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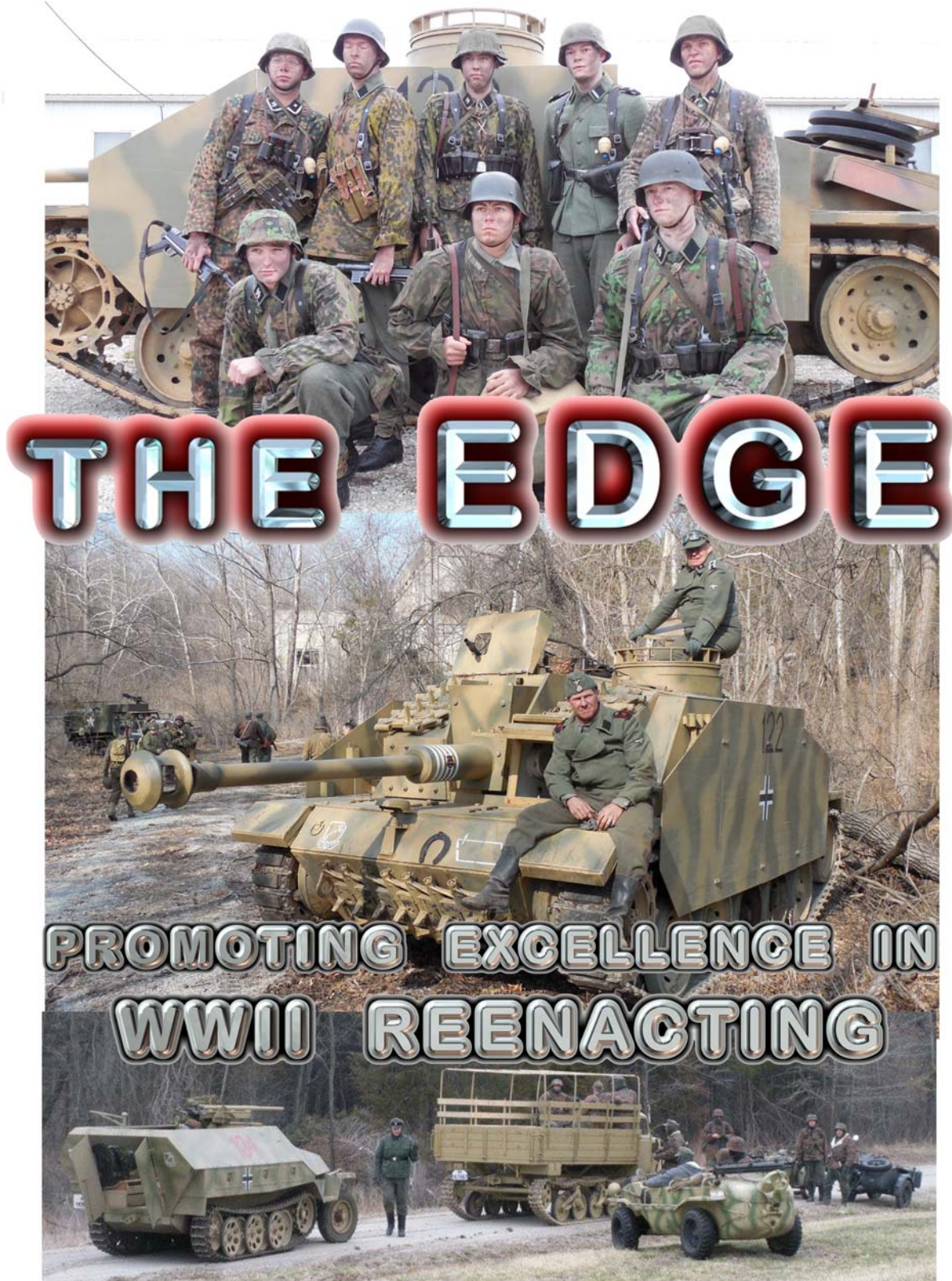
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## COMMUNICATIONS

### **From HRS President**

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### **WWII HRS Scholarship 2014**

In 2010 the membership approved the creation of an HRS scholarship. The effort behind the scholarship was twofold. The primary goal is to assist the younger members of our organization in their pursuit of higher education. Obviously historical reenacting is an expensive hobby that can be a near impossibility for some students. Secondly we will help grow interest in historical reenacting as an educational endeavor which is part of the mission of our Society. The scholarship will be awarded to a full time undergraduate or graduate student majoring in areas such as history, museum studies, or archeology however all students are encouraged to apply. The award can be used towards tuition or books. Note that any family or relations to any of the board of directors or staff of the WWII HRS will be ineligible for this award.

Please send the applications to the WWII HRS Vice President. The amount of the award is \$500.

#### **Eligibility:**

1. Must be a current member of HRS in good standing in at least their second year of membership.
2. Must be registered as a full-time student; undergraduate or graduate; at an accredited college or university.
3. Must demonstrate a minimum GPA of 2.75.
4. Must currently be a history or associated major, however if there is not any history or associated major that apply then all majors are eligible.
5. Must not have received a previous HRS scholarship.

#### **Requirements:**

The student should write a 500-word essay describing their qualifications and justification for receiving the HRS scholarship. It should also include the student's future plans in reenacting. A letter of recommendation from their unit commander should also be included. If the student is the unit commander for their unit, then another commander can supply the letter. Unofficial transcripts or a letter for the college or university stating that the student's current major and GPA needs to be included. Lastly, a picture in WWII uniform should be included.

Deadline: July 1

Notification: August 1

An article highlighting the student will be in the Society publication, The Edge.

#### **Review:**

A committee consisting of an Allied, an Axis, and a Commonwealth member will review all candidates and give recommendation to the President who will be awarded the scholarship.

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## From HRS Treasurer

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This is the report of financial balances deposits and expenditures for March 2014.

Balances as of 3/31/2014

PNC checking account \$11,995.19  
PNC Money Market Account \$43,324.54  
Wells Fargo Account: I have not been given this information

### Deposits

03/03/14 Mailed Membership Deposit \$25.00 refunded \$5 overpayment.  
03/07/14 Eventbrite Deposit of February Memberships \$2,358.06  
03/10/14 Mailed Membership Deposit \$20.00  
03/17/14 Mailed Membership Deposit \$40.00  
03.19.14 Mailed Membership Deposit \$240.00  
03/24/14 Deposit of Eventbrite Checks Recovered from 2013 \$1150.56

### Expenditures:

03/03/14 US Postal Service Stamps for use of Treasurer	\$9.80
03/04/14 US Postal Service Stamps for mailing of ID Cards	\$80.25
03/03/14 PNC Service Charge from February	\$27.00
03/07/14 Mad Mimi Marketing	\$12.80
03/10/14 Reimbursement of Eddie Mayton for 2013 expenses	\$89.32
03/12/14 Office Depot supplies for Membership cards	\$32.76
03/24/14 Reimbursement of Jon Stevens for 2013 expenses	\$299.00

2014 Eventbrite Memberships  
March 135 memberships Net Sales \$1,855.06

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.  
Wayne McCulley  
HRS Treasure

## From The Editor

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The EDGE is a WW2 HRS publication which promotes and features the works of WW2 HRS Members. I welcome HRS Units to advertise their Events and Accomplishments in The Edge.

