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COMMUNICATIONS

WWII HRS Scholarship 2014

The WWII HRS 2014 scholarship winner is Anthony Giordano



WWII HRS Scholarship Application Essay 2014

My name is Anthony Giordano, and reenact with the German name Gunther Hermann, in the 2nd Kompanie, fifth Pionier Bataillon of the 5th SS panzer division Wiking under the leadership of Alan Miltich. I am a full time student at Olivet College in Olivet, Michigan. I just finished my third year there as a history major and hold a 3.72 overall GPA. Some of my academic extra circular activities include being a member of the League of Extraordinary Historians, an on-campus student group comprised of the history majors as well as a member of the national honor society, Phi Alpha Theta. I am also a student athlete, being a member of the Wrestling and Track and Field teams. As a member of the Wrestling team, my GPA has been used towards two academic national championships. On the track team, I hold the school record for the Hammer throw.

I have been reenacting with Wiking since I was 16 years old, the experience has taught me many new things and introduced me to many great people. Reenacting has even gone so far as to help shape my career choice and paths in life. I first joined for two reasons, I had a mild love of History, and my father was also a member in the unit. As I grew up, my love of history grew as well, so did my passion for working with my hands. When it finally came time to choose between the two, I was torn. After a lot of thought and a trip to Greenfield village, I had a revelation, why not combine the two things I love most and get a job that focuses on history and working with my hands. I now attend college with my dream job being working in a museum doing vehicle restoration and preservation work. My future career plans involve applying to an internship at the National Air and Space Museum to work as an intern in the aircraft restoration field.

My future Plans for reenacting include staying with Wiking. The guys in the unit are great guys who I look forward to reenacting with for years to come. As my involvement with Wiking grows, I plan to add more pionier equipment to my impression. It is not an impression that is seen a lot, but is an interesting one. After I graduate from college, I plan on picking up a second impression. The impression I would like to portray is of the 29th SS Italia before they were officially recognized as a true SS unit, and wore red collar tabs and cuff title. I would like to portray the unit partially because of my Italian heritage but it would bring an interesting aspect to reenactments because you do not see many Italian impressions. I look forward to my continued involvement in reenacting for years to come.

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From HRS Treasurer

Wayne McCulley
9th Infantry Division
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TREASURER'S REPORT WORLD WAR II HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY NOVEMBER 2014

Account Balances as of October 31, 2014

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account	\$11,376.08
PNC Bank Money Market Account	\$48,346.99
Wells Fargo Bank Account	\$ 302.20
Account Totals	<u>\$60,025.27</u>

Income

September Eventbrite Online Gross	
Membership Income	\$1,365.00
Interest from Money Market Account	\$ 3.28
Total Income	<u>\$1,368.28</u>

Expenditures

Mad Miml Email Marketing Service	\$ 12.80
Eventbrite Fees for the Month of September	\$170.52
Reimbursement to Dave Fornell for HRS Breakfast at Midway Village Event	\$975.00
Reimbursement to Don Coffman for HRS Meal at Midway Village Event	\$600.00
Payment to Olivet College for HRS Scholarship	\$500.00
Postage	\$ 3.30
Total Expenditures	<u>\$2,261.62</u>

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.
Wayne McCulley
HRS Treasurer

Treasurers Report Third Quarter 2014

World War II Historical Re-Enactment Society

BEGINNING BALANCES

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account	\$10,765.16
PNC Bank Money Market Account	\$48,333.96
Wells Fargo Bank Account	\$ 302.20

TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCES \$59,401.32

INCOME

Membership Dues Income	\$2,735.00
Payment From Rockford Midway Village for meals at Rockford WW2 Days	\$ 500.00
Money Market Account Interest Income	\$ 9.75

TOTAL INCOME \$3,244.75

EXPENDITURES

Email Marketing Service	(\$ 38.40)
Post Office Box Rental	(\$ 40.00)
For Veteran tent for Dakota City MN WW2 days	(\$ 300.00)
Event Support- Rockford Raffle	(\$ 900.00)
Eventbrite Service Charges	(\$ 233.80)
Postage for Membership cards	(\$ 49.00)
Office Supplies	(\$ 22.64)
Vehicle Inspection Supplies	(\$ 143.62)

TOTAL EXPENDITURES (\$1,727.46)

ENDING BALANCES 3RD QUARTER 2014

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account	\$12,272.70
PNC Bank Money Market Account	\$48,343.71
Wells Fargo Bank Account	\$ 302.20

TOTAL ENDING BALANCES \$60,918.61

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

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Heinz Thiel
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The EDGE is the WW2 HRS's own publication. It is where we promote what we do. The EDGE 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.

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.

Please contact me if you would like to be a part of the The EDGE staff or The WW2 HRS Press Corps. All current HRS Members are welcome to join. Non-HRS members will have to be approved.

New on YouTube

5th Company GrossDeutschland



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ebKP9d5vkzQ>

WW2 HRS Holiday Greeting



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8xbqjY66N8M>



WWII HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT SOCIETY Inc.

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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 six 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.

<p>2014 Minutes</p> <p>January February March April May June July August September October November December</p>	<p>2013 Minutes</p> <p>January February (canceled) March April May June July August September (canceled) October November December</p>
<p>2012 Minutes</p> <p>January February March April May June July August September (canceled) October November December (<u>No quorum</u>)</p>	<p>2011 Minutes</p> <p>January February March April May June July August September October November December</p>
<p>2010 Minutes</p> <p>January February March April May June July August September October November December</p>	<p>2009 Minutes</p> <p>January February March April May June July August September October November December</p>

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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.

www.WorldWarTwoHRS.Org

WEB Site Is Hosted by Socket.NET

A banner for Socket.NET. The top left corner has the text "www.socket.net" and "1-800-SOCKET-3". The center features the tagline "people connecting people" in a serif font. Below this is the Socket.NET logo, which consists of a stylized "S" made of two overlapping circles, followed by the word "Socket" in a bold sans-serif font, and "VOICE • DATA • INTERNET" in a smaller sans-serif font below it. The bottom left corner has a smaller version of the Socket.NET logo and the text "www.socket.net". The bottom right corner has the text "Internet Service Provider", "2703 Clerk Ln, Columbia, MO.", and "(800) 762-5383".



