

Volunteer Spotlight: Nancy Terrett



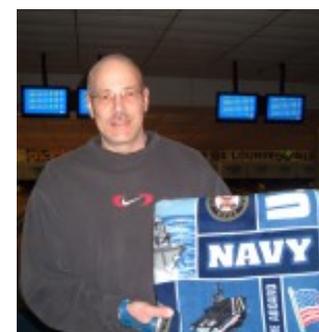
The Minneapolis USBC has more than its fair share of BVL volunteers... it seems every time we turn around, we hear about another vortex of energy. Let's add Nancy Terrett to that list.

Here's how friend and fellow BVL volunteer Jill Walker Markie put it, "I have had the pleasure of working with Nancy Terrett to raise money for BVL these past weeks. She is an untiring worker for those who defended our country and need our support." Although Nancy holds a full time job at Excel Energy, she works constantly for the BVL cause and is always looking for ways to improve the BVL fund raising process. "I don't think she sleeps," adds Jill.

Two years ago, Nancy made two tied fleece blankets for their BVL raffle. Nancy and Jill sold tickets for a chance to win the blankets and raised \$600 for the BVL. Based on that success, this year Nancy made up her mind to 'go for it'. While Jill and Nancy bought some fleece fabric together, Nancy bought much more and created 11 blankets total, each with a different theme, including the branches of the military, their sports franchises – the Twins and Vikings, some novelty horses, western theme, lizards, and Spiderman.

Then, Nancy went out to seek donations for their fund raiser. Excel Energy donated a 27" flat screen TV/DVD setup. A friend made a wine basket. Nancy obtained a table top Weber grill and paired it with a gift certificate from Hackenmueller's, the local butcher. Nancy compiled an enticing decorative jar of candy and paper money. Pearson's Candy provided her with a 5 pound nut roll. She also had a commemorative poster framed from the recent rededication of the Minneapolis Victory Memorial Parkway.

Then, Nancy moved into overdrive: She called the area VFW seeking to buddy with their annual bowling event for their local Vet Recreation fund. Former Commodore and current board member Jim Richter said "Yes". The vets and their families had a great time bowling, and purchased tickets for the raffle and received items from a special drawing basket of goodies just for the day. By the time the afternoon came to a close, another \$300 was raised for BVL.



Nancy, long with Jill and friend Kris Lewis, sold raffle tickets every night during leagues for two weeks. She challenged fellow bowlers to sell chances for the drawings at work and other social gatherings. Nancy took pictures of every blanket, made copies for each volunteer with a spread sheet for choices and number of tickets.

When the drawings were held, Nancy put into place another great idea. She took pictures of all the winners with their prizes and put them on a bulletin board at the bowling center. She wants people to see that the winners are real and people they know.

All of Nancy's hard work paid off, Jill reports. Together, they raised \$2,000 for BVL in just a few weeks time !

