

Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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A Special Salute from the President



Gerri Knippel has been an Associate member of the Man of Honor Society since 2012. Although only an Associate for two years, she has been helping us for the past 4 - 5 years. She worked and helped organize the donations for King. For many years Gerri has helped Rosie Carr with the centerpieces for the Christmas Party plus helping at the party. When it came to the last 4 to 5 Harley Raffles, she spent a lot of time on the basket raffles. Gerri

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spent 6 to 8 Wednesdays and Saturdays handing out tickets and collecting money for the raffles. Gerri spent many cold Saturdays handing out turkeys and hams. also delivered some to homes. She also helped with the last three Golf Tournaments. Gerri currently proofreads the newsletter and when needed she fills in for Vicki Harness as our photographer. You know the lady that checks you in at the meetings, well she is that person as well as helping with the 50/50 raffle. Oh! I don't want to forget she also spent many hours cleaning at Man of Honor and shares the dothe Clubhouse, kitchen, bathrooms, and more. She also helped Larry Andreski keeping the shirts and hats in order. When in need, ask Gerri, she'll be there. Gerri Knippel you are a true Man of Honor and we salute you!

Water Walkers Ski Show



On Sunday June 6, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. the Man of Honor Society

was invited to attend the Water Walkers Ski Show. The way the day started I thought the show would be cancelled, the rain was very heavy and lasted into the afternoon. I think someone said a prayer because all of a sudden the sun came out and the weather was beautiful. The ski show was great. The Water Walkers introduced some new young skiers and they did a great job, in fact the show was outstanding. The only thing there wasn't a good turnout because of the early bad weather The ski club invited the nations with us. Because of the low turnout they waited a few weeks then gave a check to the



Man of Honor, Bill Henrichs for \$100.00.

Let's give a big thanks to the Water Walkers Ski Team.

Ric Carr, Vice President

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Letter from the *Prez....*



Jeff Morgan SFC ARNG, Retired

Hello everyone! I hope your summer so far has been filled with fun things to do and or relaxing times, whatever is your favorite. As long as you could share those times with family and friends, that's what is important. Life sure can get busy over the summer months. Weddings, birthday parties, and the list goes on. For me, Man of Honor business has been quite quiet, very unusual. A welcome break. From the July meeting till now, not much happening. It's kind of nice to have just a few things to write about. So here we go.

July 19th was the MOH Golf Outing. A good time was had by all. It didn't matter too much how your score card added up. It was a sunny day filled with lots of fun on the golf course. After golf everyone gathered at the Clubhouse for a steak cookout. Some one will have more on scores and prizes elsewhere in Integrity - Honor - Concern the newsletter.

August started with Man of Honor doing flag presentations on Friday evening at the start of the Valley Fair in Marathon Park. I (we) were out of town that weekend, so I'm not sure

who was there. I can't name names so I'll say thank you to all who gave of their time to bring it together and make it happen. Thanks again. And once again, I am sure someone will have more on this somewhere in the newsletter. And as long as I got flags on my mind, as you read our newsletter, we'll already have the Labor Day Parade in the history books. I'm hoping to tell you that a great many Man of Honor members came out to be in the parade. We had all our flags, banners and the MOH van and trailer. So many people lined the side walks, they were chanting and cheering us on, it was great. Thank you everyone who came out to walk with us.

September 13th at 2 p.m. is our next membership meeting. The Man of Honor Society will be accepting nominations for the next term of office. I strongly urge all to be at the next two meetings!! November 8th at 2 p.m. will be ELECTION DAY!!!

As I mentioned earlier, not much to write about, so in closing, please enjoy what is left of our short summer and be safe.

God bless you and the United States of America.

Jeff Morgan, President

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

2015 - 2016 Elections

The 2 year terms of our current officers ends in December 2014. We will be accepting nominations for all of the officers positions during the 13 September meeting. If you have anyone you would like to see in one these positions, that will be the time to get vour nominations in. A reminder that Associate members are not allowed to participate in the election process. We hope that as many members as possible attend the next two very important meetings. Members will vote for the new nominees on 8 November at the regular meeting. The newly elected officers will serve in 2015 and 2016.