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MEETING MINUTES

Board Meeting 16 October, 2014 8 pm

Welcome and Roll Call:

Position	Name	Present
President	Jonathan Stevens	YES
Vice President	Vacant	
Interim Secretary	Craig Dvorak	NO
Interim Treasurer	Wayne McCulley	YES
Allied Representative	Ron Kapustska	YES
Axis Representative	Doug Loge	NO
Commonwealth Rep.	Bryce Seyko	NO
EDGE Editor	Jeff Skender	YES
Business Manager	David Jameson	NO
Membership Coordinator	Vacant	

HRS Members Present

Jim Shouten, Polly Norman, George Reinke, Nicole Fornell, Carlos Ramirez, Wojciech Dudek, Matt Andres, Joe Zalafo, Mike Alexander, Michael Beth

Officer Reports

Vice President

New Charters:

19th Infantry Regiment has passed Safety and Authenticity. Jon recommended a vote be taken. Ron Motioned, Wayne seconded. Vote was taken

19th Infantry Regiment was approved as a probationary unit

2nd Armored Division 41st Armored Infantry Regiment has passed Safety and Authenticity. Jon recommended a vote be taken. Wayne Motioned, Ron seconded. Vote was taken. 41st Infantry Regiment was approved as a probationary unit.

Junior Red Cross unit charter has not been sent to Safety and Authenticity. It has been tabled until next meeting.

Yugoslav Partisan unit charter is still in Safety and Authenticity. It has also been tabled until next meeting.

Probationary Charters:

7th Infantry Division has passed Safety and Authenticity. Jon recommended a vote be taken. Ron motioned, Wayne seconded. Vote was taken. The 7th Infantry Division was approved as a Unit of the HRS.

Latvian Rifles has passed Safety and Authenticity. Jon recommended a vote be taken. Wayne motioned. Ron seconded. Vote was taken. The Latvian Rifles is now a unit of the HRS.

Defunct Charters

1st Infantry Division 16th Infantry Regiment CO. K
36th Infantry Division 36th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop
3rd Indian Infantry Division Chindits
These units will be contacted and a vote will be taken at next meeting.

Secretary Report

The World War 2 Historical Re-enactment Society Currently has 1127 members

Treasurer Report

October 2014

Account Balances as of September 30, 2014

PNC Bank Non-Profit Checking Account	\$12,272.70
PNC Bank Money Market Account	\$48,343.71
Wells Fargo Bank Account	\$ 302.20

Account Totals	\$60,918.61
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Income

August Eventbrite Online Gross Membership Income	\$ 815.00
September Mailed Membership Income	\$ 150.00
Interest from Money Market Account	\$ 3.39
Payment from Rockford Midway Village for HRS meals	\$ 500.00

Total Income	\$ 1,468.39
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Expenditures

Mad Mimi Marketing	\$ 12.80
Eventbrite Fees for the Month of September	\$ 101.50
Exxon/Mobil Gift Card prizes for Rockford Raffle	\$ 900.00
Reimbursement to Craig Dvorak for Stamps and membership card supplies	\$ 71.64
Reimbursement to Jim Schouten for supplies for Rockford vehicle authenticity inspections	\$ 143.62

Total Expenditures	\$ 1,229.56
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Allied Representative

Ron has been contacted by the 105th Engineer Combat Battalion 30th Infantry Division regarding assuming the secondary impression of 540th Engineer Combat Regiment 5th US Army for use at events depicting the Mediterranean theater including North Africa and Italy.

Axis Representative- No report

Edge Editor

Waiting for information regarding the upcoming Board of Director elections and proposed bylaw changes. Also waiting for August Board meeting Minutes.

Business Manager: No Report

Membership Coordinator: No Report

Safety and Authenticity Committee
No Report

Vehicle Committee: No Report

Civilian Committee

Nicole Fornell reported the committee is working on an application form for Civilian re-enactors to join the Civilian group. This form will specify nationality of impression and give the Civilian Group leaders opportunity to review the impression and to assign mentors to assist the re-enactor in their impression.

Event Development Committee: No Report

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Old Business

The Board has been working on the 2015 Dues Schedule. The plan is the discount the member dues to \$10 per person for the first 1 to 2 months of the year.

Regarding the election we have one person running for each position and we will have 2 proposed bylaw changes

New Business

Jon has been approached by the Mid-Michigan 101st Airborne Division Association concerning their interest in joining the HRS for the purpose of serving as umpires at HRS tactical events. The Association has previously served as umpires at the Fort Custer Tactical events. The idea was well received by the Board members and members in attendance. Ron mentioned he had seen them in action at Fort Custer and they do an excellent job.

Jon reported that our support has been requested by HRS members for Illinois Senate Bill 3335. This bill is to amend a previous bill that granted Historical re-enactors the privilege of owning Short barreled rifles. SB3335 will enable Class 3 dealers to transfer Short Barreled Rifles. Jon has drafted a letter of support to be sent to Illinois senators.

General Comments from the attending members

George Reinke reported on his attendance at the Collings Foundation Battle for the Airfield event in Stow Mass. George was very impressed with this event. He thought the Pyro was the best he has seen. Pyro was used to simulate hits on armored vehicles. The event had 350 re-enactors attending by invitation only and between 5 and 6 thousand spectators.

Nicole Fornell reported of an inquiry of the Civilian Committee regarding possibility of a group doing a Jewish Civilian in Occupied Europe Impression. Several people were concerned about this impression being misunderstood. It was suggested that this group be restricted to a display roll in the beginning. If the impression is well received their role may be expanded.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54PM. Motion made by Ron and seconded by Wayne.

November meeting will be on November 20th.

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WW2 HRS Board Election Candidate Letters

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My Letter of Intent for President



Jonathan Stevens
9th Infantry Division

Hometown: Wheaton, IL

Education: BA History; MA Russian History

Occupation: Facilities Project Manager for a small
Midwestern college.

Reenacting Experience:

I have been involved in WWII reenacting since 2005 when I joined the 9th Infantry Division WWIIHRS. I have been unit commander since late 2012. I have served in several positions on the HRS board since 2007 and as President since 2013. I enjoy the challenge of working through issues that come to the HRS board and finding an equitable solution. I believe that encouraging member participation in the operation of our organization is very important. Finding and implementing procedures that lessen paperwork is a goal to allow more focus on WWII living history by all members. Growing the WWII HRS through strong attention to authenticity along with an increased focus on safety is a further goal.

