



# Newsletter

## Man-of-Honor Society

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### **Man Of Honor Celebrates 15 Years Of Dedication to Local Vets 7, 8, 9 June 2019 at the Eagles Club \* A Record Breaking Year \***

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

2500 tickets sold and what great weather we had for the entire raffle. We could not have asked for more. The exact figures were not available, but with what we had we know that this was the best year we have ever had for fund raising. A HUGE HUG FOR ALL THOSE WHO WORKED AND MADE THIS HAPPEN.



(Tom Fust, Raffle Chairman)

Tom Fust once again was our Chairman with Lt Dan Rigney at his side as co-chair. The entire raffle was a tremendous success, thanks to all the volunteers who were priceless.



(“Mouse” Bill Kucil)

The “Mouse” and I arrived early, along with a few volunteers (Including Scott Knippel who flies in each year from Missouri to help with the raffle) and got things set up, everything cold and ready to go. All the people scheduled to work were on time and ready to give it their best.

Lynda Fust and Cortney Heck were ready for the



kids. They really had a nice set up and no doubt the kids did enjoy everything. Very nice work.

Took a walk over to the food area. Connie Master-son (along with her 2 side kicks Laurel Schalavin and Steve Pavlow) had everything ready down to the last French Fry.



The food area would be busy from the time they opened until they closed. Lots of great people helping out there and I tip my hat to Connie and crew. Nicely done.

**(See “Raffle” Page 3, Col 1)**

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## Letter from the Prez . . . .

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



Hello everyone.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, May promises to be a very busy month is certainly holding true.

The same weekend as your membership meeting, #36 Never Forgotten Honor Flight flew to DC with 6 Man of Honor members on board. What a large turnout of Man of Honor members to welcome home our hero's. Had to be close to 30 members. Thanks to all of you who came to CWA.

Other on goings in May was, of course, the Memorial Day Parade. What a beautiful day it was. Bright sunshine, not too hot and a nice breeze. We had many Man of Honor members and family members along with friends and kids of all ages who ran along the parade route passing out flags. Thanks to the Banner and the Branch Service Flag people that made up the front line of our part in the parade. Thanks also to the vehicle drivers pulling trailers and to the folks in the Man of Honor van which pulled a trailer and carried our parade supplies. That was a good parade. See pictures elsewhere in the newsletter.

The Memorial Day Service at Restlawn Cemetery was another story. It rained most of the morning, plus it was cold. Even at that, we had 3 ranks of Man of Honor members. Once again we were asked to do the 13 folds of the Flag. All in all, everything went off without a hitch. Thank you for braving the weather that morning.

That brings us to June. We could not have asked for a better 3 days for the raffle. The flow of people was constant all weekend. Absolutely everything worked out as planned which included the bands, ceremony and fireworks. I think I might have seen \$Bill smile. Thanks everyone for your hard work. As of my writing this article, I can't offer any firm \$\$ amounts. I'm confident that dollars will be discussed at this next meeting.

See you on the 13th of July, 1400 hours. Don't be late, lots to talk about.

Get out and enjoy this summer, it's going fast.

God Bless You and the United States

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## Success Congratulations Well Done

*Written by Jeff Morgan, President*

YOU, ONCE AGAIN, made this raffle a complete success.

A VERY, VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to all committee heads. All who gathered or made raffle/prize items and all who put many miles on their cars/trucks, and running after this and that. All who worked shifts in the kitchen, the bar, raffle areas, and behind the scenes taking care of loose ends. From the start of the planning, to set up and tear down, getting it all back to the clubhouse and properly inventoried and put away.

On behalf of the Man of Honor Officers, the committee leaders, thank you for supporting the Man of Honor Society.

A fantastic job done by all.

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**(Raffle from Page 1 Col. 2)**



Onward to the “Money Man”, \$Bill. He had a great set up in our trailer where all of the cash was taken care of. Everything was all in order as it always is with \$Bill. Great job.



Off we go to check in with Bev Bain and her able bodied assistant Char Goretski. Bev had board raffles all set to go and go they did. Every one of the items were gone quickly. Tons of work went on here and they did a fantastic job.



*(L to R. Peggy Wold and Vicki Harness)*

On the road again and see Vicki (Vixter) Harness. What a job this lady does. Not only is she the unit photographer, she also handles the 50/50 raffle and the Lottery Tree. Very nice.



Time for another great band, The Whitehouse Players. They always bring a great crowd with them, and to-

night was no exception. Shelby Cheyka is the lead singer and what performance she puts on. She gives all she has each and every night and of course she did exactly that tonight. The Whitehouse Players are a fantastic band and we thank them again for a performance above and beyond.



