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NCC Health Information Technology Students Take Part in “Valentines for Veterans” Program

For at least 13 years, the Health Information Technology Club at Northwest Iowa Community College has participated in the "Valentines for Veterans" program. Over 100 handmade valentine cards were sent to the Veterans' Memorial Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota again this year. These greetings will be delivered to the hospitalized veterans during the National Salute to Veteran Patients, February 10-16, 2013.

The Sioux Falls VA Hospital was chosen because of its close proximity, because several HIT students have had relatives treated at this facility, and because of their educational program agreement with NCC which accepts HIT students for internships. In a recent news release about the event, Assistant Secretary for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs Tommy Sowers stated, "I am honored to see citizens and patriots step forward to honor and support one of our nation's greatest assets, the American veteran."

This year the students made an additional 100 Valentine cards to send to a current active-duty Army soldier who is the brother of one of our current HIT students. This soldier was asked to share these Valentines with his "brothers in arms" in recognition of our gratitude for their past, present, and future service to our country.

Pictured:

Front row (l to r): Sara Reuter and Katlyn Moeler.

Second Row (l to r): Krystal Nelson, Jill Hatting, Stephanie Lonning, Dawn Joffer.

One additional HIT student assisting with the Valentine project, but not included in the picture is Jackie Vande Griend.