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Greetings, my name is Chuck Bolanis of Indianapolis, Indiana and I'd like to introduce myself as a candidate for your Vice President of the World War 2 Historical Re-enactment Society. I'm currently an active member of 2 HRS units, the 9th Parachute Battalion (British) and 2/SS Pz.Pi.Bt. 5 Wiking (German). I've been a member of the HRS since 2008 and have been in both of these units since I began re-enacting. I don't wish to bore you with too many details about me, but before I get into what I'd like to bring to the HRS board, I'll tell you a little bit about me. I'm currently 43 years old and married to my lovely wife Esther (many of you know her as one of the WAAC re-enactors). I'm employed as a Business Security Consultant with ADT Security and my wife is a PhD Candidate at the Indiana University School of Medicine. I've been in business my entire life, including a brief entrepreneurial stint with my own Advertising and Marketing firm after my collegiate years at Indiana University where I pursued a degree in Communication and Culture.

I have many years of Board of Advisor experience with the world's largest student run organization, the International Association of Students in Business and Economics (AIESEC). I served on the Board of AIESEC United States in 1997 and am currently serving my 3rd term on the Board of Advisors for the Indiana University Chapter of AIESEC. I also am serving my 3rd term on the Leadership Council (Current Council Spokesman) of Wiking and am one of three Squad Leaders (Gruppenführers) of the unit. I am also the website administrator of Wiking. I'm a lowly private with the 9th Paras, I can't convince Nook that I'm nothing other than a German spy. Haha! I'm asking for your support for the Vice Presidency of the WW2 HRS because I feel that I'm very qualified to bring *Experience*, *Stability*, *Professionalism* and *Creativity* to the HRS Board.

Experience – I am not new to the hobby or to business. I've been re-enacting for over 6 years and attend (on average) 14 events per year. I'm very familiar with the craft of Living History as well as how to run a business and how to be a valuable member of a Board. This experience will immediately be put to use as I actively engage with the Board, the various Committee's as well as the Public.

Stability – I'm not going anywhere. I've been with the same unit(s) for 6 years, my wife and I have a wonderful home in Central Indiana and have just celebrated our 6th year of marriage. I absolutely love my career working with small businesses on behalf of ADT Security and continue to serve the public through my involvement with Indiana University. I feel that right now, the HRS Board needs *stability* and *consistency*, I've proven both over the years.

Professionalism – I've been in business (sales) and serving on advisory boards for many, many years. I think I've done rather well at mastering the art of compromise but even when I'm unsuccessful, I don't quit. As a top producer for ADT Small Business Security, a Board Member of both Wiking and AIESEC Indiana University, I often don't get my way... but I'm still there. My business approach to decision making, experience in dealing with Public Relations along with my ability to compromise and reason will bolster the standards of Professionalism that we all should expect from the WW2 HRS Board.

Creativity – I like coming up with ideas and implementing them. I'm the website creator and administrator for Wiking (www.5sswiking.com) and am the creator of the Facebook Group Reenactors to Losing Weight. All of these endeavors have helped my fellow re-enactors enjoy and succeed in the realm of Living History. As an HRS Board Member, I look forward to creatively exploring more ways for our members to have a safe and rewarding experience in the hobby as well as being healthy and happy. Lastly, I'd say that to those who know me, you know all of these characteristics I've listed will benefit the HRS Board. You've seen me execute all the above during my years in the Hobby. To those who don't know me, feel free to explore my work at www.5sswiking.com, ask for references from those who do know me (on both the Axis and Allied side of the hobby) or simply ask me direct questions via email at charles_bolanis_03@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your attention and please take the time to vote this year for your World War 2 HRS Board.

Your friend,
Chuck Bolanis

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I, Wayne McCulley am writing to declare my intent to run for the position of Treasurer of the World War II Historical Re-enactment Society.

HRS Background:

I have been a member of the WW2 HRS since 2005. . My primary unit is the 9th US Infantry Division and my secondary the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry. I have been an active member of 9th ID since 2005 and DCLI since 2009. As a member of 9th ID, I have been involved in organizing the unit mess operations. I was appointed to the Safety and Authenticity Committee in 2011 and have been an active contributing member.

I was appointed interim Treasurer in January of this year.

Professional Back Ground:

My professional background is in Electronics Technology. I have been working in my current position as an Electronics Technician in the Radio Controlled Hobby Industry for 15 years. My job requires a great attention to detail. This is also necessary in the treasurer's position.

Accomplishments as Treasurer:

Memberships have been processed in a timely manner.
Society Bills have been paid promptly.
Financial Reports have been completed for review by members.
I have been quick to respond to inquiries by members.
I have attended all HRS board meetings.

Future Goals If Elected Treasurer:

If elected I will continue what I have been doing. I would like to see continued growth in the quality and diversity of impressions within the society. I would also like to see HRS resources be used to facilitate new events getting started and to help older events to continue to thrive. I have been involved in helping to organize the Kennekuk WW2 weekend in Danville IL. In my experience I have seen how difficult it can be for new events to get started especially with limited resources.

I hope to continue to work in the society's best interest as treasurer.
I ask for your vote.

Respectfully,
Wayne McCulley

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My name is Doug Loge and I would like to announce my candidacy for the HRS Secretary position. I have been the HRS Axis Representative for the past 2 years, an active HRS S&A Committee member for the past 5 years, and an active HRS member for the past 10 years. Some of my other qualifications for the HRS Secretary position include; a B.A in communication, Illinois State Teacher Certification in History, and 10+ years in the customer service industry.

As the Axis Representative and a BOD member, I have -
- Attended every monthly BOD meeting, as well as every special BOD meeting.

- Initiated a proposal to lower some HRS dues. It was approved, thus lowering the dues for most members more than 25%.
- Revamped and administered the online membership website. It has been very successful, making HRS record keeping and membership card mailing, accurate and efficient.
- Helped defunct non-active units, and helped new Axis units prepare their probationary charters. Several new quality Axis units have joined the HRS ranks.

As the HRS Secretary and BOD member, I will -

- Continue to attend all BOD meetings and accurately transcribe the meeting minutes.
- Continue to develop and administer the online membership website.
- Ensure all HRS paperwork from the membership and public is processed in a timely manner, and stored correctly.
- Initiate another proposal to lower HRS dues once again. The HRS should not be charging its members money it does not need to operate, nor should it hold an excessive reserve of funds.
- Help educate the public by continuing to promote WWII public events.
- Help keep the HRS events safe, and authentic, and fun.

