

Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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Ham Giveaway on December 8, 2018

Written by Ric Carr

One of Man of Honor's big events is the Ham Giveaway. This year again it was held at the old VFW, now known as Community Connections on the Water/Community Inc.

This year Channel 7 and 9 both showed up to report the giveaway on TV.

The veterans started lining up early. We had many



Man of Honor members there to get everything ready for the giveaway. Preparing is quite a job. Thank you to everyone involved.

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Again this year Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus showed up



to greet the veterans. It's always great to see Jolly Saint Nick.

Not all veterans are able to stand in line so we have a lot of hams in the back of a pickup. A line of vehicles with handicap veterans drive through and our

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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 winter tightens it's grip on us there is one bright outlook for us, the winter solstice. As of the 21st of December the time of daylight will be getting longer.

The elections of officers happened in November. Thanks once again for your vote of confidence in your choice of officers. I would like to thank Al Morasch in his interest in running for the office of President. Also to Eddie Dehnel for his nomination of Al Morasch. That was a good thing. The officers in place are doing a fantastic job. I appreciate their every effort and I would be lost without them.

Our annual Ham Giveaway was another great success. We should try next year to get a close head count. This year the line of veterans was estimated to be close to a hundred yards long and anywhere from 3 to 5 across. Even at that, the line was gone in 9 minutes and 8 seconds. Thanks to all who came that cool, damp morning to help with making the giveaway such a success. A lot of people stepped up once again to make that happen. Thank you all for your hard work.

That same day/evening Man of Honor members came together at Mountain Edge/Quality Inn for our Christmas and Awards Banquet Par- and the gift cards in the building We had a total of 81 members and

their spouses. The meal was excellent and the band "Archives" was again fantastic. Their were 7 Excellence Awards awarded this year. Congrats to those winners. And many thanks to our host & hostess, Mike and Connie Decker at Mountain Edge. A round of applause goes to the band Archives. I can't forget Ric & Rosie Carr for putting the whole Christmas Party together and their helpers. Thank you all for making it a special evening.

One week later the 15th of December we went to King, WI to help with the laying of more than 7,200 wreaths. With the warmer weather, beautiful blue skies, no wind it was just perfect and their were lots of volunteers from every walk of life willing to get busy with the wreath laying. So again this year it went very smooth and was completed in a short time. At 11:00 a.m. the official ceremony started with the posting of Colors. Then the Ceremonial Wreath Laying which involves the Military Branches and the POW/MIA and the Gold Star Mothers. Our very own Al Morasch posted the US Army Wreath. Well done 1st Lt US Army Retired Al Morasch. The guest speakers kept their messages very short and to the point and the program wrapped up around 11:30 a.m.

We all piled back in the van and went across the street to share the goodies we brought to help make the Homeless Veterans Christmas a little in need. brighter. Being a weekend most of the veterans were out about doing their thing. We unloaded the van and put the food stuff in the kitchen ty. A very nice turnout of members. managers room for safe keeping until

Monday when everyone will receive a gift or two. In the short time we were there the lunch bell rang and the door watchman told us to go to the kitchen where we could visit with 8 or 9 veterans getting ready for lunch. Shaking hands and wishing each a Merry Christmas, we left as to not disturb their lunch. Always good chatting with them no matter how short of a visit. My thanks to those who donated to make their Christmas just a bit better. Thank you to those who made the trip to be part of WAA and Christmas for the Veterans at King.

As you read this newsletter it will be the start of a New Year 2019. I sincerely hope your Christmas was all it was supposed to be. Family, friends and of course your health. With the start of this New Year, our raffle is in the front of most members mind. After our January meeting, raffle committee will be forming and all the different teams will be set to go.

As the Man of Honor wheels continue to turn, just a few more events to start thinking about in this new year - New Member Orientation, raffle tickets may be available the first part of February, Pool Tournament in March, Never Forgotten Honor Flights in April & May, Memorial Day activities in May, and of course, Man of Honor Raffle in June. It is going to be another great year so we will be working hard for our veterans

Happy New Year

God Bless You and the United States of America

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members gave them a ham.

We start giving out the hams at 9:00 a.m. sharp and each year it seems to go faster. This year 9 minutes and 8 seconds.



I would like to thank everyone who came down to help make the Ham Giveaway a great success again this year. Thank you.

Awards & Christmas Banquet of 2018

Written by Ric Carr, Chairman

What a great Awards & Christmas Banquet again this year.

The Awards & Christmas Banquet was held on December 8, 2018 at Mountain Edge in Rib Mountain. We had a total of 81 members and their guests attend this year.



Thank you Laurel (Laurie) Schalavin and Janet (Wheezy) Modrzejewski for greeting everyone at the registration table. Great job!

