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Man of Honor Raffle

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(Back row left to right: Bill Fenhaus (Treasurer), John S. Fust (Sgt of Arms), Dan Rigney (Vice President), Jeff Morgan (President), Front row left to right: Bernie Knippel (Secretary), Tom Schilling, Karen Schilling (Winner of the Jeep Cherokee), Chief Kujawa, and Tom Fust (Chairman)).

There are many words that come to mind when I think about our raffle weekend. The one that pops up the most is awesome. As most of you know this whole thing starts way back in late January with the committee chairs getting together to select the raffle prizes. Then by the end of February the tickets are printed and ready to be sold. By the way we did sell every one of the 2500 tickets printed. Thanks for the effort.

In march our sub-committees are formed and we are off to the races.

By Thursday morning June 8th. the tents are up and there are Man of Honor members ready to get going. Set up is very important part of the weekend. Much time and deliberation is dedicated to get this done, from the kitchen to the bar and everything in between. The lay out is crucial to our success. With many hands everything goes without any major problems. A big shout out to John and Charlie Sapp for their electrical expertise. As the day progresses the stage is set up, the bar is in place, and the kitchen is ready to get cooking.

Friday morning June 9th, finishing touches are set and set up is getting done. The beer coolers are filled, food is delivered, and tables are set up. Getting ready to start this thing up and by noon we are ready. The grill is grilling and the fryer is frying and the refreshments are on ice. As folks started trickling in during the afternoon with anticipation of listening to (some music and enjoying themselves. Then at 6:00 p.m. the Whitehouse players kicked off our week



end of great music. With the bands great following and all of the people willing to support us we had a awesome night.

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"Clubhouse" and "The Jim".

**Letter
from the
Prez**



**Jeff Morgan
SFC E7, ARNG, Retired**

Hello everyone! Summer has finally made it to central Wisconsin, more rain, high humidity and BUGS. I don't know how bad it is by your house, but at my place I have to fill my pockets with rocks so the mosquitoes won't carry me away.

The first thing to write/talk about was the last Never Forgotten Honor Flight. Man of Honor had "7" members take to the sky to go to D.C. to visit the Memorials built in their Honor. I'm sure they all had a great day. What a turn-out of White Hats. A lot of members came to CWA to welcome our heroes home. Thank you for coming to the airport. Our travelers, I know, thought the world of all the hand shaking and pats on their shoulders. A day to remember I'm sure.

May 27th the Memorial Day Parade. Another big turn-out of members. Old Glory lead the way, followed by the Branch Service Flags, POW, the state flag and the MOH flag. Our van pulled a trailer full of members and lots of walkers who handed out small US Flags to the folks along the parade route. Joe Nikolai brought his 1929 model "T" Ford. Ric Carr brought his 2008 Chrysler convertible. Just a

beautiful day for a parade. A complete opposite of last years parade.

That same weekend on the 29th of May, we were once again invited to the Restlawn Cemetery Memorial Day Service. We were asked to perform the Missing Man Table Ceremony. Another nice showing of members. The weather was down right awful. It rained sideways. I know I had water pooling in my right ear. As many others, we did the best we could and got-er-done.

Many, many thank you's go out to everyone who came to participate in this years Memorial Day Holiday weekend!!!

June 9, 10 and 11th. MAN OF HONOR RAFFLE in the big tents behind the EAGLES CLUB!!! What a whirl wind of days, excitement, work, heat, wind, rain and entertainment. It was almost 100% perfect. Everything seemed to fall into place. I could go on about the food, beverages, the bands who played for us, and basket raffles, etc.

All very important for sure. But what really blew me away was the volunteers that came to help setup, work here, there and everywhere. People stayed long hours each day making sure everything was in place. Making sure each area had enough people to work. I got to tell you, I'm as proud as a brand new daddy! Everyone stepped up, put their best foot forward, rolled up their sleeves and went to work. To

THANK YOU seems a bit inadequate, BUTTHANK YOU, THANK YOU!! Thank you one and all for keeping the Man Of Honor Society the best Veterans Organization in the state. I'm sure pictures and articles will have you reading this newsletter cover to cover.

July 8th is our next meeting. By then the final bills would have been payed. \$Bill, at the time, can share our success with all of us. This will be a busy, informative meeting. See you all there!

Before I forget, Man of Honor would like to thank the EAGLES CLUB and it's entire staff for their generosity. Without their help it would be difficult to accomplish our raffle goals. Thank you again.

God bless you and the United States.

