



WISCONSIN STATE PATROL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

WINTER 2019 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy New Year Members,

It is that time of year when everyone seems to have a year in review segment. I also felt it was appropriate to give a recap of some of the things the Alumni Association Board did in 2019. We improved our membership numbers to 274. We were able to maintain \$15.00 per year for membership fees. We worked closely with the Academy and Superintendent Burrell to ensure we would have an Alumni Day at the Academy. We worked with the Fort McCoy Police Department and were able to get Gate 15 opened for Alumni Day. We again paid for our member's meal at the Academy and hope to continue this for years to come. We gave away a tabletop gas grill with the generosity of Gander RV in Eau Claire.

We now have challenge coins, window decals, t-shirts, ceramic coffee cups, and travel mugs available for purchase. We are still partnered with Queensboro but we felt if we had merchandise on hand it gave our members another option. Our merchandise specialist Ruth Tiry is handling the selling and sending out of the orders.

A motion was made and seconded at Alumni Day to give the Honor Guard another donation. This was accomplished on November 19 at our Board meeting. A check for \$500.00 was presented to Sgt. Bryan Wrycha and Lt. Robert Hartson, who were the Honor Guard representatives.

We have started to research the possibility of giving out a scholarship or scholarships. There are still many details to work out, but hopefully we can achieve this in 2020. Phil Wenzel and Kim Hurley are working on it. If you have a suggestion or knowledge of the scholarship process please let them know.

You are all valued members of the Association. If you have suggestions or ideas for the Board let us know. I can be reached at mamabear6615@gmail.com. Here's to 2020. Mary

Honor Guard donation check presentation made by President Mary Sander to Lt R. Hartson & Sgt. B. Wrycha



Old Waukesha Troop get together in the fall of 2019. L-R, Fetherston, Llanas, Steinbergs, Jeschke, Warren, Lindemann, Osteen and Voss
Thank you Gerald Voss for this photo.

Deaths in 2019

1. John (Jack) Lampman passed away on 1-17-19. He was a WI Vehicle Inspector. John is survived by daughters; Karen, Lori, Julie and son-Tim. Badge #110.
2. John Bretzel died on 1-18-19 at age 83 yrs. He is survived by wife-Sharon, daughters; Debra, Katherine, Sue and son – Michael. John retired from WSP in 1990 after 26 yrs.
3. David Woodruff –died 4-23-19 at 79 yrs old. David served in the Army before the WSP. David is survived by wife-Jane, sons-Scott & Todd, daughters-Kim & Joni. 11th recruit class.
4. Art Schrock died 5-14-19 at age 86. He was a Trooper for 31yrs and a member of the 5th recruit class, badge #260. Survived by wife-Barbara and son-Greg.
5. Donald Artz died 5-22-19 at age 92. He retired as a Lieutenant after serving for 32 yrs. He is survived by his wife-Shirley, 3 sons; Tom, James & Steve, 2 daughters; Marlene & Catherine. 4th recruit class, badge #51.
6. William Lampa died 5-25-19 at age 83. He is survived by his wife – Pauline and 4 children. 11th recruit class, badge #362.
7. Carl Zutz, died 6-3-19 at age 96. He is survived by seven children, John, JoAnn, Carl III, Barbara, Paul, Elizabeth, and Karen.
8. William (Bill) Harvey died on 6-8-19 at age of 84. He is survived by his wife Lois, sons David & Bill and daughter Katrina. 5th recruit class, badge #249.
9. Clayton Erickson died on 8-26-19 at 88 years old. He is survived by his wife-Joanne, daughter Anna and son-Paul.
10. Nick Pierce, died on 9-2-19. Nick was a member of the 20th recruit class, badge #670. Nick is survived by his wife Betty.
11. Lester Walsingham died on 9-11-19 at the age of 95. He is survived by daughters Vicki & Leslie and his son Dan. Lester was a member of the 4th recruit class, badge #239.
12. Donald W. Thompson died on 7-7-19 at the age of 87. He is survived by his wife Rae Ann and 6 children. Donald was a member of the 17th recruit class, badge #609.
13. Lyle T. Walheim died on 10-7-19 at the age of 80. He is survived by his wife Nancy and 2 children.
14. Steven C Hanson died on 10-7-19 at the age of 78. Steve is survived by his wife Karen, sons John & Scott. Steve was a member of the 23rd recruit class, badge #745.
15. George Kimmerly, died on 11-21-19, age of 92. George is survived by 2 sons; Michael & George.
16. George Daniels, died on 12-12-19, was 85 years old. Survived by his wife-Nancy and children-Gwenn, Bill, Bruce and Ray. George was a member of 6th recruit class, badge #285 and served 32 yrs. with the WSP.
17. Alva Rehberg died on 12-20-19, at the age of 88. George was a member of the 1st recruit class. Badge #100.
18. Gerald (Jerry) Tisdale died on 12-28-19 at the age of 89. Jerry is survived by his wife – Alene and 5 children. Jerry worked in the office at Eau Claire Post.

