

Winter 2023

84th Railsplitters Association

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Happy Holidays Fellow 84th Railsplitters!

As we close the door on 2023, I want to thank my fellow Railsplitters for everything you have done for the Association.

This past year, several of our Railsplitters participated in the Stars and Stripes Honors Flight. Thank you for a job well done, each of you deserve the honor that was bestowed upon you and long overdue! Congratulations! If you know of a Railsplitters going on a flight in 2024, please drop me a note at goldgrl123@hotmail.com. I will get the word out for "mail call"!

We have enjoyed many events this past year; one success we can be especially proud of is our Annual Steak Fry. The Brookfield Highlands in Waukesha has proved again to be the perfect location to hold our annual fundraiser. After tallying the funds collected from the silent auction, 50-50 raffle, and tickets sold for the door prizes we collected more than \$2,800. KUDOS to all who donated raffle items, food, beverages, and to the volunteers who helped in the set-up, take down and clean-up. Of course, our success is attributed to our members and their families!

As we begin gearing up for 2024, planning is underway for the first event of the new year. Our annual Valentine's Day Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, February 10th at Meyer's Restaurant, 4260 S. 76th Street, Greenfield, WI. Please see invitation attached.

On Saturday, May 18th, we will be returning to the newly renovated Western Racquet Club, 1800 Highland Drive in Elm Grove, WI for our Dining Out event. Sadly, this event was cancelled this past year due to logistical reasons so we are looking forward to its return.

Other events you can mark on your calendar are the Annual Meeting: Thursday, June 13th and the Annual Steak Fry, September, 14th. Locations for both events have not been locked in yet.

One last roll call for today's newsletter...

Calling on everyone to help recruit new members!!! Like other veteran organizations, we are experiencing a decline in our numbers. It is not a matter of them no longer wanting to serve or being part of our organization, it is a case of them being called upon by a higher authority. Requesting that you reach out to our fellow Railsplitters by opening your phone books and/or email directories and invite them to join our Association. Membership applications can be found at www.84thrailsplitters.com. Better yet, extend an invite to them to join you at one of our events and we'll get them to fill out the application form.

God bless this nation, all service members, veterans and their families! I look forward to seeing you in 2024 at one or more of our events.

Have a happy and safe New Year! Let there be Peace on Earth!

Goldie M. Schuh, MSG (Retired)
President, 84th Railsplitters Association, LTD



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Upcoming Events:

<i>Valentine's Dinner</i>	10 February 2024
<i>Dining-Out</i>	18 May 2024
<i>Annual Meeting</i>	13 June 2024
<i>Annual Steak Fry</i>	14 September 2024

Please Join Us!



An elderly man rear-ended a guy driving an expensive European sports car. Enraged, the guy hops out and confronts the old man. He yells, "Look what you did to my car! You're going to give me \$10,000 right now or I'm going to beat you to a pulp!"

"Oh my..." the old man said nervously. "I don't have that kind of money. Let me call my son." he said with hope. "He trains dolphins and he will know what to do."

"Dolphins!" the other driver huffed, while rolling his eyes.

The old man pulled out his phone, dialed his son, and just as his son answered, the irate man snatched the phone away from the old man.

"So, YOU'RE a dolphin trainer, huh?" The irate man yelled, "Well, your old man here just rear-ended my car and I need TEN GRAND right now, or I'm going to beat you AND your old man to a pulp!"

"I'll be there in 10 minutes." says the voice calmly on the other end.

Exactly 10 minutes later, a Jeep pulls up and a guy hops out and proceeds to pulverize the bully, leaving him in a heap on the side of the road. When he finished, he walked over to his father and said,

"For the last time dad, I train Seals... Navy Seals. NOT dolphins!"



Ron Kuta Named September Veteran of the Month

Chief Ron Kuta was named September's Veteran of the Month at the Rose-Harms American Legion Auxiliary Unit 355 in Grafton, WI. Ron served in the Support Battalion of the 84th Division (Training). He served in the US Air Force from 1959 to 1965 and then the US Army from 1974 to 1996.

Kuta was presented with a certificate and a basket of goodies and a banner that was placed in front of his home. He also received a patriotic quilt made by volunteers from a "Quilt of Thanks."

WAY TO GO, CHIEF!



Annual Meeting June, 2023

Mission BBQ provided a wonderful meal and the members heard about their 84th Railsplitters Association.

We also had a presentation by Mick Gillitzer of Sierra Delta and Mike Malloy of AUSA.

The Board of Directors were reelected and installed.





THE 84TH RAILSPLITTERS ASSOCIATION LTD

INVITES YOU AND YOUR GUESTS TO

THE 13TH ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DINNER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024

1800 COCKTAILS AND 1900 DINNER

MEYERS RESTAURANT & BAR

4260 S. 76TH STREET, GREENFIELD, WI 53220

NOTE THE NEW LOCATION THIS YEAR!



CASUAL ATTIRE, BUT RED IS RECOMMENDED

SERVING A FAMILY STYLE BUFFET

PRICE IS \$35 PER PERSON

Note: Kindly call CSM Gramins (262.782.5645) if you need to cancel NLT 24 hours in advance or we will not be able to reimburse you.

***** Return lower portion with check *****

Name: _____ Rank: _____ Phone: _____

Name of Guest _____

Name of Guest _____

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Enclosed is a check for \$ _____

*Please return reservation form NO later than **February 4, 2024***

Send to:

**84th Railsplitters Association, LTD
1160 Apple Tree Lane
Brookfield, WI 53005-6804**



Service with a smile from BG Pat Heritsch and MAJ PJ Heritsch!



LTC Bernd Kampe checks out the silent auction.



SFC Robert Kaminski is congratulated by MAJ Jim Schuler for winning the 50/50 Raffle at the Steak Fry



The Annual Steak Fry



Some people guard the items they want right to the very end!



The smiling faces of the 5091st!



Of course, AUSA was well represented.





Russ represents MSG Julie Koss—and looks like he's listening to another story from 1SG Chuck Rotramel!



SFC Bill Krieger couldn't make a decision—the braided locks or the puff ball on top!



COL Allen Cottrell couldn't decide: the flag or the football... or both!



So many door prizes to choose from!



***Family,
old friends,
new friends,
all Railsplitters
to the end!***



Sunshine Club

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of those who recently passed away:

COL Terry Lerch MAJ Thomas MacGillis CW4 Michael Murphy 1SG Michael Wiken

SFC Pat Kazee Drill Sgt (SFC) Tinethel "Tina" Moniorcha

Get Well Wishes for:

COL Stephen Bartelt SGT Rachel Kohnke

Thoughts are prayers for Railsplitters who have lost someone:

LTC Kevin Klandrud (on the passing of his wife) SGT Aundra Walton (on the passing of his son)

Remember to send any information, or correspondence for Get Well, Encouragement, Sympathy, etc. to:

Mary Orley at (414) 425-0256 or email, maryo_44@yahoo.com



Many members of the 84th Railsplitters Association have been escorted to Washington D.C. to visit the war memorials by the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight—one of the 124 hubs of the Honor Flight Network.

We're calling on all the members who have been on an Honor Flight to let us know and send us two things: A picture or two of you from the trip and your best memory of the trip. We'll be featuring the Honor Flight honorees in an upcoming Railsplitter Newsletter.

Please email the information to: railsplitters84th@yahoo.com



*Thank you to all
the corporate donors
for our Annual Steak Fry*



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Humor noun

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Definition of *humor*

1a: that quality which appeals to a sense of the ludicrous or absurdly incongruous : a funny or amusing quality // Try to appreciate the *humor of the situation*.



FUTURE WAR STORIES