Thank you for your consideration.

Doug Loge

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My Letter of Intent for Allied Representative

Name: **Ronald J Kapustka**

Hometown: Chicago

Education: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a minor in Business Law; Juris Doctor in Law.

Occupation: Lawyer, licensed in Illinois and Wisconsin, practicing for 25 years, partner in a 35 lawyer firm since 1998.

Reenacting Experience:

I have been involved with WW2 and Vietnam, since 2003. I initially joined Easy Company, 2/506th, 101st Airborne for 6 months, after which I split away from them with ten members and formed my current Unit, C Company, 1/502nd, 101st Airborne. I have been the CO of the Unit since 2004, first running the Unit as a Private, until 2009, when I assumed the rank of Captain. I let other unit members, more experienced in reenacting help me direct the Unit during the early years, taking advantage of their experience and guidance. I served on the HRS Board of Directors as Secretary for one year and as the Allied Representative for the past two years.

Reason to get Involved:

Having been a member of the HRS since 2003, I have seen things done in many different ways, some I agree with and others I don't. I started my own successful Unit, which has kept a great core group of 20+ members since its formation in 2004 and which has grown to 50 members today. The Unit stays together because of the camaraderie we have and because I try to lead by example and try to make decisions that benefit the Unit as a whole. I feel that my business and legal real world experience will be beneficial to the HRS and its members. I act as Corporate Counsel for over 4000 not-for-profit corporations and have everyday experience that will be useful to the HRS. IN short, I want to continue to make a difference in the HRS and reenacting hobby as a whole.

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My name is Tyler Stevens

I'd like to submit my letter before the HRS to run for the position of Axis representative. I have been reenacting WWII German since May of 2009. In the last 5 years I have had the pleasure of meeting many great people through the hobby from various Allied and Axis units. Through my friendships within various units I'll be able to network and coordinate with fellow German reenactors to help grow the Axis side of reenacting as well as the entire community as a whole.

Thank you for your consideration.

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28 November 2014 World War 2 Historical Re-enactment Society Proposed Bylaw Changes

Deleted wording is shown with a strikethrough.

New wording is shown in bold.

Each section separated by a dashed line will be a separate vote.

There are 8 proposed bylaw changes.

ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF DIRECTORS Section 2.

NUMBER AND TENURE

The number of Directors shall be seven (7). ~~Newly elected Directors shall succeed the Directors named in the Articles of Incorporation.~~ Board members shall be elected to serve for a period of two (2) calendar years and may run for re-election. **The terms shall be staggered beginning in 2015 with terms for the President, Secretary, Axis Representative, and Commonwealth Representative to be one year for 2015 only. The President, Secretary, Axis Representative, and Commonwealth Representative shall be elected in odd years. The Vice President, Treasurer, Allied Representative shall be elected in even years.** All Directors must be members of the Society. All candidates running for a position on the Board of Directors must have been a member in good standing of the Society for at least the previous ~~twelve (12) consecutive months~~ **two years** prior to the candidate's proclamation of candidacy. Any candidate, or member or the board may not be a relative of any other board members, to include father, son, daughter, mother, and any other relationship including first cousin. This also includes relationships by marriage like son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, and stepsons and daughters. Additionally, no two board members may reside in the same residence if not related. A relative of a board member may run for an office in the HRS, as long as the terms of the sitting board member and candidate do not overlap in any way. ~~(Revised Dec 2009)~~

Reason – this would prevent the possible turnover of the entire board creating some institutional memory.

In other words each board will not have to reinvent the wheel.

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ARTICLE X: ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Section 3. ~~CANDIDACY FOR OFFICE~~ Board of Directors Elections

Any individual wishing to run for a Board position, who is at least ~~18~~ **21** years of age and has been a member in good standing of the Society for at least ~~one (1) year~~ **two years**, may announce his or her candidacy for office ~~at any time after April 1~~ **by September 1** of an election year. A written statement of intent and goals shall be delivered to at least two (2) Board members and the editor of the Society's publication(s).

Reason – this would increase the requirements for being on the board to over 21 and a member for a longer period. This simply requires more life and reenacting experience to direct the organization.



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ARTICLE X: ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Section 4. **VOTING Elections**

~~1. Ballots for positions on the Board of Directors are to appear in the September/October issue of the Society's newsletter. The newly elected officers will be named in the November/December issue. Election of officers shall be held in even numbered years.~~

~~2. When a member recognizes the need for a by law change, the proposed By Law change must be submitted to at least two (2) of the following individuals:~~

~~Proposing member's Unit Commander~~

~~• Board Representative~~

~~• Any Officer on the Board~~

~~1. These two individuals must agree that the proposed change is warranted.~~

~~2. Then a second unit commander's approval is required.~~

~~3. The proposal must be sent to at least three (3) active Board members and the editor of the Society's publication(s).~~

~~4. The proposed change will then be printed in the Society's publication, in ballot form, and voted on by the General Membership.~~

~~5. Majority vote rules whether proposed change is enacted.~~

~~6. All ballots must be tabulated by at least two (2) board members independently.~~

~~7. The voting results shall be posted in the society's newsletter. This voting procedure shall not effect the voting of elected board members as set aside in Article XI, Section 5, Subsection A.~~

~~1. It would require a by-law amendment to change the voting schedule.~~

1. Every member in good standing shall be informed of the list of candidates and office sought through the SOCIETY newsletter and via email by no later than October 1.

2. Elections shall be held each year in November and begin no later than November 15.

3. Elections shall be conducted through independent electronic means which will be announced to the membership two weeks in advance of the election.

4. Voting shall last for 14 days.

5. Results shall be announced no later than December 31 of the election year via email notification to every member in good standing and in the SOCIETY newsletter.

6. A result with less than a 3% difference in votes for the top two candidates for the office of President will require a run-off election following the same vote procedure in December of the election year.

Reason – this will revise the procedure for votes by utilizing more up to date technological means and a better schedule. It also removes a reference to a bylaw that does not exist.



