

Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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Replacing Flags at **Gate of Heaven Cemetery**

Written by Jeff Morgan, President



ber, was our photographer.

January 17th at the request of the Gate of Heaven Cemetery grounds committee, a small group of area Veterans Organizations gathered at the cemetery to assist in replacing the Flags, pull ropes and Written by Jeff Morgan, President the clips that hold the flags. Donna Gosse, Man of Honor associate mem-



Al Morasch, Ray Bender, John Pellegrino (American

The newsletter will be published every two months.

Submit any articles in writing to: ricrosiecarr@charter.net or Rosie Carr 715-571-9620 Vicki Harness, Photographer 715-581-8452 Legion Post 10 Honor Guard and MOH members); Lenny Reasch (American Legion Post 10 Honor Guard); Bob West (American Legion Post 10, District 8 Legion Riders); Man of Honor members, Charlie Sapp, Bud Hilmann, and Jeff Morgan. Also, there were 6 other gentlemen there whose names I didn't catch. Sorry.

Despite the finger-numbing January cold, "Mission Accomplished ".

New Member and Associate Member Orientation

19 January 2019 at 1300 hours, Man of Honor conducted a new member and associate member orientation. There were about 2 dozen people in attendance. A good mix of associate and new members. Also on hand, a few Man of Honor members with more experience who helped me cover everything from Raffle Fund Raising to our general everyday policies. This informal but very informative meeting gave our newest members a better understanding of how the Man of Honor's "business wheels" keep turning. Thank you to those who made the effort to attend. Thank you to those who helped fill in the gaps as there was a lot of different topics covered in a short time.

Parking

Written by: John Fust, Sgt at Arms

Members as you are all aware we have had a bit of snow so far this year. And that has left our parking lot a fair amount smaller. So when you arrive please park in a manner that will get the most vehicles in the lot. This would also be a good time to ride share. Call a buddy or two and offer a ride.

Letter from the Prez

Jeff Morgan SFC E7, ARNG, Retired

Hello everyone!

I am a firm believer in "Be careful what you wish for". All winter there has been hardly any snow, then came February. Enough already! One good thing February brings is our raffle tickets. If you haven't heard by now, tickets are in. The clubhouse will be open each Wednesday evening from 5 till 7 p.m. and each Saturday at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for signing out and the turning in of sold ticket stubs and monies. Sign out a pack or two and get selling. NOTE: Don't lock your tickets in the trunk or glove box of your vehicle and forget about them.

The day after the membership meeting will be Daylight Savings Time, so . . . Spring ahead.

For all you pool shooters and/or on-lookers, Man of Honor Pool Tournament will be held March 16th at the Eagles Club. Come on down for a beverage, lunch, and mingle with friends. For the last couple of years, there have been sightings of a Leprechaun. Sometimes shooting pool, sometimes just hanging around waiting for St Paddy's day I guess. A big thanks again to the Eagles Club and staff for hosting the Pool Tournament.

April 8th kicks off the start of this years Never Forgotten Honor Flight followed by May 13th, September 2nd, and October 21st. So it starts another very busy spring with many

upcoming activities, special events, and of course, the Man of Honor Raffle. So in order to help break up the mundane of winter, grab a couple raffle posters for your work lunchroom or your favorite watering hole. All good places to sell tickets. Don't forget we need quality items for the basket raffles.

Between this meeting and the one in May, there is going to be a lot to discuss. Hopefully, the ice and snow will be gone by then. See you at the clubhouse.

Thank you all for what you do. God bless you and the United States.

Integrity - Honor - Concern

January 10, 2019 - "Flag Day" at John Marshall Elementary School

Written by Steve Pavlow, MOH Member



In September 2018 I was approached by a friend, a retired school teacher in the Wausau School District, asking if the Man of Honor Society would consider replacing the American Flags in the classrooms of John Marshall School. I visited the school

and found the majority of the 34 flags to be tattered and faded and replacement was definitely in order. I contacted one of the MOH Officers about my request and it was agreed upon that replacement of the flags was a great idea.

I advised the school that the flags were ordered and we agreed to replace the flags in the classrooms during school hours when the children were present. I put a presentation together to discuss with the students about the meaning of the flags such as why 50 states, 13 stripes and what the colors meant. Full of questions one of the children was concerned about what was done with the old flags, and Jeff Morgan stepped right in and explained how the flags were retired.

The children were told that those who were there to assist me were all military veterans with the MOH Society. They welcomed us with open arms and the members of the staff at John Marshall were very special and it was an absolute pleasure to be with them. The children were great and I was honored to do my part educating them on a very important topic.

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After the visit I received a large envelope containing close to 100 self made thank you cards from the kids. A very special ending to a very special day.

A special note from the officers who attended:

Steve did a wonderful job educating the children that day. He answered any and all of their questions and his presentation was above and beyond. A first class job and the children loved him.

Donation from Florida

Submitted by: Bill Fenhaus, Treasurer

The Man of Honor Society received an envelope on February 9th post marked Florida. The short note inside read: "We are friends with one of your members, thank you for what you do and may God Bless You".

