

# Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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## A Special Salute from the President



Rosie Carr has been an Associate Member of the Man of Honor Society since 2008. She has now become one of the Man of Honors greatest assets. She is our Public Relations Director and has done a superior job. Rosie is involved in every function that the MOH is involved in Since she assumed her current position she has devoted hundreds of hours of her time doing whatever she can to insure the goals of the society are met. To list all of her accomplishments would take up our entire newsletter. Rosie was the

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recipient of the first Man of Honor's Presidents Award in 2010, and again in 2011 for her outstanding contributions to the society. There is little more to say about Rosie Carr other than without her continuous contributions to the society we would find it difficult keeping up with all she is involved in. It is an absolute privilege to work with this very kind person and she is without a doubt one of the most devoted members of our society. Dedication and devotion best describes this great lady, and speaking on behalf of the MOH Officers I am proud to say to you, ROSIE CARR, you are truly a MAN OF HONOR and we Salute you.

#### King's Camper Palooza



(Ric Carr & Bill Henrichs)

On March 6th thru 9th the Camper Palooza was held at King's Campers. Again this year we were able to set up a booth to sell MOH hats, koozie cups, and raffle tickets. With the help of some MOH volunteers we were able to sell 27 raffle tickets along with some hats and koozie cups.



For the first time we were able to set up a food trailer. Pepsi Special Events donated the food trailer to the MOH. We were able to sell Burgers, Brats, Hot Dogs, and Hot Ham and Cheese sandwiches. We had cooks and



(Don Masterson & Wes Hoffman)

food servers handle the cold temperatures with the help of a small heater.

I personally consider the event a success. Let's give a big thanks to all those that volunteered to help. The profit for this event was \$618 plus 27 raffle tickets. *Ric Carr, Vice-President* 

Flag retirement drop off box at the Clubhouse and The Jim.

Letter from the *Prez* . . . .



#### Jeff Morgan SFC ARNG, Retired

Hello and Happy Spring to you all! I hope by now it's truly here to stay. It's been a long winter and a late spring. So far not too many requests came in, although we did have a Call to Action. I'll tell you about that later.

In March, MOH was again invited to King's Campers -Camper Palooza, 6th through the 9th. The 8th being our membership meeting, a very busy time. I believe Ric & Rosie Carr will have an article on the outcome of that event. I do want to thank everyone who gave of their time to come and set things up, and to work our booth selling tickets. Also thanks to all who cooked Burgers, Brats and those who braved the cold serving the food. All in all I hope everybody got a chance to visit a little with your co-workers and took time to look at the beautiful campers, 5th wheels, and motor homes Kings had on display. We would like to say thank you to King's Campers for their generosity. MOH wishes them great success!

The next thing March had to

offer was the MOH Pool Tournament. Jim Fust was the chairman and his right hand co-chair April 14th was the 1st of this was again Todd Wold, Andy Schoeder, and Ted Williams. As it has been in the past, the MOH Tournament is always a lot of fun, win, lose, or draw. MOH again wants to thank the Eagles Club for letting us come in and make room for the pool tables.

Now for that CTA I mentioned in my opener. On the 24th of March, Ron Jones got a request for money to help a young couple who needed help with an over due electric bill. Seems with this cold winter they have to keep water running so pipes wouldn't freeze. They get their water from a well, so their electric pump must have ran steady. Anyway, the power was about to be shut off. The Funds Committee members, as well as several members had different ideas as to how much MOH should contribute. A partial payment would not have solved the problem of WPS shutting off their power. So a Call to Action was put in motion to ask for full payment. The overwhelming majority of those who voted agreed to full payment. I won't go into all the details, so I'll end this paragraph with the MOH's part of the bill was \$1,200.00. A big thank you to the Funds Committee, and to all who voiced

their opinion by voting on this matter

years Never Forgotten Honor Flight. Just a handful of WWII Vets were among the plane full of Korean Vets, who are now getting their turn to see the Monuments built in their honor. Thank you to all who came to welcome home our veterans at the airport in Mosinee. Just saying you should make an effort to go and see what it's like, it really is impressive. Rosie always posts a reminder. The next flight is May 19th.

