

Who we are and how to participate

In November, 2011, the much celebrated Baltimore Conservatory will be witness to yet another historic event.... The dedication of the Blue Star Memorial Marker. Over the years, 24 Blue Star Memorial Markers have been placed along important roadways, National Cemeteries and other historical sites in the state of Maryland. This marker at the Junction of Gwynns Falls Parkway, Reisterstown Road and Zoo Road and adjacent to the Conservatory, will be the first ever placed within the City of Baltimore.

At the close of World War II, National Garden Clubs like other public spirited groups were seeking a suitable means of honoring our service men and women. Garden Club members visualized a living memorial, preferring to help beautify and preserve the country these men and women had fought for, rather than building monuments in their honor.

In 1944, Mrs. Lewis M. Hull, Garden Club of New Jersey President and the future president, Mrs. Vance Hood, Roadside Chairman, had an inspired idea. One thousand flowering Dogwood trees would be planted along five miles of highway, which would be designated the Blue Star Drive by the Legislature. The project was named for the blue star in the service flag which hung in windows of homes and businesses to honor service men and women.

In keeping with the tradition of more than a half century ago, the Mount Washington Garden Club of District IV, has accepted the responsibility of paying for the Blue Star Marker near the Baltimore Conservatory to honor all of our men and women who are serving or have served in the U.S. Armed Forces. We are asking all other District IV Garden Clubs to help sponsor this worthy project with a contribution of at least \$50.

We are requesting that you assist us in soliciting support for the Veterans Memorial Book Project. For a donation of \$25, participants may honor service men and women -- each name will be entered by hand calligraphy in an archival memorial book that will be kept on a lectern in the Conservatory, within sight of the Blue Star Memorial itself.

For more information contact:
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THE BLUE STAR MEMORIAL PROGRAM

Since 1945
Honoring the men and women
of the Armed Forces
of America



All to see,
lest we forget,
those who help to keep us free.

Keeping A Memory Alive

Honoring those who have chosen
to serve and defend

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Lt. Alexandra Pressman, Pvt. 1st. Class Vincent
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Weisman, Staff Sgt. William Hynson , Lt. Scott
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I wish to make a contribution of \$25.00 to have the following name calligraphied in the Veterans Memorial Book. Name and Rank _____ This member served in _____ Branch of the Armed Forces from _____ to _____. (please attach an additional list if more space is needed)

I wish to make a contribution of \$25.00 to have the following name calligraphied in the Veterans Memorial Book as a Friend who contributed towards the support of Veterans.

Name _____

I wish to make a contribution of \$ _____ to support the Blue Star Memorial.
Enclosed please find my check for \$ _____

Please remit to:

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