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Traditions of Hanover Independent Living Holds Bookcase Dedication to Honor Veterans

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Nov. 27, 2017 – Veterans Day not only signifies the end of World War I, but also as a day to recognize and honor the men and women who have fought to protect our country. Many businesses, schools and communities host various activities paying tribute to Veterans. Traditions of Hanover honored all Veterans, including those who are residents, with a special bookcase dedication on Saturday, Nov. 11, at 1 p.m.

The bookcase is filled with diverse selections of wartime and military-themed books, photos of Veteran residents and other novelties, including a resident’s anonymous donation of four beautiful steins representing different military branches. The dedication included a plaque inscribed with a quote from Abraham Lincoln, which reads “ I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him.”

Cathy Heimsoth, executive director, opened the ceremony, welcoming over 50 attendees, including residents, staff members and Boy Scouts Troop #318, who gathered inside the Fireside Lounge. In her opening remarks, Heimsoth discussed the importance of recognizing all Veterans.

“The purpose of the dedication was to create a special place in our home—Traditions of Hanover—that recognizes the importance of our Veterans and that they have a home to be proud of,” said Heimsoth.

Chris Luddeni, dietary director, shared his experiences of military service. Luddeni acknowledged his service was a short time in comparison to other Veterans; however, it helped shape him into the man he is today.

“It was an honor to share my story with the residents,” said Luddeni.

In closing, some scouts shared poems and readings regarding the Veterans, including one who played the taps on his trumpet. After the rendition, there wasn’t a dry eye in the room. Refreshments of cookies and cider were provided after the ceremony and the scouts stayed to enjoy some social time with the residents.

“We need to always remember with gratitude the service of all men and woman who have served our country,” said Heimsoth.

Traditions of Hanover Independent Living is a unique, award-winning retirement community offering Independent Living residences on an affordable month-to-month lease with no buy-in fees. Resident services and apartment features include meals, housekeeping, social events, transportation, and full kitchens. For more information, please call Jennifer Murphy at 484-893-6689 or visit www.traditionsofhanover.com.

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