



Newsletter

Man-of-Honor Society

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Special Salute from the President



Meet one of the finest associate members in the Man of Honor Society, Dan Kasten. Dan is a gentleman in every sense of the word. He joined the Man of Honor Society in 2012 and he has been, without question, one of our strongest supporters. Although he cannot attend all of our functions and meetings, rest assured he does everything he can to be there when possible. He has helped us in many ways, including donating personal funds to help our organization in all of our efforts. He has participated in our parades and when the annual raf-

fle is on you will always find him there. He is dedicated not only to the MOH but his respect for all veterans is unquestionable. We are very fortunate to have a man like Dan as one of our members and you would have to go a long way to find a better person to be part of any organization. DAN KASTEN, it is an absolute pleasure to call you a TRUE MAN OF HONOR and from all your fellow members, we salute you.

Written by Bernie Knippel

Flag Retirement



On Sunday, September 20, 2015, the Flag Retirement was held at Ric & Rosie Carr's home. The weather was beautiful. The members that attended were of course myself & Rosie, Jeff & Cathie Morgan, Bob Hood and Vicky Harness.

The ceremony did go well thanks to the members of the DC Everest

Youth Football team and their parents, The team members were: Nicholas Arnold, Alexander Fritsche, Mason Grzywacz, Kadin Kurtz, Sam Mergen, Packer Neitzke and Collin Weller.

The National Anthem was sung by Alicia Reedy and the taps was played by Seth Akavickas from DC Everest Junior High. The ceremony flag was brought out and all the boys held it tight while each took a turn cutting off a stripe and placing it on the fire. After all the stripes were retired, the stars were kissed by the boys and placed on the ashes for retirement. Then came the rest of the flags. The MOH members, the boys and their parents all participated. Thanks!

Afterwards everyone enjoyed a beverage and snacks while we watched the fire and cleaned up.

Ric Carr, Vice President



The newsletter will be published approximately every two months.

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**Letter
from the
Prez**



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

Hello everyone! It looks like our summer is just about over. Gardens are done, harvest is over and Golf Courses are closing in our area. All in all it's been a good stretch of warm weather. A very nice fall season. Once again, just how I like it, Man of Honor business has been quiet.

September 7th was Wausau's Labor Day Parade. We had enough people to carry flags and drive the van with the trailer in tow. Joe McGrath came for the parade! He rode in the trailer with 5 or 6 others. We only had a couple of people handing out flags. Six days later was our membership meeting.

The other September event was the Never Forgotten Honor Flight on the 28th. October 12th was the last NFHF of this year. Man of Honor had 4 members on that flight, Ray Bender, Tom Fust, Bernie Knippel and Kenny Ruppe. Just as important, a great turn out of members to welcome our hero's home. Many thanks to all who came to CWA.

Early this past summer I was mowing at the Golf Course and I got a call from John Chmiel. He is the Director of Wausau Down-

Town Airport. He said the airport was setting up a contest for a Spot Landing Competition and we were chosen to be the recipient of half the proceeds. Well, summer came and went. I had forgotten about our conversation because I thought Mr. Chmiel had forgotten about MOH as well. Early in October Mr. Chmiel called, said he had over \$1,700.00 to give us. It's kind of a long story and Secretary Bernie is writing about this so I'll stop here and not steal any of his fire. Look for it in your newsletter.

So, until I see you at the meeting, go and get those last minute outdoor jobs done. You know, rain gutters cleaned out, leaves raked, all those fun fall things that have to be done.

Thank you all for what you do!

God bless you and the United States.

INTEGRITY-HONOR-CONCERN

Checking In

When you come to the meeting, the lovely, talented, friendly, fun loving, easy going, always smiling, Gerri Knippel will sign you in. You will receive a ballot to cast your vote and be directed to see Rosie Carr for a quick review of our personal roster and make any changes necessary. After making the corrections, proceed to the voting table where Rick Sisterman and Connie Allman will assist you. It is very important that all mem-

bers try to show up for the meeting, as the election of 2 of the 5 officers is very important. Lt. Dan Rigney and Bryan Thacker are in the running for VP and Bill Fenhaus is unopposed for treasurer.

High Tribute to the MOH Society



Jim Neitzke is obviously a very proud member of the MOH Society. The back of his tractor trailers (River Valley Express) have been painted to honor the MOH Society and all we stand for. Very thoughtful Jim, and we are honored.

Bernie Knippel, Secretary

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Sergeant-at-Arms:

John Fust Sr. Cell: 715-370-5007

Adopt a Highway



Early on a Saturday morning in late September, John Fust Jr. organized a cleanup party. The invited guests (volunteers) met at



the clubhouse and headed for our "Man of Honor Adopted Highway", a 2 mile stretch out east on County NN. Upon arrival they headed for the ditches and picked up all the trash in our designated area. The ditches were rough and deep but the "Crew got'er done".



