

Background Information Relative to the Grant From
Lt. James A. Logan Post No. 6800 – Veterans of Foreign Wars of The United States
To Quilters Connection

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For several years the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Logan Post No. 6800, has been donating money to a quilt guild for the purpose of assisting with the expenses related to the making of comfort quilts for these three organizations:

Yawkee Way Family Inn, Brookline
Hole in The Wall Gang Camp, Connecticut
Quilts for Veterans at the VA Hospital – Bedford

This past year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lt. James A. Logan Post No .6800, has decided to dissolve their organization and their treasury was to be divided amongst various organizations. They had set aside \$31,500 to be donated to a Quilt Group that is a 501(c)(3) organization to continue assisting these three organizations with comfort quilts. \$30,000 of the monies will be divided equally for 10 years -- \$1,000.00 per year for each charity – for 10 years. And, the \$1,500.00 difference was to enhance the effort of comfort quilts for the Veterans starting immediately.

Since the original Quilt Guild was not a 501(c)(3) organization, the monies could not be donated to them. A good friend, a quilter and the Quartermaster of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, reached out to me looking for another 501(c)(3) organization that would be willing to accept the responsibility for continuation of this project. After various suggestions, and further discussions and research with Quilters Connection and the Lt. James A. Logan Post 6800, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Board of Directors voted to grant these monies to Quilters Connection. Timing was critical, as all this had to be in place by June 1st, to clear the books of the VFW Post 6800.

Since I was already the lead coordinator for Yawkee Way Family Inn and the Veterans Quilts for the VA Hospital, I offered to carry on this venture for the Quilters Connection. Jane Norberg, also a member of Quilters Connection, has offered to take charge of the quilts for the Hole in The Wall Gang Camp.

The Lt. James A. Logan Post asked that we identify these quilts indicating the joint effort: “Sponsored by Quilters Connection (logo) and the VFW Post 6800.

I believe that Quilters Connection has a fantastic opportunity and should be honored that we were chosen to continue this effort. I look forward to working with our members in this very worthwhile endeavor to the three organizations listed above.