



Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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Veterans Tribute at Bull Falls August 12, 2023

Story and Photos by Mike Heilmann



The 3rd annual Veterans Tribute Celebration was hosted by Bull Falls Brewery at their Biergarten in Wausau on August 12, 2023.

Bob Weller, Past Commander of the American Legion Post 10 welcomed the veterans, their families and friends. The MC was Dave Kallaway who introduced and recognized the 2023 honorees for their service; Bob Coleman, Bob Peterson and the family of Bill Fenhaus. All of the veterans at the event were also recognized for their service to America.



The music was provided by the Bull Falls German style brass band and DJ Jim Yunek. The American Legion Rothschild



Post 492 lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the service branch flags and melodies were presented by the Man of Honor Color Guard. The Rifle Salute with Echo Taps was performed by the Wausau Post 10 Rifle Squad and the food was prepared by Wausau Post 10. Thank you for all of the hosts: Bull Falls Brewery, American Legion Post 10 and 492, Man of Honor, Wausau Fire Department and Wausau Emergency Police.

The newsletter will be published every two months.

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Letter from the Prez

*Jeff Morgan, President
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Hello everyone,

I hate to say it, but as we all know the days are growing shorter. I can't believe our summer went by so quickly!

The news for July is the Man of Honor Golf Outing or as we fondly call the "Weekend at Bernie's Golf Outing" on July 22 at Trapp River Golf Course was a full house. James Bittner with collaborated help from Co-chair Mark Lyon will have a story and pictures from that day's outing. Jeff (Slim) Schilling and I were the smoke eaters that afternoon as we were grilling Rib Eye steaks to perfection.

Our refreshment center was in full operation as there was a lot of thirsty golfers.

Thanks to the servers. We had finger food from Whiskey River. Thanks, Peg Wold. I'm not sure who was all involved with the kitchen, but the tables were set and ready to go. After the meal and the awards were handed out, the same ladies cleaned the place up. Thank you so much for all the help.

In August we had a couple of doings that were fun. Gorski's Restaurant and Bar invited Man of Honor to be part of a 50/50 raffle on Sunday the

6th. They are well known for "Polka's on the Patio". Bev Bain said she would like to run that event for us, Man of Honor. Thank you Bev, and thanks to everybody who came there to help sell tickets. There were a great many people having fun, listening to some good Polka's, and again be part of the 50/50.

Also in August, A non-profit called "All Stars under the Stars" chose Man of Honor to be the benefactor of a fundraiser held on the 400 block downtown Wausau. After some coordination, the 23rd of August we set up three different corners on the 400 Block. We were well-seen by all. Under small pop-up canopies, we had tables and chairs, our banners, and passed out small American flags to those who donated. Ken Kohnhorst did most of the heavy lifting in order to make this event work. Thank you, Ken. Thanks to those who let us use their pop-ups.

See you at the membership meeting on 9 September. We will be accepting nominations for the office of Vice President and Treasurer.

Thank you all for what you do for the Man of Honor Society! I hope for all of us to have a long and warm fall season. Get out and make the best of what's left.

God Bless you and the United States.

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Nomination for Officer positions for January 2024 - December 2026

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

Officers positions that will expire on 31 December 2023 are Vice President, John Fust Jr., and Treasurer, Ken Kohnhorst. Nominations will be accepted for these 2 positions at the 9 September meeting.

Terms of office are 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2026. Talk it over with others and be sure that the person you nominate is willing to accept that position and devote the time required to get the job done.

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Benefit at the 400 Block August 23, 2023

Written by Ken Kohnhorst, Treasurer



We were asked by the "All Stars Under the Stars" to show our presence at the 400 block on Wednesday, August 23, 2023. The bands were the "Fabulous Hellhounds" and "Aircraft" that would be performing from 6:00-9:00 p.m. We were able to have 3 tables set up with donation boxes and we had several members and associates walking in the crowd collecting donations. The total donations collected were \$3,055.79. We cannot thank our members and associates enough for coming out that very HOT summer evening to make this event a success! Thank-you! Thank-you!



Pictures From The 400 Block



Never Forgotten Honor Flight

Written by Rosie Carr, PR Director

September 25, 2023 Mission #45 Herbert A. Haydock, will leave for Washington DC. On that flight we have one member, Robert Miller, US Army.

October 16, 2023, mission #46 HHA-USA Flight, will leave for Washington DC. On this flight we have 3 members which are Allen Maszk US Air Force, Rodney Ostrowski US Army, and Jerome Tomcek US Marines,

Let's give them a nice welcome home at the CWA. They will have a time of their life. I heard some nice things from members that went in the past.