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ARTICLE X: ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Section 4: ~~Voting~~ 5. BYLAW AMENDMENT PROCESS

~~1. Ballots for positions on the Board of Directors are to appear in the September/October issue of the Society's newsletter. The newly elected officers will be named in the November/December issue. Election of officers shall be held in even numbered years.~~

~~2. When a member recognizes the need for a by-law change, the proposed By Law change must be submitted to at least two (2) of the following individuals:~~

- ~~• Proposing member's Unit Commander~~
- ~~• Board Representative~~
- ~~• Any Officer on the Board~~

~~1. These two individuals must agree that the proposed change is warranted.~~

~~2. Then a second unit commander's approval is required.~~

~~3. The proposal must be sent to at least three (3) active Board members and the editor of the Society's publication(s).~~

~~4. The proposed change will then be printed in the Society's publication, in ballot form, and voted on by the General Membership.~~

~~5. Majority vote rules whether proposed change is enacted.~~

~~6. All ballots must be tabulated by at least two (2) board members independently.~~

~~7. The voting results shall be posted in the society's newsletter. This voting procedure shall not effect the voting of elected board members as set aside in Article XI, Section 5, Subsection A.~~

~~2. It would require a by law amendment to change the voting schedule.~~

Any member in good standing may propose a bylaw change or addition.

1. Any proposed by-law change must be endorsed by a minimum of five (5) chartered unit commanders OR five (5) percent of chartered unit commanders (whichever is greater) and sent to the President of the SOCIETY.

2. The proposal should be read at the next board meeting with discussion on the merits of the proposal and included in the SOCIETY newsletter. At the following board meeting the proposal shall be voted on by the board with a majority vote needed to approve the proposed change.

3. If the proposal is rejected by the board a petition of twenty (20) percent of the unit commanders or ten (10) percent of the membership in good standing can be submitted within 60 days to over-rule the board of directors and send the proposal to a membership vote.

4. The proposed change shall be submitted to the membership and voted on by the regular membership via electronic means. A majority vote shall enact the bylaw.

5. All bylaw votes shall be conducted by independent electronic means lasting 14 days. The results shall be posted in the next SOCIETY newsletter, sent via email to the members in good standing, and inserted by the Secretary into the official by-law document with note on when ratified.

Reason – creates a more realistic way to change the bylaws from the current very low threshold of support. In this amendment the board has more say in any future proposals but there is a check and balance to allow for the board to be overruled.

Any future change will need to show some support from other members.

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ARTICLE X: ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

~~Section 5.~~ **Section 6. COMMENCEMENT OF NEW OFFICER'S TERMS** ~~BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S TERM OF SERVICE~~

~~Newly elected Board of Directors will take over on January 1 of the post election year.~~

All Board of Directors' term of service will begin on January 1 of the post-election year and will end on 31 December in the second year of service unless reelected.

Reason – correct and update the language to accurately describe the board member's term of service.

Article V Membership Meetings

Section 4. QUORUM

~~There must be three (3) A simple majority of all board members must be present to conduct a general membership meeting. In the event a quorum is not attained, either a meeting may be called to order by any current sitting Board member for informational purposes only with no possibility of any binding resolutions or expenditures of funds. or the general membership meeting will be conducted by the rules set down in the Emergency Powers Act.~~

Reason – this increases the number needed for a quorum from less than 50% to more than 50%. With the use of conference calls more board members are available to participate in board meetings than having to meet in person. Also outdated language is removed along with a reference to a nonexistent portion of the bylaws.

ARTICLE IV: UNIT RECOGNITION

Section 2. RECOGNIZED CHARTERED UNITS

7. Other Nations: For nationalities under represented or not represented in the WWII HRS, proposed unit charters or in unit forming with probationary charter status, may have two years to reach the minimum threshold of five (5) members for an approved unit charter. Those nationalities qualified for the Other Nations category shall be listed in the S&A regulations. If requested a particular nation that was a WWII combatant, from the years 1939 to 1945, could be added to the list of Other Nations with recommendation from the S&A Committee and approval of Board of Directors. If two or more chartered units exist of a particular nationality in the Other Nations category, then the board may vote to remove that particular nationality from the Other Nations list.

Reason – some members are interested in forming units such as French but are having a difficult time finding the minimum number of troops. This would allow them more time to bring their unit to the minimum number and possibly increase the different types of impressions.



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ARTICLE XIV: HOUSEKEEPING REGULATIONS

6. Board of Director meetings ~~will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at a board member's place of residence. Meetings will be open to membership. Any member may call any board member to get time and location. Appointments are needed as room is very limited. Also, a speaker phone will be present at all Board of Directors meetings so anyone can call if they have any emergency business to conduct with the Board of Directors.~~ will be held monthly via conference call open to the membership.

Reason – I do not want all the board members knowing where I live or to sit in my comfy chair.

With the membership in 25+ states face to face meetings are increasingly unrealistic and conference calls cost the organization very little.

The wording is simply outdated since we no longer have face to face meetings.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Stevens".

Prepared by Jonathan Stevens, WWII HRS President

**Please add your name to the document and which bylaws you are willing to sponsor.
Each bylaw change requires the support of two unit commanders.**

Gy / Sgt Zak E/2/2

David Serikaku, Commander, 34th Inf Div USA

Thomas Haynes, 7./FJR6

Will Greenslade, 1/Jaeger

Steve Roersma, 2/SS Pz.Pi.Btl. 5, Wiking

David Jameson, I Co. 23 Inf. Reg. 2nd ID

Gary Adkins, FSSF 6-3

Ray Krueger, 1st ID 16th Inf

Gerret Swearingen, 24th Shidan, IJA

Georg Reinke, 353rd

Troy LaFaye, Unit Commander, 167th Signal Photo Company

Alan Jones, 36th Armored Inf

Chris Adams, Unit Commander, 29th Panzergrenadier Regiment

Tim Scherrer, CO, Railsplitters Living History Company

Yuriy Soroka, Greywolves Company of UPA reenactment group Commander.

Andrew Rowden, I&R Platoon, 3rd Inf Div.

Sean Loughran, 9th Inf Div

Matthew Andres, 201 LRD

Tobin, John - 2nd SS CO WW II HRS

Dave Hruska, Unit Commander, Co. G, 137th Inf Regt. 35th Inf Div, WW II HRS

Dennis Sullivan, 101st/ 502nd PIR/ I Co. Ron Kapustka, C Co., 502 PIR, 101st Abn.

