

Newsletter Man-of-Honor Society

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VETERANS DAY 2017

Written by Bernie Knippel, Secretary

For all the members of the Man of Honor Society.

When the MOH was formed in 2004, the idea was to help other Veterans in need. The raffles and fund raisers began and in only a short period of time local veterans were being helped. We have come a long way since the beginning. Thru the leadership and guidance of our elected officers and with all the hard work and devotion to our cause by all of our members there is no doubt that we have surpassed any dreams we may of had in the beginning and the Man of Honor Society can stand tall for all of their great accomplishments. We have not only assisted needy veterans with hundreds of thousands of dollars in donations but we have touched the hearts of many by showing how much we care. Classic examples are when we go to a home or to a nursing home to make some veterans a Man of Honor. A very heart warming experience for all involved. On the day of our next meeting, 11 November 2017, we will celebrate Veterans Day. To all the MOH members, an organization that has grown to become the finest veterans organization in the state of Wisconsin, we salute each of our members and a very special thank you for your service to our great country.

Integrity, Honor and Concern

The Officers of the Man of Honor Society On Veterans Day 2017

The newsletter will be published every two months.

Submit any articles in writing to: ricrosiecarr@charter.net or Rosie Carr 715-571-9620

Flag Burning Ceremony - October 7, 2017

Written by Ric Carr, Chairman

The Flag Burning Ceremony was held indoors at the Man of Honor Clubhouse this year. The weather was cold and rainy at best. Just before the ceremony



many members/and families which included the Girl Scouts and their leader went outside, no rain, to raise our flag.



To start I introduced Amy Strehlow and Troop 2229,

(See Flag Retirement, Cont'd on page 3)

Letter from the Prez....

Jeff Morgan
SFC E7, ARNG, Retired

Hello everyone!

Welcome to Fall! Sunsets are getting earlier and sunrises getting later. I certainly don't care for what's coming next. We have a few members who are snow-birds. Some leave before this meeting, others tuff-it-out a bit longer. Either way we wish you safe travels and good health. See you in the spring.

As always, this Fall marks the last two Never Forgotten Honor Flights of 2017. For the September Flight, it was nice to see the Man of Honor represented in such good fashion. Thank You. October's flight was again well represented with MOH members, as there were several MOH members on that flight of a life time. Thank You again for coming to CWA and welcoming home our areas veteran's! Your presence at the airport means everything to these men and women and their families! In this Newsletter, for the first time, we'll have the entire years Honor Flight Honor Roll!! I think it's great. We are all proud member of this great outfit. It takes all of us to achieve our goals, and this is just another way we respect each other, and that has allowed us to become who we are today!

November 11th is Veterans Day!! This year, the Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at Bunkers - Tribute Golf Course, formally the American Legion on North 6th Street. All will meet at 10:00 am. The program lasts about 1 hour. Afterwards, a luncheon is served. Full uniform if you can. If all you have is your White Cap...please join us. It sure would be nice to see a very large turn-out at Tribute. November 11th is also the day of your membership meeting. Its also Election Day for the Offices of Vice President, and Treasurer. Secretary Bernie will have the clubhouse open at 12:00. If you can't make the meeting, stop after work, or before work and cast your ballot.

I strongly urge you to make this meeting, not only because it's an election, there are many upcoming events to be discussed. Ham Give-A-Way, Christmas Party, Wreath laying at King, Gifts to the Homeless at King, New Member Orientation and I am sure many more issues may come up before this goes to print. This being the last Newsletter and the last membership meeting of this year, I hope to see you all at your meeting. Again if you can't make it.... THANK YOU ALL for what you do!!! See you at the meeting or see you next year. It's sure to be a another busy one! One last thing. A few of our friends are dealing

with some health issues. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

God bless you and the United States.

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Ham Give Away

Jeff Morgan, President

Man of Honor members can receive a ham, which includes associate members. However, because of the rumbling and grumbling because a veteran who stood in line didn't "get" a ham, it has been decided the Friday before the Ham Give Away, Man of Honor members can pick up their ham from 4-6 p.m. at the clubhouse only. There will be no members receiving hams on Saturday morning unless you stand in line like all other Veterans.

Time Change!

Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour November 4, 2017.

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Sergeant-at-Arms:

John Fust Jr. Cell: 715-581-6574

(Flag Retirement - Cont'd from page 1, column 2) cutting of the Flag. First they cut the Blue Field of



Barb Oelke lead us in singing "America the Beautiful". Followed was the history of the American



Flag was given by Amy Strelow, Girl Scout Leader.



