

BYR Task Force Agenda  
July 18, 2013  
7:00 – 8:30 PM  
Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary's Report - Minutes from June 20, 2013 meeting

Treasurer's Report

Chair's Report

- Back Pack for Military Youth Program – La Quinta Inn & Suites, Bloomington. Runs from July 9<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>

Committee Reports

1. Website/Facebook Committee Report – Scott/Kerri
2. Billboard Committee Report
3. Resource/Brochure Committee Report – Gail G
4. Support our Troops Committee Report – Isanti Family Support Group
5. Community Resource Coordinator - Open
6. Congregational Committee Report – Curtis A
7. Fund Raising Committee Report – Gail G
8. Quilts for Troops – Bob and Mary F
9. School Liaison – Randy P
10. Law Enforcement Liaison – Scott F
11. BYR Friends Coordinator - Open

Old Business

1. Isanti Parade – Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup>
2. 849<sup>th</sup> Deployment – Camo Bedroll Distribution – Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>

New Business

1. Review new Friends of BYR - ?
2. Isanti County Fair - Wednesday thru Sunday, July 24 thru 28, 2013 – Sign Up Sheet
  - a. Veterans Appreciation Day - get in free on the first day, Wed. July 24<sup>th</sup>
3. Motorcycle Ride at Captain's Saturday, September 1, 2013
4. Update on 501(c)(3) process
  - a. Bob to sign the paperwork
5. Children's Christmas Party for Families of the 850<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, December 14, 2013

Next Meeting – Thursday August 15, 2013, 7:00 – 8:30 at the AFRCC

Adjourn

# Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Task Force Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center (AFRCC)

**Meeting Minutes: June 20, 2013**

**Member Attendance:**

	Bob B		Kory D	X	Scott F		Gaylen S
X	Jim R		Bruce N		Don G		Randy P
X	Susan M	X	Erven S		Brad R		Monica B
X	Gail G		Scott G		Bryce		Dan J
X	Kathy R		Doug M		Dennis A		Kevin G
X	Jim J	X	Curtis A	X	Carol Ann S	X	Greg A
	April T		Carol A	X	Mary F		Kathy A
	John T		Walt M	X	Bob F		Chris Caulk
X	Kerri K		Pam M	X	Bryan R		

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
<b>Call to Order</b>		Meeting was called to Order at 19:02 by Vice Chair Susan M.
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 19:04
<b>Guest</b>	SGT Bryan Robin	
<b>Secretary Report</b>	Minutes of the May 16, 2013 meeting were distributed by e-mail.	<b>Motion:</b> To accept the May Task Force minutes as presented made by Mary F, seconded by Gail G. Unanimously approved.
<b>Treasurer Report</b>	Income and expenses were reviewed by Jim R.	<b>Motion:</b> By Bob F and seconded by Jim J to authorize the purchase of an airline ticket to a returning soldier within the continental USA if he requests assistance. <b>Motion:</b> To approve the Treasurers Report and was unanimously approved.
<b>Chair's Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wife of a deployed Solider – asked for assistance with a broken car window. New Friend of BYR, Star Quality Glass can assist.</li> <li>• Best Practices Form – BYREB will review and fill out.</li> </ul>	
<b>Committee Reports:</b>	<p><b>Website Committee:</b> Scott F gave the update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5094 visitors</li> <li>• May minutes and June Agenda</li> <li>• Kerri K – Will update Facebook – over 300 visitors. Discussed possible Post or Feature a Business of the week on Sunday's</li> </ul> <p><b>Billboard Committee:</b> Gaylen S not present. No update.</p> <p><b>Resource/Brochure Committee Report:</b> Gail mentioned we have enough in stock for the Fair.</p> <p><b>Friends of BYR Committee:</b> No report.</p>	

