

Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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Man of Honor Pool Tournament

Written by Jim Fust, Chairman

On March 19, 2022 the annual Man of Honor Pool Tournament took place. It started precisely at noon at our clubhouse. 20 teams competed. Notably missing was my normal partner, Billy (Mouse) Kucil. However, he was well remembered by everyone. In fact, the food that was provided by Peggy Wold of Whiskey River made and donated a special macaroni salad that Mouse was quite fond of. Peggy, by-the-way is one of only 5 caterers in Wisconsin that are approved to cater military functions according to her husband Todd!!!

As I said, 20 teams competed and were very competitive. First team out this year was me and my teammate Rick Nutter followed very closely by Roy Fitzke and his partner Dillion. After a long and grueling tournament, the final 3 came to the top. They are:

1st Place:



(L/R: Larry Dassow and Tom Joss)

2nd Place:



(L/R: Brian (Bone) Bornheimer & Jim Bornheimer)

3rd Place was a surprise:



(L/R: Teddy Williams and Don Goretski)

Congratulations to all!!!

(See Pool Tournament, Cont'd on Page 3, Column 1)

The newsletter will be published every two months.

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Letter from the Prez

Jeff Morgan SFC E7, ARNG, Retired

Hello everyone. As I start to write this for our newsletter and hopefully beat the deadline, I can't help but think it's got to be like the 93rd day of January.

What a bi-polar late winter early spring. I hope Old Man Winter and Mother Nature can agree it's time for warmer weather.

A quick look back at what happened since our last meeting. March 19th, the annual Man of Honor in-house Pool Tournament got underway with some Eagle-eyed shooters. Chairman Jim Fust has an article for us in this newsletter.

April 23rd in conjunction with Earth Day, Sgt. at Arms John Fust Jr. honchoed an Adopt a Highway clean-up crew on our regular stretch of County Highway N. I believe there will be a short note about that in this newsletter.

May 2nd was the first Never Forgotten Honor Flight in Two years. I hope the 4 members of Man of Honor who were on that flight had a great experience. Peter Geueke-US Navy, Roger Kohn-USMC, Wayne Radtke, US Army, and Michael Schmitt-US Army. WELCOME HOME!

The next NFHF is on the 6th of June. If you want to give our members and other Veterans a "Welcome Home", meet the rest

of us at CWA in Mosinee around 9:30 p.m. It is truly an experience of a lifetime.

I was informed by our Treasurer that just over half of the ticket stubs and money have been turned in which was around the middle of April. That gives us about 4 weeks to our membership meeting. Now, from the time of our meeting until final call in for unsold tickets, tickets stubs and monies we have just 14 days.

The bottom line is PLEASE get after your bartenders, or where ever you got tickets, and get them sold and or turned in. Lots of folks are still looking for tickets to buy or sell. Somewhere out there, around 1000 tickets, are floating around waiting to find a home. PLEASE do your best and get them sold. Thank you.

Also, please don't forget we still need items for the Booze Wagon and the Basket Raffles. The more the merrier as they say.

As always, there will be lots to discuss at the meeting, and I heard a Birthday Cake? Until the meeting, keep warm thoughts, this below-average weather will get better. Thank you all for everything you do in helping our Veterans.

God Bless You and the United States.

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Help at the Raffle

Written by Bernie Knippel, VP

Raffle time is just around the corner and I know everyone is ready to go to work. We will have sign up rosters for the food area and for tending bar at the May meeting. For the bar I will try to put you in the spot you sign up for although that is not always easy to do so you might want to sign up for several different times. We want our members to help at the raffle as it is important to be part of this big affair. Refreshment Center Manager "Slim" will have the roster for the bar and Cortney Heck is in charge of the food area. Lots of help is needed at the raffle so take a little time and lend a hand.

Just a reminder, on Saturday around dusk, just before the fireworks we will have a ceremony where we will have the National Anthem, Taps and honor all of our fallen members we lost this past year. Nice ceremony. Try to be there.

