

Flag Pole Dedication



Clyde Saxton Band

*Margaret Haroff
Speech*



Flag Raising

Flag Raised



Gun Shots

WAYNE COUNTY NURSING HOME FOUNDATION
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Flagpole and Flag Dedicated at the Wayne County Nursing Home

On Sunday, November 11, 2007 at 2 p.m. there was a Flagpole dedication ceremony followed by the raising of the flag at the Wayne County Nursing Home. In the fall of 2006 School Specialty, Inc. donated a 30 foot flagpole and a flag to the Wayne County Nursing Home Foundation. This donation was obtained through the efforts of Jack McCranals. The Foundation began fundraising for the Flagpole Project shortly after receiving the flagpole and flag. The project involved building a retaining wall and adding a railing for safety and putting in a patio with plantings surrounding the patio area. As promised to the residents the project was completed in time for a November 11, 2007 dedication.

Margaret T. Haroff, Administrator of the Wayne County Nursing Home thanked the Foundation for their work in making the Flagpole Project a success. She welcomed Chaplain James P. Jaeger, Lieutenant Colonial, Air National Guard who did the Invocation. James D. Hoffman, Chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors, spoke as did New York Senator Michael F. Nozzolio. Senator Nozzolio also presented the Nursing Home with a State Flag on behalf of him and State Assemblyman Robert Oakes.

After Chaplain Jaeger dedicated the flagpole to the Veterans living at the Wayne County Nursing Home, he blessed the flagpole. The flag was presented to Mrs. Haroff by Peter Stirpe, Master Sgt., US Army Retired and member of the Foundation's Board of Directors. Mrs. Haroff accepted the flag on behalf of the NH's Veterans and all of the residents.

Boy Scout Troop 96 of Palmyra performed the flag raising ceremony and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clyde Saxtons, Marion RedCaps and Lyons High School Bands played the Star Spangled Banner. Lyons VFW Post 6778 and the James R. Hickey Post #120 followed with a 21 gun salute. The Bands then played Echo Taps.

Deacon Joe Mack, a World War II Veteran who served in the five major battles blessed the flag.

Prior to closing Mrs. Haroff introduced 3 of the 4 women residents who are World War II Veterans. Deacon Joe Mack presented each of them with a World War II medal. In her closing remarks Mrs. Haroff thanked all of the participants in the dedication ceremony.

The ceremony closed with a benediction by Deacon James Fitch, Chaplain WCNH.

All were invited to enjoy coffee, cider and cookies in the Canal Pub.