**ANY WW2 HRS Member can submit an item to me for publication here in The EDGE.**

Jon (the HRS President) does review this publication and asks that submissions reflect the POSITIVE aspect of our Society.

You may occasionally notice articles from around the World in The Edge. The Internet makes it possible for anybody to see our Society's work, and submit items to me. We do have a large international following and I do receive world-wide e-mail from people.

Upon request I will also come out and visit with HRS Members and Units. I am happy to take some pictures or video and do a write up about your WW2 Living History efforts.

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## NOTICE FROM The Vehicle S&A Committee April 2014

The HRS currently has 206 WW2 vehicles, armor & misc. artillery and equipment registered. Event coordinators can get contact info for this equipment by contacting the HRS vehicle coordinator at [hiawathajim@yahoo.com](mailto:hiawathajim@yahoo.com).

The Vehicle S&A Committee would also like to announce that S&A inspections of vehicles will be done at all HRS events starting with the 2014 season.

Vehicle Safety regulations can be found on the HRS WEB Site. Authenticity regulations for vehicles are currently in the works and will be posted soon. This is being done to further concrete the excellent safety record of the HRS.

The vehicle committee is also seeking applicants for doing vehicle inspections at events, the more inspectors we have the less time it will take for everyone involved. Those interested should send their info to [hiawathajim@yahoo.com](mailto:hiawathajim@yahoo.com).

The vehicle committee is also seeking heavy weapons, machine gun crews, mortar teams & field artillery. These items will be added to the list so that event coordinators' know what is available for events. If you have any of these please send info to [hiawathajim@yahoo.com](mailto:hiawathajim@yahoo.com).

## VEHICLE SAFETY

- 1.** All motor vehicles must be driven by a licensed driver, regardless of off or on road use. The driver must be knowledgeable of the type of vehicle he is driving. PROPER LIABILITY INSURANCE IS MANDATORY. Any vehicle driven off road MUST HAVE A GROUND GUIDE, to avoid personnel hiding in foliage.
- 2.** Service brakes shall function on all wheeled vehicles.
- 3.** Emergency brakes (parking brakes) should be functional, if a vehicle was originally equipped with such brakes.
- 4.** Tires shall have a minimum tread depth of 2/32 inches.
- 5.** Tracks shall be properly adjusted.
- 6.** Steering system shall be functional.
- 7.** Lighting shall be operational if used for night operation.
- 8.** Each vehicle shall be equipped with a current UL listed class BC fire extinguisher, rated for vehicular fires.
- 9:** Batteries must be properly secured to the vehicle.
- 10:** Maximum vehicle speed on the battlefield is 10 m.p.h.



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## Insurance Frequently Asked Questions

***What kind of insurance does the WWII HRS carry?***

The HRS carries Liability Insurance. It is good in the lower 48 states.

***Who is the insurance carrier?***

Essex Insurance Company.

***What is the term of the insurance?***

2/1/2014 to 2/1/2015

***Is the HRS insurance personal accident insurance or medical insurance?***

No.

***Are those under age 18 covered under our policy?***

Yes, those under age 18 are covered although some restrictions still apply to minors.

***What are the limits?***

\$1,000,000; \$5000 medical expense limit for any one person.

***Are vehicles, landing craft, and aircraft covered by the HRS insurance?***

No they are not.

***Does the insurance bar Canadian members?***

No.

***What if my equipment or vehicle is lost, stolen, or damaged?***

There is no coverage for personal property loss of any kind.

***Can my event get insurance coverage?***

Yes, if an HRS chartered unit sponsors the event and it is approved by the HRS board however some restrictions apply.

***The event site says they need to be added as an additional named insured to a certificate of insurance for my event.***

Our insurance for 2014 has a blanket additional named insured so this does not incur an additional cost as in previous years however you still need to apply for this with enough time to process the request. At least 60 days should be allowed for the request.

***Can I see proof of insurance for the HRS?***

Yes, please contact a board member for more information.

***Do non-members attending a WWII HRS event need to provide their own insurance for the event?***

No. They are covered under the HRS insurance as part of the event.

***Are HRS members covered at non-HRS sanctioned events?***

No. The HRS insurance only applies at HRS sanctioned events.

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## EVENTS

May	
<b>03-04</b>	<b>KENNEKUK WWII REMEMBRANCE DAYS</b>
<b>May</b>	<p><b>Loc:</b> Kennekuk County Park 22296 A Henning Rd. Danville IL</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> May 3rd and 4th, 2014</p> <p><b>Event Times:</b> Saturday May 3rd 9:00am till 5:00pm Sunday May 4th 10:00am till 3:00pm</p> <p><b>Registration Times:</b> Friday May 2nd 3:00pm till 10:00pm Saturday 7:30am till 8:30am</p> <p><b>Pre-Registration:</b> <a href="http://kennekuk.eventbrite.com">http://kennekuk.eventbrite.com</a></p> <p><b>Fee:</b> None</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Polly Norman-Blanton 217-621-9899 or <a href="mailto:wwiikennekuk@yahoo.com">wwiikennekuk@yahoo.com</a></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://vccd.org/gikennekuk.html">http://vccd.org/gikennekuk.html</a></p> <p><b>Authenticity Notes:</b> HRS RULES APPLY</p> <p><b>Prohibited Vehicles/Items:</b> No vehicles over 15tons/All viewable items must be WWII era</p> <p><b>Motels:</b> Best Western Riverside Inn 217-431-0020/Day's Hotel 217-703-4505</p> <p><b>Sponsoring Unit(s):</b> 33rd Infantry Division/Great Lake WAVES</p>
<b>16-18</b>	<b>5TH ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY - WWII WEEKEND</b>
<b>May</b>	<p><b>Loc:</b> Dakota City Heritage Village 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, MN 55024</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> May 16-18, 2014</p> <p><b>Event Times:</b> open to the public Saturday 10-6 &amp; Sunday 10-3</p> <p><b>Registration Times:</b> Friday noon-10pm &amp; Saturday 7am through the rest of the day</p> <p><b>Pre-Registration:</b> email Jon Boorom <a href="mailto:ivanthecutthroat@Hotmail.com">ivanthecutthroat@Hotmail.com</a> to confirm a campsite for your unit.</p> <p><b>Fee:</b> none for WWII veterans &amp; reenactors/volunteers &amp; kids under 7. Public admission is \$7 with a non-perishable food item. \$9 without.</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Jon Boorom <a href="mailto:ivanthecutthroat@Hotmail.com">ivanthecutthroat@Hotmail.com</a> 612-432-2231</p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.DakotaCityWWII.yolasite.com">http://www.DakotaCityWWII.yolasite.com</a></p> <p><b>Authenticity Notes:</b> all HRS rules apply</p> <p><b>Sponsoring Unit(s):</b> Fox Company, 502 PIR, 101 AB</p>
June	
<b>06-08</b>	<b>4TH ANNUAL RAILS TO VICTORY</b>
<b>Jun</b>	<p><b>Loc:</b> Fox River Trolley Museum, 361 South LaFox Street (IL 31), South Elgin, IL 60177</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> June 6-8, 2014</p> <p><b>Event Summary:</b> Rails to Victory is a great event for all impressions: Military and Civilians. This year's event will focus on remembering D-Day and the sacrifices made by the Allies during the invasion of France in June and July 1944.</p> <p>- New for 2014: A period WW2 BICYCLE RALLY &amp; PARADE is scheduled for Sunday Morning at 10:30 AM for a leisurely ride through the museum and down the Fox River Bicycle path to the Duerr Forest Preserve and back (approximately 3 miles round trip). Period bicycles of all kinds; military &amp; civilian, and European &amp; Homefront, are all invited to participate in this first of its kind WW2 Era Bicycle Rally.</p> <p>- Saturday's Schedule will focus on BATTLES &amp; LIVING HISTORY scenarios along the Trolley Line; offering several bridge skirmishes throughout the day. New in 2014, we are planning evening runs of the Occupied France Trolley Tours offering both reenactors and the public a chance to see the bridge skirmishes and living history skits under sunset lighting with long shadows.</p> <p>- Sunday's Schedule shall include a LARGE SCALE FIELD BATTLE at 1pm in and around the Museum's bone yard with all the railroad obstacles for defensive positions; and includes the expanded open grassy area incorporated into last year's larger battlefield. All vehicles including tracked vehicles and watercrafts are welcome to participate.</p> <p>- A period WW2 Girls Baseball Home Front Game will once again be played on Sunday afternoon this year at 3pm. Reenactors are encouraged to come over to watch the game and cheer on their favorite team; whether it be the Rockford Peaches, Kenosha Comets, Racine Bells, or South Bend Blue Sox.</p> <p>- Opportunities for historical camp presentations are also welcome and can be presented both days of the event. Please</p>