On Thursday, 9 June starting at 9 a.m. we will put everything together, that is, the bar, food area and basket area. We could use some help, so if you are not busy come on down to the Eagles.

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(Pool Tournament, Cont'd from page 1, Column 2)

This tournament was a success because of the committee members who put it together and ran it. A huge thank you to



(L/R: Teddy Williams, Brian Thompson, (Jim Fust), Don Goretski and Todd Wold pictured below).

and picked them up. All time, equipment and pool play was all donated free of charge. Thanks!

After all was said and done, the Pool Tournament gave back to the Man of Honor Society a total of \$688.00. This money was generated by half of the entry fees, selling of food, raffling of a cue stick donated by Jim Light, and 2 fifty/fifty raffles ran by Brian and Seazon. I don't know what the refreshment center made but I do know Lucy ran her butt off!! Jeff Schilling had a lot of stocking to do.

See you next year!!



(Jeff Schilling, Manager of Refreshment Center)



Mark Lyon, Seazon, and Duke Spain also helped. I



(L/R: Seazon Hanson and Duke Spain)

cannot forget to thank our Man of Honor staff photographer Vickie (Vixter) Harness for the great coverage. A special thanks to Wausau Coin Machine, (Roy and Mark Fitzke) who supplied the pool tables. They brought the tables in, set them up, leveled them, and when all was over they came





Highway Cleanup

Written by John S. Fust, Chairman



It was a gloomy day on 23 April when we set out to clean up our designated section of county Highway N east of Wausau. But even with Rain in the forecast we were able to get 13 hearty volunteers to brave the weather and trudge through the depths of the once snow cover ditches to pick up somebody else's trash. With the leader of the group (Me) directing the volunteers it was the having the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra playing a toon from one of Mozart's top 10 best sellers.

In all seriousness we did have a great bunch of people come out to give us a hand to keep our area clean. It is amazing how much trash is thrown out onto our landscape in a year's time. I picked the weekend of the 23rd because that coincides with all of the Earth Day activities in the area. I will keep an eye on the area to see if we need to do it again in the fall.

Thanks to everyone.





A Final Salute

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

Man of Honor was asked and had the privilege to perform a Final Salute to our fallen brother. We all knew him as Billy "Mouse" Kucil.

I wish to thank his family for opening their property to all who came to say farewell to our lost friend, Dad, and brother to many. I also would like to thank Cortney and John Heck for setting up the Celebration of Life.

The American Legion Post 10 offered the "21" Gun Salute. Honor Guard Commander and Man of Honor member John Pellegrino and myself assisted in the flag presentation and the presentation of the Man of Honor Coin to his family.

Mouse volunteered and was involved in a lot of what the Man of Honor does, for example:
Mouse was our Refreshment Center Manager, he helped Golf Chairman Bernie Knippel for many years putting on our Man of Honor Golf Outings. Together, he and Bernie got the steaks and etc. for the meal and awards after the golf outings among a great number of activities all to enrich the goals of Man of Honor in helping the needs of our Veterans.

Of all the people that made an appearance, friends, family, and members of the Man of Honor Society shows how much he'll be missed.

Peace my Brother

A Spotlight On One Of Our Own

Written by Don Masterson

In this issue of our Man of Honor newsletter the spotlight proudly shines on Wes and Cher Latimer. Because of rank has its privilege, we will start with Wes.

Wesley Latimer was born in Oregon in 1977, and as a child his family moved to Cordova, Alaska. In 1996, Wes graduated from High School, and joined the Navy, shortly thereafter.

Wes did all of his training at Great Lakes Naval Training Center, and acquired the Navy Occupational Specialty of Shipboard Chemical, Biological, Radiological Defense, mainly working in damage control. Wes also earned the NOS Correctional Custody Specialist Ashore. During his ten plus years of service to his Country, Wes was on three different ships and spent a total of five years and five months at sea. On his third sea duty assignment, Wes was proud to call the nuclear powered Aircraft Carrier the USS Nimitz his home. He attained the rank of DCI(SW) E-6. Wes earned the following: Navy/ Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy "E" Ribbon(3), Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon(3).