Sometime after the 1st of January, I nominated the MOH for the Non Profit Business of the Year Award. Bernie Knippel, Secretary, filled out the application letter. Although we didn't win, I feel the Man of Honor Society got some quality publicity out of our efforts. Thank you to all who helped with this project.

On March 26th, a 10th Year Anniversary/Raffle Committee meeting was held at the Clubhouse. A good number of topics were discussed.

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As of Wednesday, April 23rd, the ticket count was almost 1500 tickets that were taken to be sold The amount turned in was 320!! PLEASE if you have tickets. PLEASE make it your top priority to get them sold. If you need to get more or to turn stubs and money in. come to the Clubhouse on Wednesday, 5 to 7 p.m. or Saturday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. It leaves us just over nity to attend a long overdue 30 days from our meeting day to the raffle weekend. Lets not forget items for the Basket Raffle, Booze for the Booze Wagon, and other raffle items. Thank you for all your hard work in making this event the GREATEST, SUCCESSFUL undertaking in the history of the MAN OF HONOR!

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God Bless You and The United States

Jeff Morgan, President

#### **Vietnam Veterans Day**



On Friday, 28 March 2014, a group of Vietnam Veterans from the Man of Honor Society attended a Vietnam Veterans Day ceremony at the Veterans Home at King. Those attending were Bernie Knippel, Ted Williams, Ron Worthy, Guest Speaker, Lt Governor Kleefish, Wiley Sparks, Tom Fust, Mark Lyon, and Ray McSherry.

Ron Worthy was one of the

speakers for the event and he did the Man of Honor proud. Lt Governor Kleefish spoke with admiration to all the Vietnam Veterans in attendance and her words were as thoughtful and kind as anyone could imagine. It was a great day for a great group of veterans who had the opportu-"Welcome Home" ceremony.

Bernie Knippel, Secretary

#### **Pool Tournament 2014**

On March 15, 2014 a swarm of 8-Ball pool "Ace" sharpshooters and excited fans descended upon 1701 South 3rd Avenue in Wausau. Better known as The Eagles Club to show and bear witness to a spectacular display of 8-ball pool shooting sponsored by The Man-of-Honor Society of Marathon County. Only 5 two-person teams would emerge as winners. A payout of \$845.00 was at stake. This amount was provided by: entry fee money, donations from The Jim, Jim's Corner Pub and Jim Fust. For those that were hungry, corned beef and cabbage, in Honor of St Patrick's Day was prepared by Cindy Henrichs from the Eagles Club and Peggy Wold from Whiskey River also brought delectable goodies. Steve Williams and Kathy McCoy served the food.

A few raffles were held to put some money into the MOH coffers. Items for raffle were donated by Next Stop Lounge, Callon Street Pub, Pool People, Whiskey River, The Jim, and Jim's Corner Pub. Julie Mahr. our beloved Treasurer ran the raffles and will give a recap of all monies raised.

A special thank you goes out to The Eagles Club for hosting this tournament. As always they did a wonderful job supporting us. It's always a pleasure to work with this organization. Everyone at The Eagles always bends over backwards to help in anyway they can.

Here are the winners:



1st: Dave Geiger & Dustin Erickson - \$400.00



2nd: Jim Abt & Dale Kaston \$200.00



3rd: Dave Radtke & Bob Schfelbin - \$115.00



4th: Deb & Kevin Zahurones \$80.00



5th: Nick & Arne Anderson \$50.00

I've heard, but it can't be confirmed, that these winners rubbed The Wausau and surrounding a real live Leprechaun's head (or kissed his Blarney stone) for good luck on the way to winning. By the way the "real live" Leprechaun was Teddy Williams impersonating again this year.

Over all a very good time was had by all. This tournament could not have been successful if it wasn't for my committee membeverage tent, music, fireworks, bers who did most of the work. They are Andy Schoeder (who was seen pulling some of his hair out at times), Ted Williams, and Todd Wold. These guys did a wonderful job!!