Next I, Ric Carr, read the reading of "I Am Old Glory" followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Then the Girl Scouts brought the old flag for retirement.



At this time taps was played by Dale Osterbrink. After taps the flag is cut apart. Two pair of sharp scissors were given to the Girl Scouts to begin the



Stars from the flag, folded it and gave it to Ric Carr. The girls then cut the stripes apart and carefully rolled them and placed them in a box, since there was no fire because of the rain. At no time should any part of the flag touch the ground. After all the strips were cut and rolled the Girl Scouts all kissed the Field of Blue to show respect and gave it to Ric Carr who placed it with all of the strips. All is quiet until the last speck of blue has turned to ash.

The National Anthem was sung by Barb Oelke. President Jeff Morgan led us in the benediction and that concluded the Flag Retirement Ceremony.

When the ashes are cooled down, approximately the next day, the ashes should be buried followed with the "Pledge of Allegiance". Now the Flag Ceremony is complete. The Flags were taken to a local Funeral Home to be put through their Crematory. The Flag ashes will then accompany the next Veteran for burial.



I would like to thank Amy Strehlow, Scout leader, and Girl Scout Troop 2229, Eliana Michaelis, Ashley Awe, Jayda Moenke (Granddaughter of Dave Nowak and Mary Mulder), RaeAnn Strehlow, Edythe Swanke and Stacy Laatsch. Job well done!

(See Flag Retirement, Cont'd on page 4, column 1)

Also, I would like to thank Barb Oelke, singer, and Dale Osterbrink, taps. They did an awesome job!



Thank you to all the members and their families that supported our Flag Retirement Ceremony.

Elections in November

Written by Bernie Knippel

MOH Meeting on 11 Nov 17 at 1400 hours at the clubhouse. Members will vote for the Vice President and Treasurer position which will start in January 2018. Those running for VP are:



Lt Dan Rigney



Ric Carr



Bill Fenhaus is running unopposed for the treasurer position. You may vote anytime between 1200 and 1400. Billy Kucil and Don Masterson have been chosen to be the 2017 Voting Monitor Executives. (They required a title). The results of the election will be announced during the meeting. As always, there is much to cover such as the Christmas Party, Ham giveaway and a possible trip to King to make Christmas a little better for the homeless who are currently living there. We strongly encourage new ideas, suggestions or any complaints that you may have. Step-up and lets talk about these things. Hope to see a great turnout on this Veterans Day and we will see you there.

Save Room

As meals go, Thanksgiving dinner Is always a feast--a five star winner. Here comes the salad, dressed just right, The golden brown turkey--a savory delight;

The stuffing now, and then the gravy,
The jello mold, all wiggly and wavy.
Take some cranberry sauce and candied yams;
Is there room for fresh made rolls and jams?

More dishes tempt me; ah, but I Must save some room for pumpkin pie!

By Joanna Fuchs

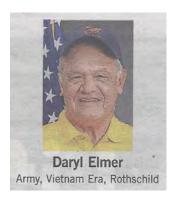
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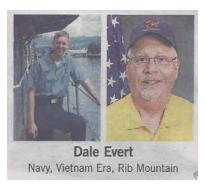
Written by Jeff Morgan, President and Rosie Carr, PR Director

The following Man of Honor Members have gone on the Never Forgotten Honor Flight!

As they "Pass in Review ", this is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow members. Break the ice, ask about their trip! A Special thanks to Rosie Carr, P.R. Director, for her hard work in putting this together.

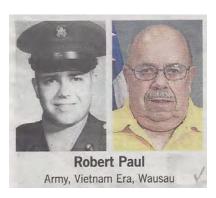
Flight #30 October 9, 2017







James Palmer
Marines, Vietnam Era, Wausau





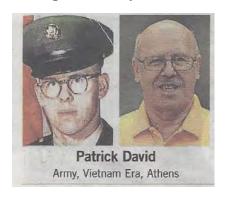


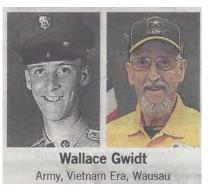
Flight #29 September 11, 2017

Gary Berzill - US Army

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Flight #28 May 22, 2017









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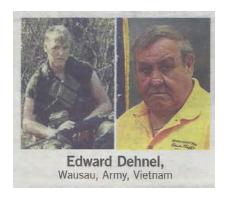
Flight #27 April 24, 2017



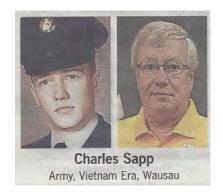
John Deppe Sr.,
Army, Vietnam

Flight #24 May 16, 2016











Dennis Holzem,
Army, Vietnam

Flight #23 April 18, 2016





Army, Vietnam Era, Rib Mountain



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Flight #22 October 12, 2015











Flight #2 October 4, 2010



Joe McGrath, USAF

If anyone was omitted, you were not forgotten, the names and pictures were not recorded at that time.