Jeff Morgan, President



Check it out!! Adopt-A-Highway CTH N-East from O to Forestville Rd

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MOH Golf Tournament



The Man of Honor Golf Tournament was held on 19 July at the Tribute Golf Course (formally American Legion Course). Beautiful weather enjoyed by all. There was a record 20 teams entered in the event and it went as smooth as could be. Jim Light, Paul Missett, Ron Jones, and Tim Jolliff ended up with the low



(Left: Light, Missett, Jones, Jolliff)

score of the day using the "Bernified" system. Longest putt



(Jim Bittner)

went to Jimmy Bittner. Long Drive for the ladies went to April



(April Hommerding)

Hommerding (who won a very nice prize) while long drive for



(Jim Fust)

the men went to Jim Fust (using a Hybrid). Marcia (Long hitting) Hickman was closest to the pin



(Marcia Hickman)

on hole number 9 and Jesse Huff



(Jesse Huff)

(nice shot) was closest to the pin on number 5. There were 3 flights and everyone got a little something back in cash. A steak



(Ted Williams & Wayne Allen)

dinner followed at the MOH Clubhouse and a few beverages were enjoyed after a hard day on the course. There are too many people involved to name individually so I will just say "Thank You" to all who had a part in the event. Some very nice comments were made about the tournament and I share in those comments with everyone involved.

Bernie Knippel

MOH Presented The Colors At The Wisconsin Valley Fair



On Friday, August 1st, Man of Honor members Bernie Knippel, Mark Lyon, John H. Fust, Tom Fust, Bill Hommerding, Bill Henrichs and Jim Fust were proud to present the colors at the Wisconsin Valley Fair prior to the evening main performance and the singing of the National Anthem. Hundreds of people were in attendance and the Man of Honor members received a standing ovation as they marched on to the stage. The Wisconsin Valley Fair chairperson thanked us and invited us to do the honors again next year.

Bernie Knippel

Fill-A-Backpack Fill-A-Need



(Left to Right: Dawn Dobbs, Donna Gosse, Larry Andreski, Kevin Zahurones, Bill Hommerding, Shelly Kaiser)

On Saturday, August 23rd, Man of Honor was up at the crack of dawn for the 3rd year in a row volunteering for Fill a Backpack, Fill a Need. Bill Hommerding, Donna Gosse, Kevin Zahurones, and Larry Andreski were there at 5 a.m. to set up so this huge event could proceed in an orderly fashion. What the ladies in charge told us is that over 3,000 students from all Marathon County Schools received backpacks filled with school supplies needed for them to start their school year off on the right track. Each backpack contained \$45.00 value of supplies. WOW!!! That is over \$135,000.00 worth of school supplies that our community collected to ensure the education of our youth. As always, it was our pleasure to volunteer and help the community that does so much to make us successful. Afterwards we went and enjoyed breakfast together and continued on with our weekend

Bill Hommerding

Labor Day Parade



Thank you, thank you to everyone who came to the Labor Day Parade! The weather was, to say the least, a bit iffy. We had two Air Force guys claim that they had control of the weather for the skies. One said he brought the sunshine, the other said he made the refreshing breeze that happened just at the right time. Personally, I think both were full of hot air. Either way the roads were dry and the sun was shining. I'll let you decide or guess if it was Jim Fust or Bernie Knippel. Got to back things up a bit. Many thanks to Tom Fust for the use of his trailer. Many, many thanks to our Sgt at Arms, John H. Fust for the time spent going to the Clubhouse picking up our flags, banners, and our hand out flags, hooking up the trailer and getting all to the starting point. Thank you, John H. Fust, for all you do for the Man of Honor Society. Also the MOH Van was used to shuttle folks back to their cars after the parade. Thank you, Vicki Harness, for the camera work, once again great work! I hope everyone was smiling. Pictures I am sure will be on the MOH web site. Thank you to our newest members who came out, wore

our MOH Dress Whites, and did us proud. We had many family and friends who also joined us in helping hand out the flags. This is still the greatest organization in the state if not the entire country. Thanks again for all you do for the Veterans of Marathon County and for each other.

