



Detachment of Illinois Sons of the American Legion Gift to Yanks Who Gave Commission

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To: All SAL Squadrons

I hope that Santa was nice to all of you this past Christmas, and that you received the gifts that you were hoping for. Even with the economy the way it is, I hope that even if Santa didn't bring you what you wanted, he at least got you something.

That is what the "Gifts to the Yanks" program is all about. It is about giving a Christmas gift to all of the veterans that are in the VA homes, VA hospitals, and your local nursing homes within our great state. Most of these veterans do not have families in this area that come and visit or spend any time with them. Some of these veterans have been forgotten about.

For this reason, the SAL "Gifts to the Yanks" commission has worked very hard in raising funds to help The American Legion's "Gifts to the Yanks" commission in their endeavor with making sure that these forgotten veterans are not forgotten during the Christmas Season. And this year will be no different.

Around late February or early March, your squadron will receive a packet containing this year's annual "Gifts to the Yanks" raffle tickets. Each squadron will receive 30 tickets that will sell for \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. If your squadron would like more tickets, the information will be in the packet. You can also request more tickets, or you can turn your stubs and money in at our March DEC meeting. This will help save you some postage.

This commission would like to say "THANK YOU" to your squadron for your help with this year's annual raffle, and let's make this year even better than last.

For God and Country,

SAL "Gifts to the Yanks"
Commission