	<p><b>Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group:</b>  No Report. Sgt. Robin to get names of Platoon Leaders to give to the group for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fenty</li> <li>• Lightning</li> <li>• Shank</li> <li>• Bahgram</li> </ul> <p>Discussion of a Talk Show Host to MC a Welcome Home for the 850<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p><b>Community Resource Coordinator:</b> No Report.</p> <p><b>Congregational Committee:</b> No Report.</p> <p><b>Fundraising:</b> Gail gave the update on donations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$227 – Donations at Fire on the Rum</li> <li>• \$37 – Red Bull Days Military Appreciation <b>BYR Burger</b> w/ Bacon, Cheese, Onion Ring plated with lettuce, tomato &amp; pickles. American Jane's, Isanti VFW and Captains will be partnering with BYR and will sell the burger.</li> </ul> <p><b>Camo Quilts for Troops:</b> Bob F – 113 Army bedrolls in stock. 849<sup>th</sup> Deployment in Litchfield will need 98. BYREB &amp; Quilting Committee to attend the Deployment distribution on Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. No word on Senior Center grant so the quilters will stay at the City Hall for now.</p> <p><b>School Liaison:</b> Randy P not present. No report.</p> <p><b>Law Enforcement:</b> Scott F shared that the de-escalation class in May was very well attended and very good training.</p>	
<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fire on the Rum – 50 cards was set out for people to write notes to the troops. It was well received so we plan to do the same at the Fair.</li> <li>2. Patriot Ride</li> </ol>	
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review new Friend of BYR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Star Quality Glass Corp – 10% off materials</li> <li>• Citizens Supporting Our Armed Forces (CSOAF)</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Isanti Parade – July 11<sup>th</sup></li> <li>3. Zylstra Harley Davidson Promotion – July 13<sup>th</sup> in Elk River 11:00 to 3:00pm</li> <li>4. Isanti County Fair – July 24-28<sup>th</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sign Up Sheet</li> <li>- Veteran's Appreciation Day on Wed. 7/24/13 at 6:00 pm</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Motorcycle Ride at Captains – Sept. 1<sup>st</sup></li> <li>6. Update on 501c3 process <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Waiting for federal approval</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. Approval of Children's Christmas Party for families of the 850<sup>th</sup> HEC – December 14<sup>th</sup> at the AFRCC.</li> <li>8. Ruby's Pantry Food Certificates – available through the County Veterans Service Office.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by Jim J and seconded by Carol Ann S to accept the new Friends of ICBYR.</li> <li>2. Isanti Parade – Kerri will get together with Susan to get the materials for the float.</li> <li>3. Isanti County Fair – Sign Up and discussed possibly having a children's table.</li> <li>4. <b>Motion:</b> By Jim J and seconded by Mary F to approve a Christmas Party on December 14, 2013. Discussion of a lunch with Santa catered by Vicky and asking for volunteers to help.</li> <li>5. <b>Motion:</b> By Jim J and seconded by Scott F to purchase Ruby's Pantry Food Certificates to be kept at the CVSO.</li> </ol>

<b>Adjournment</b>		<b>Motion: To adjourn.</b>
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**Submitted by:** Kathy Rostberg, Secretary

**Next Meeting:** August 15, 2013 7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC

## BYR Executive Committee Meeting

July 8, 2013

- Should BYR provide dental assistance to low income veterans who fall between the cracks of both the State and Federal VA systems? Committee suggested communication with the Vet and see if he can finance the dental work himself. Committee tabled until next meeting.
- Discuss advertising in Vets Edge - \$100 per year. Committee voted to commit to advertise for one year.
- Discuss advertising in Masonic letter – Helios Light. Committee will check with Scott F.
- A request came from someone at the VFW and combined with John & April's list, these are the requested items to be shipped to our deployed troops of the 850<sup>th</sup> HEC:  
Baby wipes – refills  
Boxers and boxer briefs (small, medium, larges)  
Chapstick  
Chips like little bags (Doritos, etc)  
Deodorants  
Dry pack meats  
Eye drops  
Febreeze  
Food bars  
Gum  
Hard Candy  
Individual drink packages  
Jerky  
Razors  
Snacks (any kind really)  
Shampoos  
Shaving cream  
Tobacco stuff (smokes, tin chew, bag chew)  
Committee discussed whether we need to go shopping and get some of these items.  
Gail volunteered to shop for some of these items to give to April & John to send.
- Sea Cadets – Lost their space at the AFRCC for training. They need to find alternative space to train. Bob B. will follow up on the old Armory and talk to the school district. Gail will check with IC Fair Board about the Jaycee building.
- Christmas party – December 14, 2013 at the AFRCC; Santa is hired and on board. Possibly use Girl Scouts as elves. Possibly do Giving Trees and line up people to wrap gifts.
- Discussed 849<sup>th</sup> deployment ceremony – Sunday, July 14, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. distribution of camo bedrolls. Discussed travel and logistics to Litchfield for presentation of quilts. Bob F to contact the quilting committee to see who is going. FYI: Formal ceremony is at 3:00 pm at the Civic Center.
- Spouse of deployed member with the 850<sup>th</sup> lives in Big Lake. The headlight went out on her car and called BYR for assistance to get repaired. Bob referred her to Dr. Monte and it was taken care of. She did not need any financial assistance for this repair.

- Kevin Gagnon – Friend of BYR – Lawn Mowing Service has recently mowed two lawns.
- Isanti County Parade – Thursday, July 11, 2013. We still have a pickup to use to pull the float from the Sheriff's Department. Plan is to decorate at Noon on Thursday at Rostberg's. Gail will notify those that signed up to help. 4x8 signs need to be brought to Rostberg's.
- 501c3 progress – Bob has called Kevin B and Kevin will have documents ready for Bob's signature on Friday.
- BYR Website Update – Bob will talk to Scott about updating and be sure links are working.