Integrity - Honor - Concern

Jeff Morgan, President

Brewer Trip

On August 7, 2014 a bus load of veterans and their guests headed to Milwaukee for a Brewer's game compliments of Steve and Pam Anderson.

We departed the VFW in Wausau at approximately 8:30 a.m. for the 3 plus hour road trip to Miller Park. The ride down provided for the opportunity for camaraderie between old friends and new friends. Snacks and adult beverages were freely shared. There was lots of chit chatting pertaining to politics, sports, and world problem solving, making for an enjoyable road trip. Napping was involved, by some.

Upon arrival at Miller Park, we were treated by the Andersons to a five course luncheon at Johnson Control Stadium Club, where the deserts were ginormous; the portion size, that of a full cake, chocolate cake appear (See Miller Park on pg 8, col 2)

Spotlight On One Of Our Own!

Meet Dennis E. Holzem, a member of the Man of Honor Society for the past two years. Dennis was born and raised in Wausau, Wisconsin and graduated from Wausau High in 1965. He is the proud father of 3 daughters, Sarah, Rachel and Karen. He worked for many years at Mercury Marine in Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin as a repairman.

Dennis enlisted in the Army on 31 December 1965 and was discharged in January 1972 as a Spec 5. He did boot camp at Fort Knox, Kentucky and then went to Fort Eustis, Virginia where he trained and became a single engine rotor repairman. He was then sent to Vietnam where he did three separate tours of duty and spent a total of 34 months in country. During this time his main duty stations were at Chu Lai and Song Be. His military decorations include the Air Medal, Purple Heart (awarded on 28 May 1969) Army Commendation Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with Device 60, M-14 and M-16 Marksmanship Award and the Army Overseas Service Ribbon. He is extremely proud to wear the Aircraft Crewman Badge for Helicopters.

Since joining the Man of Honor, Dennis has been very active leading a hand when and wherever needed. He worked many hours at our recent raffle by helping to set up everything in preparation for the 3 day event and then volunteered to work several shifts at one of our busy stands. He attends all of our meetings and is always present at our parades and other functions.

The MOH is very proud to have Dennis as one of our members. He has served his country in a most outstanding manner and has brought great honor to his family and the United States Army.



The Man of Honor salutes

Dennis and thanks him for all of his many years of sacrifice to our country.



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

Written by Bernie Knippel



Rest In Peace



Doris Wold, age 80, of Rhinelander, died on June 30, 2014 at the Howard Young Medical Center in Woodruff

Doris is the stepmother of Todd Wold, member of the MOH.

Doris married Larry Wold on May 26, 1986 in Rhinelander. Doris was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church and will be remembered as one who loved the work of taking care of her family. She is survived by her husband Larry, her three sons Rick & Cindy Wold, Todd & Peggy Wold, and Mark Apfel.

Lean on your friends for strength, and always remember how much you are cared about. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.



Frank William Mueller, Total \$2,956.13 80, of Wausau, passed away on August 4, 2014 at Riverside Medical Center. Waupaca. He

married Luella Treichel on July 11, 1953, in Wausau, at Trinity Lutheran Church

Frank was a member of the Man of Honor Society. He served as a member of the US Army, during the Korean War, in two tours of Germany as an Engineer. Frank was able to take the Never Forgotten Honor Flight in the last

year with his, daughter. Spending time on his land in the Town of Texas was something he cherished, hunting, fishing, and working the 40 acres. He was also an avid Packer fan

Luella and his daughters Christine and Kathy ours thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. And you should always know, wherever you may go, no matter where you are, he will never be far away.

Funds Committee Update

The Funds Committee had several requests that were paid by the Man of Honor Society from July 12th to present.

Requests paid:

Auto Repairs - \$381.13 Food/Gas - \$300.00 Honor Flight - \$560.00 Rent - \$1,600.00 Work License - \$115.00 Wounded Warriors - \$288.00

The total requests paid for the year is \$12,550.92.