The attire was dressy casual and most of the girls dressed up and they looked great. Even the guys,





wore Christmas ties, this made everyone feel good. Felt like Christmas.

Cocktails started at 4:00 p.m. with one free drink plus free soda all night.



(Elgart Baumann and Jeff Morgan)

Before dinner our chaplain, Elgart Baumann, began with a prayer. Dinner was at 5:00 p.m. and it was awesome. We had Chicken Cordon Bleu w/mashed potatoes and gravy along with Burgundy Beef Tips w/buttered egg noodles. I am sure you noticed the folded napkins on each plate that were folded like



Elf Boots. These were done by the napkin queens, Rosie Carr, Gerri Knippel, Connie Masterson, Laurie Schalavin, Sheri Schauer and Alicia Stamm. There were a few bottles of wine included. A great time they had.

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Just after dinner we were surprised with a visit from



Mr. & Mrs. Santa Clause. They handed out candy canes to everyone. Santa was Tom Rottscheit and Mrs. Clause was done by Barbara Dalsky Dern. What a great job they did.

I drew a number which was under the coffee cup saucer which determined the winner at each table.



The person with the winning number headed to the table where Mr. & Mrs. Clause showed them the gifts they could choose from. (L/R:

Kevin & Deb Zahurones, Mary & Jim Bittner)

The Awards program was at 6:00 p.m. We started with drawing three members name who won a \$50.00 cash prize each. The lucky winners were Henry Dehnel, Al Krueger, and Marshall Swanson.

It began with Bernie Knippel's monolog. It was done a little bit different this year. Again, as in the past year, everyone enjoyed it. Thanks Bernie.

Jeff Morgan and Dan Rigney, gave out the Excellence Award. The award is given to Man of Honor member or Associate member who has contributed the most to help achieve the goals of the Man of Honor Society. This year the Awards were given to the following: From L/R Jeff Schilling, Jamie



Brendemuchl, Cortney & John Heck, Don Masterson, Tom Westermeyer (was not present), and Gerard Winchell. A great job by these members.

After the Awards, the music started. Again this year



the Archives kept us entertained all evening.

Later in the evening we were joined by Ron & Bonnie Jones, Joe & Barb Buska and Tom Fust. We had pizza's at about 10:00 p.m. for everyone to enjoy.

We would also like to thank Vicki Harness for the great job she does as our photographer. Without the pictures we would not have the memories in our photo albums at the Man of Honor Clubhouse. Once again thank you very much Vicki.



(L/R: Wanda Oleson and Vicki Harness)

I would like to thank Mike & Conner Decker manag-



ers of Mountain Edge for everything they did for the Man of Honor. I would like to say that there was a lot of good comments about the Chicken Cordon Bleu. Our compliments to the chef!



My wife Rosie and I had a great time and hope to see you all again next year along with more of our members.

More pictures will be put on the bulletin board at the January 12th meeting.

Associate Membership In The Man of Honor Society

Written by Bernie Knippel, USAF Retired , E-8 First Sergeant

There continue to be questions among the troops as to exactly how one becomes an Associate Member in our Society. First of all, only 10% of the total voting membership may be Associates, and they must be nominated by a member for that position. The individual nominated should have worked with the MOH previously, like at our pool tournament, golf tournament or helped out at our raffle. The reasoning behind previous work or help is to show that the nominee is interested enough that they will continue to help our cause as they have done in the past. It also gives the MOH time to evaluate the individual. In the past we have had people who have said they would do anything for us, but once they became an associate we seldom saw them, and in the meantime we have people ready and willing to help and become a member but we are tied down with those who are filling the 10% and do nothing. We have a great associate membership in this organization and we want to make sure that it remains that way. Applications are available in the MOH office. When a member nominates someone, and a vacancy exists, the elected officers will review the nominations and if they agree that they meet the criteria their nominations will go before the

membership to be voted on at our next scheduled meeting. If a vacancy does not exist the nomination will remain on file and looked at once again prior to the next scheduled meeting. John Fust, Sgt At Arms is currently in charge of this program and any questions should be directed his way, or if I can help, please let me know.

Election Results

Written by Bernie Knippel, Secretary

We had a great turn out at the November 2018 meeting when votes were cast for the President, Secretary, and Sgt at Arms. Jeff Morgan (incumbent) defeated Al Morasch for the President position and Bernie Knippel, Secretary, and John S. Fust, Sgt at Arms, ran unopposed to remain in those positions. The new term of office will be from January 2019 until December 2020.

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 November and December 2018.