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contact us if you would like your presentation added to the printed schedule.

- Camp Amenities: Shaded Encampments and Flush Toilets on site.

**Event Times:**

- Friday, June 6: Reenactor check-in, 4pm to 10pm.;
- Saturday, June 7 : Reenactor check-in, 8 am to 9:15am;
- Sunday, June 8: Reenactor check-in, 9am to 9:50am;
- Daily morning formations and S&A check;
- Museum Opens at 10 am on Saturday and Sunday;
- Visit the Event Web Site for Additional event details (schedules, maps, and updates).

**Website:** <http://www.railstovictory.com>

**Pre-Registration:** <http://railstovictory2014.eventbrite.com> (No Walk Ons)

**Fee:** none

**Contact:** Rebecca Tulloch [becky1861@sbcglobal.net](mailto:becky1861@sbcglobal.net)

**Map:** <http://foxtrolley.org/Default.aspx?pagelid=1146775>

**Directions:** The Fox River Trolley Museum is located on Illinois Route 31, three blocks south of State Street in South Elgin, IL. at Fox River Trolley Museum, 365 South LaFox Street (Illinois Route 31), South Elgin, IL 60177

- From Chicago and the east: Take the Northwest Tollway (I-90) or US Route 20 west to Elgin. - - Exit on Illinois 31 southbound and follow posted detour at Spring Street (South Elgin).
- From the west and northwest: Take the Northwest Tollway (I-90) or US Route 20 east to Elgin. Exit on Illinois 31 southbound and follow posted detour at Spring Street (South Elgin).
- From the south: Take Illinois Route 59 north to Illinois Route 64. Turn west on 64 to Illinois Route 31 in St Charles. Take 31 north to the museum.

**Authenticity Notes:** HRS safety and authenticity rules apply.

**Invited Vehicles/Items:** All WWII vehicles, including tracked vehicles, are welcome; weather conditions permitting, tracked vehicles may be limited to the gravel road and battle field. Smaller vehicles such as Jeeps, Motorcycles, Kubels & Lightweight Trucks may drive on the grassy areas. A static vehicle honor display area has been established for all attending vehicles. Boats and other period water crafts such rafts are also welcome on the Fox River, but should contact us first prior to bringing out. River depth is only 2-3 feet in the vicinity of the museum.

**Restrictions on Minors:** HRS Rules

**Other restrictions:** No alcoholic beverages permitted in the Museum and County Park. No digging, but camp fires are allowed in above pits and military stoves and grills. No firing of weapons in the encampment area in County Park by Forest Preserve Ordinance; but okay in the designated battlefield areas on museum property.

**Motels:** Accommodations available in nearby Elgin and St. Charles Illinois: Hampton Inn, the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites and West Dundee's Marriott International-Courtyard & Towne Place Suites; and in St. Charles: Best Western, Country Inn & Suites, Fairfield Inn & Suites, Geneva Motel, Hampton Inn & Suites, Hilton Garden Inn, Holiday Inn Express, Hotel Baker, Pheasant Run Resort, and Super 8. Restaurants: There are eating establishments with in a very easy walk of the museum ranging in variety from hot dogs to pizza.

**Sponsoring Unit(s):** Members of the US10th Mtn LHDG, and members of Vintage Rockford Peaches Softball Team of the WW2 Girls Baseball Living History League.

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## GENERAL JIMMY DOOLITTLE VICTORY DAYS, DOOLITTLE, MO

Jun



**Loc:** Burns Army Surplus, I-44 Exit 179, Doolittle, MO 65550

**Dates:** 13-15 June 2014

**Event Times:** Camp setup starts 12 noon 13 June, event 9am - 5pm 14 June, all camps cleared by 12 noon 15 June 2014

**Registration Times:** 3-7pm 13 June, 7-9am 14 June

**Pre-Registration:** Re-enactors will receive a FREE lunch if pre-registered by 7 June 2014, all others will register on site:

<http://www.eventbrite.com/e/general-jimmy-doolittle-victory-days-doolittle-mo-tickets-6777907905?aff=eac2>

**Fee:** None

**Contact:** 6th Corps Living History Group (Select 'Contact Us' on the following page:

<http://www.6thcorpslhg.com>)

**Website:** <http://doolittlevictorydays.webs.com>

**Authenticity Notes:** All WW II impressions, all theatres, all nationalities

**Prohibited Vehicles/Items:** All Military Vehicles are welcome, static display mostly, small convoy Friday night or Saturday morning, possible small skirmish using small vehicles.