Mike Alexander, 53rd Aufklarungs-Abteilung

Erick Jones, 29th ID 29 MP. Co.

Rey Ramirez 5 SS Wiking, #5, 7, & 8

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1	1st SS Panzer Division, LAH	Dave Burch	dburch@gotoaps.com	1975
2	82nd Airborne, 504th PIR	Wayne Schemmer	majorschemmer@aol.com	1976
3	6th Airborne Division, 22nd Independent Parachute Company	Robert Saxton	rssaxton42@gmail.com	1976
4	38. Jager Regiment	Dave Goodwin	dpty635g@aol.com	1976
5	34th Infantry Division	David Serikaku	serikaku-d49@msn.com	1982
6	Wiking 5th SS	Rey Ramirez	wikingfreiwilligen@hotmail.com	1982
7	2nd Panzer Division	Thomas Comer	bgtk1945@sbcglobal.net	1990
8	101st Airborne Div, 502 PIR, 3rd Batt., I Co.	Dennis Sullivan	detsullivan116@yahoo.com	1993
9	30th Infantry Division, 117th Rgt.	Dave Halseth	ww2dave@yahoo.com	1993
10	12th SS Panzer Division Hitler Jugend	Scott Steben	badsteben666@hotmail.com	1994
11	11th SS Panzergrenadier Division Nordland	John Colyer	nordland1@cox.net	1995
12	3rd Infantry Div, 3rd Recon Troop	Robert Michalski (contact-Lawrence Thomas)	breachplug@hotmail.com	1996
13	9th Infantry Div, 60th Rgt., 2nd Batt, Co. F	Jonathan Stevens	jonathan.stevens@wheaton.edu	9/1/1997
14	1st Polish Independent Parachute Brigade	Mike Kaczorowski	Mike.Kaczorowski@Gmail.Com	1998
15	353rd Infanterie Division	Dave Fornell	wwiidave@comcast.net	1998
16	70th Tank Battalion	Chuck Roberts	ccr@robertsarmory.com	1998
17	Panzer Pioneer Battalion 5 Wiking	Alan Miltich - charter holder Steve Roersma - UC	alanmiltich@comcast.net Roersx4@aol.com	1998
18	509th Parachute Infantry Battalion	Gary Fox	gfox509er@yahoo.com	1999
19	2nd SS Panzer Division, Das Reich, 4th regiment 3/9th Der Fuhrer	John Tobin	conniejtu@aol.com	2001
20	30th Infantry Div, 105th Engineer Combat Batt.	Philip Owens	hq105ecb@comcast.net	2001
21	35th Infantry Div, 137th Inf Rgt.	Dave Hruska	dhruska@kc.rr.com	2001
22	2. Fallschirmjager Division	Jon Grossardt	nartron@hbei.com	2002
23	84th Infantry Division	Tim Scherrer	soldierboy440@yahoo.com	2002
24	# 10 Commando	Carl Bogar	cbogar@hmikenosha.com	2003
25	101st Airborne Div., 401st GIR	Robert Blecke	cqm964@comcast.net	2004
26	101st Airborne Div., 502 PIR C Co.	Ronald Kapustka	fourboys@ix.netcom.com	2004
27	2nd Infantry Div., 23rd Inf. Rgt., Co. I	David Jameson	dmjameson@cox.net	2004
28	39th Guards	Dan Howell	the39thguards@aol.com	2004
29	416th Rifles, 112th Div	Dave Pasbrig	redkommissar@hotmail.com	2004
30	90th Infantry Div, 359th Inf Rgt., 1st Batt, B Co.	Jim Schouten	hiawathajim@yahoo.com	2004
31	Grossdeutschland Combat Trains	Todd Machin	td.machin@smmpa.org	2004
32	95th Rifles	Terry Blaine	tblaine8mm@yahoo.com	2005
33	2629th WAC Battalion	LorleAnn Ball	lorleanne13@yahoo.com	2005
34	11th SS Feldgendarmarie Trupp 11	Jeff Fronczak	jzakog@aol.com	2006
35	82nd Airborne Div., 505th PIR, G Co.	Bill Sheets	sheetsww2@yahoo.com	2006
36	2nd Armored Division, 82nd Recon Battalion	Randall Lamers	alamers@dishmail.net	2006
37	BTG IX Settembre, GNR	John Keaton	jkeaton@peoplepc.com	2006
38	RAF #11 Group	xMike Blazejack	polishparalt@aol.com	2006
39	101st Airborne Div., 506 PIR, G Co.	Thomas Henley	tbull1506@hotmail.com	2007
40	216th MP Co.	Bill Yezo	yez216@yahoo.com	2007
41	4th Armored Div, 704th Tank Destroyer Batt.	John Lind	jlind222@comcast.net	2007
43	4th Infantry Div, 8th Inf Rgt., 1st Bn, D Co.	Steve Witkowski	steve4thid@yahoo.com	2007
44	Grossdeutschland 5. Kompanie	Rich Russo	vizsla25@sbcglobal.net	2007
45	82nd Airborne, 325th GIR, 3rd Battalion, F/K Co	Joseph Borucki	joe325@att.net	2007
46	First Special Service Force	Gary Adkins	papajoad@20thcenturygi.com	2007
47	SS Feldgendarmarie Truppe 4	Dennis Danich	d.danich@comcast.net	2007
48	F/2/5 USMC	Rick Stout	stout_rick@yahoo.com	2008
49	167th Signal Photographic Co.	Troy LaFaye	indiefilmkr@aim.com	2008