Thanks to the following members, Ed Dehnel, John Deppe, Bernie Knippel, and Charlie Sapp, who helped me, get some of the pictures of the members that went on the Never Forgotten Honor Flight.

We will continue this after each Never Forgotten Honor Flight in the future.

Special Salute From The President and MOH Officers

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



The Special Salute is very proud to recognize our own Cortney Drake Heck. Cortney is the very proud daughter of MOH Member Archie Drake (very special as well to the author of this salute) and equally proud wife of MOH Member John Heck (who is our current SPOTLIGHT). Although Cortney has been an Associate for just under one year, her involvement in the Society goes way back. Before, during and after our annual raffles you will always see this hard working

lady giving all her efforts to be sure all is right. She, along with Lynda Fust, did a superb job with the children's events at our 2017 Annual Raffle. Any function the MOH is involved in you will always see Cortney there and willing to lend a hand. She is another "Get Er Done" individual and no job is too small for this fine lady. I have worked with her many times in the MOH Society and you could not ask for anyone better. She is charming, she smiles and above all, is always a lady. To find a more loyal member would be a difficult task. Cortney Drake Heck it is indeed a pleasure to have you in this great Veterans Organization and we are all extremely proud to call you a 'TRUE MAN OF HONOR'.

Spotlight On One Of Our Own!

Written by James Bittner, SFC Army National Guard

The Man of Honor Society recognizes John William Heck Jr as our Spotlight recipient for October - November 2017.

John was born on November 10, 1983 (Happy Birthday!) in Marshfield, Wisconsin. He was raised in the Town of Easton, Wisconsin along with his step-brothers, Nick and Kris Laffin.

John graduated from D.C. Everest High School in June 2002. The strong desire to serve his country in the military was with him early on. While a Junior in High School, he enlisted in the Army Reserve on 19 March 2001 and reported to Fort Sill, Oklahoma for Split Option Training. After High School graduation, he returned to Fort Sill for Advanced Individual Training as a Heavy Equipment Operator. Upon completion, he was assigned to his duty station with the 397th Engineer Battalion in Wausau, WI. The scheduled weekend drills continued his Equipment Operator skills.

On 14 February 2003, John's unit was activated for Overseas Deployment. Basic Soldier Skills Training was put into action in Wausau. In March 2003, he was transferred to the 389th Combat Heavy Engineer Battalion in Middletown, Iowa. In processing and Deployment Training continued. Two weeks later, he was transferred to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri to rail-head Equipment bound for Kuwait. Once in country, John's unit convoyed to the Bagdad International Airport. He was involved in the Heavy Equipment Operation of clearing a battalion sized trailer park! The main mission in preparation for the construction of Tent City. John and his unit returned to the United States 11 months later in May 2004, first to Fort Leonard Wood, MO, and then released to Wausau WI Army Reserve Center. John continued his training and service achieving the rank of E4 and separated from the Army Reserve on 18 March 2009.

John's military awards include the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M Device and Army Service Ribbon.

John married to his lovely wife, Cortney on August 31, 2011. They have four boys – James, Taylor, Micah and Noah. John has worked the last 13 years at Midland Paper, Wausau Industrial Park, Wausau, WI. John

enjoys working his 3-acre small farm. He tends to 8 beef cattle, chickens for eggs and the brave herd protector, "Lil Ass", the Yukon Jack Mini Donkey. Any spare time is spent 4-Wheelin'!

John joined the Man of Honor in February 2010. He has shown his dedication and support to our Society. He has a willingness to help when and where needed. At our June Raffles, you can find John

lending a hand at any time. John represents the Man of Honor at parades, and this past Memorial Day 2017, John proudly drove a hearse in the parade.