Many thanks to the Fust family members, Rianna, Lynda, John Jr. and John Sr., and to Ken Henkelman, John and Courtney Heck and to Shirley Bickford. Great Job!

Written by Bernie Knippel

Donation from Wausau Flying Service



Jeff Morgan, President of the Man of Honor Society proudly accepts a check of \$1737.00 from John Chmiel, President of Wausau Flying Service. In August the 3rd Annual Spot Landing benefit was held and local pilots entered the contest to support the fund raiser. Those donating were Wausau Flying Service, Keith Kocurek, Mohr's Auto, Phillips 66, Aircraft Maintenance of Wausau, First Impressions and Christian Family Practice. Local Veterans and their families in need will benefit from this most generous donation.

Written by Bernie Knippel

Building Superintendents



Effective 1 January 2016 the MOH building will have two new Building Superintendents. John and Charlie Sapp have already spent many hours upgrading the

building and have generously volunteered to assume the duties mentioned in order to have the finest clubhouse we can have. Between now and 1 January they will be briefed on their duties and will be ready to roll on that date. We very much appreciate these two volunteering. Any ideas for improvement after 1 Jan 16 should be directed to these two individuals.

Written by Bernie Knippel

Funds Committee Update

The Funds Committee had ten requests that were paid for by the Man of Honor Society from September 12, 2015 to present.

Requests paid:

Donation gold star mothers memorial - \$500.00

Funeral - \$200.00

Funeral - \$200.00

Hatley VFW - \$500.00

Rent - \$750.00

Rent - \$700.00

Rent - \$490.00

Utilities - \$300.00

Utilities - \$98.48

Wounded Warrior in action , Tony Kopchinski - \$700.00

Total paid this period: \$4,438.48

The total requests paid for the year is \$14,214.48.

Spotlight On One Of Our Own!

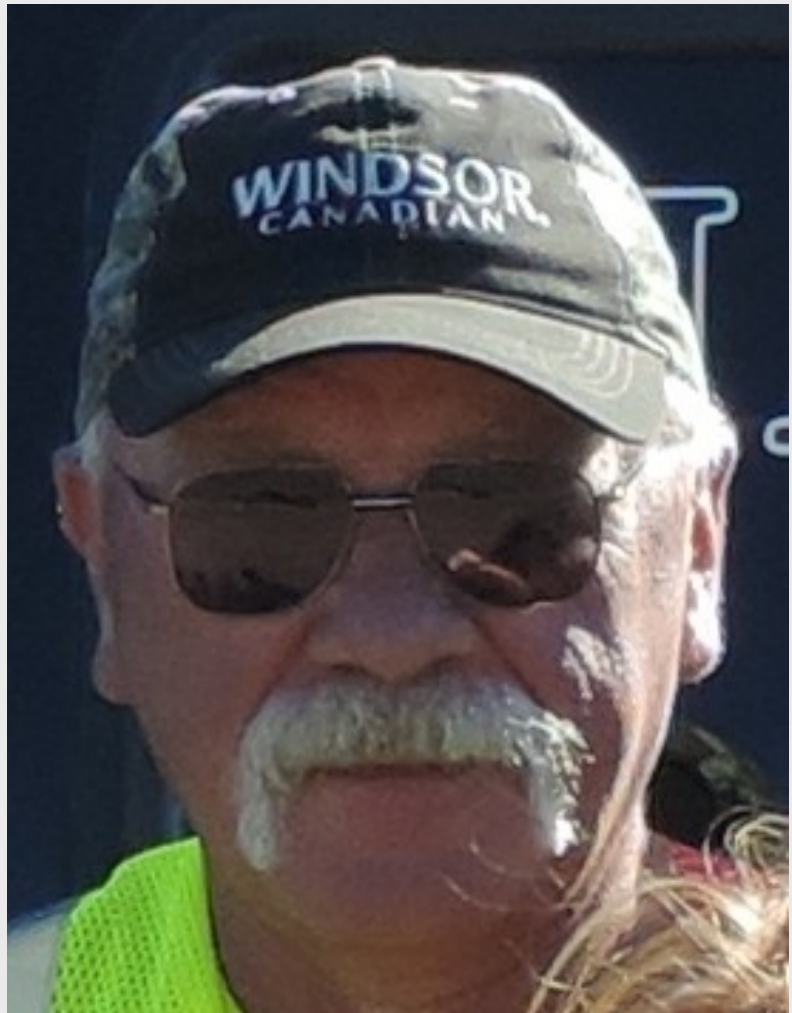
The spotlight for this period is proud to recognize Kenneth Henkelman. Ken was born and raised in the Wausau, Wisconsin area and graduated from High School while in the United States Marine Corps. Ken is currently a single man with two sons, James and Matthew and has four very special grandsons. He has spent time in sales, the tavern business for a few years and is currently employed at Custom Glass.