2023 Man of Honor Golf Outing Weekend at Bernie's Memorial

Written by Jim Bittner, Golf Chairman

Hello all golfers and my great support staff. Our annual Golf Outing once again was a success and always loads of fun. From the laughter throughout the fairways and the heard roars of "Yes!" on a great putt - smiles were all around.

Trapp River Golf Course hosted our event – many years and counting! Our main man Andy Spear had everything ready for us. The course was in fabulous condition. He and his staff attended to any of our needs in a very professional manner. Many thanks!



With the weather being perfect, we started our day with the crowning of our Golf Queen, Peggy Kohnhorst! Utilizing the Cadillac of golf carts, she and her entourage of Cathie Morgan and Linda Fust ensured that everyone's thirst was quickly vanquished. Great job ladies!

When all the score cards were turned in, Mark Lyon and Larry Peterson tallied up the scores and proceeded to break down the Flights. Great job Mark and Larry!

Winners of each Flight were:

A Flight: Darrell Ekum team

B Flight: Marsha Hickman team

C Flight: Jim Fust team

D Flight: Jeff Morgan team

Hole Prize Winners:

Longest Drive, hole #5

Men: Josh Kohnhorst Women: Ashley Nalepka

Closest to Pin, hole #7

Men: Tom Beson Women: Kathy Monien

Longest Putt, hole #8

Men: Dick Stroik Women: April Hommerding

Teddy's Creation, hole #1

Jenna Hommerding

Congrats to All!!

Upon returning to the Clubhouse I found everything ready to go. Jeff Schilling had the grill and tent set up and inside my wife Mary and her staff had the sandwiches and snacks ready to go. Great sandwiches and extras Peggy Wold!

Many thanks to all the dedicated people who made this event a success: The skilled 88 golfers! Mary Bittner, Bev Bain, Peggy Wold, Rosie Carr, Lucy Cota, Jim Fust, Mark Lyon, Ken Kohnhorst, Larry Peterson, Connie Masterson, Jody Krukowski, Kelly Ekum, Laurel Chamberlain, Peggy Kohnhorst, Cathie Morgan, Linda Fust, April Hommerding, Jeff Schilling, Jeff Morgan, John Fust Jr, Charlie Sapp, John Sapp.

The generosity of so many of our local businesses and people is overwhelming. Please remember these donators as you shop, dine, drink and play in our great community. Support them as they support us!

Donators

Kwik Trip, Rib Mountain Golf Course, Crane Meadows Golf Course, Hutch's Sports Bar, Bev Bain, Tony Kopchinski, AJ Wolf - Quantum, River Valley Express, Jim's Corner Pub, Palm's Supper Club, Kelly Club Sports Bar, The Jim Bar, Pit Stop Bar & Grill, Meyer's Landing Restaurant, 2510 Restaurant, Nicolet Bank, Goal Line Golf and Hockey, Next Stop Bar, and Wausau Mine Company

Thank you to Everyone!

“Weekend at Bernie's Golf Outing”



Gorski's Sunday Polka Raffle August 6, 2023

Written by Bev Bain, Organizer



First I would like to thank Gorski's for inviting the Man of Honor for the 50/50 raffle.

Thanks to our Man of Honor helpers: April Hommerding, Al & Jeanie Maszk, Tim & Donna Gosse, Dave Schillinger, Darrell Ekum and his wife, Ken & Peggy Kohnhorst, and Jeff & Cathie Morgan. A special thank you to Darrell Ekum, our new member, was an energizer raffle ticket seller. You go Darrell!!! Thanks to Jim Neitzke for giving you the day off.

Also, April Hommerding for organizing tickets and counting funds. April helps Man of Honor events a lot. She is a very good, energetic volunteer. My hope for her is to become a Man of Honor Associate.

Thank you to Ken Kohnhorst for his donation of \$50 to add to the Man of Honor share of raffle.

Thanks to all who made this event a success. We raised \$1,016.00.



Clubhouse Parking

Written by John S. Fust, Vice President



Just a reminder that we now have 5 designated handicap parking spots at the clubhouse. These are located on the East end of the building. We also have 11 spots that are marked directly in front of the clubhouse. Please leave these spots open for our less mobile members.



As we all know our parking lot gets full during meeting days, keep that in mind when parking. Leaving large gaps, crooked parking etc. does not help the situation. The church across the street also lets up park in their lot. Also the blacktop is still fairly new so if possible please get your vehicle moving before turning the wheels to avoid tearing up the new surface.