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John is an obvious asset to the Man of Honor. We look forward to his continued dedication and involvement in our Society. He has brought great honor to the US Army Reserve, his family and the United States of America. John Heck, we salute 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 stepchildren) and siblings. Contact: Rosie Carr ricrosiecarr@charter.net or 715-571-9620.

Harriette E. Hood, 86, passed away on Thursday, September 7, 2017.

Harriette was the mother of Robert Hood a member of the Man of Honor Society.

Please accept our heartfelt sympathy on the passing of your mother.

Danny Kasten, 67, passed



away on Friday, September 22, 2017 at his home.

Danny was a Associate Member of the Man of Honor Society.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kasten family.

Happy

Birthday



November

- 1 Joshua Withers, USMC
- 3 Michael Skains, USMC/ USCG
- 4 David Barttelt, US Navy
- 6 DK Sampey, US Army
- 7 Les Huebner, Army NG
- 7 Patrick Krafty, USMC
- 8 Marcia Hoard, Associate
- 9 Douglass Myer, US Navy
- 10 John Heck Jr., Army Reserve
- 10 Scott Kreager, US Army
- 10 Al Morasch, US Army
- 11 Rick Sisterman, USAF
- 12 Andy Schoeder, US Navy
- 13 Kenneth Henkelman, USMC
- 13 Eugene Klinger, US Navy
- 13 Jim Linden, US Navy
- 17 Lincoln Mitchell Jr., US Army
- 20 Mike Thompson, Air NG
- 21 Brent Leach, Army NG
- 23 Audrey Narlock-Thayer, US Army
- 24 Rob Bluhm, US Army
- 26 Dale Millard, USMC
- 27 Alice Yonker, US Army
- 28 Gary Moll, US Army
- 29 Christina Dryden, USAF
- 29 Clarence Treu, USAF

December

- 8 Tom Knetter, USMC
- 8 Randy Rasmussen, USMC
- 9 Larry Hotchkiss, US Army
- 9 Steve Yonker, USMC
- 10 Derrick Laine, US Army
- 10 Gordon Steinke, US Army
- 11 Walter Fredrick, US Army
- 15 Ted Jacobsen, US Army

- 15 Dennis Wolfe, US Army
- 16 Dennis Bell, US Army
- 17 James N. Light, Associate
- 17 Tim Sanders, US Army
- 18 Don Masterson, US Army
- 18 Richard Wizner, USAF/ NG
- 19 Tom Joss, USCG
- 19 Jon Kielman, US Army
- 23 Loren Kurth, USCG
- 24 Korin Conner, Army NG
- 25 David Schave, USMC
- 27 Elwyn Parlin, WI NG
- 27 James Wadzinski,
- 28 Jerold Gutknecht, US Army
- 29 Jeff Krueger, USAF
- 30 Thomas Beese, US Army
- 31 Joe Buska, Associate
- 31 Alan Christensen, US Army

The birthday winners for the September 9th meeting was Robert Paul, US Army and for October was Gregory Mouzon, US Navy. Their were three winners for the ticket sales of \$120 each. Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 4 new members in our society which brings it to a total of 428. Let's welcome the following:

Lucy Cota, Associate Member Richard T. Hubert, USAF Wayne Mueller, US Army Michael E. Schmitt, 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.

Coming Events:

November 11, 2017 - Veterans Day will be held at Bunkers Tribute Golf Course, formally the Special Gifts: During the American Legion on North 6th Street, at 10:00 a.m. Full uniform or if you only have the White Cap, please join us!

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

December 9, 2017 - Ham Give Away at the VFW 388 River Drive Wausau, WI 54403. The setup time will be between 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. to get the ham unloaded and barricades set up.

Contact: Bernie Knippel at 715-803-8039

December 9, 2017 - Awards & Christmas Banquet at Mountain Edge (formally the Hoffman House) 2901 Hummingbird Road Rib Mountain at 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. (midnight).

Cocktails: 4:00 p.m

Drinks: \$3.00 per drink, domestic beer, rail to include Old Fashions, and wine all night in the Tamarack Room. Soda's are free.

Dinner: 5:00 p.m. Awards Program: 6:00 p.m. Cost: \$25.00 plus 1 free drink ticket per person. Payment will

Flag retirement drop off box at the "Clubhouse" and "The Jim". **not be accepted** at the Award & and October 2017.

Christmas Banquet.

Music: Archives 7-11 p.m. *Pizza*: 10:00 p.m.

Awards Program and also at 10:00 p.m.

