



Newsletter

Man-of-Honor Society

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Man of Honor Raffle June 7, 8, and 9, 2024

Written by Head of Committee Members of the Raffle,

The 2024, 20th Anniversary, Man of Honor raffle is finally in the books, and boy did we kill it!! I cannot begin to say how grateful Johnny and I are for all of the help in the kitchen this year! As many of you know our son and his girlfriend were in a motorcycle accident on Thursday evening, just before the raffle, which landed them both in the hospital for several days. Not only did you all share your emotional support, but everyone stepped up and kept the kitchen running smoothly! Man of Honor is truly blessed to have such an amazing team, who continue to show up year after year, always ready to support our local veterans!

I would especially like to thank Beth Drake for leaving work and showing up Friday morning to get the kitchen up and running, and then staying all weekend long! We could not have done it without you!

To the crew: Lumpy, thank you for keeping us all in line! We couldn't ask for a better supervisor and money man!

Our folks on the grill; Jesse Drake, Bob Hood, Bob Fandre, Jeff Morgan, Dave Schillinger, Tom Rottscheit, Richard Pelicane, and John Fust Jr, you rocked it!!! For all of the help with the fryers; Tanya Luebke, Samantha, Jeff Morgan, Jesse Drake, Kimberly Wiesman, Dave Schillinger, Carson Fust, Lynda Fust, and Micah Hendrickson, wow! You were all amazing!

To all the servers; Beth Drake, Lynda Fust, Theresa Holewinski, Micah Hendrickson, Leah Scheidt,

Maddie Latimer, AJ, Mary Bittner, Kimberly Wiesman, Rhianna Fust, Carson Fust, Jeff Johannning, Al and Jean Maszk, and Malachi Drake, you all kept everything running smooth!

And to the folks who showed up early and stayed late to help us set up and clean up all weekend long; Beth Drake, Jesse Drake, Dave Schillinger, Lynda Fust, Theresa Holewinski, Rianna Fust, Carson Fust, and Lumpy, you are the truest rock stars and we could not have survived the weekend without you!

If there is anyone that I missed, I apologize! The weekend was bit of a blur! But please know that you are all appreciated!

There isn't another organization like Man of Honor and that is because we have volunteers like each and every one of you who show up for no other reason than to help our local veterans! You all deserve a round of applause! Thank you for your kindness and the generosity of your time! We could not do what we do without each and every one of you!

Gratefully and Respectfully,

Johnny Heck Jr and Cortney Drake Heck, Kitchen

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Letter from the Prez

*Jeff Morgan, President
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Hello everyone,

WOW! I can't believe we celebrated the 4th of July already. I hope you're getting to enjoy summer. Here's a quick recap since your May meeting. As you all know May 4th was our 20th Anniversary and we celebrated at our May 11th meeting with finger food sandwiches and a big cake.

Other events in May were, The Memorial Day Parade and the Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Park at Restlawn Cemetery. There'll be pictures and articles in this newsletter.

I should mention projects that are either completed or still ongoing. The concert floor is done in the storage shed. Thanks to S. D. Ellenbecker Concrete Inc.

The curbing around most of the parking lot is also finished and again our thanks to Dave Nowak and his crew.

The hand rail around the patio has been mocked-up for accurate measurement and taken down for powder coating. It won't be long now and we'll have a beautiful railing. Can't thank Phil and his crew enough for all he has donated to the Man of Honor and our outside building projects. I know it will add great curb appeal to the appearance of our/your clubhouse. It's something we will enjoy for many years.

BRB Auto Body has our pickup. I can't wait to see what masterpiece of paint artwork they put on the truck.

We all survived our 3 days of fun funds raffle. A lot of arduous work went into that weekend and beyond. What a GREAT job you all did!

Now, it is time for an appreciation cookout. We'll have a cookout after the membership meeting on Saturday, July 13th.

Last but not least, can't forget Man of Honor Annual Weekend at Bernie's Golf Outing. I am sure there'll be info in the next newsletter.

I'll see you at the meeting. Meantime, squeeze in as much golf, fishing, camping or just being with loved ones. Thank you all for what you do!

God Bless you and the United States

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(See Raffle - Con't from page 1, column 2)

Once again, everyone made my work at the raffle much easier. Having the deposits brought to me throughout the day was greatly appreciated! I must thank Bev Bain for donating the cash counter to the Man of Honor. It truly made my job 100% easier!!

