



Badger Honor Flight Volunteer Meeting
Wednesday, June 3, 2026 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. One new volunteers
4. Board and Flight Team Introductions

Chairperson Report – Brian Ziegler

1. **Inventory**
 - **Brad Babler**
 - Brad has stepped down from his position as Director of Inventory. We thank Brad for all he did during his time on the Board for Badger Honor Flight!
 - **Pam Williams**
 - Pam has stepped in to resume the remainder of Brad's term which ends December 31, 2026. Thank you Pam and welcome to the Board!
 - **Spring 2026 Flights – Missions 64-66**
 - Thank you to EVERYONE! We took over 240 Veterans to Washington, D.C. and brought them home safely. This is success of our mission!
 - Prep work
 - Flight Roster Management
 - Guardian Training
 - Flight Prep
 - Flight Day
 - Flight Team
 - **Fall 2026 Flights**
 - Mission 67 - September 12
 - Mission 68 - October 3
 - Mission 69 - November 7
 - Sponsored by Hy-Vee Grocery Stores
 - Our 6,000th Veteran will be flown



2. Speaking Engagements

- Upcoming
 - September 17th, American Legion Post 146 Beaver Dam, Brian Ziegler
- Past Month
 - none
- Contact chairperson@badgerhonorflight.org for speaking engagements

3. Check Presentations

- Recon's Family \$1,000
- AE Cares \$2,000
- American Legion Post 279 \$750

Treasurer Report – Ed Brown

1. Large Donations May

- Susan Segee \$1,000
- Patty's Back Road Saloon \$1,552
- UW-P Sigma Phi Epsilon \$1,841
- Joann Statz \$5,000
- Hawke's Radiothon \$5,000
- Jeff Supple \$3,500

2. May Memorials

- Pete Dyreson \$1,005
- Jean Puent \$1,180
- Ronald Slane \$1,720

Secretary Report – Becky Clark

1. Thank you

- Thank you very much for attending the services of our fallen heroes. Your presence means so much to our Veteran's families.

2. We Remember the Fallen – May 2026

- Norman Kenning - Air Force World War II - Mission 33
- Lou Torngren - Army Korea - Mission 23
- Donald Chisman - Marines Vietnam - Removed Health
- Jerry Lawler - Army Vietnam - Mission 62
- Alfred Eicher - Army Korea - Mission 22
- Paul Hilgendorf - Army Vietnam - Mission 38
- Roland Dyreson - Marine Vietnam - Mission 54



- Anthony Volante - Air Force Korea/Gulf War on Terrorism - was to fly Mission 66 May 30
- Michael Wollin - Army Vietnam - Mission 33
- John Baldwin - Army Vietnam - Mission 33
- Duane Loomis - Army Korea - Mission 34
- Ed Brost - Army Korea - Mission 26
- Donald Nachreiner - Navy Vietnam - Mission 45
- Stephan Foltz - Navy Vietnam - Mission 62
- Fred Goodsir - Marines Korea - Mission 64
- Ron Wagner - Army Vietnam - Mission 46
- Don Dahlgren - Navy Korea - Mission 46
- Joe Joyce - Navy Vietnam - Mission 45
- Gary Lay - Navy Vietnam - Mission 40
- Charles Cook - Army Korea - Mission 24
- Robert Pelletier - Navy Korea - Mission 43

3. Reflection

- It was an honor to attend visitation for Mr. Ihlenfeldt. His son Mark was Guardian on the Honor Flight. He shared that, at first, his dad did not want to fly. When he did fly, Mr. Ihlenfeldt shared military stories none of the family had known. He proudly wore his BHF cap everywhere, and it was on his head when he was cremated. - Deb and Fred Kirchner on attending service for Lee Ihlenfeldt - Navy Vietnam - Mission 45
- A letter from Mrs. Shirley Rowe, wife of Veteran Mike Rowe
United States Army - Vietnam War Veteran Mission 65 – May 9, 2026, was read

4. Power Innings at the Duck Pond

- Invenergy, the parent company to Koshkonong Solar, is working with the Madison Mallards and Madison Night Mares to support local organizations and foundations. Invenergy will be donating \$50 per run in Power Innings to an organization of choice and their choice is Badger Honor Flight to be the recipient of our donation. They are expecting this donation to be around \$5,000 by the end of the seasons.



Volunteer Events and Fundraising Report – Tobias

1. Look Ahead

- June 7th: Monroe Moose Lodge Breakfast 8-12pm
- July 18th: Brat Fry VFW 7591
- July 25th: Baraboo Car Show/Gun Raffle
- July 31st: Mallards 50/50 - non-profit spotlight
- August 8th: Fall Guardian Training - AmFam
- October 12th: Larry Satterlee Memorial Clay Shoot

2. THANK YOU!

- Thank You for ALL of your help!
May 9th – Mission 65 & May 30th – Mission 66

3. Monona Memorial Day Parade

- Thank you to everyone who participated in the parade! A BIG thank you to Ann for all her hard work and everything she does for the parade!

4. WE WANT YOU!

- Looking for individuals who are interested in being Uncle Sam! We will provide a costume. See me if you are interested.