Donation to Homeless Veterans at King: This is NOT a requirement.

Block of rooms at the Quality

Inn: 15 rooms, 7 pool side and 8 regular rooms at \$70 includes discount for veterans and no tax. All As you can see, we are down a rooms are under Man of Honor. Have rooms reserved by no later than November 24, 2017. Contact Quality Inn at 715-842-1616 for reservations.

Contact: Rosie Carr at 715-571-9620

???? Christmas at King -

Will be announced at a later date. Weather permitting.

December 16, 2017 -

Wreaths Across America at King, WI. The wreath laying is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., program is at 11:00 a.m. If you plan on attending, the MOH van is leaving the clubhouse between 8:30 - 8:45 a.m.

Contact: Jeff Morgan at 715-203 -3211.

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 September

Auto Ins/ registration	\$734	
Funeral	\$200	
Hatley VFW	\$600	
Medical	\$1100	
Rent	\$415	
Utilities	\$600	
Total	\$3649	

Year to date total \$31,786.24

Year to date total 2016 \$40,287

little from requests paid in 2016, I don't know if economy is better or what else has caused this, but we are ready, able and willing to pay legitimate requests as they come in.

Happy Veteran's Day to all of you fine men and women of MOH!

Roster Up-Date

Jeff Morgan, President

When you arrive at the clubhouse, check in with Gerri Knippel and PLEASE double check your contact information for accuracy. Please let Gerri know if anything has changed so it can be corrected.

Rosie Carr will also have a Christmas Party reservation table set up for anyone who would like to pay in advance for the Christmas Party.

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

Awards & Christmas Banquet



Date: December 9, 2017

Pl ace: Mountain Edge

2901 Hummingbird Road Rib Mountain, WI 54401



Room Reservation if desired: \$70.00 which includes the veterans discount and no tax. Contact: Quality Inn at 715-842-1616 and make reservation for the block of rooms under Man of Honor. There will be 15 rooms (7 pool side and 8 regular rooms) on the 1st floor. The deadline date to insure sleeping accommodations is **November 24, 2017.** Anyone who would like a save ride home, Man of Honor van is also available.

Attire: Dressy Casual

Cocktails: 4:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:00 p.m.

Baked chicken in white wine sauce w/mashed potatoes and gravy, burgundy beef tips with buttered noodles, corn, dinner rolls, fresh tossed salad with coffee or milk, and bars for dessert.

Awards Program: 6:00 p.m.

Music: Archives 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.

Donation for Homeless Veterans at King: This is <u>NOT</u> a requirement. Anyone who would like to donate, please, we would appreciate cash donation of \$5.00 or more so we can purchase gift cards for \$15 for Homeless Veterans at King. The basic things they need or gift cards, if you wish, are on the next page.

Cost: Dinner \$25.00 per person and also you will receive 1 drink ticket for domestic beer, rail, wine, or Old Fashions. Soda is free.

Drinks: \$3.00 for domestic beer, rail, wine, Old Fashions all night in the Tamarack Room & free soda. Anything other than the above, you will get charged extra.

RSVP: Reservation and money DUE by **November 24, 2017**. Make checks to Man of Honor Society.

Mail to: Rosie Carr

6803 Carnation Avenue

Wausau, WI 54401 Or bring the reservation and money at the November 11th meeting.

Payment will NOT be accepted at the Awards & Christmas Banquet!

The after dinner festivities, the ones that don't attend the dinner may attend the after dinner festivities with their significant others at 7:00 p.m. for live music by the Archives and pizza's at approx. 10:00 p.m.

Happy Holidays, Man of Honor Society P. O. Box 2071 Wausau, WI 54402

Name:			
Guest Name: _			

Return reservation along with cash or check payable to Man of Honor Society, \$25.00 each by November 24, 2017.

Mail to: Rosie Carr 6803 Carnation Avenue Wausau, WI 54401 or bring it to the November 11th meeting.

If anyone wants to purchase a gift card on their own, you may purchase a \$15 gift card for one of the stores they shop: Pick N Save, Walmart, Fleet Farm, Shopko or Kmart.

Things they need right now is twin sheets, pillows, bath towels and coffee and creamer (individual packages).

Other basic items: Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Shaving Cream, Razors, Hand Soap, Dish Soap, Canned Goods, Pop, T-Shirts (M to 3X), Boxers/Briefs (M-3X), Slippers/Shower Shoes (10-13).

Thank you for your donation!!