WSP Communications Center in 1959

POLICE RADIO OPERATOR-2 (PRO-2) CW/operator

Royal "Bones" Friedland Wilbur Jensen
John Stasny Russ Fleming
"Mac" McNally ---- became a technician in early 1960

POLICE RADIO OPERATOR-1 (PRO-1) Dispatcher

Bernie Klapat Willie Eitel
Marv Fox Ed Snively
Bob Otis Floyd Meirkes ---- quit about 1960
Clyde "Sarge" Roehrdanz Eldon Cole
Bill Houns Harry Galbraith
Al Williston Dick Schraeder ---- started in 1959
Ralph Conklin Gus Schraeder
Arnie Thorpe George Weber
Terry Stewart ---- replaced Gordon Beason in Feb. 1959 – xfr to Fleet job Dec. 1959
John LaBlonde — replaced Ernie Lien in Feb. 1959
in 1960 became a PRO 2 when McNally became a technician.
Mel Banks — started in 1959
Ken Voight ---- started in late 1959 had been a police officer in Portage
Al Sanders ---- started in 1959
Jim Stelsel ---- started in 1959
Cliff Larson ----started in 1959
File Clerk Henry Herschleb

RADIO TECHNICIANS

Car 10 - Norvel Rollins – Chief of Police Communications
Car 11 - Bob Henry Assistant Chief of Police Communications
Car 100 - "Mac" McNally
Car 200 - Herb Buschel
Car 300 - Don Dudley
Car 400 - Alan Habeck
Car 500 - Norm Walker
Car 600 - Walt Hryniewicki

WSP Radio Station Locations (xmitter/receiver)

(Note: all radio traffic was handled remotely from the Radio Room on the 11th floor of the State Office Building at 1 West Wilson Street in Madison)

Stations Call Letters

1. Delafield KSB-433
2. Spring Prairie KSF-760
3. Baraboo KSA-535
4. Black River KSD-245
5. Lakewood KSF-263
6. Highland KSG-686
7. Menominee KSD-246
8. Tomahawk KSB-432
9. DePere KSD-244
10. Hayward KSB-431
11. Rib Mountain KSG-461
12. Deerfield (Receiver only)

Mobile KA-6570

CW KSA-56

Thank you to Terry Stewart for this radio article.

WSPAA MEMBER RODNEY DAY'S HONOR FLIGHT

Story by Rodney Day and Photo Collage from son Brad Day



Nov 2, 2019, I had the honor of taking the Badger Honor Flight from Madison to Washington DC . I had no Idea of the emotions that would surface for me. It started with the Middleton fire dept shooting water over the road as a salute. After a brief ceremony at the air port entrance we went up an escalator the concourse. At the top of the was a nun who shook my hand and said welcome home and God bless you. That was where I had my first tears appear. Then walking down the concourse there were two rows of clapping and cheering people until we boarded the air craft.

When we got off the plane in DC there was well over 100 people waiting for us again cheering and saying welcome home. At the end of the line was a family with two little girls that were maybe 2 and 4 both looked at me and said welcome home. I couldn't help myself, I bent down and said thank you and the tears came again.