Ken joined the USMC in 1977 and did Boot Camp in San Diego, California. He received training for anti-tank assault at Camp Pendleton, California. After spending 15 months in Guam he was sent back to the states and in 1980 was discharged. He was a Corporal E-4 when he got out of the Marine Corps. His military decorations include the National Defense Service Medal and the Expert Rifleman Medal.

Ken has been a very active in the Man of Honor Society since joining in 2013. He is always willing to lend a helping hand no matter what the job may be. His attitude toward the MOH and the work that we do helping veterans is commendable. He has been involved in the MDA ride, assisted in the clean-up of our Adopted Highway, and put in a great amount of hours during our 2015 Raffle. Although he is not a golfer, he volunteered to cook at our Annual Golf outing and did a great job. Ken is a quiet, well-mannered gentleman and an absolute pleasure to work with. If there is a job to do, this is one of the men you would look for to insure that the mission would be accomplished with nothing less than outstanding results.

Ken is a very proud Marine veteran who served his country with pride and total dedication. The MOH Society is very fortunate to have him in our organization. He has brought honor to the United States Marine Corps and to his family as well. For all you have done, and continue to do Ken Henkelman, thank you. Semper Fi.

*Written by Bernie Knippel
SMSgt, First Sergeant USAF Retired*



Rest In Peace



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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Roger John Hannemann,



65, of Wausau passed away on October 15, 2015.

Roger, member of the MOH, served proudly in the United States Marine Corps from November 12, 1969 to November 11, 1971 during the Vietnam War. He was in the Platoon 120 division in San Diego and MVOC 3531-34 at Camp Pendleton California.

Roger is survived by his loving daughter Wendy Hannemann.

Roger was a warm hearted soul who was a kid at heart and always had a smile. He was a hardworking man and enjoyed the Green Bay Packers and a huge fan of Nascar Racing but most of all he loved his family who will deeply miss him. His favorite saying was, "Can't we all just get along".

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Ione Sowinski, 92, died peacefully at her home on October 24, 2015 in Weston, WI.

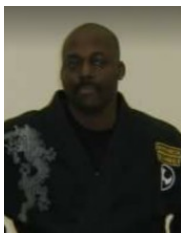


Ione is survived by daughters Judy (Bob) Ugoretz of

Kronenwetter, WI, Donna (Associate Member) (Tim - MOH) Gosse, Therese & Robin Sowinski, sons David (Sue) and Mark (Michelle) all of Weston, WI.

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

Michael Mouzon, 53, West-



ton, WI, passed away too soon on October 25, 2015.

Michael, MOH member, enlisted in the Army and served his country proudly.

Michael is survived by his long-time partner, Tammy Bryant and 7 children from a blended family, Jordan Mouzon, Makayla Mouzon from Waukesha, WI, Tyler Bryant, Brett Bryant, Shelby Spahr and Alicia Bryant all of Weston, Dakota Gorman-Kemp from Las Vegas, NV. He was also the brother of Gregory Mouzon, MOH member and a sister Alice Mouzon from Poughkeepsie, NY.

Michael enjoyed fishing, watching the Green Bay Packers and boxing and was a 7th Degree martial arts expert in Okinawa-te.

Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow.

Wills for Veterans



Left to Right: Ric Carr, MOH Vice President; Tammy Zenner, Paralegal - Security Health Plan; Angie Gonzalez, Paralegal - Ruder Ware, L.L.S.C.; Shanna Yonke, Attorney - Ruder Ware, L.L.S.C., Deb Lichtl, and Andrea Hartwig - Notaries/Witnesses - Schmiede & Graff Law Office, Ltd.; Nathaniel Krautkramer, Attorney - Krautkramer & Block, LLC. and Ruthann Koch, Attorney - Schmiede & Graff Law Office, Ltd.

On Saturday, October 17th, the MOH hosted Wills for Veterans again at the Clubhouse. Rosie & I along with Shanna Yonke, Attorney - Ruder Ware, arrived at 7:00 a.m. and got everything set up.

We had everything done when the Attorneys, Paralegals and Notaries/Witnesses arrived and were ready to start. The first of the veterans arrived on schedule and things got started. It's easy to see that Shanna Yonke and Angie Gonzalez have been doing Wills for Veterans for quite a long time. Everything went so smooth. I'm sure they will do it again.

Ric Carr, Vice President

Coming Events:

November 14, 2015 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m. Election of officers, Vice President and Treasurer.

