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## Woodbridge 2355 Treats 21 Vets to Trip to Atlantic City



Lodge members and warriors preparing to board the bus

On July 27, 2013, Woodbridge 2355 sponsored and supported 21 warriors from the Warrior Transition Unit at Fort Belvoir, VA. The trip provided the opportunity for these Heroes and their spouses to 'let their hair down' and spend the day in Atlantic City seeing the sights, attending a show, lying on the beach or maybe even visiting a casino or two. During the ride to and from Atlantic City members of the Lodge provided 'stewardess' services serving the warriors food, drink and snacks. Upon arrival, The Atlantic Hotel and Casino provided each traveler with a \$20 certificate good for gaming at either the table games or slot machines in their establishment.

Roger Highfield, PDDGER stated that these are "America's Heroes and providing them a day away from base and the opportunity to escape the pressures of recovery is the least we can do." He also echoed the BPO Elks mantra: "So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."