

Woodbridge 2355 Visits McGuire Veterans Medical Center



Woodbridge Elks Lodge 2355's "McGuire Team" visited seventy veterans at the McGuire Veterans Medical Center located in Richmond, Virginia on Saturday November 14. Arriving at the center we unloaded four push carts full of items including drinks, snacks, blankets, jackets, T Shirts, sweat shirts, sweat pants, an assortment of personal care items, Elk wheelchair gloves, and playing cards. Additionally, each veteran was given \$10 in Canteen books to be used in the hospital store.

Our team members visit with each patient in the Community Living Center (Nursing Home) and Hospice Units thanking them for their service to our country. This year patients held lengthy conversations with us talking about their experiences while on active duty and the "Redskins."

Terry Baker from Front Royal Lodge 2382 is a patient at McGuire. Our Team visited with Terry and his wife Mary who was visiting him. Terry has been at McGuire for a month following a horrific accident on January 10th of this year. He and Mary were involved in an automobile accident and hit by a drunk driver. We wish Terry well as he recovers from his injuries.

Our goal is to make their day a little brighter; however, they continue to inspire us with their courage and dignity. These patients remain in our thoughts and hearts long after our visit.