Thanks to all who participated and to those that just came to

support. See you next year!

Jim Fust. Pool Tournament Chairman

#### **Man-of-Honor Society** 10th Anniversary

A few days from now the Man of Honor Society will celebrate its 10th Anniversary. Amazing! From the founding fathers, our current officers and all members. this organization will continue to exist for one sole purpose: Veterans helping Veterans in need. We have over 300 members in this great organization and we have become one of the finest Veterans organizations in the state of Wisconsin, thanks to the hard work of all of our members. communities have been fantastic in the support they give to the MOH and the respect they show to all Veterans is overwhelming.

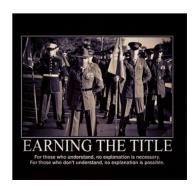
On 13, 14, and 15 of June 2014 we will celebrate our 10 Year Anniversary with a 3 day event to be held at the Eagles Club in Wausau. There will be food, a side raffles and of course the winners of our sold raffle tickets will be announced. Mark your calendars and join us for a great time and a great cause. Our next

It is not enough to do your best; you must know what to do, and THEN do your best.

meeting will be on May 10, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at our clubhouse. We will pass around a volunteer sign-up sheet to help with the duties that go along with the raffle. Donate some time if you can and we are always looking for some new volunteers to help out. If you have any new ideas or suggestions as to how we can improve things in the Society. please bring them up at one of our meetings. If you would rather bring something up in private, the officers will meet with you right after the meeting adjourns. Contact the Secretary and he will set the meeting up.

One thing all members should keep in mind when making suggestions; "We may disagree but having respect for those we disagree with, is who we are." The bottom line is that all the decisions that are made are not personal, they are always made in the best interest of the MOH Society. Working together to complete the overall objective is always the top priority. See you at the next meeting.

Officers of the MOH Society



#### Spotlight On One Of Our Own!

Jim Bittner was raised on a farm near Mosinee, Wisconsin and graduated from Mosinee High School in 1971. He and his wife Mary have four children; Jody, Brad, James Jr, and Brianna. He joined the National Guard in 1972 and remained there for 13 years. He then transferred to the Active Guard Reserve and served there for an additional 19 years and retired in 2004 at the rank of Sergeant First Class. One highlight of his career was his ability to train, test, pass and certify 10 tank crews, a total of 40 men, to the Army standard of Tank gunnery skills test and was the first Tank Commander to qualify his crew on the Tank Table VIII Army Gunnery standard on the M60A3 tank. This was also a prerequisite for attendance to the M1/M1A1 Master Gunner Course which he completed in 1993. His Military decorations include 2 Army Commendation Medals, 2 Army Achievement Medals, the Army Good Conduct Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

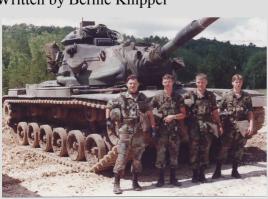
Jim has been an invaluable asset to the Man of Honor Society. He has devoted countless hours of his time helping with many of our projects. He worked on a huge project, that of putting a new facelift on the outside of our clubhouse. Not an easy task considering the type of work involved. He is always there when we set up and tear down at our raffles and he spent a great deal of time helping set up the AVTT Wall when we brought it here to Wausau. He is very active in our parades and considers it a privilege to be a part of it. He has also been active in our Flag Retirement Ceremonies. Jim is a quiet gentleman and his loyalty to the Man of Honor is commendable.

The Man of Honor is indeed fortunate to have Jim as one of its members. He has brought great

honor to the United States Army and to his family as well. His years of devotion to the United States Military is exemplary. The Man of Honor thanks you for your service to our country.

Jeff Morgan, President SFC E7, Army NG (Retired)







#### Rest In **Peace**





**Ervin Hanne**mann, 94, Wausau, died March 16, 2014, at Aspirus Wausau Hospital.

He was born August 19, 1919, to the late Otto and Katherine (Koppa) Hannemann, in the town of Wein. He was united in marriage to Bernice Mohr. She preceded him in death in 1998. Ervin worked as a self-employed carpenter.