**Restrictions on Minors:** Per HRS Rules

**Other restrictions:** NO live ammunition.

**Sponsoring Unit(s):** FIRST SPECIAL SERVICE FORCE, 6TH CO, 3RD REG, SECOND 25TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION, 25TH BRIGADE 7TH DIVISION, 116th INFANTRY REGIMENT, 29th INFANTRY DIVISION, 29th PANZER Grenadier Regiment, 3rd PANZER Grenadier Division

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<b>14</b>	<b>ANNUAL HEARTLAND MILITARY DAY</b>
<b>Jun</b>	<p><b>Loc:</b> Museum of the Kansas National Guard, 6700 Southwest Topeka Boulevard, Topeka, Kansas 66619</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> Saturday, June 14, 2014</p> <p><b>Event Times:</b> 0800 – 1600</p> <p><b>Registration Times:</b> 0800 – 1000</p> <p><b>Pre-Registration:</b> not required</p> <p><b>Fee:</b> no fee</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Ed Gerhardt 7850 862-1020 e-mail <a href="mailto:office@kngmuseum.org">office@kngmuseum.org</a> for display and general information John Colyer at <a href="mailto:nordland1@cox.net">nordland1@cox.net</a> for information on WWII and Public Battles</p> <p><b>Website:</b> Annual Heartland Military Day on Facebook</p> <p><b>Authenticity Notes:</b> WWII HRS Authenticity and Safety rules will be enforced</p> <p><b>Prohibited Vehicles/Items:</b> Vehicles Welcome no alcoholic beverages during event on event site</p> <p><b>Restrictions on Minors:</b> As/per HRS guidelines</p> <p><b>Other restrictions:</b> No Live Ammo in event area. Modern camping cannot be in the display area or battle field. Camping will be allowed on Friday night June 14, 2-014 and there will be access to the Museum restroom.</p> <p><b>Sponsoring Unit(s):</b> 11th SS Nordland &amp; 250th Ski Company</p>
<b>20-22</b>	<b>WWII RECREATED, DIXON, ILLINOIS</b>
<b>Jun</b>	<p><b>Loc:</b> Elks Page Park, 7883 Lowell Park Rd., Dixon, Illinois</p> <p><b>Dates:</b> June 20, 21, and 22</p> <p><b>Event Times:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Friday June 20: Arrival, setup, evening public event preview, and militaria flea market with indoor tables for HRS members and others \$5/table. Please RSVP for a table.</li><li>-Saturday June 21: 10am to 5pm campsites open to the public, with two public battles, weapons demos, veteran recognition and interviews, militaria sale</li><li>-Sunday June 22: 8-10am Tactical; 11am to 4:00pm open to the public with one public battle; militaria sale</li></ul> <p><b>Registration Times:</b> Friday June 20 and Saturday June 21 7 to 9 am</p> <p><b>Pre-Registration:</b> <a href="https://wwii-remembered-dixon-2014.eventbrite.com">https://wwii-remembered-dixon-2014.eventbrite.com</a></p> <p><b>Fee:</b> None</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> <a href="#">Jonathan Stevens</a></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <a href="http://wwii-recreated-dixon.weebly.com">http://wwii-recreated-dixon.weebly.com</a></p> <p><b>Map:</b> <a href="#">Click Here</a></p> <p><b>Authenticity Notes:</b> All HRS rules apply.</p> <p><b>Minors:</b> All HRS restrictions apply</p> <p><b>Prohibited Vehicles/Items:</b> All vehicles welcome.</p> <p><b>Sponsoring Unit (s):</b> 9th Infantry Division</p>

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11  Oct	<p><b>5TH ANNUAL WWII MISSOURI CONVOY</b></p> <p><b>Loc:</b> Arcadia Academy B&amp;B, Arcadia, Missouri (Southeast Missouri)  <b>Dates:</b> 11 October 2014 (1 DAY)  <b>Distance:</b> 74 miles  <b>Event Times:</b> Convoy Departs 09:00 Hrs. Returns to the Academy at 4:00 pm  <b>Registration Times:</b> Advanced registration required (Limit 15 vehicles)  <b>Pre-Registration:</b> REQUIRED (Limit 15 vehicles) WWII Vehicles and period costumes required!  <b>Sign In:</b> Thursday-Friday noon-10:00 pm, Saturday until 08:00 am  <b>Fee:</b> \$15@ vehicle w/2 people, \$5@ additional rider, \$50@ vehicle (after 1 July space permitting)            Saturday evening entertainment and dinner: \$20@ person (optional)  <b>Contact:</b> Terry Johns at <a href="mailto:halftrackjohns@att.net">halftrackjohns@att.net</a>  <b>Camping:</b> \$10 per site (No open flames)  <b>Accommodations:</b> \$35-\$189 (Barracks space also available)  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.20thcenturyqi.com/index.php?topic=2011.msg3352.topicseen#new">http://www.20thcenturyqi.com/index.php?topic=2011.msg3352.topicseen#new</a>            Promo Video can be viewed on the MVPA web at <a href="http://www.mvpa.org/other-convoy-news">http://www.mvpa.org/other-convoy-news</a>  <b>Authenticity Notes:</b> As per WWIIHRS guidelines  <b>Prohibited Items:</b> No alcohol &amp; no discharging of firearms or carrying of same (This is not a battle reenactment!)  <b>Restrictions on Minors:</b> With parental presence, persons 16-17 allowed.  <b>Note:</b> While not a battle reenactment this event will provide the vehicle owner with an opportunity to drive his vehicle within Missouri's beautiful St. Francis Mountains during the most colorful season of the year. The historic Academy offers a venue that lends itself perfectly for a living history HQ Assembly Area.  <b>Route:</b> East to Millstream Gardens, Fredericktown, Castor River Shut-Ins.            West to the Olympic Steak House for lunch, Mark Twain Natl. Forest, Marble Creek, return to the academy.  <b>Additional:</b> This event is part of the larger MVPA "Show Me" Convoy (October 11-17) in which the WWII convoy will lead.  <b>Sponsoring Unit(s):</b> 6th Corps &amp; 22 IPC</p>
16-19  Oct 	<p><b>WELCOME HOME STARS &amp; STRIPES REMEMBERS WORLD WAR II &amp; KOREA</b></p> <p><b>Loc:</b> Stars &amp; Stripes National Museum &amp; Library, 17377 Stars &amp; Stripes Way, Bloomfield, MO 63825  <b>Dates:</b> 16-19 October 2014  <b>Event Times:</b>            16 Oct, camp set up can begin @ 12 noon            17 Oct, open to schools: 10am-2pm, set-up continues all day            18 Oct open to the public, 8:30am, Memorial convoy            18 Oct open to the public, All camps and displays @ 9am - 5pm            19 Oct camp sites cleared by 12 noon  <b>Registration Times:</b>            3pm – 9pm 17 October            7am – 9am 18 October  <b>Pre-Registration:</b> (<a href="#">click here</a>)  <b>Fee:</b> N/A  <b>Contact:</b> 6th Corps Living History Group, St Louis, MO at the contact me button on this web-site:  <a href="http://welcomehomestarsstripesrememberswwii.webs.com/contact-us">http://welcomehomestarsstripesrememberswwii.webs.com/contact-us</a>  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://welcomehomestarsstripesrememberswwii.webs.com/">http://welcomehomestarsstripesrememberswwii.webs.com/</a>  <b>Authenticity Notes:</b> All HRS Safety and authenticity rules apply.  <b>Prohibited Vehicles/Items:</b> No live ammo  <b>Restrictions on Minors:</b> per HRS rules  <b>Other restrictions:</b> Per local and state laws  <b>Sponsoring Unit(s):</b>            FIRST SPECIAL SERVICE FORCE, 6TH CO, 3RD REG HRS            SECOND 25TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION, 25TH BRIGADE 7TH DIVISION HRS            116th INFANTRY REGIMENT, 29th INFANTRY DIVISION            29th PANZERGRENADIER REGIMENT, 3rd PANZERGRENADIER DIVISION</p>

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## Fallschirmjäger-Lehrkompanie Event 'The Battle of Crete' at 'Warbirds Over the Beach'

Where: At the "Warbirds Over the Beach" WW2  
Airshow in Virginia Beach, VA  
When: 15-18 May 2014



If you are a Fallschirmjäger reenactor, this is a do not miss event. Our annual theme is the "Battle of Crete 1941" Like last year, we'll conduct our exclusive FK-Lehrkompanie immersion event on Friday, 16 May, and then conduct an interactive public display during the airshow on Saturday and Sunday.