Inside was also a check in the amount of \$10,000.00. I don't know what our member said to this couple, how long they have been friends, nor how they met. My thought when I opened the envelope "I'm glad I am sitting down".

Based on this wonderful happening we all need to feel proud of what we do. Several things come to mind. We need to continue to make our presence visible, wear your hat, shirt, jacket, and etc., not just to meetings. If asked who we are, take the time to explain. Open doors for people that are entering or leaving a building you are frequenting. Be proud of what we do.

I know we are the best veterans supporting organization in Wisconsin and possible in the United States.

MOH Item's For Sale

Anyone interested in purchasing a Fleece Jacket, White Shirt, White Replacement Hats, T-shirts, Sweatshirts, Wool "Beanie" Caps, Car Flags, Garden Flags, Hitch Covers, and Koozie Cups they are available. Contact one of the Officers or Larry Andreski at 715-574-9357 or Gerri Knippel at 715-359-6178, or Donna Gosse at 715-297-0510.

A Reminder of Who We Are"

Written by Jeff Morgan, President



During the January 2019 MOH meeting, I presented Secretary Knippel with a plaque in honor of an article he wrote in 2010. The article "A Reminder of Who We Are" is a message to all veterans that no matter where they were stationed in the military or what job or position they had, it takes everyone to make everything work. Not often you see Bernie lost for words. Lt Dan Rigney took the plaque and it is now on the wall along with the MOH Officer photos.

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 step-children) and siblings.

Contact: Rosie Carr <u>ricrosiecarr@charter.net</u> or 715-571-9620.

We have no obituaries that we are aware of at this time.

Spotlight Of One Of Our Own!

Written by Don Masterson, Assistant Spotlight Editor

The Spotlight for February/March 2019 is on Steve Pavlow. Steve grew up in West Allis in southeastern Wisconsin near Milwaukee and graduated from Hale High School in West Allis in 1971. Shortly before leaving for the military in 1972, Steve married his lovely wife Jackie and then went to basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and Medical Specialist training at Fort Sam at Houston, Texas. He did so well with his training that he was encouraged to further his medical training and after forty weeks of more schooling at Valley Forge General Hospital in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania he was awarded the MOS of Clinical Specialist. Armed with all of this medical training he became the Emergency Room Supervisor at Hawley Hospital at Fort Benjamin, Indiana for the remainder of his active duty military service. During this time he was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and the Field Medical Badge. After his active duty career was over in 1975, he moved to Sugar Camp in Rhinelander and started raising a family. From 1976 to 1996, Steve was a member of the Wisconsin Army National Guard, first in Rhinelander with the Engineers and then he transferred to the Medics in Headquarters Company of the 632nd Armor Battalion in Wausau.

Steve and Jackie have two children, Scott and Jamie. Scott is an Air Force veteran who joined the Man of Honor less than a year ago. Jamie has blessed her parents with two grandchildren now ages three and five, both boys. Imagine how much trouble Grampa can get those boys into.

When Steve and his wife moved to Rhinelander after his active duty, Steve started working as a Pharmaceutical Sales Representative for a major drug company and did this for the next twenty plus years. He semi-retired and then opened a Real Estate Office and along with that he was the Secretary/Treasurer for the Sugar Camp Fire Department for the following ten years. In 2010 the family moved to Wausau where Steve works part time with loan closings on home purchases and works from home on some Entrepreneurial projects.

Steve has been involved with the Man of Honor Society for only two years and brings boundless energy, en-

thusiasm and reliability to our Society. Last year he worked countless hours at the raffle in the food tent along with other projects he volunteered for. He recently has been asked and accepted to be the co-chair of the food tent for the June raffle. As you can see by the other article in the Newsletter, he was instrumental in the thirty five flags that were replaced at the John Marshall Elementary School. Steve has stated that he wants to become even more involved and perhaps when the time is right, run for an office of this great organization.



Steve brings great honor to himself, his family, and his Country. He knows that to be truly happy there is no greater pleasure than that of helping others. He has done this his entire life and for your accomplishments and for all you continue to do, the Man of Honor Society of Marathon County salutes you. You are a true Man of Honor.



Happy Birthday

Spanish Spanish

March

- 1 John Krukowski, US Army
- 1 Rod Ostrowski, US Army
- 3 Ricky Godbolt, US Army
- 3 Tom Gordon, USAF
- 6 Michael Koenig, Army NG
- 7 Barb Buska, Associate
- 7 Jeremy Schmitt, USMC
- 7 Marshall Swanson, US Navy
- 8 Earl McCloy, US Navy
- 8 Richard Pellicane, US Army
- 8 Antone King, US Army
- 10 Warren Ryan, US Army
- 11 Martin Glenn, US Army
- 12 Joe Dina, US Navy
- 13 Gary Bauer, US Army
- 14 Terry Cota, US Army
- 14 Shawn Ziebell, US Navy
- 16 Gerald Gwidt, US Army
- 16 Chad Hoerter, US Army
- 17 Colin Cook, US Navy
- 17 Peter Geueke, US Navy
- 17 Gerri Knippel, Associate
- 18 John Pellegrino, US Navy
- 19 Guy Skidmore, USMC
- 23 Jeff Schilling, Associate
- 24 LeRoy Schill, US Army
- 25 Brian Heise, US Army
- 26 Jeremy Wilson, USMC
- 27 James Fust, USAF
- 28 Robert Miller, US Army
- 30 Jack Horak, US Army
- 31 Ken Wilcox, US Army