Saturday morning came with the sun shining brightly. At noon the troops lined up and this pretty young lady,



Lily Passineau, sang the National Anthem while we raised the flag. She did a wonderful job on the song and for that we are grateful.



John “The Barker” Fust and his partner “Chewy” Mathwich had everything set for the raffle to begin. There was no doubt that the items they had to sell would be gone in a short period of time. There wasn’t a moment of silence the entire day while the two of them sold their wares. Well done Bull Falls.

The Kids Games went on thru the afternoon. The kids all won prizes and had a fun time. The Basket, Board and Side Raffles went on both Saturday and Sunday with John Fust and Peggy Wold at the helm. The place was always crowded and everything went very well. Nice job to the folks working there.





Mary “Mary” Mulder was in charge of the Honor Ride and another “Sold Out” picture perfect ride it turned out to be. Approximately 175 bikes were involved setting a new record for Mary and the Man of Honor. Our thanks to all the bikers for a great day.



It started to get dark so it was time for the Annual Ceremony and fireworks display. President Morgan said a few words to the crowd that had gathered and handed me the mike. I introduced the officers to all the people in attendance. I also intro-



duced Jim Fust, Co-Founder of the MOH Society, and it was with great pleasure to introduce Tom Knetter as the other half of the Co-Founders of the MOH Society. Tom has never been available to be introduced so it was nice to have them both together at this record setting raffle.

Once again we were fortunate enough to have Kaylee, the lead singer from HYDE do the National Anthem. She did a super job and we thank her very much.



Jonathon Landin once again did TAPS for us. He was high up in the bleachers and I am sure you could hear it for miles. Thank you Jon for another perfect performance (Man-that man can sure play).

Scott Zoromski lit the fireworks off and the show he put on could not have been better. The crowd was very pleased.

Back to HYDE for the rest of the evening. Bradley



has to be the best guitar player around, in my opinion. That brother can play.



Myself and Lt Dan won the wheelchair contest on the dance floor. We were smooth and glided across the dance floor.



Sunday came early for the bartenders and for Connie Masterson and her food-service people.



The Polish Connection was once again the Sunday Band and who could ask for more. The Polkas and Waltzes are great to listen to and of course having the best Polka Band in the state with us doesn't hurt a thing.

The \$5.00 chicken dinner was on and the place was packed. The entire tent area was full. I would like to add here that our own, Peggy Wold, prepares the chicken and this year did over 1000 pieces. Hats off to Peggy for a super job.



Time to draw the winning tickets.



Dave Kallaway, a local D.J. from State Wisconsin 95.5 was our guest of honor. A true gentleman and a real pleasure to have him with us.



Before the ticket drawing begins I always take

great pleasure introducing Archie Drake to the audience. Archie, a personal friend and a military brother, who unfortunately is now handicapped makes it a point to be at the drawing each year. Archie, the MOH salutes you.

All the tickets are drawn. Some people smiled and some people had a frown on their face. Maybe next year.



Time for taps.



Two members of the Polish Connection, Ron and Wally Raczkowski, played echo taps for the formation. They did a brilliant job and as good as I have heard to date. The 2019 MOH Raffle is now history.

FROM TOM FUST, CHAIRMAN AND ALL THE MOH OFFICERS

A special thank-you to Merle Kelch from the Eagles Club who donated to the Man of Honor \$1,000.00. It once again takes all of us to make something like this happen and WE DID IT. Thanks to all who worked so hard. Breaking the old record of money raised is very special. We should all be very proud.

Great job to all.

## **Congratulations to the Winners! Man of Honor 15th Year Raffle 2019**

*Written by Rosie Carr, PR Director*



1st: Jeep - Willy Cleveland



2nd: Harley - Bryan Thacker

3rd: 4-Wheeler - Mike Hilber



4th: John Deere Lawn Mower  
Charlie Baumann

5th: \$500 - Cheryl Falkowski

6th: \$500 - Eddie Dehnel

7th: \$300 - John Wanta

8th: \$300 - Jay Nowak

9th: \$300 - Nick Fichen

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



10th: \$300 - Lucy Cota

11th: \$200 - Gene Bluhm

12th: \$200 - Scott Waldhart

13th: \$200 - Ted Hillbrender

14th: \$200 - Brian Eggerbrecht

15th: \$200 - Dan Weilen

16th: \$100 - Dave Uekert

17th: \$100 - Kelly Putman

18th: \$100 - Jeremy Raasch

19th: \$100 - Linda Pieper

20th: \$100 - Ken Nelson

21st: \$100 - Sue Hilgemann

22nd: \$100 - Mike Oliva

23rd: \$100 - Ashley Szews

24th: \$100 - Ron Hoeft

25th: \$100 - Janet Modrzejewski

We would like to thank the businesses and or people who sponsored/donated to our raffle.