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

Spotlight on one of our own

Written by, Don Masterson

In the August - September issue of the Man of Honor newsletter, we bring your attention to John Krukowski, Jr. John was born and raised in Wausau and graduated from Wausau East in 1989. In 1991 he joined the Wisconsin Army National Guard and was assigned to the 632nd Armor Battalion in Merrill. John did all of his military training at Fort Knox in Kentucky and was the Honor Graduate from his basic training class. After his Armor Crewman training, he returned to Merrill. In his military career, John earned the Army Service Ribbon, National Defense Ribbon, and two Army Achievement Medals.

After his East graduation, in "89" John spent the next two years at the Marathon County Extension before joining WIARNG, when his military training was complete, he went to the UW-Madison to finish his Bachelor of Science Degree in Art.

John met his lovely wife, Jody, of twenty-four years, who has been a Beautician before and throughout their marriage. They have three children, Ava, a child care teacher in Merrill, Eli, an associate at Home Depot, and Dax, a sophomore at Wausau East.

After graduation from Madison, John started Vinyl Graphics and ran the business for the next sixteen years. If you like the way our Man of Honor Van looks, than you know what pride John took in his work. Over the years John has worked closely with the Wausau Business Community and charitable institutions, supporting many, many local projects. This brings us to BRB Auto Body, where John assisted them with designing the paint job, along with the stencils that aided in the painting of our vehicle. John also spent hours and hours detailing and adding the decals that helped make our van an awesome masterpiece. Because of his reputation, his talent, his Civic work, and his attention to detail, he is now a Sales Rep for Wausau Tile and has been so for the last seven years.

John joined the Man of Honor in 2019. He has helped out in the usual places from washing dishes at the raffle, in the kitchen of the Legion, to helping with set-up, bartending, and working in the kitchen under the tent.

I know his parents, John Sr. and Gertie are proud. (John Sr. has suffered a stroke so remember to put him in your prayers). You bring great pride to yourself as demonstrated by your love of family, Country, and Community.

The Man of Honor Society salutes you and thanks you for jobs well done and also for what you continue to do.



**Happy
Birthday**



September

- 2 - Carl R Beletsky, USAF
- 2 - Guy Hartl, US Army
- 2 - Peg Kohnhorst, Associate
- 2 - Jonathan R. Phelps, US Army
- 2 - Terrance L. Schilling, US Army
- 4 - Thomas Westermeyer, Associate
- 5 - Ted Williams, US Army
- 7 - Donna Gosse, Associate
- 9 - Robert Osborn, US Navy
- 11 - Austin Heis, USMC
- 11 - Donald Oelke, Army NG
- 12 - Michael Bohnsdahl, US Navy
- 13 - Alan A. Butalla, USAF
- 13 - Russell Kelnhofer, USAF
- 13 - Mary Sapp, Associate
- 13 - Dan Toivonen, US Army
- 13 - Gerard Winchell, US Army
- 14 - Jesse Grieb, US Army
- 16 - James Lake, Army NG
- 19 - Mitch Bottomley, US Navy
- 19 - Sean Dean, US Army
- 19 - Allen Maszk, USAF
- 19 - Richard Partridge, US Navy
- 20 - Mark Arnett, US Army
- 20 - Mike Russ, USMC
- 21 - Ray Skare, US Army
- 21 - Lani Rethaber, USMC
- 21 - James Wilson, US Army
- 22 - William Cybula, US Army
- 22 - Dan Hommerding, Associate
- 23 - Russell L. Allen, US Army
- 23 - David Nowak, Army NG
- 23 - Brian A. Thompson, US Army
- 24 - Charleen Goretski, Associate
- 24 - Craig Tonkin, US Army
- 25 - Thomas Beson, USMC
- 25 - Doug Hagen, USAF
- 26 - Connie K. Allman, US Army
- 26 - Patrick A. David, US Army
- 26 - Lyle Jaegler, US Army
- 26 - Allan Woldt, US Army

- 26 - Larry White, USAF
- 27 - Gary Luebbe, USMC
- 27 - Brad Tonkin, Army NG
- 29 - Mike Heilmann, USCG
- 29 - Denis Lang, USAF
- 29 - Kyle Newton, US Army
- 29 - Robert J. Paul, US Army
- 29 - Cheryl Reynolds, US Army
- 30 - Kenneth E. Berndt, US Army/NG
- 30 - Frank Bohman, US Army
- 30 - William Opichka, US Army Airborne
- 30 - Wayne E. Vierqutz, US Army