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Saturday June 10th, with a little clean up in the morning by the Girl Scouts from Troop 7440, we were ready to set up all of our side raffles and kids games. The 30 MPH winds did not help us do that very easily. But with a couple of rolls of duct tape and a couple handfuls of zip ties we were ready to



go. At noon we raised the colors while the National Anthem was sung by Sara Dewitt. And the festivities were under way. Bucket and basket raffles along with the paddles were selling

strong along with the food and of course the bar was busy with the temps close to 90. The kids games were keeping the young ones entertained and sugared up. Thanks to my two favorite "Red Heads "and all of their helpers for keeping the kids occupied. As the afternoon was really getting started, there was a thunder in the distance, not weather related but it was 100 bikes coming in from the honor ride. Thanks to all that participated.



Once again around 6:00 p.m. the band was ready to get the place rocking. Our perennial favorite Hyde did rock the place (no cops this year). Just before dusk we all gathered in front of the Eagles Club for our remembrance ceremony and fire works. As always, our Secretary Bernie Knippel put together a



very respectful ceremony consisting of the National Anthem by Alexis Walton from Hyde. Taps was



brilliantly played by Jonathon Lactin and the names of our fallen were read followed by a moment of silence. Amazing the re-

spect that was given during the ceremony. Then with much dismay we were informed that the fireworks would not go as planned. Mother nature got us with the wind. And Hyde finished the night with some more great music. Oh, I almost forgot to mention the awesome job the boonie brothers did sling-



Sunday June 11th, Well things didn't start out like we hoped. As the Polish Connection starts setting up the weather is going south. After only a couple of drops the clouds opened up to a total deluge of rain. With one quick announcement our members stepped up and braved the rain to get the side curtains up and the show went on. The rain did slow our attendance for a short while but after it stopped the crowd gathered. The chicken dinner again was a great success selling out around 4:00. Thanks to Donna, Connie and all of their kitchen staff for all of the hard work all weekend. As the day goes by, the anticipation grew as we got closer to the main reason we were all there - the drawing for the raffle. With special thanks to Chief Kujawa for



drawing and announcing all the of winner tickets. It was a pretty cool having some of the major prize winners present as their names were called. By this



time the kitchen is closed, the bar was winding down, bark-er was get-ting horse,

its time to sit back, take a breath, decompress and contemplate next year.

Monday June 12th, again an awesome crew of members showed up to help tear down and pack up. The crew we had we were able to have everything packed up and unloaded at the clubhouse by noon. Once again thanks to all that helped.

It is impossible to thank everyone that volunteered to help all weekend but there are a few that need a shout out.

Dan Rigney, co-chairman of the raffle and very much involved in the Honor Ride.

Donna Gosse and Connie Masterson for running the kitchen.

Bernie Knippel and Mark Lyons for running the bar and keeping the "Barker" hydrated.

Peggy Wold, Bev Bain and Gerri Knipple for all of the awesome baskets.

Cortney Drake-Heck and Lynda Fust for the kids games.

Also, we would like to thank the Eagles Club and their awesome crew for their generosity. Without them we would not have had the success that we did.

And last but defiantly not least a huge THANK YOU to our Committee Chair, Tom Fust. Tom has been instrumental in the success of our raffle over the last few years. Thanks Tom!



(\$1,000 donation from the Eagle's Club)





Spotlight On One Of Our Own!

Written by James Bittner, SFC Army National Guard

The Man of Honor Society recognizes Larry Allen Grosinske as our Spotlight recipient for June - July 2017.

Larry was born on May 15 1953 in Wausau, Wisconsin. He was raised in the Town of Wausau along with his older brother John and younger brothers Ronald and David. Larry graduated from Wausau East High in June 1971. He was then employed with Crestline Windows of Wausau which he worked for five years. An opportunity at Wausau Papers of Brokaw followed, in which he worked for 35 years, retiring in February 2012.

Larry joined the Wisconsin National Guard, Wausau, WI in August 1971 as an 11E, Armor Crewman. On 5 November 1971 he reported to Basic Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. While there, he also completed his Advanced Individual Training of Armor Crewman. He graduated in March 1972. He returned to Home Station, Wausau WI. He transferred to the Transportation Section, becoming a Motor Transportation Operator. He advanced in the section, gaining the position of Transportation Section Sergeant and attaining the rank of Sergeant First Class.

Tours of State Active Duty were in Gresham, WI in 1973 - Indian take-over of Alexian Brothers' Novitiate and Irma, WI in 1976 - Employee Strike of Lincoln Hills School. Tour of Federal Active Duty was to Germany in January 1986 - Return of Forces to Germany (REFORGER).

Larry's military service awards include Army Service Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal-3rd award, NCO Professional Development-3rd award and Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon. SFC Larry Grosinske retired his military career in January 1992.

Larry married his lovely wife, Lenore on October 21, 1978. They have two daughters, Becky (Christopher) Hopper and Aimee (Shawn) Hollendieck. They have been blessed with five grandchildren Ava, William, Lucas, Mack, Caleb.

Larry's favorite pastime is riding his Harley Davidson with the Seekers Motorcycle Club. For 15 years he served as President to the Seekers and currently serves as the Vice President. Larry also enjoys woodworking and deer hunting.