Wes had worked for Merrill Iron & Steel in the Maintenance Department but presently works for Wausau Supply. He was also a Volunteer EMT for the Schofield Fire Department for five years. An old injury from the Navy, forced Wes to quit Merrill Iron & Steel, and the Fire Department, positions which he loved dearly.

Cheryl Lynn (Merce) Latimer was born in 1980 and grew up in the area graduating from DC Everest, in 1999. Cher joined the Navy in 2004. She did all of her training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center as well. Through her training she became a NOS- B200 and also worked in damage control. Cher served her Country for the next six years of which three years and eight months were sea duty. All of Cher's time at sea was also on the USS Nimitz. Guess who she was subordinate to? You are correct, E-5 Wesley Latimer. I asked Wes if it was difficult to find some alone time with fifty two hundred roommates? (full ship's company) He stated "we managed". They were married on September 11th in 2006 while still in the Navy. Wes stated that although he out ranked her, he was very seldom in charge. During her service Cher attained the rank of DC3, E-4. She was awarded a Meritorious Unit Commendation, Navy E Ribbon (2), National Defense and Good Conduct Medals, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and a Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

After separation the Latimer's moved back to the Wausau area. Cher, works for SAFER Fire District, South Area Fire & Emergency Response in Rib Mountain. They have one daughter Maddy, she will become a teenager in July. What's that old Navy, battle cry? Batten down the hatches.

The Latimer's joined the Man of Honor three years ago and have been of incredible help with several projects. From Wes spending time on the roof cleaning the eaves at the Clubhouse, to both of them spending the entire weekend work-

ing at the raffles and assisting with the Christmas parties just to name a few. The Man of Honor Society would like to take this time to say "thank you".

The two of you have served your Nation, your Ser-



vice, your Community, and our great organization. You bring great honor, and pride to yourselves, for what you have done and continue to do. The Man of Honor Society, salutes you.





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.

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Harriet Joann Iwen, 88, of



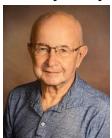
Wausau, passed away on April 3, 2022, under the care of Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice Services and the dedicated care-

givers of Primrose Retirement Community of Wausau.

Harriet was the wife of Howard Iwen a Man of Honor member.

Our deepest sympathies to the Iwen family.

Stanley J. Zyduck, 84,



Kronenwetter passed away on May 1, 2022, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Stanley was a

member of the Man of Honor.

Our prayers and thoughts are with the Zyduck family.

As You Release This Butterfly

By Jill Haley

As you release this butterfly in honor of me,

know that I'm with you and will always be.

Hold a hand, say a prayer, close your eyes and see me there. Although you may feel a bit torn apart,

please know that I'll be forever in hour heart.

Now fly away butterfly as high as you can go,

you know.

Funds Request Update

Written by Ron Jones, Funds Request Committee

The Funds Committee had requests that were paid by the Man of Honor Society for March and April 2022.

Funeral, Harriet Iwen	\$500.00
Medical	\$630.00
Rent	\$587.51
Rent	\$1,100.00
Utilities	\$1,500.00
Utilities	\$1,000.00
Total Paid this Period	\$5,317.51
Total Paid YTD 2022	\$9,636.68

Total Paid YTD 2021 \$5.660.24

Scholarship Recipients 2022

Written by Ron Jones, Scholarship Chairman

- 1. Jori Buckmaster, DC Everest, North Central Tech College - Jerry Toftum Grandfather.
- 2. Aiden O. Peterson, DC Everest, UW Stout - Fred Steinagel, Grandfather.
- 3. Madailyn Abel, DC Everest, UW Stevens Point - Glen Pupp, Grandfather.
- 4. Garrison Peak, DC Everest, UW Madison - Rodney Rothmeyer, Grandfather.
- 5. Seth Vercimak, DC Everest. I'm right there with you more than UW Stevens Point - Roger Zynda, Grandfather.
 - 6. Rozlin Guenther, Wausau West, Winona State University - Jeff Morgan, Grandfather.
 - 7. Joida Steinke, Wausau West, UW La Crosse, Gordon Steinke, Grandfather.

