



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

June 6, 2023

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Nico Iannelli, President & CEO, Queen City Honor Flight

by **Woodson Bradley**

Nico Iannelli spoke to Charlotte Rotary about Queen City Honor Flight and what they do. Queen City Honor Flight takes veterans to Washington DC to visit the memorials built in their honor. In 2017, Nico was asked to arrange a flight for WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Vets to go to the Capital, and soon after he was asked to take over the program. It's a tremendous service and honor to give such a trip to veterans.

We also heard from Jerry Lebo Levin, a 98-year-old WWII veteran. He was a flight engineer on a bomber and completed 95 combat missions. He shared stories about being sent to Biloxi and going through basic training, mechanical school, gunnery school, flight school, and becoming a flight engineer. Combat stories and bombing raids and what went into a flight plan over enemy territory. He received a well-deserved standing ovation. It was a wonderful presentation.

To help support the Queen City Honor Flight, you can go to www.queencyhonorflight.org

*A recording of the program is available here: <https://vimeo.com/833815206>
The program introduction begins at 37:10 minutes.