Auto Repair	\$440.87
Donation Hatley VFW	\$700.00
Funeral	\$200.00
Medical	\$500.00
Medical	\$750.00
Rent/food/clothing	\$1,000.00
Rent/food/clothing	\$1,750.00

Total Paid 2018 \$55,071.06

A big thank you to the funds request committee that was always available for decisions on all the requests paid this year.

Don Masterson Keith Cota Charlie Sapp Ric Carr Andy Schoeder

New Member Orientation

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

January 19, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. we will have an informal but very informative orientation meeting at the Clubhouse for new members and Associate members. Anyone you know who may be interested in becoming a member of the Man of Honor Society is also welcome. All Man of Honor members and spouse are welcome. Must be 21 years of age.

We will cover everything from raffle funds raising to our general everyday policies. This will give our newest members a better understanding of how the Man of Honor's "business wheels" keep turning.

We will see you on Saturday 19th of January.



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

Contact: Rosie Carr ricrosiecarr@charter.net or 715-571-9620.

Robert C. Krueger, 74, passed away unexpectedly on December 18th, 2018.

Robert was the brother of Donald Krueger, member of Man of Honor.

We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts are with you and the Krueger family.

Jane Florence Garner, 89, passed away on

December 30, 2018 at Mchesney Park, IL.

Jane was the step mother of Peggy

Wold, Associate member of the Man of Honor.

You have our sincere condolences on the loss of your step mother.

Special Thank You

Written by Gerri Knippel, Christmas Committee

A special thank you goes out to all who donated money or gift cards at the Christmas Party for the Vets at the Veterans Housing Program at King. Thanks also to Vicki Harness (Harness Investigations) and Joe and Barb Buska (Next Stop Lounge) for the extra donations which allowed us to buy 27 gift cards and a few extra goodies.

All donations are greatly appreciated and I was told that the Vets who were on hand when the items were dropped off were extremely grateful. Again thank you all for thinking of these veterans who have so little. I am sure it helped to make their Christmas a little better.

Make New Year's Goals

"Make New Year's goals. Dig within, and discover what you would like to have happen in your life this year. This helps you do your part. It is an affirmation that you're interested in fully living life in the year to come.

Goals give us direction. They put a powerful force into play on a universal, conscious, and subconscious level. Goals give our life direction.

What would you like to have happen in your life this year? What would you like to do, to accomplish? What good would you like to attract into your life? What particular areas of growth would you like to have happen to you? What blocks, or character defects, would you like to have removed?

What would you like to attain? Little things and big things? Where would you like to go? What would you like to have happen in friendship and love? What would you like to have happen in your family life?

What problems would you like to see solved? What decisions would you like to make? What would you like to happen in your career?

Write it down. Take a piece of paper, a few hours of your time, and write it all down - as an affirmation of you, your life, and your ability to choose. Then let it go.

The new year stands before us, like a chapter in a book, waiting to be written. We can help write that story by setting goals."

— Melody Beattie, The Language of Letting Go: Daily Meditations on Codependency

Happy Birthday



January

- 2 John Grant, US Army
- 3 Michael Horsman, US Army
- 3 Jason Housley, US Army
- 4 Theodore Bronson, US Army
- 6 James Gauerke Jr., US Army
- 6 Joe Don Prejean, USAF
- 10 Jim Gilge, US Army
- 11 Mark Lambert, US Navy
- 12 Casey Conner, Army NG
- 12 Nick Kuehn, US Army
- 12 Roger Priebe, US Army
- 12 Charles Schwake, US Army
- 14 Erika Koch, US Army
- 15 Wayne Krueger, USAF
- 16 Wes Hoffman, US Navy
- 16 Roger Schmidt, USMC
- 17 Lucy Cota, Associate
- 17 Don Dorgan, US Army
- 17 Rachelle Hulderman, US Army
- 17 Steve Williams, US Navy
- 19 Tim Miller, US Navy
- 20 Dale Cherney, US Army
- 20 Wane Mueller, US Army
- 23 Steven Nelson, USMC
- 24 Ryan Mathwich, Associate
- 25 Mike O'Rourke, US Army
- 26 Gary Kowalski, US Army
- 27 Donna Bonin, Associate
- 27 Ronald Rothenberger, USMC
- 27 Phil Whitman, USMC
- 27 Darvick David Xiong, US Army
- 29 Keith Strey, US Navy
- 30 Jack Edwards, USMC
- 30 Alan Krueger, US Army Airborne
- 31 Bill Wolfe, US Army