**BILLETING IN ORIGINAL LUFTWAFFE HANGAR!** We've received special permission from the Military Aviation Museum to be billeted in their original WW2 Luftwaffe Hangar!

To register and for complete event information, visit  
[www.fj-lehrkompanie.com](http://www.fj-lehrkompanie.com)



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**10<sup>th</sup> Mtn Div. LHDG**  
**WW2 Girls Baseball Living History League**

All HRS members are invited to the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Fox River Trolley Museum's "Rails To Victory" WW2 Reenactment this June to remember and honor the men and women who fought on D-Day 70 years ago. Rails To Victory (RTV) offers opportunities for many diverse impressions and displays. The heart of the event is centered around providing the public with an immersive WW2 experience offering reenactors opportunities to put the public right into the middle of the action. During the Trolley Adventure, reenactors can participate in bridge skirmishes, partisan actions, period civilian impressions and various D-Day and Occupied France scenes and tableaux. The public rides through our battles and period scenes on one of the museum's three period trolleys.

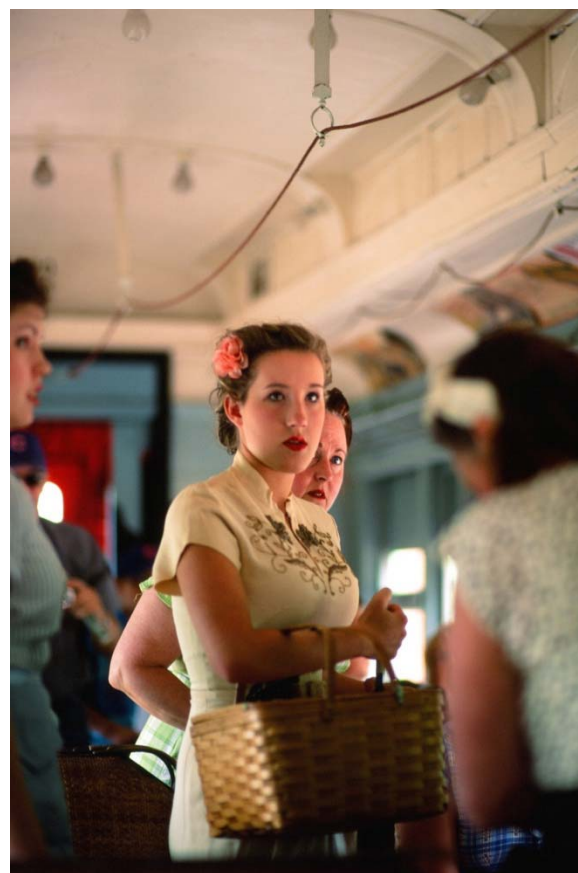


Photo by John Cairns

The Fox River Trolley Museum located in the Village of South Elgin, Illinois in the Fox River Valley offers some interesting terrain for a more secluded battle area. Two interesting bridges are fought around and under; the CN Rail Trestle and the Stearns Road Stone Arches Bridge. The terrain is sloped in many places and has plenty of foliage. A large portion of the museum's 3 mile rail system snakes its way through the Kane County Forest Preserve along the Fox River.

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In addition to the Trolley Adventure Tours, a large field battle is planned for Sunday afternoon in the museum's expanded rail yard battlefield, followed by a home front baseball game with the Rockford Peaches, made famous in the 1992 film, "A League of Their Own".



Photo by John Cairns



New to this year's event will be a 1<sup>st</sup> of its kind, a period bicycle rally down the Fox River Bike path which runs through the museum's grounds along the trolley line and the Fox River. If you own a period bicycle, this is your chance to show it off with other period bicycle enthusiasts. All period makes and models are welcome.



Photo by US Army Signal Corps

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## EVENT SUMMARY

### **Event Dates: June 6-8, 2014**

- Changes that were successful in 2013 shall be built upon such as the expanded battle field which can accommodate military vehicles including tracked vehicles and tanks.
- New for 2014 is the addition of a PERIOD WW2 BICYCLE RALLY along on the Fox River Bike Path on Sunday Morning.
- The "Occupied France Trolley Adventure" will run on Saturday only this year and will include multiple battle skirmishes under the Stearns Road bridge on the Fox River and offer opportunities for reenactors and units to portray D-Day/Occupied France related skits and impressions. If a unit would like a whole skit area of you own, space is available. Just let us know you are interested. New this year will be three early evening twilight runs for a new and interesting perspective for the participants and public.
- The WW2 Girls Baseball Game on Sunday Afternoon is scheduled for 2:30 pm. We are inviting reenactors to come to the game in period home front attire, including soldiers in class As. Come cheer on the Peaches.
- Living History Displays, Military Camps, and Period Vehicles & Demonstrations.

### **EVENT REGISTRATION:**

[WWW.RAILSTOVICTORY.COM](http://WWW.RAILSTOVICTORY.COM)

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RE-ENACTOR PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE (Minor Tweaking may still occur before event- Feb 2014version)

## FRIDAY June 6, 2014

4pm – 10pm	Re-enactor Check In and Set Up.
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## SATURDAY June 7, 2014

8:00 – 9:15 am	Reenactor Check In and Set Up
9:15 – 9:45 am	Safety and Authenticity Inspection / Battle Field
9:50 – 10:00 am	All POVs must be moved out of the Camps.
10:00 am	Museum and Camps Open to the Public
10:15 am	TROLLEY ADVENTURE – Reenactor Set Up Cast and Equipment Trolley Departs
10:30, 11:00, 11:30	<u>Morning Trolley Adventure Runs &amp; Bridge Battles</u>
12:00-12:30	TENTATIVE – <u>Signal Pigeon Display &amp; Presentation</u> – St. Lazare Presentation Area
	1.5 HOUR LUNCH BREAK
1:00-1:30	<u>Weapons Demonstration Presentation</u> – Battle Field Across from Sutlers
2:00 pm	TROLLEY ADVENTURE – Reenactor Set Up Cast and Equipment Trolley Departs
2:30, 3:00, 3:30	<u>Afternoon Trolley Adventure Runs &amp; Bridge Battles</u>
	2 HOUR DINNER BREAK
7:00 pm	TROLLEY ADVENTURE – Reenactor Set Up Cast and Equipment Trolley Departs
7:30, 8:00, 8:30pm	<u>Evening Trolley Adventure Runs &amp; Bridge Battles</u>

## SUNDAY June 8, 2014

8:30 – 9:15 am	<u>Non-Denominational Church Service</u> – St. Lazare Station
9:00 – 9:50 am	Re-enactor Check In and Set Up
9:30 am	Officer's Call
9:45 am	Safety and Authenticity for those not in attendance on Saturday / Battlefield
10:30 am	<u>WW2 Period Bicycle Rally on the Fox River Bike Path</u>
11:00 pm	<u>Army Medical Demo</u> – US10 Mtn. Tent in Allied Encampment Area
12:00 pm	<u>1940s Period Fashions Presentation</u> – St. Lazare Presentation Area
1:00-1:30	<u>Weapons Demonstration Presentation</u> – Battle Field Across from Sutlers
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	<u>Feature Battle / Battle Field</u>
2:30 – 5:00 pm	<u>Home Front Rockford Peaches Period Baseball Game / Baseball Field</u>
5:00 pm	Museum and Camps Close to the Public

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A black and white photograph showing a group of soldiers in World War II-era uniforms and helmets, carrying gear and moving across a grassy field. The photo is the background for the event information text.