December 5, 2015 - Ham Give A Way at the VFW, 388 River Drive, Wausau, WI 54401 starting at 9:00 a.m.

December 12, 2015 - Christmas Party at VFW, 388 River Drive, Wausau, WI 54401.

Cocktails: 4:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:00 p.m.

Hors d'oeuvre: 9:00 p.m.

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

Cost: \$20.00 each plus 2 drink tickets

Donations: Veterans Home at King

Get your *reservation in by December 5, 2015*. Payment will NOT be accepted at the Christmas Party. See attached invitation for more details.

January 9, 2016 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

March 12, 2016 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road, Wausau, WI 54403 at 2:00 p.m.

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

Happy

Birthday



November

- 1 - Gregory Martin, Associate
- 1 - Joshua K. 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 K. Hoard, Associate
- 9 - John Rasmusson, US Army
- 10 - John Heck Jr., Army Reserve
- 10 - Scott Kreager, US Army
- 10 - Al Morasch, US Army
- 11 - Dee Dennis, Associate
- 11 - Rick Sisterman, USAF
- 12 - Andy Schoeder, US Navy
- 13 - Kenneth Henkelman, USMC
- 13 - Eugene Klinger, US Navy
- 13 - Jim Linden, US Navy
- 17 - Leroy E. Albright, US Army
- 20 - Mike Thompson, Air NG
- 21 - Brent Leach, Army NG
- 23 - Audrey Narlock-Thayer, US Army
- 26 - Dale Millard, USMC
- 29 - Clarence Treu, USAF

December

- 8 - Tom Knetter, USMC
- 8 - Randy Rasmussen, USMC
- 9 - Larry J. Hotchkiss, US Army
- 9 - Steve Yonker, USMC
- 10 - Derrick Laine, US Army
- 10 - Gordon Steinke, US Army
- 11 - Walter J. Fredrick, US Army
- 15 - Ted Jacobsen, US Army
- 15 - Dennis Wolfe, US Army
- 16 - Dennis Bell, US Army
- 18 - Don Masterson, US Army

- 19 - Tom Joss, US Coast Guard
- 19 - Joe Mc Grath, USAF
- 23 - Loren Kurth, US Coast Guard
- 24 - Korin Saal, Army NG
- 25 - David Schave, USMC
- 27 - Elwyn R. Parlin, National Guard
- 27 - James Wadzinski,
- 28 - Jerold Gutknecht, US Army
- 29 - Jeff Krueger, USAF
- 30 - Thomas Beese, US Army
- 31 - Joe Buska, Associate

The winners of \$25.00 for the birthday drawing for September was Gary Luebbe, USMC and for October was James Bittner, Army NG.

New Members

We have three new members in our society which brings it to a total of 382. Let's welcome the following:

Jeffrey W. Dahl, USMC
Scott W. Hafner, USMC
Jeffrey Oelke, US Army

We are always looking for members to help on our many functions, such as: MOH Raffle, parades, committees, building maintenance, and much more.



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

Christmas Party

Date: December 12, 2015

Place: VFW
388 River Drive
Wausau, WI 54403

Attire: Dressy Casual

Cocktails: 4:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:00 p.m.

Baked Chicken in White Wine Sauce w/Potatoes and Gravy, Burgundy Beef Tips with Buttered Pasta, Corn, Dinner Rolls, Fresh Tossed Salad with Coffee or Milk.

Hors d'oeuvre: 9:00 p.m.

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

Donation for Veterans Home at King: Cash donation or one or more of the following for Veterans Home at King. Items should be new and not wrapped. This is not a requirement. The items that they need are listed on the next page.

Cost: Dinner \$20.00 per person and also receive 2 drink tickets.

RSVP: Reservation and money **DUE** by December 5, 2015.
Cash or checks payable to: Man-of-Honor Society

Mail to: Rosie Carr
6803 Carnation Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401



Payment will NOT be accepted at the Christmas Party!

The **after dinner festivities**, the ones that don't attend the dinner may attend the after dinner festivities with their significant others for music and hors d'oeuvres.

Happy Holidays, Man-of-Honor Society

Name: _____

Guest Name: _____

Return reservation along with cash or check payable to Man of Honor Society, \$20.00 each, by December 5, 2015 to:

Rosie Carr
6803 Carnation Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401

Donation for Veterans Home at King

If you would rather make a small cash donation in lieu of personal items, we will convert the cash into gift cards for the veterans. This is not a requirement.

Personal Hygiene: Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotion, shaving cream, razors, deodorant, Q-Tips, denture cleaning tablets and containers, denture adhesive, flip-flops (shower shoes), bath towels, wash clothes, etc.

Thank you for your donations.

Merry Christmas!