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50	29th Infantry Div, 116th Rgt.	Travis Forrest	????	2008
51	29th Infantry Div, MP Platoon	Erick Jones	bluepuppy100@comcast.net	2008
53	3rd Infantry Div, 7th Inf. Rgt., I&R Platoon	Andrew Rowden	ranger1905@yahoo.com	2008
54	Battaglione Alpini Sciatori Monte Cervino, 1st Compagnia	Jeff Leser	monte_cervino@kc.rr.com	2008
55	Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry	Ian Baker	rebyank12@yahoo.com	2008
56	709th Infantry Division	Rick Pennington	worldwar2rick@yahoo.com	2008
57	1st Infantry Div, 26th Reg, Co. C	Terrance Morgan	574-232-5804	8/1/2008
58	45th Infantry Div, 180th Rgt., I&R Platoon	Keith Bonney	kbbonney@comcast.net	2009
59	7 Fallschirmjager Rgt. 6	Thomas Haynes	thomashaynes@comcast.net	2009
60	32nd Infantry Div, 128th Inf Rgt., HQ Co.	Chris Kissinger	ckissinger@comcast.net	2/1/2009
61	33rd Infantry Div, 130th Rgt, 1st Batt, B Co.	Brian Olmstead	olmsteb@svcc.edu	2/1/2009
62	E/2/2 USMC	Richard Sobczak	zak-attack@sbcglobal.net	Feb, 2009
63	30th Infantry Div, 117th Inf., 1st Batt., B Co.	Tim Scobie	tscobie@masoncompaniesinc.com	Feb, 2009
64	1st Canadian Parachute Battalion	John Sanxter	broadsword1@comcast.net	???
65	No. 41 Commando, British Royal Marines	Brian Jones	lrfdefender84@yahoo.com	???
66	6th Airborne Division, 9th Battalion, A Company	John Newton	gallahad@twmi.rr.com	???
67	62nd Soviet, 8th Guards Army	John Ryan	john.ryan.351@comcast.net	???
68	101st Airborne Div., 502 PIR, F Co.	Eric Cassidy	casidays@q.com	???
69	COM NAV AIR PAC	Rodney Davis	rodnelaine@comcast.net	2009
70	7th Panzer Division	Ken Kerwell	kkerwell@new.rr.com	2009
71	Hampshire Regt.	Keith Hiney	krhiney@sbcglobal.net	Apr-10
72	360th Cossack Regt.	Nick Zubenko	derjaeger03@yahoo.com	Mar-10
73	2/25 Australian	Ed Godi	edgo@charter.net	Mar-10
74	250th Infantry Div, Azul; Ski Company	Dustin Strong	dustinstrong@hotmail.com	Jul-10
75	Co. L, 16th Inf Regt., 1st Infantry Division	Don Prabish	dprabish@hotmail.com	Nov-10
76	Soviet Airlanding Forces, 9th Airborne Brigade, Recon Platoon	Robert Leinweber	rkl@casscom.com	Dec-10
77	6th U.S. Naval Beach Battalion , Co. B	George S. Harbinson	harbs211@sbcglobal.net	Dec-10
78	Great Lakes Waves 9th Naval District	Polly Norman-Blanton	pollie93@yahoo.com	Jan-11
79	1st Polish Infantry Division Tadeusz Kosciuszki	Nick Zarozny	1939@armiam.com	Jan-11
80	USO Stateside Operations	Jessica H. Jaeger	jessica.vintagestitches@gmail.com	Apr-11
81	24th Shidan Division (Japanese)	Gerret Swearingen	gerret.swearingen@gmail.com	May-11
82	Ukrainian Insurgent Army UPA	Yuriy Soroka	yura.soroka@gmail.com	May-11
83	17th Airborne Division, 513 PIR, 2nd Battalion, G Co.	Daniel Overschmidt	danover321@sbcglobal.net	Jul-11
84	Brandenburg, Jager Regiment 1, 1 Battalion, 1. Kompanie	Will Greenslade	lost_n_damned@yahoo.com	Sep-11
85	82nd Airborne Division, 307th Airborne Engineer Battalion	Anthony Noce	anthonyandbonnie@boycomonline.com	Jan-12
86	3d Armored Division, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, Co. F	Alan Jones	atj53@att.net	Jan-12
87	5th Rangers, E Co., 2nd Platoon	Andrew Burgess	drewburgess72@gmail.com	Mar-12
88	SS Gebirgsjaeger Rgt. 7	Scott Bacon	sbacon92@yahoo.com	May-12
89	10th Mountain Division, 87th Regt.	Kyle Burson	k.burson27@gmail.com	Oct-12
90	517 PCRT	Russ Gordon	russmarcigordon@mindspring.com	Jan-13
91	53. Aufklarungs-Abteilung, 3rd Infanterie Div (mot)	Mike Alexander	alexamirtc@tcc.coop	Mar-13
92	United Press	Josef Kleffman	customvestments@hotmail.com	Mar-13
93	29th Panzergrenadiers, 3rd Infanterie	Chris Adams	cblackthorne@hotmail.com	Jul-13
94	7th Infantry Division	John Westphal	jwestphal@comcast.net	Aug-13
95	201st Latvian Rifles	Matt Andres	mattandres@aol.com	Aug-13
96	USO Camp Shows	Pamela Rowden	vampstar1@hotmail.com	Nov-13
97	3rd SS	Zach Hardin	zacattack89@yahoo.com	Nov-13
98	275th Infanterie Division, II/984th grenadier Rgt.	Karl Bandow	275thcommander@gmail.com	Dec-13
99	10th Dragoons	Marek Rowicki	mrowik67@gmail.com	Mar-14

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	<u>WWII HRS Chartered Units</u>	<u>Unit Commander</u>	<u>Email</u>	<u>Chartered</u>
100	PA Civilians	Rachel Brown	thegirlonthebluebike@gmail.com	Aug-14
101	Infanterie Regt. 19	Pat Sanchez	psanch62@aol.com	Oct-14
102	41st Armored Infantry Regiment, 2nd Armored Division	Michael Beth	michael.beth@emc.com	Oct-14
103	Junior Red Cross	Nicole Fornell	nicolefornell@gmail.com	Oct-14

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By Corey Vaughn
Company G, 505 Parachute Infantry Regiment,
82nd Airborne Division (HRS)

All photos are by Mark L. Kidd

Good Day to everyone!

The National World War II Memorial officially opened in Washington, D.C. in April 2004. In May of 2005, twelve WWII Veterans were flown out to the memorial in six small aircraft via a program called Honor Flight (Honor Flight Network, <http://www.honorflight.org/>). Since then, countless numbers of Veterans, all across the United States, have been able to see THEIR memorial, free of charge to them. But, despite the VE and VJ day celebrations, many of these Veterans did not have the homecoming they so rightly deserved when they returned from the war; when they returned from Hell. They deserve every ounce of thanks we can give them; it's part of our duty as Reenactors.

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Because of this, Ally Van Tilburg, myself, as well as other Reenactors began volunteering to welcome our Veterans home in Indianapolis after they returned from their trip to their Memorial in D.C. Most of the Veterans, once they return, are expecting to go directly home after they step off the plane. However, they have a HUGE surprise in store for them in the form of an enormous homecoming.

