day

Since New Year's Day is on Monday, 1/1/24, our sew day is moved to **Monday, 1/8**, starting at 9AM at First Church of God in Clarkston. Bring your projects, tools/materials, lunch and beverages. For hand sewing, there will be limited labels/corners to finish on quilts. There also may be kits available. See you there!



National Sew Day

Saturday, 2/3/24. LCQOV will meet at the First Church of God in Clarkston, starting at 9AM, with QOV Awards at 10AM in the church sanctuary. We still need a small team of 2-3 people

to spearhead this NSD event, which includes providing lunch. Please contact Becky to help with this special QOVF day! Participating members can win quilting kits, notions, signed All-Star Quilts of Valor: 25 Patriotic Patterns from Star Designers Books and much more. One lucky winner will win a Janome 3160 QOV Edition sewing machine! To win a prize, you must be a current QOVF member. Sign up at the QOV website starting today

Did you see it!

In the Nov/Dec edition of the QOV Threads newsletter, Kelly McKeehan had an article featuring our own Sharon Ledbetter receiving her congressional letter from Cathy McMorris Rogers – worth taking a look at! Thanks Kelly!



More Awards

With the holidays came individual awards. These quilts were awarded by our Dayton member, Sylvia Demaris. David Swinyer, Marines: 1978-1984, Christina Guzik, USAF, 1992-2000, Quilts were made by Sylvia, quilted by Alice Gwinn, bound by Sharon Wong and Cindy Klaveano.

Why we do what we do!



Quilt awarded to Jack Morrow of Pomeroy who was home from NY for his grandmother's funeral. He asked to say something after

the award. He was inspired by the quilts=healing, he shared with me that one of his best friends he was in Iraq with committed suicide just 2 weeks ago. Previously, 5 of his group did the same. We never know what an impact we can have. He is pictured here with his dad who is a Vietnam veteran and has benefited also from his QOV. Quilt was made, quilted, and bound by Alice Gwinn.

LCQOV Inventory Gets HACKED! – Our inventory got HACKED, with quilts going out to over 88 veterans (including Hospice) in Sept-Dec alone, the closet is bare! At over 190 QOV awards (individual, group, Hospice and Veterans Court), as well as several others labeled and needing rescheduled, we've had a **BUSY** year. **FYI—it's not slowing down;** we have many requests already waiting on quilts for 2024!

Upcoming Events:

- Jan. 6** - Veteran's Day Ball – Lewiston Elks lodge – semi formal, tickets available from the Clarkston VFW. Come dance to the music of the Senders!
- Jan. 8** – Sew day 9am at the First Church of God
- Feb. 3** – National Sew Day 9 am at the First Church of God

I know there are more awards that did not make this newsletter. **Thank you** all to have sent me info. There will be a separate e-mail with these. Thank you to all who have stepped up with these awards made individually by members of our group. Some are reluctant to be in front of a group awarding and these are very important also.

Happy New Year to you all and see you next week!