

# Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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# Ham & Turkey Giveaway December 7, 2019

Written by Dan Rigney, Vice President

Thanks to everyone that made the 2019 Ham & Turkey giveaway another great success.



It started out a little tough trying to source hams at the price we have been used to, but with the help of many making phone calls we settled on the carving style hams and placed the order. The order arrived short 100 hams, so we opted to add 100 turkeys this year. In addition, Sam's club donated another 60 turkeys.

All the logistics taken care of it was time for the big day, as usual, there were lots of Veterans and they



came early. Thankfully, the weather was very mild this year and made the wait not too terrible.

The Mayor came down again this year and handed out the first ham of the day, and then we were off.



23 minutes later the lot was vacant and we had very few hams left. A little slower than past years, but that was because there was a little more time spent chatting with the veterans as they picked up their hams.

Thanks again to all that came down to make it a success!!



(See page 9, Column 2 for more pictures of the Ham & Turkey Giveaway)

The newsletter will be published every two months.

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Vicki Harness, Photographer 715-581-8452

Letter from the Prez . . . .

Jeff Morgan SFC E7, ARNG, Retired

Hello everyone.

Happy New Year.

The hours of sunlight are growing longer each day. It won't be too much longer and some of us will be cussing out those mosquitoes while mowing the lawn.

Meanwhile back to December-January, actually November. The 11th of November, Veterans Day. There was a very nice Veterans day program at the Bunkers /Tribute golf course. A lot of Man of Honor people were there. Many of them wore the hats of different organizations such as American Legion, VFW, American Vets, and etc. It's good to see our community come together in Honor & Remembrance of our Veterans. Thanks to all who participated.

November 15th the order for hams was placed. Fast forward to December 7th, Pearl Harbor Day, the big day is finally here. A little after 8 a.m. a small army of Man of Honor volunteers were on hand to unload the heaters, hang wind curtains on the outside of the shelter, unload boxes of hams and start to break them down to stack so all is ready to go by 0900 hrs.

Mission accomplished. Thank you all for making this work so smoothly.

Thank you Vixter for the pictures and thank you Lieutenant Colonel Dan Paul for the Drone Ariel photos.

Saturday, December 14th, the Man of Honor van was pointed to the south & east on its way to King, WI. There at Veterans Cemetery, Man of Honor members assisted in the placing of Wreaths on the Headstones of Veterans that are buried there. Story & pictures elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Later that day, we celebrated the Man of Honor Christmas Banquet and Awards Ceremony. I believe a good time was had by all. Congrats to the 6 Award winners and the "Special Thank You" winner. Again pictures & story in this newsletter.

Thank you all for what you do.

God Bless you and the United States

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#### **New Member Orientation**

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

January 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. we will have an informal but very informative orientation meeting at the Clubhouse for new members and Associate members.

Anyone you know who may be interested in becoming a member of the Man of Honor Society is also welcome. All Man of Honor members and spouses are welcome. Must be 21 years of age.

We will cover everything from raffle funds raising to our general everyday policies. This will give our newest members a better understanding of how the Man of Honor's "business wheels" keep turning.

We will see you on Saturday 18th of January.

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# Christmas Banquet December 14, 2019

Written by Ric Carr



Christmas Banquet was held on December 14, 2019 at Mountain View/ Quality Inn in Rib Mountain.

Cocktails at 5:00 p.m.

along with cash raffle. The meal started at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer by Chaplin Elgart Baumann.

This year dinner was Buffet Style at 6:00 p.m. We had Chicken Cordon Bleu w/mashed potatoes and gravy along with Burgundy Beef Tips w/buttered egg noodles and all the sides. Desserts were bought in by the Christmas Committee. Yum, yum! Thank you Mountain View for a great meal.



After dinner, names were drawn for the items on our gift table.

Following dinner was the Awards Program. See Jeff Morgan's article on the awards in this newsletter.



Their were 5 lucky members/guests that won \$100.00 each on the cash raffle. Great job!

