



# BAND OF BROTHERS NEWSLETTER



**The Villages, Florida**

**June 2022**

## **FROM THE DESK OF YOUR PRESIDENT**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters:

Much hard work and long hours have gone into the planning for our Bowling Tournament which turned out to be successful venture this past May 14<sup>th</sup>. 32 teams played and, from the looks of it, all seemed to be having a wonderful time. Special thanks to Brian and Jeni Ducat for their work in the planning and collection of prizes for the day; to my wife, Susan for her work in compiling the baskets and the selling of gift tickets; to Anna Stattman and Kevin McCabe for selling of the 50/50 tickets, which by the way, awarded \$477 to the lucky winner, Paul Cartlidge. By the way, this fundraiser netted almost \$4000 for the Band of Brothers. All in all, once again, it was a great day!

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, we sent out a request for a vote, approved by your Officers, to donate \$18,000 to Project Support Our Soldiers (SOS) Military Children's Scholarship Program. This vote was closed on 5/26/22 at 11:59 pm. The results are in and follow: 109 Yes, 0 No, 1 abstain. The vote has passed

Details are in place for the Band of Brothers **Fourth of July Picnic**. Cut off for registration is **Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**. A flyer is attached [in blue](#) on the opening email of this Newsletter. [Click on the blue link on the cover sheet](#) to open the attachment. See Dolores Wilson at Tuesday's Socials to register and present payment for the event.

See **REPRINTS** on the following pages for past announced ongoing activities.

**Ben Vasquez**  
**President**

## **HONOR THEIR SERVICE**

**"Greater love hath no man than this - that a man lay down his life for his friends."**

*John 15:1*

## **NEW MEMBERS IN MAY**

Robert Anderson	-	USA
Michael Brown	-	USAF
Raymond Carter	-	USA
Cindy Chidensten	-	USA



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William Eaton	-	USA
Gerard "Jerry" Grant	-	USN
David Houke	-	USA
Lori Johnson	-	USMC
Joe Mack	-	USMC
Tom Marcino	-	USA
Jeff Massey	-	USN
Edward McCaw	-	USMC
Shane McCracken	-	USA
Bob Quick	-	USAF
JoAnn Rosa	-	USAF
Jim Schlaefter	-	USMC
Dean Schoenrock	-	USN
Monroe "Roe" Seigle	-	USMC
Richard Shute	-	USA

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Karen Capestrain	-	Honorary
Aaron Chas	-	Honorary
Jessica Eckhardt	-	Honorary
Steve Eckhardt	-	Honorary
Diana Fanelli	-	Honorary
Peggy Lyp	-	Support
Joan Orr	-	Honorary
Marylou Peck-Bartosch	-	Honorary
Janice Ricci	-	Honorary

***WELCOME ALL TO THE BAND OF BROTHERS***

### **NOTES FROM YOUR SECRETARY**

Since January 2022, membership has increased by 125 to 923 total members. As of May 31<sup>st</sup> the count is as follows: 775 regular members (those who served their country), 110 honorary (members with spouses/parents/children who served their country) and 38 support members (those without family members who served in the military but support the Band of Brothers). By the end of the year, should the trend continue, we will reach and surpass the 1000 count.



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## **REPRINTS ON EVENTS NOTED IN PAST NEWSLETTERS**

**A Reprint:** Our Golf Tournament has been scheduled for **Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>** at Harbor Hills at 8:15 am. There will be 18 holes played in a Scramble format consisting of 18 foursomes. There will be prizes, golf balls, closest to the pin, closest to the line, etc. Registration fee will be \$60 which will include lunch. An application form to register will be sent out under separate cover in the near future.

## **SICK CALL AND BEREAVEMENT**

Sending condolences to the family of Paul Piusz on his passing on April 20, 2022. Please keep Paul and his family in your thoughts and prayers during this special time in their lives.

## **COLOR GUARD**

On June 14, 2022, Flag Day, 10:00 am, Veterans Memorial Park, Spanish Springs, your Color Guard has the honor of presenting the Flag and posting the colors in the opening ceremony. Additionally, the task of raising the American Flag and presentation of the wreath at the monument are bestowed on the Color Guard. Representation by the Band of Brothers would be most welcome.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

June 7 <sup>th</sup>	-	Presentation of \$18,000 check to the SOS Scholarship Program Tuesdays, Social Meeting, Lake Sumter Landing
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	-	Flag Day – Color Guard Presentation Veterans Memorial Park, 10 am Spanish Springs



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| June 27 <sup>th</sup>    | - | Cut-off for registration and payment for<br>Fourth of July Picnic<br>\$25 per person<br>See Dolores Wilson to register                 |
| July 4 <sup>th</sup>     | - | Fourth of July Band of Brothers Picnic<br>Gary's Man-Cave, 2 pm - ???<br>17300 SE 58 <sup>th</sup> Avenue<br>Summerfield, FL (off 301) |
| July 20 <sup>th</sup>    | - | General Membership Meeting, 7:00 pm<br>Lake Miona Recreation Center<br><b>CANCELLED</b>  |
| August 4 <sup>th</sup>   | - | Blood Drive, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm<br>Laurel Manor Recreation Center   |
| August 26 <sup>th</sup>  | - | Band of Brothers Golf Tournament<br>Harbor Hills, 8:15 am, \$60 pp<br>18-hole Scramble   |
| October 19 <sup>th</sup> | - | General Membership Meeting, 7:00 pm<br>Lake Miona Recreation Center, Members Only<br>Nomination of Officers                            |
| December 2 <sup>nd</sup> | - | Blood Drive, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm<br>Laurel Manor Recreation Center   |

Social Meetings are held at City Fire, Lake Sumter Landing, every Tuesday, 2-4 pm and at City Fire, Brownwood on every Thursday, 2-4 pm.

### **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

*The Band of Brothers Birthday Cake* for all members who have birthdays in the month of **June** and *The Band of Brothers PX* will be held on **Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at City Fire, Lake Sumter Landing** and on **Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at City Fire, Brownwood**. The PX will be opened in its entirety on both dates.



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The Band of Brothers sells 50/50 tickets at each Social meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning at 2:00 pm. To obtain your tickets, see your Sergeant-at-Arms. Cut-off for ticket sales is at **3:45 pm**. We have three (3) prizes each week pending the amount of funds collected.

**Band of Brothers Members:** Our main way to communicate with membership is via email. We try to send out minimal emails per month. One in the form of a Newsletter; however, there are other emails for emergencies or important announcements that need to be sent out immediately. If you do not wish to receive emails from the Band of Brothers or do not wish to continue your membership, please let us know. You can unsubscribe at the bottom of any email you receive from us and you will be eliminated from the Club Roster.

**The New Organizational Chart for the Band of Brothers** follows and can be used to contact the Officers and Executive Board members. It includes the names, positions, photographs, and email addresses. If you have a question about a particular area, please refer to the chart which has been revised as of **5/25/2022** and is subject to change.