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At the most recent Indianapolis Honor Flight homecoming, we had four thousand people welcoming the Veterans back. We've actually had to move the homecoming location twice because we've had so many people come, and it's currently being held in the enormous Gymnasium of Plainfield High School.

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Where the Reenactors factor into the homecoming, is that we set up a World War Two display for the public to look at, and as the Veterans enter the Gym, we render them salutes.

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In addition, we have female civilian Reenactors who act as Kissing Girls, giving the Veterans a lipstick kiss on the cheek as they go by (I've had to act as the Kissing Guy on flights that had female Veterans onboard).

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The faces of these men and women as they enter the room are indescribable. They are overwhelmed, smiling enormously, shaking hands, and some are even crying. The wide-eyed expression they get when they see us in THEIR uniforms is heart-melting.

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And, when they salute you back, it's breath-taking. In fact, there's barely a dry-eye in the place; it's truly a magical experience.

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The roar of the crowd is deafening. Everyone in the United States needs to experience an Honor Flight homecoming, and more than likely you'll be hooked once you go. And, that's why I'm writing this article: to appeal to all Reenactors to attend and support their local Honor Flight hub, whether in uniform or not.

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For me, the experiences I've had attending the homecomings have been so inspirational, that my dedication has morphed to include running in 5K runs to help raise funds for the Indianapolis Honor Flights. In addition, Ally, myself, and other Reenactors have done parades, promotions, and other fundraisers for the Indy Honor Flight.

You can find your regional hub and find more information about the Honor Flight program at <http://www.honorflight.org/>. In addition, I'm more than happy to assist anyone who would like to learn more about the Honor Flight program or learn more about their local hub.

Thank you so much for reading, and I will leave you with this:
We can't all be heroes, some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by.
—Will Rogers

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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
70th 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.



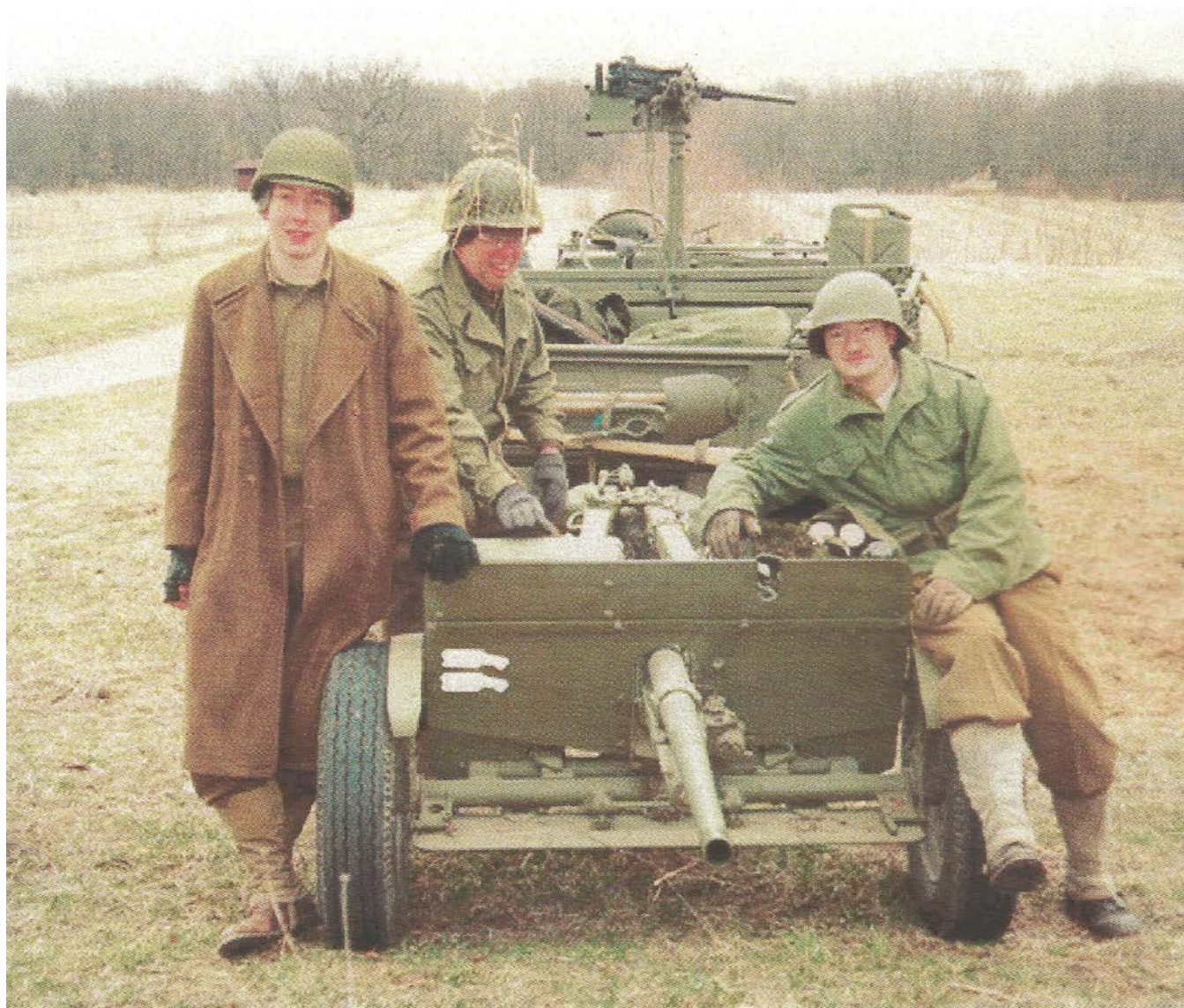
Jagdpanzer turns for home, World War II HRS National Battle, Camp McCoy, October 1995

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**Anti-armor crew gets 2 enemy halftracks,
Hoover Outdoor Center, Yorkville IL, April 1996**

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**Sd Kfz 251,
Hoover Outdoor Center, Yorkville IL, April 1996**

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**M5 high tails it,
Hoover Outdoor Center, Yorkville IL, April 1996**

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**WC-51 Artillery Crew
Hoover Outdoor Center, Yorkville IL, April 1996**

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Stone House Tactical February 2011.

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To: _____

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