Larry joined the Man of Honor in November 2016. In a short time, he has shown his dedication to our Society. He has a willingness to immediately jump in and help whoever and whenever he is needed. At our June Raffle, you could find Larry involved at set up and all stations throughout the weekend working swiftly and asking how he could lend a hand.

SFC(R) Grosinske is a witty, humorous man. His love of Family, Life and Country brings great credit and honor to himself, the US Army and now the Man of Honor.



"With this pen another six years"

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 ricrosiecarr@charter.net or 715-571-9620.

Thomas L. Zyduck, 74, died



peacefully on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at Rennes Heath Care Center, Weston.

Thomas was the brother of Stanley Zyduck, MOH member.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Zyduck family.

Steinthor Thorvaldsson, 84,



of Grindavik, Iceland passed away May 17, 2017.

Steinthor was an Honorary Member of the Man of Honor Society. He was also the father of Sissa Hommerding, Associate member.

May the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. Our sincere condolences on the loss of your father.



Lynn Westermeyer, 58, of Schofield passed away at home on May 21, 2017.

Lynn is the wife of Tom Westermeyer, Associate member of the Man of Honor.

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

Volunteer Cook Out

Written by Jeff Morgan, Prez

Word was passed along during the raffle and Rosie Carr put the invite out via the internet, and the last newsletter, that members and their families, anybody who helped at the Man of Honor Raffle were invited. The 1st Saturday after the raffle the officers would be hosting a "Volunteer Thank You Party". If you sold tickets or came to the Eagles Club grounds and busted your hump either setting up, working the raffle, or helping with tear down, cleanup and putting it all away, the invite was open to all. The officers would do the cooking and bartending and clean up. All you had to do was show up hungry and thirsty. Above all just relax for a few hours. I'm guessing, but I'd say about 50 folks came for lunch.

It was a beautiful warm sunny day for a cook out. I had no idea there are so many different ways to cook brats and burgers. Thank you all for the cooking lessons and words of encouragement. I hope your meal was enjoyable and everyone got enough to eat and drink. Thank you all again for the hard work, long hours that are put in to make our raffle such a GREAT SUCCESS!

Raffle A Success

Written by Bill Fenhaus, Treasurer

For the most part, the "COMMANDER" upstairs, gave us good weather.

The Man of Honor 2017 Raffle was a great success with all 2500 tickets sold. Beer sales and food sales were up.

A big thank you to all who assisted in the treasurer's area, i.e. making change, counting money, stuffing and sealing envelopes, etc. Without your help those tasks would not have allowed me to keep track of what was going on in the other areas.

The dollar numbers will be reported at the meeting on July 8th. I'm looking forward to seeing a lot of members there.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all members, associate members and volunteers who donated their time and efforts to a very successful 2017 raffle.

**Happy
Birthday**



July

- 3 - Larry Seidl, US Navy
- 3 - Ron Worthey, US Army
- 9 - Kurt Gray, USMC
- 12 - Scott Wanta, Associate
- 16 - Randy Hoppe, US Army
- 17 - Richard Kloppenburg, US Navy
- 17 - Nathaniel Stepp, US Navy
- 18 - Austin Harris, Army NG
- 18 - Howard Iwen, US Army
- 18 - Butch Russ, USMC
- 21 - Michael Neidigh, US Navy
- 21 - Bryan Thacker, USMC
- 24 - Sue Fenhaus, Associate
- 24 - Allen Hotchkiss, US Army
- 25 - Anastasia Sebourn, Army NG
- 26 - Joe Nikolai, Army NG
- 27 - Duck Mallard, US Army
- 27 - George Webb, USMC
- 28 - Shirley Bickford, USAF
- 29 - Robert Burton, USAF
- 29 - Kevin Krueger, US Army
- 31 - Ray Bender, US Army
- 31 - Don Genrich, Army NG
- 31 - Henry Meverden, US Army

August

- 1 - Rick Beck, USMC
- 2 - Roger Wunsch, US Navy
- 3 - Les Kucksdorf, USAF
- 4 - Tyra Chlebowski, USAF
- 6 - Gary Olson, US Army
- 7 - Thomas Buhs, US Navy
- 7 - James Landowsky, US Navy
- 8 - Sue Rasmussen, US Army
- 10 - Tom Traska, US Navy