Ervin is survived by his son, Roger Hannemann, member of the MOH, and two daughters. Phyllis and Harriett.

Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow. You have our sincere condolences on the loss of your father.



Joan M. Lemma, 78, Green Bay, died Thursday, April 17, 2014. She was born Febru-

ary 14, 1936, in Wausau to Bernard and Adeline Knippel. On February 13, 1965, she married Verne Lemma

Joan was employed at Fleet Farm West as a cashier and made many wonderful friends. She retired after 16 years. Joan was an avid Brewers and Packer fan

and was proud that she attended both a World Series and a Super **Bowl** 

Joan is the sister of Bernie Knippel, Secretary of the MOH.

Bernie and your family, please accept our heartfelt sympathy on the passing of your sister.



Robert "Rob" J. Beck, 51, Wausau died Saturday, April 19, 2014 at his home, from natu- •

ral causes.

He was born August 1, 1962 in Wausau, son of the late Jerome and Bertie Lou Beck. On September 18, 1992 he married his best friend. Michelle Lemma at Zion Lutheran Church, Wausau. She survives

He was a graduate of Wausau East High School in 1980. He furthered his education at Western Wisconsin Technical Institute of La Crosse, graduating in 1982 with a degree in Graphic Arts.

Robert is the brother of Rick Beck. MOH member.

We were deeply saddened to hear of your loss. Our thoughts are with you.

#### First Area Clinic for Wills Web Site is: H2H.jobs for Veterans Program

Central Wisconsin is the first area in the Nation to provide

FREE wills to Veterans The first area clinic will be held at the Marathon County Library, downtown Wausau on June 14th from 8:30 to 2:00 p.m.

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#### Hero 2 Hired

Jobs in a powerful job search and online community. With H2H.jobs, job seekers get access to great features. The system allows them to:

- Search for jobs
- Explore career paths
- Translate their military skills into matching jobs
- Take a career assessment that links them to relevant careers and jobs
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- Find education and training resources
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Set your goals, update your resume, and begin your search.

Go from Hero 2 Hired.



### Happy Birthday

#### May

- 1 Paul Missett, USMC
- 4 Gary Albrecht, US Navy
- 4 Ed Fecteau, USMC
- 5 Lyle Bricko, US Army
- 6 Michael Blank, US Army
- 6 Joe Hanke, USMC
- 7 Jeremy Argiro, US Army
- 7 Terry Schmidt, US Navy
- 8 Brett Dintelman, US Army
- 9 Howard Woods, US Army
- 12 Dennis Holzem, US Army
- 14 Ben Chrusniak, USMC
- 14 Bill Henrichs, Associate
- 15 Jose Benitez, USAF
- 15 Connie Masterson, Associate
- 19 James Gauerke Sr., US Army
- 21- Wayne Allen, Associate
- 21 Ray Mc Sherry, US Navy
- 22 Jack Pettit, USAF
- 22 William Spain, Associate
- 23 Janet Modrzejewski, Associate
- 24 Lamont Bonham, USMC
- 24 Cliff Goldade, USMC
- 25 Charles Sanders, USMC
- 25 Peggy Wold, Associate
- 28 Kurt Lis, USMC

A man, as a general rule, owes very little to what he is born with - a man is what he makes of himself.