We would also like to thank the MC's, bartenders, food servers, cooks, advertisers, basket sellers, Honor Ride organizer, ticket seller's and buyers, those who organized the event, etc. and most important part of all is the people who supported us by attending.

Also, I would like to thank the Eagles Club for the generous use of there property. Thanks again.

Thank you for another successful year!



## More pictures of the MOH Raffle!



## **FREE Brewers Tickets Sunday's All Season Long**

For each Sunday home game in 2019 (see below), the Brewers offer two FREE Terrace Level tickets to active, retired military personnel and veterans or 50% of 4 tickets elsewhere in the park. Active and retired military personnel must present valid military identification, veterans must present a DD-214 at any window at Miller Park on the day of game only. Box office opens at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays.

2019 Schedule: [Milwaukee.brewers.mlb.com/schedule](http://Milwaukee.brewers.mlb.com/schedule)

Sunday, March 31, 2019	St. Louis Cardinals	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, April 7, 2019	Chicago Cubs	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, April 21, 2019	Los Angeles Dodgers	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, May 5, 2019	New York Mets	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, May 26, 2019	Philadelphia Phillies	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, June 9, 2019	Pittsburgh Pirates	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, June 23, 2019	Cincinnati Reds	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, June 30, 2019	Pittsburgh Pirates	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, July 14, 2019	San Francisco Giants	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, July 28, 2019	Chicago Cubs	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 11, 2019	Texas Rangers	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019	Arizona Diamondbacks	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 8, 2019	Chicago Cubs	1:10 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019	Pittsburgh Pirates	1:10 p.m.

Half price tickets (8 ticket limit) for select games (see below) can only be purchased online at: <https://www.mlb.com/brewers/tickets/specials/military>

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Monday, Sept. 2, 2019	Houston Astros	3:10 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019	Pittsburgh Pirates	1:10 p.m.

**Game times are subject to change. Please contact Milwaukee Brewers Box Office at 414-902-4000 if you have questions.**



## Pictures from Memorial Day Parade on May 25, 2019



## Pictures from Restlawn Cemetery Memorial Day Service on May 27, 2019





## Flag Retirement June 29th at the Clubhouse

*Written by Ric Carr, Chairman*

The Flag Retirement Ceremony was held outdoors this year on June 29th. Thanks to the hot, dry weather.



To help with the Ceremony we had one Boy Scout and two Club Scouts along with the leader Tim Wooldridge. Because of the great weather many of the scouts were unable to attend, but we did have some members of the Man of Honor to help out. The readings



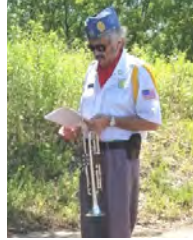
were done by Jeff Morgan and Paul Missett. Great job by everyone.

At this time Barb Oelke lead us in singing "America the Beautiful", followed by the history of the American Flag read by Tim Wooldridge, Scout leader.



Tim Wooldridge, Scouts leader, read the "History of the American Flag". Tim did a great job.

Jeff did the reading of "I am Old Glory" followed by everyone saying the "Pledge of Allegiance".



Taps were then played by Dale Osterbrink.

The Scouts then brought an old Flag for retirement to Jeff Morgan. However, no part of the Flag can touch the ground. The Flag was opened and held tight by the



Scouts and some members of the Man of Honor. The blue background with stars was cut off first, folded and handed to Jeff Morgan by the Scouts. Now they started to cut off the stripes one at a time. When the stripes are removed it is rolled up and placed on the fire. Each of the three Scouts took



turns cutting and rolling the stripes.



When all the stripes have been put on the fire, Jeff, Scouts, and Scout Leader kissed the blue field of stars to show respect and then it is placed on the fire. Everyone is silent until the last speck of blue has turned to ash.

The National Anthem was sung by Barb Oelke, members of the Man of Honor and Scouts joined in.

Paul Missett read the benediction. This completed the U.S. Flag Retirement Ceremony. The burning of the retired flag continued.



The next day, after the ashes have cooled, they were picked up by Jeff Morgan and taken for burial followed with the "Pledge of Allegiance". The burial place is then considered sacred grounds.

We plan on having another Flag Retirement Ceremony some time in October.