October

- 1 - Rebeca Argiro, US Army
- 1 - James W. Cherek, US Navy
- 1 - Paul Gwidt, US Army
- 1 - Leorin Smith, US Navy
- 1 - James B. Webb, US Navy
- 2 - Lloyd Uttecht, US Army
- 3 - James Palmer, USMC
- 4 - James Bittner, Army NG
- 4 - Craig A. Hoffman, US Navy & Army NG
- 5 - Guy Guyette, US Army
- 5 - Gregory Mouzon W., US Navy
- 6 - Gary Halvensleben, USAF
- 6 - James R. Miller, Army NG
- 6 - Clifford T. Nest, US Army
- 6 - Conrad E. Schepp, USAF
- 7 - Daryl Elmer, US Army
- 9 - Andrew Aasen, US Army
- 9 - Anthony Kopchinski, US Army
- 9 - Aaron Masterson, US Army
- 10 - Ralph Mc Nutt, US Army
- 10 - Lawrence Peterson, Army NG
- 11 - Don Londerville, US Army
- 11 - Dennis Mays Jr., US Army
- 12 - Joshua LaFave, US Army
- 12 - Amy Miller, US Army
- 13 - Gary Uttech, US Army
- 14 - Dean Bertsch, US Army
- 14 - Kim Brandt, US Army/NG
- 15 - Joe Klefschmer, Army NG
- 15 - Laurin Jorstad, USAF
- 16 - Leesa Roth, USAF

- 17 - Timothy Gosse, US Army
- 17 - Laurel Schalavin, US Army
- 18 - Kenneth Kohnhorst, US Navy
- 18 - Todd Wold, Associate
- 19 - Jerry Engevik, US Army
- 19 - Jerome G. Tomcek, USMC
- 21 - Cortney Heck, Associate
- 24 - Jeremy Otto, US Army
- 25 - Randy Schulz, Army NG
- 26 - Charles Filipiak, US Army
- 26 - Tim Hickman, USMC
- 27 - Brian Housley, USAF
- 27 - Paul R. Kern, Army NG
- 27 - Rob Peck, US Army
- 27 - Theodore A. Sueck, USMC
- 28 - Floyd J. Moore, US Navy
- 28 - James M. Searles, Army NG
- 28 - Donna Seidler, Associate
- 30 - Robin Schmid, US Army

Birthday winners who attended the meeting on July 8th received \$25 each. For July was Joe Nikolai, Army NG and August was Don Kozlowski, USAF.

There were 3-50/50 ticket winners each received \$105.00. They were Laurel Schalavin US Army, Jim Fust USAF, and Mary Silvis Associate. Laurel Schalavin donated \$65 to the bar, and Jim Fust donated it back to the Man of Honor..

Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 1 new members in our society which brings it to a total of 549. Let's welcome him:

Scott Swiantek, US Army

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.

**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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Arleigh E. Utecht, 83, passed away on July 1, 2023.



Arleigh was a member of the Man of Honor.

Our prayers and thoughts go out to the Utecht family.

Sarah Morgan Guenther, 41, passed away unexpectedly in her home July 9, 2023.



Sarah was the daughter of Jeff Morgan, President of the Man of Honor.

We are deeply saddened by your loss of your daughter. Prayers and thoughts are with Jeff and Cathie.

Funds Request Update

Written by Ron Jones, Funds Committee Chairman

The Funds Committee had requests that were paid by the Man of Honor Society for July and August.

Auto Repairs	\$101.00
Food/Expenses	\$1000.00
Funeral Arleigh Utecht	\$500.00
Honor Flight Donation	\$1,360.00
Lift Chair	\$1,047.60
Lodging	101.00
Rent	\$350.00
Rent	\$648.47
Rent	\$1236.00
Rent	\$750.00
Rent	\$645.00
Rent	\$488.68
Rent	\$960.00
Repairs	\$500.00
Utilities	\$750.00
Utilities/Rent	\$1,385.65
Utilities/Repairs	\$1,956.00
PAID THIS PERIOD	\$14,243.40
TOTAL PAID 2023 LTL	\$30,881.07
TOTAL PAID 2022 LTL	\$24,654.23

Coming events:

September 9, 2023 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 1:00 p.m. Nominations for Vice President and Treasurer.

September 25, 2023 - Never Forgotten Honor Flight, Mission #45. Arrive at CWA at 9:30 p.m. Attire: White Hat and White Shirt.

October 16, 2023 - Never Forgotten Honor Flight, Mission #46. Arrive at CWA at 9:30 p.m. Attire: White Hat and White Shirt.

November 5, 2023 - Day light savings time ends. Sunday turn back 1 hour at 2:00 a.m.

November 11, 2023 - Veterans Day.

November 11, 2023 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 1:00 p.m. Election for Vice President and Treasurer.

“Attention”

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

Check in with Cathie Morgan at the front desk prior to the meeting.