## World War Two Recreated

A Living History Presentation  
Sponsored by the 9th Infantry Division, WWIIHRS

**June 21 to 22, 2014**  
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**A remembrance of our greatest generation**

The logo is a circular emblem. The outer ring contains the text 'HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT' at the top and 'SOCIETY, INC.' at the bottom. Inside the ring is a stylized 'X' shape formed by two crossed arrows, one red and one blue. Below the 'X' is the text 'FOUNDED 1976'.

Here is the Video of the 22 June 2013 WW2 HRS World War Two Recreated  
Living History Battle Re-enactment at Elks Page Park in Dixon, Illinois.

This Video is broken up into FOUR parts.

Part 1 - The Patrol

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yw3F4vv5okA>

Part 2 - The German Attack

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYFv-ng6cTg>

Part 3 - The Allied Attack

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GrSFKQegVwM>

Part 4 - German Surrender

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RzH3\\_lbeOmw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RzH3_lbeOmw)

Heinz Thiel - WW2 HRS Press Corps.

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Living History Battle Re-enactment at Elks Page Park in Dixon, Illinois.



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## VIETNAM MOVING WALL ½ SIZE REPLICA BERWYN, IL

The following is a brief outline of the 4 main events surrounding the MOVING VIETNAM WALL that will be visiting Berwyn, Il from Tuesday, August 7 thru Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>

OPENING CEREMONY @1800 Hrs  
PROKSA PARK, BERWYN, IL

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup>

USO STYLE SHOW AND B-B-QUE  
1600 Hrs - 2100 Hrs  
MEGA PLEX, Mc COOK, IL

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>

ECUMENICAL CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE  
PROKSA PARK, BERWYN, IL

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup>

CLOSING CEREMONY 1500 Hrs

VETERAN VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED AT VARIOUS TIMES THROUGH OUT THE ENTIRE TIME THE WALL IS IN BERWYN. THE WALL WILL BE ACCESSIBLE 24 Hrs EACH DAY. ANY VETERANS GROUP THAT HAS A COLOR GUARD IS ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPENING CEREMONY. ALL VETERAN VOLUNTEERS ARE ASKED TO WEAR AN APPROPRIATE SHIRT, JACKET, CAP, ETC THAT REPRESENTS THEIR GROUP

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# HONOR 2014

August 7-11, 2014

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August  
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***"I shall Return!"***





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## THE WW2 REENACTOR'S CONSUMER GUIDE

Submitted By: Jonathan Stevens, 9th Infantry

I thought that this website, The Reenactor Consumer Guide, was worthy of a quick report in the Edge. If you are looking to purchase WWII items from a vendor but are not very familiar with them then this might be worth your while.

From the homepage:

"It's a place for customers to rate their experiences with vendors servicing the reenacting community. Good or bad, let's hear it. Vendor Feedback Reviews are posted only after being reviewed by the webmasters. Positive reviews are posted as they are submitted; negative reviews are posted 2 weeks after submission. During this time, the vendor is sent the review in order to provide them ample time to provide us with a rebuttal. After 2 weeks if no rebuttal is received the review is posted.

Vendors who do not recall the buyer are encouraged to make contact and work out the problem.

Spread the word! The RCG has not only helped WWII reenacting by spreading the word about bad vendors and experiences, but it has also really helped new vendors get discovered and their businesses grow. What it really means is that if a vendor screws someone, then it will be out there for everyone to see. And yes, vendors CAN rebut feedback. Be polite, no flames and be professional!!"

The Reenactor Consumer Guide, [www.reenactorconsumer.com](http://www.reenactorconsumer.com), is administered and created by Marsh Wise.



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#### HOW TO ATTEND a Board Meeting:

Monthly teleconference Board meetings are open to all members. Members do not need to register for the meetings nor do they need to contact the president or any board members.

They need to contact their unit commander for the call information to include phone number and password. This creates less of a choke point and gets the information out to more with less hassle.

The monthly board meeting time/dates will change to accommodate the board members time schedules. Please contact your unit commander for more information regarding date, time, and log on information.

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All of the HRS Board Meeting Minutes from the past five years are posted on the HRS WEB Site.  
Current HRS By-Law call for these official business reports to be re-published here in The Edge.  
See the BOD Minutes Page at <http://WorldWarTwoHrs.org/Business.htm> for past meeting Minutes

## W W I I H R S Minutes

Click to go to a PDF file of the minutes.

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## About Us



The World War Two Historical Re-enactment Society is an organization of over 1200 men and women members from coast to coast, as well as Canada and Europe. Our mission is to bring the history of World War Two to life with public displays, simulated battles, participation in parades, and a variety of other community activities.

The society strives to honor and preserve the memory of those who served in World War Two, as well as preserve the artifacts of that period.

Our members carry out a wide range of historical impressions, including those of The United States, the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, Poland, and Germany.

Our focus is entirely on the military history of World War Two. We have no sympathy for the ideology of Nazism or fascism. Such beliefs are not welcome here.

If this exciting and rewarding hobby appeals to you, please consider joining us. Our hobby is dependent upon the talents and enthusiasm of its members and there is always room for new interest! Please contact any of our board members today for more information.

The WWII Historical Reenactment Society Inc. has never hosted, supported, or financed any events, or dinners at the Minneapolis based Gasthof Zur Gemutlichkeit Restaurant.

The only officially sponsored WWII HRS events are listed on our website: <http://worldwartwohrs.org/Events.htm>.

Information about our non for profit organization can be found here: <http://worldwartwohrs.org/AboutUs.htm>

Any activities by our members and member units that violate the stated bylaws and regulations of the Society are reviewed for disciplinary action up to dismissal and banning from future participation.