Healing Craft for Wounded Warriors

Wounded Warriors in Action was founded in 2007 by John McDaniel, a retired Army colonel and graduate of Oshkosh High School. McDaniel, an avid hunter and angler who loves the outdoors, was looking for a mission to complete in retirement. and he blended his passions together to help veterans who

needed support after being wounded. Wounded Warriors started by taking the vets, free of charge, on hunting and fishing trips. The wood-turning lessons grew out of some of the hunting and fishing trips by Todd Bohm of Kronenwetter, D.C. Everest Senior High School. Bohm. father-in-law, Tony Kopchinski an avid wood-turner, offered to play host to wood-turning seminars for the veterans. Kopchinski and another wood-turner. Bob Stavron of Weston, both members of the Wisconsin Valley Woodturners, volunteered their time to teach Corey Richards and Daniel Hinze, wounded veterans.

Corey Richards was in the Michigan National Guard and serving in Afghanistan in 2009 when a blast from an improvised explosive device tore into his upper body. Richards, now 24 and living in Wisconsin Rapids, lives every day with consequences of the blast and the injuries it caused. He suffers memory loss, both short and long term, and struggles with post traumatic stress disorder. Both shoulders were messed up.

Another wounded vet, Daniel Hinze, 47 of Racine, who was an Army staff sergeant, was crushed by a helicopter in 2009 in Afghanistan. He suffers from physical injuries from head to toe and has PTSD. Learning to turn wood is therapeutic and a "stress reliever," Hinze said.

It's a chance to give back to men and women who sacrificed themselves for everyone in America.

Happy Birthday



September

- 2 Guy Hartl, US Army
- 2- Terrance Schilling, US Army
- 4- Thomas Westermeyer, Associate Member
- 5 Ted Williams, US Army
- 7 Donna Gosse, Associate
- 8 Richard Jehn, US Army
- 11 Donald Oelke, National Guard
- 13 Alan Butalla, USAF
- 13 Russell Keinhofer, USAF
- 13 Gerad Winchell, US Army
- 14 Jesse Grieb, US Army
- 16 Wiley Sparks, US Army Special Forces
- 19 Mitch Bottomley, US Navy
- 19 Sean Dean, US Army
- 19 Richard Partridge, US Navy
- 20 Mark Arnett, US Army
- 20 Mike Russ, USMC
- 21 James Wilson, US Army
- 22 William Cybula, US Army
- 22 Hank Dehnel, USAF
- 23 Russell Allen, US Army
- 23 Brian Thompson, US Army
- 24 Craig Tonkin, US Army
- 25 Thomas Beson, USMC
- 25 Doug Hagen, USAF
- 26 Connie Allman, US Army
- 26 Patrick David, US Army
- 27 Gary Luebbe, USMC
- 27 Brad Tonkin, Army NG
- 29 Robert Paul, US Army
- 29 Cheryl Reynolds, US Army
- 30 Frank Bohman, US Army

October

- 1 Rebeca Argiro, US Army
- 1 Learin Smith, US Navy

- 1 James Webb, US Navy
- 3 James Palmer, USMC
- 4 James Bittner, Army NG
- 5 Dale Carr, US Army
- 5 Gregory Mouzon, US Navy
- 6 James Miller, Army NG
- 6 Clifford Nest, US Army
- 7 Keith Cota, US Army
- 9 Aaron Masterson, US Army
- 10 Ralph McNutt, US Army
- 10 Lawrence Peterson, Army NG
- 10 Robert Piotrowski, US Navy
- 10 Pat Snyder, Associate
- 11 Don Londerville, US Army
- 12 Joshua LaFave, US Army
- 12 Amy Miller, US Army
- 14 Kim Brandt, Army NG
- 15 Joe Kiefschmer, NG
- 17 Timothy Gosse, US Army
- 18 Todd Wold, Associate
- 19 Allen Bench, USAF
- 27 Paul Kern, Army NG
- 27 Rob Peck, US Army
- 30 Richard Baker, US Army
- 30 Robin Schmid, US Army

The winners of \$25.00 for the birthday drawing for July was Shirley Bickford, USAF and for August was Rick Beck, USMC.