**Happy  
Birthday  
July**



- 3 - Seazon Hanson, Associate
- 3 - Larry Seidl, US Navy
- 5 - Joe Hoppa, USAF
- 6 - Scott Pavlow, USAF
- 9 - Kurt Gray, USMC
- 12 - Catherine Sowinski, US Navy
- 12 - Scott Wanta, Associate
- 13 - Charles Shipway, USAF
- 15 - Cindy Hendrichs, Associate
- 16 - Randy S. Hoppe, US Army
- 16 - Michael Lazaroff, USMC
- 16 - James Mc Fann, US Army
- 16 - Joel Szablewski, US Army
- 17 - Richard Kloppenburg,  
US Navy
- 17 - Charles Perez, US Army
- 17 - Nathaniel Stepp, US Navy
- 18 - Austin Harris, Army NG
- 18 - Howard Iwen, US Army
- 18 - Butch Russ, USMC
- 21 - Richard Hubert, USAF
- 21 - Michael Neidigh, US Navy
- 21 - Bryan Thacker, USMC
- 24 - Sue Fenhaus, Associate
- 24 - Allen Hotchkiss, US Army
- 25 - Anastasia Sebourn, Army NG
- 25 - Jason Yonker, US Army
- 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 - Vernon Hohn, USAF
- 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, Army 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
- 18 - Clarence Gursalski, USAF
- 18 - Felix Lucero, US Coast Guard
- 19 - Lloyd Borgh, US Army
- 19 - Jim Whitehead, 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 - Gregory Falkowski, USAF
- 27 - Vicki Harness, Associate
- 27 - Kraut Kersemeier, USAF
- 29 - Robert Hood, USMC
- 31 - Brian Heier, US Navy

The birthday winners who attended

the May 11th meeting received \$25 each. For May was Julie Meyer, US Navy and for June was Jose Benitez, USAF.

There were 3 members who won \$200.00 each for the 50/50 drawings. They were Fred Steinagel, US Army, Larry Rothmeyer, US Army, and Mark Meyer, USAF.

Thanks for attending.

**New Members**

We have 4 new member in our society which brings it to a total of 482. Let's welcome them:

Henry Blarek Jr., US Army  
Conrad E. Schepp, USAF  
Donna Vetterkind, Associate  
Cecil Wold, US Navy

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 2019.

Deck/Ramp	\$1,500
Funeral (Linden)	\$ 500
Medical	\$ 465
Rent	\$1,050
Rent	\$ 550
Rent	\$ 255

Total request paid this period  
\$4,320

Year to date 2019 \$16,547.68  
Year to date 2018 \$31,536.70

## 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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715-571-9620.

**James Linden**, 69, Schofield, died Friday, June 7, 2019, at Tomahawk Health Services.



Jim was a member of the Man of Honor Society. He will be truly missed.

Our hearts go out to his wife, Linda, and family in their time of sorrow.

**Donna Mae Krieg**, 78, of Wausau, passed away on May 9, 2019.



Donna was the wife of Andrew Krieg, a member of the Man of Honor Society.

We are sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

## Coming Events:

**July 13, 2019** - Meeting at the

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

**July 27, 2019** - Golf Tournament will be held at Trapp River Golf Course. Showtime 0830, tee time at 0915. Cost will be \$60 per person or \$240 per team. When paying, pay for entire team. No checks please. Please include each persons name when paying for your team. Deadline is 13 July 2019.

Steaks will go on around 2 p.m. If weather cancels the tournament, the meal will still go on and some of the money, of course, will be returned to each individual. (Better not even try to cancel it!!!)

Any questions contact Mouse (Billy Kucil) at 715-574-1337 or myself, Bernie Knippel, Golf Honcho at 715-803-8039.

**August 2, 2019** - Friday Night Wisconsin Valley Fair to present our Nations colors. Entertainer this year is Andy Grammer.

**August 17, 2019** - United Way Fill a Backpack Fill A Need at the Wausau Center Mall (former J. C. Penney space) for the Wausau School District from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**September 2, 2019** - Never Forgotten Honor Flight, Mission 37, at CWA. Meet at the airport between 9:00 and 9:15 p.m. in uniform White Hat, White Shirt. If you only have the White Caps, come anyway.

Let's honor the hero's then they come home!

**September 14, 2019** - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m. Nomination for Vice President and Treasurer.

**October 21, 2019** - Never Forgotten Honor Flight, Mission 38, at CWA. Meet at the airport between 9:00 and 9:15 p.m. in uniform White Hat and White Shirt. If you only have the White Hat, come anyway.

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## 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
Hooded Sweatshirt	\$30.00
Stocking Caps	\$10.00
Wool "Beanie" Caps	\$ 5.00
Car Flags	\$10.00
Garden Flags	\$20.00
Hitch Covers	\$10.00
Koozie Cups	\$1.00

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