

New Hampshire Veterans Home Holds Annual Easter Egg Hunt

TILTON, NH - Residents, staff, and family members at the New Hampshire Veterans Home (NHVH) played hopscotch, Pin the Tail on the Bunny, ring toss, hard boiled egg relay races, and bean bag toss. They ate ice cream sundaes and visited with the Easter Bunny on Saturday at the Veterans Home Annual Easter Egg Hunt. James Mazzuchelli, MSW, Social Work Consultant and NHVH Intergenerational Program Coordinator, said "We had grandchildren and great-grandchildren of residents; children and grandchildren of staff. The residents and staff love it. It brings us all closer together."



NHVH Resident Fred Teague, a fifty year member of the American Legion, with his great granddaughter, Maddie Teague of Hooksett, and the Easter Bunny at the New Hampshire Veterans Home. Fred is a US Navy veteran of World War II, having served from 1944 to 1946.

Plastic Easter eggs were donated by Tanger Outlet Center in Tilton and filled with candy by NHVH residents and staff. Barry Conway, NHVH Commandant, said "Our Intergenerational Programs are so important to enhancing the Quality of Life at the Veterans Home. When we have events where the families of residents and staff get to know each other in a positive setting like the Easter Egg Hunt, it builds even stronger bonds among us."



New Hampshire Veterans Home Resident Eileen Nunan, formerly of Claremont, NH, with the Easter Bunny at the New Hampshire Veterans Home. Eileen is a US Navy veteran of World War II, having served from 1943 to 1945.

The New Hampshire Veterans Home was established in Tilton in 1890 as the Soldier's Home for Civil War Veterans. One of just four New Hampshire nursing homes to win the 2007 Quality of Life Award from the NH Department of Health & Human Services, the modern facility is home to 200 men and women who have served their country and fellow New Hampshire citizens. The mission of NHVH is to provide high quality, professional long-term care services to the Granite State's elderly and disabled veterans. NHVH is the only long-term care facility in the Granite State that is dedicated exclusively to veterans.

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(Left): New Hampshire Veterans Home LNA Allison Vezina and her daughter, Madison, work on an Easter mural for residents of the Life Enhancement Dementia Unit.

(Right): Young visitors show off the results of the Easter Egg hunt.

(Below left): Emily Elizabeth McLeod was fascinated with the toy frog she won in a game.