5. July 13th – 2 Volunteers Needed

- Wisconsin Veterans Museum Foundation Monday, July 13, 2026 @ the Oaks golf course in Cottage Grove, WI. Need 2 Volunteers to join us out on a hole to raise awareness for Badger Honor Flight. They can provide a table, two folding chairs, and two boxed lunches. The event is from 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM, with golfers on the course from 11 AM ~ 4 PM

6. HY-VEE STEAK NIGHT - Volunteers Needed:

- June 11th
 - Janesville: 4-6 pm
 - Madison WEST: 3-6 pm
 - Oregon: 4-6 pm
- June 18th
 - Janesville: 4-6 pm
 - Madison EAST: 3-6 pm
 - Madison WEST: 3-6 pm
 - Oregon: 4-6 pm



- June 25th
 - Janesville: 4-6 pm
 - Madison EAST: 3-6 pm
 - Madison WEST: 3-6 pm
 - Oregon: 4-6 pm

7. SUMMER VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION!

- VFW 8483
5737 County Hwy CV, Madison, WI 53704
August 9th
1:00pm-4:00pm

8. Volunteer Opportunities

- Medical Team Members
- Admin Support
- IT Management
- Newsletter Article Writer

Inventory Report – Williams

1. Merchandise Sales

- May 9th Flight
 - \$2,299! We believe this to be the highest Welcome Home Sales amount!
Kudos to the crew that worked the merchandise table and cart!
- May 30th Flight
 - \$1,248. Slow start to the night as people came in much later than normal

Administration Report –Barman

1. Waitlist June 2026

- World War II – 1
- Korea – 2
- Vietnam – 453
- Desert Storm/Desert Shield – 184
- Post Desert Storm/Desert Shield - 33



Medical – Greenwood

1. THANK YOU!

- Thank you to our incredible Medical Flight Teams!
 - April 18th Medical Flight Team
 - MD/DO- Dr. Jodi McGraw
 - NP- Lisa Kromanaker
 - RN- Kennedy Nelson
 - PT- Dr. Mary Rose Strickland
 - Paramedic- Tyler Greenwood (Lead)
 - 6th seat- Dr. Janis Tupesis
 - May 9th Mission 65 Medical Flight Team
 - MD/DO- Dr. Carimi
 - RT- Natalie Rifelj
 - CC Paramedic- Courtney Schwartzer
 - RN- Patty Scanlin
 - RN- Kaityln McClain (Medical Team Lead)
 - RN- Julie Kryger
 - May 30th Mission 66 Medical Flight Team
 - Paramedic – Tyler Greenwood (Lead)
 - RT - Lynn Waldera
 - Paramedic - Ben Waldera
 - RN - Holly McMillin
 - RN - Danielle Clary
 - MD - Mike Walters

2. SPRING TLC VETERANS

- FLOWN-11
 - Thank you, Patty Scanlin, for organizing our TLC Veterans!!

Flight Operations Report – McClain

1. Spring Flight Dates

- Mission 64 – SUCCESS!
 - April 18, 2026
 - Sun Country
 - 6:30am/9:15pm
 - Flight Sponsor: American Family Dream Foundation



- Mission 65 – SUCCESS!
 - May 9, 2026
 - American Airlines
 - 7am/9:15pm
 - Flight Sponsor: Badger Honor Flight Golf Outing
- Mission 66 – SUCCESS!
 - May 30
 - JetBlue
 - 6:30am/8:15pm
 - Flight Sponsor:
- 2. May 9 – Quartz Military Service Members Employee Resource Group**
 - Two employees brought their dads, who are both flight alumni!
 - Clarence Dresen
Mission 42 – 6/4/22
 - Jim McHargue
Mission 62 – 10/11/25
- 3. Fall Flight Dates**
 - Mission 67
 - September 12, 2026
 - American Airlines
 - 7am/9:15pm
 - Flight Sponsor: Opportunity Available!!
 - Mission 68
 - October 3, 2026
 - American Airlines
 - 7am/9:15pm
 - Flight Sponsor: Opportunity Available!!
 - Mission 69
 - November 7, 2026
 - American Airlines
 - 7am/8:15pm
 - Flight Sponsor: Hy-Vee



4. Sponsorship Opportunities

- Alpha/Flight - \$100,000 (Sept 12, Oct 3)
- Bravo/Day in DC - \$15,000 (all 3)
- Charlie/Welcome Home - \$10,000 (season) (all 3)
- Buses - \$6000 (all 3)
- USPP - \$1500 (all 3)
- Breakfast - \$750 (all 3)
- Lunch - \$2500 (all 3)
- Dinner - \$2500 (all 3)
- Snacks - \$250 (all 3)

Misc.

1. Fall Flights – VIPs / Guardians

- Sep 12th / Oct 3rd
 - TBD
- Nov 7th
 - Hy-Vee Local Stores' Representatives

2. Publicity Update

- Working with Hy-Vee Corporate on:
 - In-Store Events
 - In-Store Promotion
 - Joint Flight Promotion Activities
 - Hy-Vee promotional flyers shown
- Publicity Advisory Team
 - Team is working on updating all BHF materials with:
 - New Veteran eligibility requirements
 - Fall 2026 Flight Dates
 - Veteran recruitment
 - Volunteer recruitment
 - Sponsorships
 - Donations
 - Social Media
- New updated signage at the Dane County Regional Airport shown



- Local Publicity Efforts
 - Cardinal Heating & Air Conditioning
 - Electronic Billboard campaign is still ongoing
 - Dane County Regional Airport
 - New Static Sign across from Gate 8
 - New Electronic Signs
 - Will update for Fall 2026 Flights
 - Working on other opportunities

Upcoming BHF Volunteer Meetings

1. BHF Meetings are held on the first Wednesday evening of each month.
 - **July 1, 2026** – VFW 7591 - 301 Cottage Grove Rd, Madison at 7:00PM
 - **August 5, 2026** – VFW 7591 - 301 Cottage Grove Rd, Madison at 7:00PM
 - **September 2, 2026** – 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,
Becky Clark
Board Secretary
Badger Honor Flight