- 28 Dennis Ostrowski, Army Reserve
- 28 Wendy Schneider, Associate
- 31 Rosie Carr, Associate

#### June

??? - Jeff Soukup, US Army

- 2 Ken Amundsen, US Navy
- 5 Troy Buska, US Army
- 5 Travis Floyd, US Army
- 5 Michael Mouzon, US Army
- 6 Roger Howard, Associate
- 6 Julie Myer, US Navy
- 6 Deborah Zahurones, Associate
- 8 Kathy LaMere, US Navy
- 9 Dave Becker, US Army
- 9 Scott Gress, USAF
- 9 Robert Fitzke, US Navy
- 10 Jim Campbell, USMC
- 10 Elmer Engel, US Army
- 11 John Sapp, US Army
- 12 Stanley Zyduck, US Army
- 13 Jesse Fink, US Army
- 14 Jim Neitzke, US Army
- 15 John S Fust, US Army
- 15 Susan Gartmann, Associate
- 16 Jerry Petrowski, Army Reserve
- 16 James Thompson, USAF
- 17 Julie Mahr, Army Reserve
- 22 Mike Clark, Associate
- 24 Wallace Gwidt, US Army
- 24 Ken Schauer, US Army
- 25 Richard Zygarlicki, US

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- 29 Ron Carpenter, US Army
- 29 Dale Richmond, US Army
- 30 Larry Andreski, Associate
- 30 Ernest Clark Sr., USAF

The winners of \$25.00 for the birthday drawing for March was James Fust, US Air Force (Retired) who donated it to the Pool Tournament and for April was Landelin Koppa, US Army who donated his portion to the MOH. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Funds Committee Update

The Funds Committee had several requests that were paid by the Man of Honor Society from March 10th to present.

#### Requests paid:

- \$780.00 quilts for King
- \$1,920.00 rent
- \$654.07 bed and furniture
- \$1,240 00 heat assistance

Total: \$4,594.07

The total requests paid for the year is \$6,572.79.

MOH website: manofhonor.org

#### **Coming Events:**

May 10, 2014 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road in Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

May 17, 2014 - Flag Retirement - Because of the amount of American Flags turned in this year we will be having a Flag Retirement Ceremony in the spring. The ceremony will be held at 4:00 p.m. at Ric and Rosie Carr's home, 6803 Carnation Avenue, Rib Mountain.

Come one, come all and witness the retirement ceremony.

May 19, 2014 - Return of Never Forgotten Honor Flight CWA. Meet at the airport in uniform, white shirt, white hat, black slacks, black shoes, at 8:30 p.m.

May 24, 2014 - Memorial Day Parade. Set up will be at 9:45 a.m. with a start time of 10:45 a.m. in Marathon Park.

May 26, 2014 - Restlawn Cemetery Memorial Day Service. Time will be announced when available.

#### June 13, 14, 15, 2014 -

Celebrating the Man of Honor 10th Anniversary, by continu-

Check in at the front desk prior to the meeting.

ing our dedication to assist all military members, veterans and their families. Join us at the Eagles Club in Wausau.

<u>June 14, 2014</u> - Flag Day. More to follow.

June 14, 2014 - MOH Bike Ride. Contact: Shannon Consolver 715-661-3146.

<u>July 4, 2014</u> - To be announced when info is available.

July 6, 2014 - The Central Wisconsin Water Ski Show Team has invited, once again, the members of the MOH to their Ski Show at D.C. Everest Park by the Eagles Club in Wausau. The show will be on Sunday, July 6th at 6:00 p.m.

The Central Wisconsin Water Ski Team would like to share the profits from the show with the MOH. They would like our attendance as they would like to honor us on that day, as well as present us with a check at the end of the show.

Let's show our support by having a big turn out. Come early and bring friends!

July 12, 2014 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

<u>July 19, 2014</u> - Golf Tournament at the Tribute Golf

Course formally known as the American Legion at 10:00 a.m. Mark your calendars. I will let everyone know the details in the days to come. Contact: Bernie Knippel, chairman 715-359-6178.

## Inviting your Facebook Friends and Family to "Like" The Man of Honor Page

Share your interest in Man of Honor by inviting your Face-book friends and family to "Like" The Man of Honor page. It is very easy to do and it shares awareness to this organization. If you haven't added the page to your likes, please do. The events and information we share can reach so many by this simple task.

Deb Zahurones, PR Officer



The stories of young American soldiers and Marines going to Vietnam told through graffiti left on a troopship's bunk canvases.

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