February

- 1 Archie Drake, US Army
- 1 Sheila Stafford, USAF
- 2 Carrie Stotler, US Navy
- 4 Charles Smith, US Army
- 5 Mary Mulder, Associate
- 6 Richard Stroik, Army NG
- 7 Dan Rigney, Army NG
- 8 Dennis Hardt, US Army
- 8 Bob Peterson, US Army
- 9 Benjamin Brandt, US Navy
- 12 Scott Hafner, USMC
- 12 Bob Genrich, US Navy
- 13 David Bain, US Naval Reserve
- 13 Craig Chapman, US Army
- 14 Tim Wood, USMC
- 16 Donald Gille, USMC
- 17 Lyle Beck, USAF
- 18 Richard Knoeck, USMC
- 19 Duane Gauger, US Army
- 19 Jay Petrowski, US Army
- 20 Perry LaFortune, US Army
- 20 Joey Vanouse, US Navy
- 23 John Chase, US Army
- 23 Dick Schoultz, US Army
- 23 John Sukup, US Navy
- 25 Earl Heil, USAF
- 25 Quincy Kasper, US Army
- 25 Jack Sliwicki, US Army
- 26 Eddie Dehnel, US Army
- 26 George Lemmer, US Army

The birthday winners who attended the November 10th meeting received \$25. For November was Rick Sisterman, USAF and for December was Don Masterson, US Army.

There were 2 members winning the 50/50 drawings. They were \$200 each for Tim Hickman, USMC and Rick Sisterman, USAF. The Bird Bath was won by Peter Geueke, US Navy.

Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 4 new member in our society which brings it to a total of 464. Let's welcome them:

John P. Grant, US Army Antone James King, US Army Kyle Newton, US Army Fredrick H. Steinagel, 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.

Thank You from the Man of Honor

Written by Bill Fenhaus, Treasurer

On behalf of the officers of the Man Of Honor Society, THANK YOU, for a very successful 2018.

Our hope is that "SANTA" arrived and you got everything you asked for.

As we approach 2019, and we celebrate our 15th year, since our founding in 2004, we need all members to be involved in any or all of our fund raisers.

Together we can make 2019 our best yet.

HAPPY NEW YEAR and good health to all.

Coming Events:

January 1, 2019 - Happy New Year

<u>January 12, 2019</u> - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

<u>January 19, 2019</u> - New Member Orientation at 1 p.m. at the Clubhouse. More details at the November 12th meeting.

February 14, 2019 - Valentine's Day.

March 9, 2019 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

March 16, 2019 - Man of Honor Pool Tournament at the Eagles Club 1703 South 3rd Avenue in Wausau at 12:00 noon kick off with 16 teams max. Cost \$20 each or \$40 per team. Sign up: Jim Corner Pub 1244 S. 9th Avenue Wausau, WI 54401. Any updates will be posted on the website manofhonor.org

Chairman: Jim Fust 715-212-3743.

March 17, 2019 - St Patrick's Day

April 21, 2019 - Easter Sunday.

May 11, 2019 - Meeting at the

Flag Retirement drop off box at the "Clubhouse" and "The Jim".

Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

MOH Item's For Sale

Anyone interested in purchasing one or more of the following items, they are now available at the Clubhouse. You already have the MOH white hats so if you would like to purchase the uniform which consists of the MOH white shirts, and fleece jackets they are available. To purchase see one of the Officers or Larry Andreski at 715-574-9357 or Gerri Knippel at 715-359-6178 or Donna Gosse at 715-297-0510

Fleece Jackets	\$25.00
White Shirts	\$15.00
White Replacement Hats	\$10.00
T-Shirts	\$10.00
Sweatshirts	\$20.00
Wool "Beanie" Caps	\$5.00
Car Flags	\$10.00
Garden Flags	\$20.00
Hitch Covers	\$10.00
Koozie Cups	\$1.00

AARP Foundation 2019 Income Tax Preparation

Free!!!! Low-to-moderate income taxpayers, emphasis on age 60 +.

Appointments Required

Call 715-298-5734 from January 17th to April 5th, 2019 on weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to schedule.

<u>UW Extension</u> 212 River Drive Wausau on Tuesday & Wednesday Mornings (7:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.) on February 5th thru April 11th.

Merrill Enrichment Center 303 N. Sales Street Merrill on Thursday, February 14th and Thursday, March 14th at 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Mosinee Methodist Church Community Room 607 13th Street Mosinee on Thursday, March 21 from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Kannenberg Plaza and Riverview Towers Accept Walk-Ins.

Other locations require appointments. Some additional appointments times may be available at the UW Extension site. Call the above number for times.

Kannenberg Plaza 1240 Merrill Avenue Wausau, WI on Thursday, February 21st from 8 a.m. to noon.

Riverview Towers 500 Grand Avenue Wausau, WI on Thursday, February 28th from 12:00 noon - 3 p.m.

***NOTE: If the Wausau School District is closed because of inclement weather, AARP Tax-Aide will also be closed for the day. Appointments need to be rescheduled. ***



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