As far as profit we are down a bit this year but considering the weather it was still a huge success! Final numbers will be announced at the meeting as I am still waiting to finalize all bills and expenses. I appreciate your patience and a very big "thank-you" to all!

Ken Kohnhorst, Treasurer

Well for the 3rd year in a row, I thought we were going to be rained on. Not so much this year. The weather turned out beautiful!

We had around 105 bikes. Rode about 100 miles. We raised over \$11,000 for our veterans. I am

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very thankful for everyone that sponsored us. A very major thankful to everyone that helped me. You know who you are. It was a total SUCCESS.

Mary Mulder, Honor Ride 2024

Our Booth saw record numbers this year. We were successful due to the fantastic people who stepped up to help us.



On Friday I had the assistance of Carla Joseph and Mary Silva and they did a wonderful job. We had so much fun.



On Saturday I had the assistance of Brooke Wold, Mary Silva, Pam LeDuc and Jayden.



On Sunday the helpers were Pam LeDuc and Wanda Oleson.

Vicki Harness, 50/50 & Cat Scratch Fever

Thanks to all that helped on Friday night board raffles. We made \$6202.00!



Thanks to Jim Fust along with Chuck Wolf and John Lemma for picking up board raffles for the last 5 years on Friday morning and bringing items to the Eagles Club.

Thanks to Chuck Wolf for assembling items this year. Thanks to Donna and Tim Gosse for gathering gift certificates and filling the wagons. Dan Hommerding and Don Goretski for helping assembling wagons and all of you who bought \$2.00 squares at our meetings. Thanks to Teddy Williams and Cal Frahm for the use of their trailers for the raffle. Thanks Rosie Carr for helping me put the baskets together, texting some of the winners to pick up their prizes, help with paperwork and making signs and etc. Thanks Peg Kohnhorst for helping get the money to the treasurer. A big thank you to Theresa Villard and Carla Clark for volunteering on Friday. Volunteering with you ladies was awesome thanks for exceeding my personal goal.

Thanks to the sponsors Vern & Donna Vetterkind, Tim and Donna Gosse, Jim's Corner Pub, Tony Kopchinski Woodworking, River Valley Express, Eugene & Char Clark, Rosie Carr, and of course the Bain's.

Bev Bain, Friday Boards

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

Man of Honor Raffle Pictures



Memorial Day Parade

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

May 25th a Saturday mid-morning, just a beautiful morning to walk in a parade. The weather was again almost perfect.



As you know we had to retire the Man of Honor Van due to unrepairable issues. So the pickup we bought was tested as it pulled the parade float trailer.



Again this year members held our Man of Honor Banner followed by Ole Glory and then the Branch Service Flags which led our group proudly along Stewart Avenue to River Drive while others ran alongside passing out stick flags to those watching along the sidewalks.



After the parade, a short ceremony was held at the former VFW site. Thanks to all who participated in this year's Memorial Day Parade.



Restlawn Cemetery Memorial Day Program

Written by Jeff Morgan, President

ute Golf Course for a luncheon. Thank you all who helped in the ceremony, And thanks to all who made time to be there.



The annual Memorial Day Ceremony is held at Restlawn Cemetery in their Veterans Memorial Park. As we formed behind our flag line it was good to see our members in uniform seated in the audience.

We were treated to a variety of songs and of course a Bag-Piper. There was the Pledge of Allegiance, singing of our National Anthem, God Bless America.



The Man of Honor this year presented the history of the Branch Service Flags. A lot of people came stating that our program was very interesting and some never heard of it before.

The speakers did their thing. The Flags of Honor were presented to 6 different families of fallen veterans. The 21 Gun Rifle Salute and Taps were played. This year again it was a very pleasant ceremony.

After the program, all were invited to Bunkers at Trib-



Unknown Soldier

Written by Jeff Morgan, President



Wednesday, May 22nd. About 9 or 11 of Man of Honor people along with members of American Legion Post 10, VFW 388, including a handful of women who are part of the Wausau area Daughters of the American Revolution. Met at Pine Grove Cemetery to raise awareness and to Honor a veteran who lies in a unmarked grave in the back of the cemetery known as Potter's Field. The term Potter's Field is a name of an area of a cemetery used for the burials of unknown. This man fought in WW1 and he later died by suicide in the late fall of 1930 alone. The unknown soldier was buried by Post 388 VFW and Post 10 American Legion.



