

Waukegan, East St. Louis Posts, Auxiliaries hold back to school events to provide students with backpacks and school supplies



Waukegan Post 1293 and Auxiliary held a back to school event to give back to the community, providing book-bags and school supplies to students in the local community together with partners Mv Partners Transportation Service, members and volunteers.



Capt. Horace G. Burke Post 3480 and Auxiliary, East St. Louis, held a back to school event to provide students clear backpacks and school supplies.



Benches Breathe New Life Into Bottle Caps

Visitors to VA medical centers statewide will have new benches throughout their grounds thanks to thousands of pounds of bottle caps.

What started out as a project to collect caps for five benches exceeded all expectations with enough caps to make 20 benches.

A special thanks to: Auxiliary President Cindy Watters and first gentleman (and Auxiliary Chief-of-Staff) John Watters; District 15 Commander Clarence Caraker and Past District 15 President Patricia Caraker; Boy Scout Troop 153 from Waltonville; VFW Post 9153 in Waltonville, who brought an additional 2,100 pounds of caps; Auxiliary 1301 in Marion; Auxiliary 1567 in Herrin; and the entire state of Illinois for collecting the caps.



The bottle caps were converted into benches which will be placed at VA hospitals statewide.



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