New Members

We have five new members in our society which brings it to a total of 368. Let's welcome the following:

David Barttelt, US Navy Guy Mockler, US Navy Al Morasch II, US Army Dan Rigney, Army NG Shawn, Ziebell, US Navy

We are always looking for new

members on some of our committees and Clubhouse maintenance.

Free Wills for Veterans Update

The Wills for Veterans Clinic will be held on October 25th at our Clubhouse. You can expect to be at the clinic for 2-2.5 hours. You are required by the State Bar of Wisconsin to watch a 30minute video regarding basic estate planning concepts and the limited scope of our representation prior to beginning. Then you will meet with paralegals, he/she will input information into a software system and generate your documents. Finally, you will meet with an attorney to review the documents and make any necessary or desired changes. The attorneys and notaries will assist you with signing their documents and then you will be on your way.

They can serve 5 clients per appointment time, 9:00, 10:00, 12:00, 1:00 and 2:00. A veteran and his or her spouse are considered to be 2 clients and require 2 appointment times.

Prior to the meeting on October 25th, they will be screening the veterans to make sure that they qualify according to the income and asset restrictions provided by the State Bar of Wisconsin. Plus they will be sending you a planning questionnaire to fill out in advance of the clinic

Anyone who is still interested in attending, contact Rosie Carr at 715-571-9620 or e-mail <u>ricrosie-carr@charter.net</u>.

Coming Events:

September 13, 2014 -

Nomination of Officers - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

November 8, 2014 - Election Day - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

November 11, 2014 - Veterans Day.

December 6, 2014 - Ham/ Turkey giveaway at 8:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse, 1425 Townline Road in Wausau.

December 13, 2014 - Christmas Party at Best Western Midway Hotel, 2901 Hummingbird Road in Rib Mountain. Don't want to drive after the Christmas Party, well we have a block of rooms reserved under the Man of Honor for \$70.00 a night, veterans discount. Call Christine Weber at 715-842-1616 at Midway Hotel to get your reservation now. The deadline date to ensure sleeping accommodations at 7:30 p.m. games. is November 13, 2014. Check in time is approximately 3 p.m. and departure time is approximately 12 p.m.

The Christmas Party will be held in the Tamarack and Aspen rooms, left side of the lounge.

More details will follow.

Check in at the front desk prior to the meeting.



Football Season Begins

As Ric and I sat and watched the preseason game, Green Bay Packers and Kansas City, we can not wait to start getting together with the rest of the members at the Clubhouse for Packer Sunday. The first game is Sunday, September 14th, against the Jets at 3:25 p.m. Wear your Packer attire, it's a lot of fun. All members, family, and friends are welcome but must be 21 or older. As we did last year, we are asking everyone to bring a dish to pass. We currently have two big screen TV's and working on a third. When you arrive, don't be surprised to see the Packer Cheerleaders with their pom pom's. We will also have 10 liner pools to make the game more exciting plus more. The games we will be at the Clubhouse are Sundays at the 1:00 p.m. and the 3:25 p.m. games only. We will not be there on Thursday, Mondays, or Sunday

Can't wait to see you at the Clubhouse for the Packer games.

Rosie Carr

(Brewer Trip Cont'd Pg 4)

ing to be the most popular, Nasty good!!! Most of our seating was in tier two, in the shade, a most delightful surprise. No suntan lotion needed!!! And the Brewers won beating San Francisco 3 - 1!!!!

After the game, we gathered for a group picture outside Miller Park



On the bus ride back, we were treated with munchies, including red licorice, soda, adult beverages, Slim Jims (compliments of Rib Mountain Quick Trip), Summer Sausage (compliments of Zillman's), Waussome Waffers, (compliments of Wausome Food's), and some more adult beverages.

Once outside the Milwaukee magapolis we were treated to the showing of the movie "Honor Flight-One Last Mission". The movie provided entertainment on the long ride home, but left many weeping like school girls, including big bad Marines.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of everyone that went on the trip, to thank Pam and Steve Anderson for their wonderful generosity. As Steve was overheard saying "many people just TALK about doing something for the veterans, I felt it was important to actually DO something for our veterans."

Semper Fi Jim Campell & Janet Fergot (daughter of Korean War Vet)