This year Walmart donated a lot of Christmas gifts which we wrapped and put under the tree, except the larger gifts of course. Names were drawn to give away the gifts. I would like to thank



Walmart and Mountain View/Quality Inn for their donations. The members/guests were very excited to get the gifts and certificates. Darlene Pupp was so excited to get the 3 large deer, which needs to be put outdoors, and Sandy Royce received a lighted snowman pole which plays music and had snow coming out of the hat. Everyone wanted that. Vicki Harness received a night stay at the Quality Inn. There were several other great gifts. Thanks again.

We had a very successful Christmas Banquet this year. We tried something new this year, fun games that everyone could play instead of music and it went over very well. We had a lot of compliments.









The games we had were Paddle Wheel, LCR, Plinko, Christmas Bingo, and Coin Toss. The games cost a \$1.00 which meant different things, like 1 play, 2 plays or per seat to play all night, except Coin Toss was \$.05 per toss. The winners got a gift at each game.



Gifts were everywhere. What fun it was.

All the proceeds from the games will be given back to the people who played the games in a drawing at our

meeting on January 11th. Their will be seven winners. Good luck to the winners!

I would like to thank our Christmas Committee Members for all their help and support. They are:

Reservation Table: Laurel Schalavin & Denise

Barden

<u>Pictures</u>: Vicki Harness

Cash Raffle: Connie Masterson & Seazon Han-

son

Paddle Wheel: Seazon Hanson & Bev Bain

LCR: Ted Williams & Gerri Knippel

Plinko: Alicia & Nick Stamm

Christmas Bingo: Rosie Carr & Cathie Morgan

Coin Toss: Ric Carr & Don Masterson

I would like to thank everyone who came to the Christmas Banquet this year. We had a record number of 115 people attending. We will have to get more gifts next year. Looking forward to seeing you again at the next Awards & Christmas Banquet!

Again, thanks everyone.





**Awards Ceremony** 

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

December 14th the Man of Honor Christmas Party and Awards Ceremony was held at Mountain

View/Quality Inn. Dinner was at 6 p.m.



The invocation was given by Elgart Baumann.

After dinner, I and with the assistance of Secretary Bernie Knippel presented this year's awards. There were a total of 6 Excellence Awards given out for all the work that's done not only at the Clubhouse but also for the constant hard work that's done to ensure our big raffle is a complete success and goes off without a hitch. I am honored and very proud to present the Excellence



Award to... Charlie Sapp, John Sapp, Teddy Williams, David Nowak, Tom Fust, and Gerri Knippel. Congratulations! Well Deserved.

Something new this year, the officers felt it necessary to recognize the wife of a member who works very hard at maintaining the flower display



at the front of our clubhouse. Mary Sapp, the Man of Honor salutes you.

#### **Wreaths Across America**

Written by Jeff Morgan, President



Cathie and I, Bill Kucil, Bob Hood, Jamie Brendemuchl, Vicki Harness, Don Hildebrandt, and James Garrity represented the Man on Honor Society at the Veterans Cemetery at King during the Wreaths Across America Ceremony held on December 14th. Many other Man of Honor members who wore the Uniforms of the American Legion or VFW and etc. were also there.

Over 7,400 wreaths were placed on the graves of those who served our country. James Garrity had the honor of placing the wreath representing the U.S. Coast Guard during the ceremony. Well done James! It was a day to be remembered by all who attended





and a privilege for the Man of Honor representatives. Thanks, Vixter for the pictures.

For those of you who do not go on Facebook here is a link to Dave Junion's website.

http://junion.com/19/WAA19/ He was the photographer that volunteered to take pictures all day. There are great shots of the entire day. In the upper right hand corner of the page you will find numbers up to 700. Click on each group of number to load another page of photos. If you want to save a photo just right click and choose "save photo as". ENJOY!!!!!

# Milwaukee Burger Company Donates to the Man of Honor Society

Written by Ric Carr

In October, Rosie and I met Ashley Sampson. Ashley is the new manager of Milwaukee Burger Company. She was impressed with what the Man of Honor Society does for veterans and would like to make a donation. For one week in November, Veterans Day, they did a draft beer special and came up with \$150.00 donation to the Man of Honor.

In talking with Ashley, she would like to run the special on Veterans Day next year and donate the profits to the Man of Honor.