We visited all the war memorials. At the Viet Nam memorial I found the names of those I knew. But I couldn't stay very long because it was too overwhelming. I walked to the top of the hill in front of the Wall and just stared and said why. Yes more tears.

The highlight was the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The changing of the guard and the laying of the wreath was gut wrenching. There was over 1000 people watching, the only sound you heard was your own breathing and the clicking of the guards heels. Again more tears.

As with military tradition on the way home was mail call. In my packet were cards from family and friends and a grade school class that the teacher thought it would be a good civics lesson. Tears again.

When we arrived in Madison it was estimated a crowd of over 5000 had gathered. I couldn't believe it. There was a band playing, people hollering welcome home. You guessed it tears again. My family was there as well as some friends. I never knew so many people cared.

I could go on and on about the experience. So many people volunteered their time and efforts to make this a life time experience. This helped to erase the swearing, name calling and being spit on I experienced coming home in 1966.

These flights are expensive and rely on donations as well as volunteers to make it work. (One of the volunteers was one of our own, Tom Cantwell.) This flight was paid for by JJ Watt and Reebok.

THANK YOU RODNEY FOR YOUR SERVICE.

AND THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VETERANS FOR YOUR SERVICE.

If any of our other WSPAA members had an honor flight and photos from their day we would love to hear from you. Please send them to Kim at kimwspaa@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION or RENEWAL

_____ *New member* _____ *Membership Renewal*

**Membership year runs from January 1, through December 31.
Deadline for renewal of your 2020 membership is March 31, 2020.**

Please provide all information requested below. Thanks.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell: _____

Current DSP Assignment: _____ Retired/Separated (Date): _____

Highest Rank/Position: _____ Recruit Class # _____ Badge# _____

_____ Full Member: \$15.00/year or _____ Associate Member: \$15.00/year

If you wish to pay multiple years, you may do so by multiplying the number of years by \$15.00.

Amount Paid: _____

Make your check payable to: WSPAA, Inc. and return this form along with your check to: Linda Woldt, 3120 Breeze Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590.

For Inquiries on your Membership, please contact:

Membership Coordinator: Cris Lewis (swimlewis@sbcglobal.net)
920-470-2145 OR

WSPAA Treasurer: Linda Woldt (wspaa2011@gmail.com) 608-279-0661



WSPAA MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

Submitted by _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Description	Size		Color	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
	ADULT	M/L/XL/XXL				
EMBROIDERED T-SHIRT	ADULT SIZES		HEATHER SPORT ROYAL		\$15.00	
11 OZ. CERAMIC COFFEE CUP					\$7.00	
20 OZ. TRAVEL MUG (Tumbler)					\$13.00	
CHALLENGE COIN - GOLD					\$10.00	
CHALLENGE COIN - SILVER					\$10.00	
WINDOW DECAL					\$5.00	

Total _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: WSP ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

SEND ORDER FORM TO: RUTH TIRY

N8486 HAY CREEK ROAD
WILLARD, WI 54493

PLEASE ALLOW 4 – 6 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY



EVENTS—Regularly Scheduled Gatherings;

- 1). **2nd Monday of the Month**— Aurora Hospital Cafeteria, 2845 Greenbrier Rd., Green Bay, WI 9:00 am— Join us for coffee. All are welcome. Contact Lyle Sconzert (
- 2). **First Thursday of the Month** - just show up at 9:00 am at the Green Lantern, McFarland, WI.
- 3). **Last Thursday of Even Numbered Months** - WISDOT/DNR Retiree Breakfast at 9:30 am at "The Prime" in Trego, WI. Contact Connie Salquist (ConnieSalquist@yahoo.com).

If you know of additional events or gatherings of State Patrol alumni, please let us know so we can post it for all to see or attend. Send these items to kimwspaa@gmail.com Thank you.

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******* Alumni Day 2020 is October 2nd at the WSP Academy*******