**Happy
Birthday
July**



- 2 - Dale W. Evert, US Navy
- 3 - Seazon Hanson, Associate
- 3 - Larry Seidl, US Navy
- 4 - Russell Dean, Army NG
- 5 - Joe Hoppa, USAF
- 6 - Richard Armstrong, USMC
- 6 - John E. Marquardt, Army NG
- 6 - Scott Pavlow, USAF
- 7 - Jeremy Owens, US Army
- 9 - Kurt Gray, USMC
- 10 - Shawn Corazalla, US Army
- 10 - Robert J. Petersen, USAF
- 11 - Charles Garski, US Navy
- 12 - Catherine Sowinski, US Navy
- 12 - Scott Wanta, Associate
- 13 - Charles Shipway, USAF
- 15 - Cindy Hendrichs, Associate
- 15 - Dennis G. Thomas, US Army
- 16 - Randy S. Hoppe, US Army
- 16 - Michael Lazaroff, USMC
- 16 - James P. Mc Fann, US Army
- 16 - Joel Szablewski, US Army
- 17 - Richard Kloppenburg,
US Navy
- 17 - Charles A. Perez, US Army
- 17 - Nathaniel L. Stepp, US Navy
- 18 - Austin Harris, Army NG
- 18 - Howard Iwen, US Army
- 18 - Butch Russ, USMC
- 21 - Richard T. Hubert, USAF
- 21 - Michael Neidigh, US Navy
- 21 - Bryan Thacker, USMC
- 22 - Rhonda Mc Clure, USAF
- 24 - Allen Hotchkiss, US Army
- 25 - Denise Boehm, Associate
- 25 - Anastasia Sebourn, Army NG
- 25 - Jason Yonker, US Army
- 26 - Joe Nikolai, Army NG
- 27 - George Webb, USMC
- 28 - Shirley A. Bickford, USAF
- 29 - Robert J. Burton, USAF
- 29 - Donald Hildebrandt, US Army

- 29 - Kevin Krueger, US Army
- 30 - Teresa Holewinski, US Navy
- 31 - Ray Bender, US Army
- 31 - Don Custer, USAF
- 31 - Don Genrich, Army NG

August

- 1 - Rick Beck, USMC
- 1 - Jeffrey Yunk, US Army
- 3 - Les Kucksdorf, USAF
- 4 - Tyra L. Chlebowski, USAF
- 4 - MacKenzie Hoffman, Army NG
- 5 - Jerry Toftum, Army Reserve
Finance
- 6 - Gary Olson, US Army
- 7 - Thomas R. Buhs, US Navy
- 7 - James Landowsky, US Navy
- 8 - Tom Bagby, USAF
- 8 - Sue Rasmussen, US Army
- 10 - Tom Traska, US Navy
- 11 - Dan Brezovar, US Army
- 11 - Greg Brezovar, US Army
- 11 - Brittani Kasper, USMC
- 11 - Jeff Morgan, Army NG
- 11 - Rodney Rein, US Army
- 11 - Roger Zynda, US Army
- 12 - Tom Fust, USMC
- 13 - Vernon Vetterkind, US Army
- 15 - Patricia Cota, US Army
- 15 - Brad Hanson, USMC
- 15 - Thomas Oliva, USMC
- 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 Guralski, USAF
- 18 - Felix Lucero, USCG
- 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 - Scott Swiantek, US Army
- 24 - Arleigh Utecht, US Army
- 25 - Jack Treu, USMC
- 26 - Edward Benzing, US Navy
- 26 - David Campbell, US Army
- 27 - Vicki Harness, Associate
- 27 - Kraut Kersemeier, USAF
- 29 - Karen Custer, USAF
- 29 - Robert Hood, USMC
- 29 - Don Kozlowski, USAF
- 31 - Brian Heier, US Navy

Birthday winners who attended the meeting on May 11th received \$25 each. For May was William Spain Associate and for June was Marty Dettmering.

There were 3-50/50 ticket winners each received \$125.00 each. They were Darrell Ekum US Army, Fredrick Steinagel gave back to the MOH \$75.00, Theresa Holewinski US Navy gave back to MOH \$60.00.

Thanks for attending.

New Members

We have 6 new members in our society which brings it to a total of 566. Let's welcome them:

- John A. Goskowicz, US Navy
- James Haynes, USAF
- Jeffrey L. Johanning, US Army
- Brittani Kasper, USMC
- Ralph Kizewski, USAF
- Amanda M. Wara, US Army/
ARNG

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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Lori Ann Richgels, 50. of Green Bay, Wisconsin, passed away on April 19, 2024.



