

Badger Honor Flight Volunteer Meeting Wednesday, March 5, 2025 7:00PM VFW Post #7591 301 Cottage Grove Rd. Madison, WI 53716

Chairperson Report - Ziegler

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:05PM
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. New Volunteers: three new volunteers introduced themselves.
- 4. Introduction of Board Members and Flight Teams
- 5. Board of Director Opening
 - Interviews taking place next week. The term ends 12/31/26.
- 6. Honor Flight Network Annual Summit February 13 15, 2025
 - Washington DC First time in DC
 - BHF representation
 - o Brian Ziegler, Jody McClain, Tiffany Tobias, Eileen Stevens, Becki Clark
 - Annual Financial Planning Brian
 - Hub Operations: New Hub or New Leadership Jody

7. Honor Flight Network – Highlights

- 2024 Program Stats
 - Veterans flown 21,341
 - World War II 240
 - o Korea − 1,700
 - Vietnam 17,884
 - Other 1,517
 - Number of Trips Taken 344
 - Number of Hubs Taking a Trip 124
 - Number of Active Hubs 128
 - Veterans on Waitlist 46,217
 - Veterans Flown LTD 317,128
 - o Celebrated 20 Years of Honor Flight
 - Co-Founders
 - Earl Morse
 - Jeff Miller

8. Speaking Engagements

• There are none scheduled at this time. Contact chairperson@badgerhonorflight.org for speaking engagements.



9. Check Presentations

- The Raess Family
- The Brunker Family
- Tony GS Grant Park Garage LLC

Treasurer Report - Brown

- 1. Large Donations
 - Adams-Columbia Electric Co-op \$1,000
 - UPS Store #3629 (Monona) \$1,150
- 2. Memorials
 - John Hicks \$2,365
 - Henry Zander (\$1,325 in Jan) \$2,030

Secretary Report – Clark

- 1. Thank you to everyone who continues to notify me with obituaries of fallen Veterans.
- 2. We Remember the Fallen February 2025:
 - Gary McKillip Army Vietnam
 - David Spengler Navy Korea
 - William Wiedenbeck Marines Korea
 - Kenneth Serchen Navy Vietnam
 - James Kirchstein Navy Korea
 - James Oakeson Marines Korea
 - Sam Fatsis Air Force World War II
 - Thomas Schneller Army Vietnam
 - Joseph Baker Navy Vietnam
 - Martin McGrath Marines Korea
 - Donald Mack Air Force Korea
 - Larry Johnson Army Vietnam
 - Burnett "Butchi" Dybvik Navy Vietnam
 - Owen Hughes Army Vietnam
 - Steven Corbett Navy Vietnam

Volunteer Events and Fundraising Report – Tobias

- 1. February Review
 - Grant County DAV Post #40 \$500 to our Volunteer Dave Peterson
 - American Legion Post 534 Meat Raffle 50/50
 - Rudes Lanes Successful Fundraiser
 - DC Summit



2. Look Ahead

- Guardian Training
 - o Friday March 14th Guardian Training Set-up
 - o Saturday March 15th TRAINING DAY
- Send off and Welcome Home SignUp Genius will be going out in the next 24 hours.
- If you have any opportunities not on our radar, please email volunteerevents@badgerhonorflight.org

3. Volunteer Opportunities

- Medical Team Members
- Admin Support / Roster Management
- IT Management
- Newsletter Article Writer
- Photo Storage and Photo Sharing Site Maintenance Team
- SignUp Genius Helper

Inventory Report – Splittgerber

1. Reminder - Turn in your completed BHF applications by March 31st for your chance to win prizes! Make sure your name is listed on the paper application or noted on the online application to be eligible.

2. Spring Flight Season

- Polos and Jackets will be packaged this weekend for training
- New style hats will be available at Guardian Training
- Red BHF bears will be available to purchase at Guardian Training
- Always open for suggestions for new merchandise ideas.

Administration Report – Stevens

- 1. Flown as of 11/3/2024
 - World War II 1,255
 - Korea 1,260
 - Vietnam (11/1/1955 to 5/7/1975) 2,539
 - Persian Gulf War on Terrorism 5
 - Total 5.059
- 2. Next milestone
 - Maybe Mission 63 − 5,500 Veteran



- 3. Waitlist as of 3/1/2025
 - o World War II 0
 - o Korea 11
 - o Vietnam 785
 - Total 796
- 4. Our Service Area (counties)
 - Columbia 60
 - Dane 297
 - Dodge 29
 - Grant 37
 - Green 42
 - Iowa 21
 - Jefferson 35
 - Lafayette 2
 - Richland 15
 - Rock 59
 - Sauk 59
 - o Total 656
- 5. Other Wisconsin Counties (41 counties)
 - Total 122
- 6. Out of State
 - AZ 1
 - CA 4
 - FL 2
 - IA 1
 - IL 22
 - KY 1
 - MA 1
 - MI 1
 - MN 5
 - NM 1
 - OH 1
 - o Total 40



7. THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

- Thank you to all callers, roster managers, data entry people and forms managers! approximately 440 Veteran contacts were made to fill the three Spring flights.
 - o 189 files April 19th
 - 116 files May 10th
 - o 110 files May 31st
 - o 26 files Standby

Medical - Greenwood

1. None

Flight Operations Report - McClain

- 1. Spring Flights
 - Mission 58 April 19, 2025
 - o Sponsor: The BHF Regent Street Dream Team
 - Mission 59 May 10, 2025
 - o Sponsor: Larry Satterlee Memorial Sporting Clays Shoot
 - Mission 60 May 31, 2025
 - o Sponsor: Available Opportunity!
- 2. Always looking for swag bag content donations. Small chotchkes, business swag, etc. Need 95 per flight.
- 3. TSA will be at Guardian Training to assist with questions related to REAL ID, which takes effect 5/7/25.
- 4. Flight Day Sponsorship Opportunities, per flight
 - Flight / \$100,000 May 31
 - Buses / \$5000 April 19, May 10, May 31
 - US Park Police / \$1200 April 19, May 10, May 31
 - Breakfast / \$750 April 19, May 10, May 31
 - Lunch / \$2500 April 19, May 10, May 31
 - Dinner / \$2500 May 10

Misc. -

- Bar stool golf outing is April 12th. See Cheryl if you are interested in volunteering.
- Heroes for Honor per Stan Theis they are getting planters ready for their flower sale.



Upcoming BHF Volunteer Meetings

- 1. BHF Meetings are held on the first Wednesday evening of each month.
 - April 2, 2025 VFW 7591 301 Cottage Grove Rd, Madison at 7:00PM
 - May 7, 2025 VFW 7591 301 Cottage Grove Rd, Madison at 7:00PM
 - **June 4, 2025** VFW 7591– 301 Cottage Grove Rd Madison 7:00pm

Contact the Board -

- Chairperson of the Board: Brian Ziegler chairperson@badgerhonorflight.org
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Respectfully submitted, Becki Clark Board Secretary Badger Honor Flight