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District 25 Students to Make Valentines for Veterans

February 5th, 2016

Arlington Heights, IL – Respect is not lost on the Olive Owl Service Learning Club, and this month, they will show their respect to the Veterans of America with Valentine's Day cards.

Valentines for Veterans is a national effort that the Owl Service Learning Club is participating in. These fifth grade students will take time out of their lunch hour to show respect for Veterans by coloring, designing, writing, cutting and pasting home made Valentine's Day cards to be delivered to the VA Hospital in North Chicago (Captain James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center).

The Owl Service Learning club tackles a new Character Counts trait each month, and uses their time to promote that characteristic, while also raising awareness and funds for efforts all around the country.

Last month, the Service Learning Club collected coins for Charity: Waters, and raised awareness around the community on the challenges one in six people face who do not have access to clean drinking water.

A few months back, the Owl Service Learning Club honored the Character Counts theme of caring by initiating their *Warm the Nest* effort, where they promoted and collected lightly used winter wear to be donated, benefitting the homeless.

Here is a video that captured the *Warm the Nest* effort.

Event Info:

What: Valentines for Veterans

Where: Olive-Mary Stitt Elementary – 303 E. Olive Street, Arlington Heights, IL 60004

When: Monday, February 8th – 12 pm – 1 pm.

If you would like more information of this story, of if you would like to cover it, please contact Adam Harris.

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