- 11 - Dan Brezovar, US Army
- 11 - Greg Brezovar, US Army
- 11 - Jeff Morgan, Army NG
- 11 - Rodney Rein, US Army
- 11 - Roger Zynda, US Army
- 12 - Tom Fust, USMC
- 13 - Vernon Vetterkind, US Army
- 14 - William Fenhaus, NG
- 15 - Jacob Petterson, US Army
- 15 - Todd Zunker, US Army
- 16 - Chad Jirovec, USAF
- 17 - Lynda Fust, Associate
- 17 - Roger Kohn, USMC
- 17 - Kent Wesner, US Army
- 20 - Jeff Dehnel, US Army
- 20 - Jeffery Oelke, US Army
- 20 - Kevin Zahurones, Army NG
- 21 - Ron Detert, US Navy
- 22 - Daniel Paul, USAF
- 22 - Charlie Sapp, US Army
- 23 - Jason Rumbaugh, US Army
- 24 - Bernie Knippel, USAF
- 24 - Edward Marek, USAF
- 24 - Arleigh Utecht, US Army
- 25 - Cathie Morgan, Associate
- 25 - Jack Treu, USMC
- 26 - Edward Benzing, US Navy
- 26 - David Campbell, US Army
- 26 - Elaine Hanson, US Army
- 27 - Vicki Harness, Associate
- 27 - Kraut Kersemeier, USAF
- 29 - Robert Hood, USMC
- 31 - Brian Heier, US Navy

The birthday winners who attended the May 13th meeting for May was Duke Spain, Associate Member and for June was Larry Andreski, Associate Member. The winner for the 50/50 drawing of \$275 went to Aneila

Rigney and the other half went to 6 raffle ticket winners. Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 12 new members in our society which brings it to a total of 420. Let's welcome the following:

Gerald Burnett, US Army
Allen Buska, US Army NG
David Campbell, US Army
Peter Geueke, US Navy
Earl Heil, USAF
James N. Light, Associate
Len Pijan, US Navy
Andrew Rothenberger, USMC
Ronald Rothenberger, USMC
Ken Wesner, US Army
Richard Wizner, USAF NG
Peter Wolff, 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.

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 May and June 2017.

Auto repairs	\$2,052.00
Funeral	200.00
Ramp materials	311.40
Rent	600.00
Rent	1,400.00

Rent	680.00	<u>18th</u> : \$100 - Brandon Hoppe
Rent	550.00	<u>19th</u> : \$100 - Dale Waraksa
Rent	948.16	<u>20th</u> : \$100 - Rand Schobell
Rent	445.00	<u>21st</u> : \$100 - Don Brandt
Utilities	750.00	<u>22nd</u> : \$100 - Judy Furmanek
Total paid this period	\$7,936.56	<u>23rd</u> : \$100 - Jamie Caanmer
Total year to date -	\$18,175.14	<u>24th</u> : \$100 - Lee Smith
Total for 2016	\$20,263.00	<u>25th</u> : \$100 - Jennifer Stesall

Congratulations MOH Raffle Winners!

1st Place: Jeep Cherokee - Karen Schilling

2nd Place: Harley Softail Breakout - Gary Kowalski

3rd Place: Honda 4-wheeler w/ trailer - Loren Kurth

4th Place: John Deere - Scott Zoromski

5th: \$500 - Scott Zoromski

6th: \$500 - Randy Henkelman

7th: \$300 - Roger Wendler

8th: \$300 - Mike Dellenbach

9th: \$300 - Don Carlson

10th: \$300 - Kevin Zoromski

11th: \$200 - Michael Hilber

12th: \$200 - Jeff Mueller

13th: \$200 - Steve Pavlow

14th: \$200 - Henry Hass

15th: \$200 - Terry Kaiser

16th: \$100 - Paul Mancheski

17th: \$100 - Robin Schmid

Coming Events:

July 8, 2017 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

July 15, 2017 - The MOH Golf Tournament will be at Trapp River - 0900 showtime.

The Man of Honor Golf Tournament is full with 20 teams. The team cost of \$220 must be paid for at the 8 July meeting or the team will be dropped. Players may bring a guest at a cost of \$10. If the tournament is cancelled due to the weather, the steak fry will go on and some of the entry fee will be refunded.

Chairman: Bernie Knippel at 715-803-8039 or Mark Lyon at 715-574-9753.

We are also looking for donations to give away at the dinner, We could use some more door prizes such as T-shirts, sweat-shirts, golf balls or equipment, towels, and etc. If you have anything to donate, please bring it to

our meeting on July 8th.

September 9, 2017 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

September 11, 2017 - Never Forgotten Honor Flight at CWA. Arrive at 8:30 p.m.

Uniform: White Shirt and White Hat.

October 9, 2017 - Never Forgotten Honor Flight at CWA. Arrive at 8:30 p.m.

Uniform: White Shirt and White Hat.

November 11, 2017 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

November 11, 2017 - Veterans Day.

Roster Up-Dates

Written by Jeff Morgan, Prez

There are still changes on the roster that need your attention!!! When checking in with Gerri Knippel look for your name, address, phone #, e-mail and make any changes necessary. Don't complain when you don't get your newsletter or other information phone calls.

THANKS!

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