(L/R: Samantha Koehler, Jeff Morgan President, Miranda Brokish, and Zack Schuett)

Thanks again Ashley Sampson and the employees at Milwaukee Burger Company.

# Veterans Hockey United Donates to the Man of Honor

Written by Ric Carr

A hockey game between Mosinee Papers and Veterans Hockey United was held on September 21, 2019 at Greenheck Field House.

The game was held to help raise money for the Man of Honor Society by Veterans Hockey United. They donated \$500.00 to help veterans in need.

We, the Man of Honor, appreciates what the Veterans Hockey United team did for us. Thanks again.

# Spotlight Of One Of Our Own!

Written by Don Masterson, Assistant Spotlight Editor

# **Semper Paratus**



(L/R: Tom Joss, Loren Kurth, Jim Garrity)

In this December/January issue of this newsletter, the Man of Honor is very, very happy to spotlight our three proud members of the United States Coast Guard.

All three members have been instrumental in the saving of lives, the protection of property and the keeping of navigable waters open for business. Some of their most hazardous times were not repelling the invader or apprehending smugglers, but dealing with a most powerful enemy, Mother Nature.

The purpose of the Coast Guard is to protect our borders and waterways, perform rescue missions and protect and keep safe, lawful commerce. Our three did all of that and more.

The senior Guardsman of the terrific trio (pictured on the right) is Jim Garrity. Jim graduated from De Lasalle High School in Chicago in 1954. Jim joined the Coast Guard in 1958 and went to Cape May, New Jersey for boot and then Point Avery in Connecticut for advanced training in damage control learning and using skills such as firefighting, plumbing and carpentry. James excelled in pistol shooting and qualified as an expert in basic training and along with his regular duties this landed him on the Point Avery pistol team for four straight years. James attained the rank of Petty Officer 1st class, in his four years of service.

While still in the service, Jim married his wife Carole of sixty two years and they have four children, two boys and two girls. Jim spent many years installing and removing underground tanks. As he got older and smarter he changed vocations and worked with local municipalities to assist them with their insurance needs and still remains active in the business today. (When he was on the pistol team, if he just opened an eye).



Our second Guardsman of the terrific trio (pictured middle) is Loren Kurth. Loren graduated from Wausau High School in 1959.

After graduation, he was a roughneck on an oil rig in Ogden, Utah and then joined the Coast Guard in 1962. Loren also went to Cape May in New Jersey for boot and was trained as a Quartermaster until he became the trainer and attained the rank of Petty Officer 3rd class in his four years of service. While stationed at Sturgeon Bay on the USS Mesquite he was at the helm ice breaking on the Great Lakes of Michigan, Superior and Huron for three years. He then became the trainer and taught his skills which included watch to watch navigation corrections and the preparation of nautical charts. He was also responsible for all navigation equipment and the training of the helmsman and lookouts.

When Loren was still in the Coast Guard he met and married his lovely wife Jane and at the time of this publication, they will have been married fifty five years. They have one daughter and one granddaughter. Loren worked for UPS for twenty eight years before his retirement. (He had to, the horse died).

Our third Guardsman is, you guessed it, (pictured on the left) Tom Joss. Tom graduated from D C Everest High School in 1988 and joined the Coast Guard in 1990 where he spent the next six years and attained the rank of Yeoman 2nd class.

He also went to Cape May in New Jersey for boot and Petaluma Training Center in Petaluma, California for yeoman training. Tom became certified as a rescue swimmer and also represented the Coast Guard on its Honor Guard. He appeared in command ceremonies and sporting events some even being nationally televised (he said he waved). During his first enlistment Tom was stationed in Cleveland on Lake Erie, and performed his yeoman duties to the best of his abilities. Tom extended his enlistment for two more years and based out of Portsmouth, Virginia spent the next twenty months at sea.

When Tom was separated due to reduction in forces, he then returned to the area and was hired by Wausau Tile where he has been a metal worker for the past twenty four years. Tom has two children, a boy and a girl.



All three of our Coast Guard members that were interviewed, bring great honor and pride to themselves, the units and ships they served on, to their families and this organization. From the great rivers, lakes and oceans of this country, the United States Coast Guard is Semper Paratus (always ready).