On behalf of the WWII HRS Inc. Board of Directors,  
Michael Kaczorowski  
WWII HRS Inc. Vice President  
WWII HRS Inc. Head of Safety and Authenticity

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## MEETING MINUTES

**Board Meeting 20 MARCH 2014, 8:00 pm**

### ROLL CALL:

Position	Name	Present
President:	Jonathan Stevens	YES
Vice President:	Mike Kaczorowski	YES
Treasurer:	Wayne McCulley	YES
Secretary:	Eddie Mayton	NO
Allied Representative:	Ron Kapustka	YES
Commonwealth Rep:	Bryce Seyko	YES
Axis Representative:	Doug Loge	YES
Newsletter Editors:	Jeff Skender	YES
Business Manager:	David Jameson	YES

### HRS Members Present

Alan Miltich, Jim Schouten, Carlos Ramirez, Sue Miller, Rey Ramirez, Scott Bacon

### Reading of the February, 2014 Minutes:

The February, 2014 meeting minutes were read by Ron Kapustka. A motion was made by Ron Kapustka to approve the minutes as read, which was seconded by Wayne McCulley. A vote was taken and the Minutes were approved as read.

### Old Business

2014 Membership Process: The 2014 procedure was discussed by Wayne McCulley. The minor forms have been handled, about 18 so far. There are 620 total members; with about a dozen or so that were manually entered by Wayne.

### New Business

#### Unit Charters:

**New Charters:** The Polish 10th Dragoons have passed the S&A Committee. Jon Stevens made a motion to accept them as a Probationary Unit, which was seconded by Ron Kapustka. A vote was taken and the motion was passed. The Unit will be accepted as a Probationary Unit in the HRS.

#### Probationary Charters:

The 3rd Infantry Division, 15th Regt., B Company was a "tie" in the S&A Committee. Mike recommended them as a Probationary Unit and asked for a motion. A discussion was held regarding the reason for the "tie" which was due to their footwear, which was a Korean War era boot. Doug Loge discussed the reasons to call for a vote tonight. Jon Stevens asked for comments from the BOD. Jon suggested that the Unit be probationary for another year. Rey Rameriz commented that the "boot issue" has been resolved and the M1943 "two-buckle" field boot was adopted as their only approved footwear. Rey discussed the attributes of the Unit and that he felt the Unit was deserving of a vote as a fully chartered Unit in the HRS. Doug asked Mike if he was asking for a Board vote. Doug called for a vote for B Company to be accepted as a full-fledged Unit or rejected. The motion was seconded by Mike K. A vote was taken and the motion died, as there were 2 Yes', 2 Abstentions and 2 No's. Therefore, B Company stays as a Probationary Charter. Based on the vote, the possible second motion is moot. Jon Stevens suggested that B Company clarify their footwear issues for a future vote.

#### Defunct Charters:

**4th Infantry Div, 22nd Regiment, Company A:** Jon believed they had no members from 2013. Jon suggested that the vote to defunct them be tabled.

**29th Infantry Div., 116th Regiment:** Jon reported that their members were in the active military and their members have been deployed. Jon suggested that Mike try to get in touch with their Unit CO before a final vote was taken.

**2nd SS Division, Aufklarungs Battalion, 3rd Kp.:** Doug researched this Unit and Jon reported that the Unit had asked that it be removed. Bryce made a motion to defunct them, which was seconded by Wayne. A vote was taken and the Unit was stricken from the Unit Rolls as a Unit.

The 9th SS was discussed by Doug Loge, that they had two members. They told Doug in December that they would contact him if they wanted to be kept as an HRS Unit. Jon suggested that they be given a little more time as they had some members in 2013 and the issue be revisited a little later in the year.

The Hermann Goering Flak Regiment was reported that they had no members in 2013. Doug Loge has spoken to their Unit CO and reported that he told him that if they were interested, they'd contact him. Doug called for a vote on disbanding this Unit.

### Treasurer Report:

This is the report of financial balances deposits and expenditures for February, 2014. Some of these items were covered in the report for the February meeting. Balances as of 2/28/2014:

PNC checking account \$8,717.50  
PNC Money Market Account \$43,321.60  
Wells Fargo Account: \$

### Deposits

02/07/14 Deposit of Money orders from 2013, \$80.00  
2 Money orders were returned without payment Actual Deposit \$40  
02/07/14 Deposit of Member checks from 2013 after 8/13 \$245  
02/10/14 Eventbrite Automatic deposit \$4,332.56

### Expenditures:

2/03/14 HRS Insurance Payment \$7,000.00  
2/3/14 Online transfer from Money Market Account to Checking account for insurance payment \$5,000.00  
2/07/14 Mad Mimi Marketing \$12.80  
2/13/14 US Postal Service PO Box 6mths rental \$39.00  
2/19/14 Office Max for Stamps and Membership card supplies \$478.75  
2/19/14 Walgreens Envelopes \$4.51  
On March 3rd 2014 we incurred a \$27 service charge from PNC for the two returned money orders deposited in February. \$12.00 for each money order and a \$3 charge for viewing copy of deposit receipt online.  
2014 Eventbrite Memberships

February 187 memberships Net Sales \$2,398.06

**Secretary Report:** Eddie Mayton was unable to attend, No Report.

**Membership Coordinator:** 2014 Eventbrite Memberships were as follows: 627 memberships as of March 20, 2014. Craig Dvorack is working on the membership cards from mid-March, all prior card requests have been sent out.

**Commonwealth Report:** Nothing to Report.

**Allied Report:** Nothing to Report

**Axis Report:** Nothing to Report

**Edge Report:** Jeff Skender is waiting for announcements on upcoming events to be included in the next issue of The Edge. He would need the info by the weekend in order to get The Edge out on time.

**Business Manager Report:** Nothing to Report. Jon Stevens asked about the additional insured requests. The same procedure as last year, but with a reduced time frame. Wayne asked about the deposits to the Wells Fargo account, which has not yet been completed.

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## Committee Reports:

**S&A -** Nothing to Report.

**Unit Commanders -** Nothing new happening.

**Vehicle** – Jim reported that the HRS has 230 WW2 vehicles registered. There have been no inquiries about Vehicle Lists yet. A question came up regarding Authenticity Standards for vehicles. Jim asked if the Committee should come up with Vehicle Authenticity Standards. Jim will further discuss this issue with the Committee and Jon Stevens.

**Event Listing Procedure** – Jon discussed the necessary forms, approval, event reports, funding, additional named insured, etc, that are required before and after the event. The form should be amended to list the necessary documents and that failure to comply could result in a denial of future events.

**Society Publicity** – Jon Stevens mentioned that any publicity issues should be deferred/referred directly to the board or the Publicity person, which is provided for in the By-Laws as the VP.

**MN "Dinner" Disclaimer** The information posted on the Facebook page is as follows:

"The WWII Historical Reenactment Society Inc. has never hosted, supported, or financed any events, or dinners at the Minneapolis based Gasthof Zur Gemutlichkeit Restaurant. The only officially sponsored WWII HRS events are listed on our website <http://worldwartwohrs.org/Events.htm>.

Information about our non for profit organization can be found here:  
<http://worldwartwohrs.org/AboutUs.htm>

Any activities by our members and member units that violate the stated bylaws and regulations of the Society are reviewed for disciplinary action up to dismissal and banning from future participation."

On behalf of the WWII HRS Inc. Board of Directors,

Michael Kaczorowski  
WWII HRS Inc. Vice President  
WWII HRS Inc. Head of Safety and Authenticity"

A Board of Inquiry, with Mike K as the Chairman, has been formed and it will look into the facts and circumstances regarding the MN "Dinner". The Board of Inquiry will have more information on this issue for the next Board Meeting.