Never Forgotten Honor Flight, June 6, 2022

Written by Rosie Carr, PR Direc-

On June 6th of this year we will be honoring two Man of Honor members on flight #40 at CWA in Mosinee.

They are Alan Butalla, USAF, and John Schranz, USMC.

Let's "Welcome Home" these two members.

Happy **Birthday**



May

- 1 Paul Missett, USMC
- 4 Gary R. Albrecht, US Navy
- 4 Ed Fecteau, USMC
- 4 John "Buzz" Schranz, USMC
- 5 Lyle Bricko, US Army
- 5 Allan Stober, US Army
- 6 Michael Blank, US Army
- 6 Bill Buttke, USMC
- 6 Joe Hanke, USMC
- 6 Marrianne Schave, Associate
- 7 Jeremy Argiro, US Army
- 7 David Carroll, US Navy
- 7 Terry Schmidt, US Navy
- 8 Brett Dintelman, US Army
- 9 Jeffrey Dahl, USMC
- 9 Lyle R. Royce, US Army
- 9 Howard Woods, US Army
- 10 Michael E. Schmitt, US Army
- 12 Dennis E. Holzem, US Army
- 13 Jamie Brendemuehl, USMC
- 14 Ben Chrusniak, USMC
- 14 Bill Henrichs, Associate
- 15 Jose Benitez, USAF
- 15 Larry Grosinske, Army NG
- 15 Connie Masterson, Associate
- 17 Kyle Ewert, US Army
- 18 Mary Silvis, Associate
- 19 James L. Gauerke Sr., US Army
- 20 Kenneth Osborn, US Navy
- 21 Ray Mc Sherry, US Navy
- 22 Jack M. Pettit, USAF
- 22 William Spain, Associate
- 23 Janet Modrzejewski, Associate
- 23 Travis Westcott, US Navy
- 24 Lamont Bonham, USMC
- 24 Cliff Goldade, USMC
- 25 Matthew L. Blank, US Army
- 25 Charles Sanders, USMC

- 25 Peggy Wold, Associate
- 26 Greg Davis, US Navy
- 26 John E. Huber, US Army
- 27 Dennis Zahurones, Army NG
- 28 Kurt Lis, USMC
- 28 Dennis Ostrowski, Army Reserve
- 28 Wendy Schneider, Associate
- 31 Rosie Carr, Associate

June

- 1 Larry Johnson, USMC
- 2 Ken Amundsen, US Navy
- 2 Len Pijan, US Navy
- 4 Danny Grieser, USAF
- 4 Mike Reynolds, US Army
- 5 Troy Buska, US Army
- 5 Travis Floyd, US Army
- 6 Julie Myer, US Navy
- 6 Deborah Zahurones, Associate
- 7 Rosa A. Tahmassebi, US Army
- 8 Ronald K. Hintze, USAF
- 8 Kathy LaMere, US Navy
- 8 Michael Stahnke, US Army
- 9 Dave Becker, US Army
- 9 Scott Gress, USAF
- 9 Mark E. Meyer, USAF
- 9 Andrew Rothenberger, USMC
- 10 Chuang Chen, USMC
- 10 Jim Campbell, USMC
- 10 Elmer Engel, US Army
- 11 Les Norton, US Army
- 11 John Sapp, US Army
- 12 Larry Rothmeyer, US Army
- 13 Jesse J. Fink, US Army
- 14 Allan Buska, NG
- 14 Jim Neitzke, US Army
- 15 John S Fust Jr., US Army
- 15 Susan Gartmann, Associate
- 15 Allen Mathwich, Army NG
- 16 Guy Mockler, US Navy
- 16 Jerry Petrowski, Army Reserve
- 16 Edward Raasch, USAF
- 16 James W. Thompson, USAF