"Guardians of the seas for eternity"

# Happy **Birthday**



# January

- 2 John P. Grant, US Army
- 3 Michael Horsman, US Army
- 3 Jason Housley, US Army
- 4 Theodore Bronson, US Army
- 6 James Gauerke Jr., US Army
- 6 Joe Don Prejean, USAF
- 7 Cecil Wold, US Navy
- 10 Jim Gilge, US Army
- 10 Wes Latimer, US Navy
- 11 Mark Lambert, US Navy
- 12 Casey Conner, Army NG
- 12 Nick Kuehn, US Army
- 12 Roger Priebe, US Army
- 12 Charles Schwake, US Army
- 14 Erika Koch, US Army
- 15 John H. Fust, US Army
- 15 Wayne Krueger, USAF
- 16 Wes Hoffman, US Navy
- 16 Roger Schmidt, USMC
- 17 Lucy Cota, Associate
- 17 Don Dorgan, US Army
- 17 Rachelle Hulderman, US Armv
- 17 Steve Williams, US Navy
- 19 Tim Miller, US Navy
- 20 Dale Cherney, US Army
- 20 Wayne Mueller, US Army
- 23 Steven Nelson, USMC
- 24 Ryan Mathwich, Associate
- 25 Ronald Keen, USMC
- 25 Mike O'Rourke, US Army
- 26 Mark Lyon, USMC
- 26 Gary Kowalski, US Army
- 27 Donna Bonin, Associate
- 27 Ronald Rothenberger, USMC
- 27 Phil Whitman, USMC
- 27 Darvick Xiong, US Army
- 29 Keith Strey, US Navy
- 30 Jake Edwards, USMC

- 30 Alan Krueger, US Army Airborne
- 31 Bill Wolfe, US Army

# **February**

- 1 Archie Drake, US Army
- 1 Sheila Stafford, USAF
- 2 Carrie Stotler, US Navy
- 4 Charles Smith, US Army
- 5 Henry Blarek Jr., US Army
- 5 Mary Mulder, Associate
- 6 Richard Stroik, Army NG
- 7 Dan Rigney, Army NG
- 8 Dennis Hardt, US Army
- 8 Bob Peterson, US Army
- 9 Benjamin Brandt, US Navy
- 9 Timothy Hunt, US Navy
- 10 Ted Blus, USMC
- 12 Scott Hafner, USMC
- 12 Bob Genrich, US Navy
- 13 David Bain, Naval Reserve
- 13 Craig Chapman, US Army
- 14 Tim Wood, USMC
- 16 Donald Gille, USMC
- 17 Lyle Beck, USAF
- 18 Richard Knoeck, USMC
- 19 Duane Gauger, US Army
- 19 Jay Petrowski, US Army
- 20 Perry LaFortune, US Army
- 20 Joey Vanouse, US Navy
- 22 Jeani Maszk, Associate
- 23 John Chase, US Army
- 23 Dick Schoultz, US Army
- 23 John Sukup, US Navy
- 24 Donna Vetterkind, Associate 25 - Earl Heil, USAF
- 25 Quincy Kasper, US Army
- 26 Eddie Dehnel, US Army
- 26 George Lemmer, US Army

The Birthday winners who attended the November 9th meeting received \$25.00 each. For November was Duke Treu US Air Force. and for December was Al Christensen US Army.

There were 3 members who won \$190.00 each for the 50/50 drawings. They were Gerri Knippel Associate, Wes Latimer US Navy, and Elgart Baumann US Army.

Thanks for attending.

#### **New Members**

We have 4 new member in our society which brings it to a total of 514. Let's welcome them:

Donald Hildebrandt, US Army Matthew Kuklinski, US Army Floyd Moore, US Navy Thomas Oliva, US Marine Corp

We are always looking for new members to help on our many functions, such as: raffle, selling raffle tickets, parades, committees, building maintenance, and much more.

#### **Election Results**

Written by Bernie Knippel, Secretary

We had a great turn out at the November 11, 2019 meeting when votes were cast for the Vice President, and Treasurer. We had a record number of members attending which was 124. Great job!