Lori was the daughter of Stan Olejniczak Man of Honor member.

Our thoughts and prayer are with the Olejniczak family.

Mary Ann Stahnke, 98, Wausau, passed away peacefully on April 21, 2024, at Mount View Care Center, Wausau, with her family by her side.



Mary was the mother of Michael Stahnke, Man of Honor member.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Stahnke family.

Steven Herman Yonker, 69, passed on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at home under the care of St. Croix Hospice.



Steve was a member of the Man of Honor Society. His wife Jo Ann who just passed away on May 26, 2024, and his son, Jason (Alice) Yonker, both members of the Man of Honor.

We are so sorry for the death of your father. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Yonker family.

Jo Ann Yonker, 74 of Schofield, passed on Sunday, May 26, 2024, at Marshfield Medical Center, Weston surrounded by her family.



Jo Ann was the wife of Steve Yonker who preceded her in death on May 11, 2024. Son Jason (Alice) Yonker both were members of the Man of Honor Society.

Honor Society.

We are so sorry for the death of your mother. Prayers and thoughts go out to the Yonker family.

Gayle Nancy Emmes, 78, passed away peacefully on June 1, 2024 under the care of Compassus Hospice at Rennes Health and Rehab Center, Weston.



Gayle was the sister of James Fust Founder of MOH, Tom Fust, and John H. Fust, Man of Honor Members.

Our hearts and prayers go out to the Fust family.

Coming events:

July 13, 2024 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 1:00 p.m.

Also, Appreciation Day at the Clubhouse after the meeting for all who helped at the raffle.

July 20, 2024 - Man of Honor Golf Tournament at Trapp River Golf Course at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Be there by 8 to 8:15 a.m. to get your carts, and etc.

Final payment of \$280.00 due by our next meeting, 13 July.

Donations for door prizes are always welcome.

Contact: James Bittner 715-226-5730 .

July 28, 2024 - Polka on the patio at Gorski's 450 Orbiting Drive in Mosinee, WI from 1-5 p.m. Polish Connection from 1-5 p.m.

50/50 - 1/2 to Man of Honor and 1/2 to the winner.

August 10, 2024 - Veterans Tribute at Bull Falls from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

August 14, 2024 - Wausau Mash Blood Drive at the Clubhouse from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

August 21, 2024 - All Stars Under the Stars at the 400 Block from 6:00 p.m.

September 14, 2024 - Meeting at the Clubhouse at 1425 Townline Road Wausau, WI 54403 at 1:00 p.m.

Nomination for President, Secretary, and Sgt of Arms.

Man of Honor Society 2024 Raffle Winners

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|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Jeep | Kelly Hart |
| 2. Harley Davidson | David Berg |
| 3. Four-Wheeler/Trailer | Angie White |
| 4. Toro Zero Turn Lawn Mower | Jerry Schwantz |
| 5. \$500.00 | Brian Heier |
| 6. \$500.00 | Kevin Mallum |
| 7. \$300.00 | Pete Kernosky |
| 8. \$300.00 | Joy Mallum |
| 9. \$300.00 | Stacey Morache (Donated back) |
| 10. \$300.00 | Beth Belott |
| 11. \$200.00 | Jordan Kuck |
| 12. \$200.00 | Dave Strebis |
| 13. \$200.00 | Darryl Oelke |
| 14. \$200.00 | Janet Hintz |
| 15. \$200.00 | Beth Zoromski |
| 16. \$150.00 | Arlene Passel |
| 17. \$150.00 | Russ Le Duc |
| 18. \$150.00 | Carol Smith |
| 19. \$150.00 | Steve Lewis |
| 20. \$150.00 | Julie Nutter |
| 21. \$100.00 | Patty Welle (Donated back) |
| 22. \$100.00 | Keith Anklam |
| 23. \$100.00 | Bob Peterson |
| 24. \$100.00 | Lori Kaiser Balz (Donated back) |
| 25. \$100.00 | Chris Schlosser |

Check in with Mary Bittner at the front desk prior to the meeting.

“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 Mary Bittner at the front desk.

Wausau Mash Blood Drive at the Clubhouse on August 14, 2024

All presenting donors will receive a CBC t-shirt, brats, hot dogs, and refreshments. For every blood donation received, CBC will make a monetary donation to Man of Honor Society.

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