**ADDENDUM:** Between the March and April, 2014 Board Meetings, the BOD discussed a request by Midway Village to utilize the HRS insurance for their WW1 Event being held in April. Midway Village agreed to reimburse the HRS for the \$300 cost to the HRS. The BOD voted on and agreed to allow the event to use the HRS insurance.

## **Open Comments:**

A few general comments were made about the "MN Dinner".

A motion to adjourn the Meeting was made by Bryce Seyko and seconded by Wayne McCulley. A vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

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## ***Photos from the Past***

Mr. Roberts has given his permission for The EDGE to re-print photos from his 2003 sold-out book. 12 Years ago he got \$25 per book because of the high quality color photos provides. The book is out of print but Mr. Roberts can make copies.

There are over 500 pictures in this book, look for more photos from it in future issues of The EDGE

## **Photographic Archive of World War 2 Reenactments**

**November 2003**

By Charles C. Roberts  
70<sup>th</sup> Tank Battalion

This book is a compilation of photographs taken from World War 2 reenactments that took place in the Midwest from 1990 to 2003. The photographs are a pictorial history of reenactors and their participation in an endeavor to keep the memory of World War 2 Veterans alive.



## **Planning the reenactment battle, Jefferson Barracks, May 1992**

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## **Loading landing craft, D-Day Reenactment, Montrose Harbor, Chicago IL, June 1994**

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## **Rommel's asparagus, D-Day Reenactment, Montrose Harbor, Chicago IL, June 1994**

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## **Tank assault, D-Day Reenactment, Montrose Harbor, Chicago IL, June 1994**

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## World War 1 Event News

By Dave Fornell

A large number of WWI re-enactors at the April 2014 Rockford, Illinois Midway Village Museum Event were/are HRS members, including many members of the 9th US Infantry, 353rd Infantry, 12th SS, Duke of Cornwall, 2nd Panzer, 5th SS, 82nd AB, 2629th WAC, WAVES, and the 509th PIR.

### PUBLIC NUMBERS

Despite the crappy weather, the museum reports they still had 1,400 paid spectators. Last year there were 1,500 for the WWI weekend, but we also had better weather then. For comparison the museum's sock monkey event (Rockford is the original home of the sock monkey for those who didn't know) had about 1,000 and its Scarecrow event gets about 600. So, this is a large event for the museum.

WWII Days in September is approaching closer to 10,000 spectators, which is by far the largest event the museum hosts, so it may take some time to build up to that level. However, one must remember the WWII Days event started with just 50 re-enactors and today it has grown to more than 1,100. WWI Days started out last year with twice that number.

Final re-enactor attendee count of those actually on-site for the 2014 World War 1 event was 197, which includes both period civilian and military impressions.

Thank you to all those who held out for the rainy Sunday portion of the event and for keeping displays open until the museum closed it early. Despite the rain we still had a couple hundred spectators Sunday. The question is who is more crazy, the re-enactors for doing this event in the rain or the spectators who brought their kids out to watch us in the rain?

Also, I wanted to thank all those who helped early with the continued trench work, setting up wire entanglements, aid for food prep in the cafe and help closing the trench at the end of the weekend.



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WORLD War 1 Event – Hail Storm – Video by Heinz Thiel

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N--lk3HIOaQ>



WORLD War 1 Event – Town Battle – Video by Heinz Thiel

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4J2QgFT\\_hh8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4J2QgFT_hh8)

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## FROM THE WOMEN'S VIEW

By Cindy Pittsford

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Civilian/Suffrage Movement WWI

When I was little, I remember my dad watching movies like the Longest Day, Battle Ground and Bridge on the River Kwai. I never really understood about the real aspects of WWII but I also had a German Grandmother and she never talked about living here during WWII and how it affected her and her Parents. I was fascinated by the fact her father fought in WWI as we had many photos of him in uniform and my grandmother always insisted My Great Grandfather contracted Diphtheria while in the trenches and spent the rest of the war in a hospital and that is why my family are all here!

My Great Grandfather and Great Grandmother were amateur actors back in Germany and that was how they met. My Great Grandfather continued to put on plays and perform for the wounded at the hospital. I believe that is where my interest to reenact has come from but with WWII, I began to have a more Hollywood style love affair with it especially after seeing the Band of Brothers. I must say, I find the reenacting community a very inviting one and for me, I was never made to feel not welcome when I first showed interest in becoming a reenactor. I have the kind of personality that I adapt to most things and I love team work and I am a friendly approachable person with

much enthusiasm. I put heart and soul into things I truly believe in so this kind of thing was perfect for me. I must admit, I have never met any unit that has not been extremely hospitable toward me and I am grateful. Thank You!

This may not be the case for every woman who has tried to make a start in this world. The longer I have been reenacting, my eyes have opened up to certain aspects of how women and choosing a civilian impression are treated. I think for me, I am the exception of the rule but I know of others who feel it is always an uphill battle, no pun intended, for the respect and acceptance. So I have decided to take a deeper look at this as I have many friends now in most of the units, I hope to observe this situation without casting judgment. I wouldn't say that I felt the women who are in this community are unhappy miserable ladies, not at all but from what I have pick up so far, situations have occurred that have made it difficult for the women. There is no doubt that the view that women should not be involved in reenacting period does float around many of the units. Although, I myself, have not encountered any resentment or been flat out told by anyone to leave just because I am a woman.

It is a fact that civilians especially the European, French civilians and German DRK's (German Red Cross) did hang around soldiers when called for, at the right times but I can see the point of view of this when the soldiers from both axis and allied are drilling or on the battle field, then they should not. I have not seen any civilians hanging around unwanted and at these times as I feel there is a respect of knowing what is real and should be done right for representing war time. I also have noticed that this community is small and people as people either like each other or not and I think that is just human nature and nothing to do with man vs. women in the reenacting world.

In an ideal world, everyone should get along and there should be peace, harmony and love but that isn't realistic and it goes for the reenacting world too. For what it's worth, I only hope that we all just remember why we do this, what brings us to spend all this time and money and lose our weekends is all about. That is something we all have in common and all share even if we all don't get along.

Over the coming months, as the season gets into full swing, I hope to just state the facts of what I may experience or what I see and how the opinions of my fellow reenactors feel over being a woman or a man in a hobby that is stated and is basically defined as a man's world. So for those of you who know me, and those of you who don't, please feel free to talk to me about this situation and each month, I can bring to table the concerns or joys we all have over this subject!

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WW2 HRS Rockford September 2013 Event VIDEOS are on YouTube



Main Battlefield Video - Assembling for the Battle

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QiOVzHlow\\_M](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QiOVzHlow_M)

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Main Battlefield Video - The Battle of Rockford

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mN9n7nxa8lg>



Rockford 2013 Sunday Church Service

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mX3613xkAMs>

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The Lost Patrol at Rockford 2013

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gDe-nzBImSk>



General George Patton Briefing at Rockford 2013

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jNQAK8dVjMM>

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