Dan Rigney ran unopposed and remains in as Vice President. Bill Fenhaus (incumbent) defeated Laurel Schalavin in the Treasure position.

The new term of office will be from January 2020 until December 2021.

# Rest In Peace



Written by Rosie Carr, PR Director

Obituaries published will include military and Associate members and their family. Their family is defined as parents, in-laws, spouse, children (adopted and stepchildren) and siblings.

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# Larry Bruce Wold, 83, of Rhinelander,



died on Monday, October 28, 2019 at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital.

Larry is the father of Todd Wold, Associate Member of the Man of Honor Society.

You have our sincere condolences on the loss of your father.

# **Funds Request Update**

Written by Ron Jones, Funds Request Chairman

The Funds Committee had requests that were paid by the Man of Honor Society for November and December 2019.

Auto	\$2000.00
Car/Food	\$1711.00
Car/Utilities	\$1002.39
Food/sundries	\$500.00
Rent	\$84.00
Rent	\$880.00
Utilities	\$725.01
Utilities/Ins.	\$735.31
Wheel chair ramp	\$179.54
Total this period	\$7817.25
Total YTD 2019	\$44,425.80
Total YTD 2018	\$55,071.06

# (Pictures from page 1, Ham & Turkey Giveaway)









Flag Retirement drop off box at the "Clubhouse" and "The Jim".

# **Coming Events:**

**January 11, 2020** - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

**January 18, 2020** - New Member Orientation at 1 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Anyone you know who may be interested in becoming a member of the Man of Honor Society is welcome. All Man of Honor members and spouses are also welcome. Must be 21 years of age.

February 14, 2020 - Valentine's Day

March 8, 2020 - Day light savings time at 2:00 a.m.

**March 14, 2020** - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

March 17, 2020 - St. Patrick's Day

March 28, 2020 - Man of Honor Pool Tournament at the Eagles Club 1703 South 3rd Avenue in Wausau at 12:00 noon kick off. As in other years, the teams will be the first Street Mosinee on Thursday, **32 PAID TEAMS**. Cost \$20 each or \$40 per team. Sign up at Jim's Corner Pub 1244 S. 9th Avenue Wausau, WI 54401. Any updates will be posted on the website. manofhonor.org

Chairman: Jim Fust 715-212-3743.

May 9, 2020 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

# **AARP Foundation 2020 Income Tax Preparation**

Free!!!! Low-to-moderate income taxpayers, emphasis on age 60 +.

#### Appointments Required

Call 715-298-5734 from January 9th to April 2th, 2020 on weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to schedule.

UW Extension 212 River Drive Wausau on Tuesday & Wednesday Mornings (7:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.) on February 4th thru April 9th.

Merrill Enrichment Center 303 N. Sales Street Merrill on Thursday, February 13th, Thursday, March 12th and Thursday, March 26th at 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Mosinee Methodist Church Community Room 607 13th March 19th from 10:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m.

Kannenberg Plaza 1240 Merrill Avenue Wausau, WI on Thursday, February 20th from 8 a.m. to noon.

Riverview Towers 500 Grand

April 12, 2020 - Easter Sun- Avenue Wausau, WI on Thursday, February 27th from 12:00 noon - 3:45 p.m.

> Sturgeon Bluffs Apartments 1320 Grand Avenue Wausau, WI (RESIDENTS ONLY) on Thursday, March 5th at 8:00 a.m. to noon. NO WALK-INS.

\*\*\*NOTE: If the Wausau School District is closed because of inclement weather. AARP Tax-Aide will also be closed for the day. Appointments need to be re-scheduled. \*\*\*

# **Address Changes**

Written by Rosie Carr, PR Director

In the past months, members that live in the Wausau area have had house numbers changed and/or their street name changed. If you receive the newsletter in the mail, you may not receive it unless you let me know you're new address. Or if you receive the newsletter by email, please let me know your new address so our roster is up to date.

Please contact Rosie at 715-571-9620 or ricrosiecarr@charter.net or let Gerri Knippel know when you check in at the next meeting.

Check in with Gerri Knippel at the front desk prior to the meeting.