- 17 Julie Mahr, Army Reserve
- 18 Gerald Burnett, US Army
- 19 Orville Crochiere Jr., US Army
- 20 Richard Clendenen, Army Reserve
- 20 Marty Dettmering, US Army
- 20 Jack Norem, US Navy
- 22 Edward J. Humpal, US Army
- 25 Larry Vinson, US Navy
- 27 Christina Grubbs, Army NG
- 28 Ken Schauer, US Army
- 29 Elgart Baumann, US Army
- 29 Ron Carpenter, US Army
- 29 Dale Richmond, US Army
- 30 Larry Andreski, Associate
- 30 Ernest Clark Sr., USAF

Birthday winners who attended the meeting on March 12th received \$25.00 each. For March was Barbara Dern, Associate and April was John Domino USAF/ANG.

There were 4-50/50 ticket winners each received \$90.00. They were Paul Missett, USMC, John H. Fust US Army, Don Kozlowski USAF and Jami Brendemuehl USMC.

Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 3 new members in our society which brings it to a total of 528. Let's welcome them:

Shawn Collier, USAF Charles Garski, US Navy Eric Kedrowski, ARNG

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

Coming events:

May 14, 2022 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 1:00 p.m.

May 28, 2022 - Memorial Day Parade. Setup will be at 9:45 a.m. with a start time at 10:45 a.m. at Marathon Park.

Uniform: White shirt, white hat, black pants, and blank shoes.

If you don't have the uniform, white hats are fine. Bring your family and friends to join in the parade.

May 30, 2022 - Restlawn Cemetery Memorial Day Service. Time: 11:00 a.m. Setup time 10:30 a.m. Place: Veterans Field of Honor, on east side of Troy Street, just north of Evergreen Road (Chapel Mausoleum if it rains).

Uniform: White shirt, white hat, black pants, and black shoes.

<u>June 10-12, 2022</u> - Man of Honor Raffle behind the Eagles Club 1703 S. 3rd Avenue Wausau, WI under the big white tent.

Friday - Live music by the "Drovers" from 7 to 11 p.m.

Saturday - Live music by "Knock Point" from 6 to 11 p.m. Also the 2022 Honor Ride. Registration from 9 to 10:45 a.m. at Burks Bar 4711 Stewart Avenue Wausau, WI 54401.

Veterans Honor Ceremony followed by Fireworks at dusk with Fire in the Sky Fireworks, LLC.

Sunday - Live music by "Polish Connection" form noon to 5 p.m. Chicken Dinner \$5.00 starting at 11 a.m. till gone.

Raffle Ticket drawing at 6:00 p.m. behind the

Retirement drop off box in the "Clubhouse or in the mailbox" and "The Jim".

Eagles Club under the big white tent.

All 3 days food and beverages will be served. Friday night will be board raffles. Baskets, booze wagon/more on Saturday and Sunday.

If you would like to sign up to help at the raffle, please sign up at the May 14th meeting.

June 18, 2022 - Appreciation Day to the members for the hard work they did during the raffle starting at 11 a.m. at the Clubhouse.

July 9, 2022 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 1:00 p.m.

<u>July 23, 2022</u> - Golf Tournament at Trapp River Golf Course at 9:00 a.m. Cost: \$65.00 per player.

Deadline for payment is July 9th meeting.

Contact: Tim Schilling 715-370-1403 or Bernie Knippel at 715-803-8039.

Mailing Newsletters

Written by Bernie Knippel, Vice President

The newsletter can be read or a copy of it made from our website **manofhonor.org** In an effort to keep our mailing costs down we are requesting that if you want a copy mailed to you, you must request it in writing to Rosie Carr, our PR Director. This will go into effect for the newsletter for the May 2022 issue. We realize that some of you have done this in the past however, it is once again required. No letter, no newsletter.

ATTENTION

If you have a change of your mailing address, phone, or e-mail address, please contact Rosie Carr at ricrosiecarr@charter.net or 715-571-9620 or Gerri Knippel at any of the meetings.

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