April

- 1 Roger Grebe, US Army
- 2 Shawn Thake, US Army
- 3 Beverly Bain, Associate
- 3 Michael Fehrman, US Navy
- 3 James Garrity, USCG

- 3 Gerald Merideth, USAF
- 3 Nick Stamm, Army NG
- 3 Dave St Clair, US Army
- 5 John Londerville, NG
- 6 Audrey Nall, US Army
- 6 Phil Thompson, USAF
- 8 Jim Engelson, US Army
- 8 Don Goretski, Associate
- 11 Nancy Brown, Navy Reserve
- 11 Mary Jane Kernosky, USAF
- 11 Mark Mugavero, US Army/ Army NG
- 11 Bradley Nerad, USMC
- 12 Roger Cook, USAF/Army
- 13 Peter Wolff, US Army
- 14 Richard Carr, US Army
- 14 Bud Hilmann, US Army
- 14 Dennis Kruzan, US Navy
- 14 Angela Petroski, Associate
- 14 Fredrick Steinagel, US Army
- 14 Janice Skidmore, USMC
- 15 Anthony Kraus, USMC
- 15 David Schoepke, US Army
- 16 John Domino, USAF/Army NG
- 16 Sheila Fust, Associate
- 17 Tom Rottscheit, USMC
- 18 Robert Fandre, USAF
- 18 Ron Jones, US Army
- 19 Kenny Rupe, USAF
- 21 Donald Krueger, US Navy
- 22 Robert Babb, US Navy/US Army
- 23 Michael Bartz, USAF
- 23 Lenny Nievinski, US Army
- 24 Dewin Hoffman, US Army
- 24 Christopher Lang, US Navy
- 24 Jim Zielsdorf, US Navy
- 25 Landelin Koppa, US Army
- 27 Greg Foye, USAF
- 28 Mark Schleinz, USAF
- 29 Bryan Whittecar, US Army
- 30 Sissa Hommerding, Associate
- 30 Billy Kucil, US Army

The birthday winners who attended the January 12th meeting received \$25 each. For January was John H. Fust, US Army and for February was Earl Heil, USAF.

There were 3 members who won \$170.00 each for the 50/50 drawings. They were Tim Hickman USMC, Jamie Brendemuchl USMC, and Lloyd Uttecht USMC.

Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 7 new member in our society which brings it to a total of 470. Let's welcome them:

Robert Babb, US Navy/US Army Angel Davis, Associate Member Vernon G. Hohn, USAF Ronald K. Keen, USMC Allen Maszk, USAF Robert G. Miller, US Army Dennis Winter, US Army

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.



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

Coming Events:

March 9, 2019 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

March 10, 2019 - Day Light Savings Time

March 16, 2019 - Man of Honor Pool Tournament at the Eagles Club 1703 South 3rd Avenue in Wausau at 12:00 noon. Limited to first 32 paid teams. Cost \$20 each or \$40 per 2 person team. Sign up and payment 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.

March 17, 2019 - St Patrick's Day

April 21, 2019 - Easter Sunday

May 11, 2019 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

Funds Committee Update

Written by Ron Jones, Funds Committee Chairman

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

| 1. | Auto | \$278.69 |
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| 2. | Auto/Utilities | \$800.00 |
| 3. | Flags for Grade School | \$282.00 |
| 4. | Food/Clothing | \$500.00 |
| 5. | Food/Clothing | \$400.00 |
| 6. | Food/Rent | \$2,000.00 |

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

| 7. Gas Card | \$25.00 | plications to me as soon as you |
|-------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| 8. Rent | \$696.00 | can. We are nearing the date |
| 9. Rent | \$800.00 | that I need to notify the high |
| 10. Utilities | \$500.00 | schools of our recipients for this |
| 11. Wounded Warriors in | | school year. |
| Action | \$750.00 | |

TOTAL this period \$7,031.69

Scholarship Program

Written by Ron Jones, Funds Committee Chairman

Please get your scholarship ap-

Applications can be found on \$7,031.69 our website and my contact information is also available there as well.

Don't miss this great opportunity for our graduating seniors to get some extra cash for their schooling!!!!!

Man-of-Honor Society Membership Application



Application to be filled out and turned into one of our members. Please bring a copy of your DD Form 214 or Military ID card with you when you attend your first meeting and show it to one of our officers. At this time you will become a member of the MOH and receive your certificate and coin. Our meeting place is at our Clubhouse 1425 Town Line Road in Wausau, WI 54402. Phone: 715-212-1348. We meet on the 2nd Saturday every other month at 2:00 p.m. (January, March, May, July, September, and November).

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