

BYR Task Force Agenda  
June 20, 2013  
7:00 – 8:30 PM  
Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary's Report - Minutes from May 16, 2013 meeting

Treasurer's Report

Chair's Report

Committee Reports

1. Website/Facebook Committee Report – Scott/Kerri
2. Billboard Committee Report – Gaylen
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. Fire on the Rum Saturday, June 15, 2013
2. Patriot Ride Saturday, June 15, 2013

New Business

1. Review new Friends of BYR – Susan M
  - a. Star Quality Glass Corp.
  - b. Citizens Supporting Our Armed Forces (CSOAF)
2. Isanti Parade Thursday, July 11, 2013
3. 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>
4. Motorcycle Ride at Captain's Saturday, September 1, 2013
5. Update on 501(c)(3) process
  - a. Waiting for federal approval
6. Approval of Children's Christmas Party for Families of the 850<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, December 14, 2013
7. Ruby's Pantry Food Certificates

Next Meeting – Thursday July 18, 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: May 16, 2013**

**Member Attendance:**

X	Bob B		Kory D		Scott F		Gaylen S
X	Jim R		Bruce N		Don G		Randy P
X	Susan M		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		Curtis A	X	Carol Ann S	X	Greg A
X	April T		Carol A	X	Mary F		Kathy A
X	John T	X	Walt M	X	Bob F		Chris Caulk
		X	Pam M				

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
<b>Call to Order</b>		Meeting was called to Order at 19:02 by Chair Bob B.
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 19:04
<b>Guest</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SPC Olson SPC Olson gave the task force an update on the 850<sup>th</sup>. They left for Afghanistan around May 15<sup>th</sup>. The unit was not able to take the extra bedrolls with them so Bob F will work with SPC Olson to take care of them and get them added to the supply.</li> <li>• Joe T from TrustVets TrustVets is an advertising platform where the general public can find businesses owned by veterans – similar to an “Angie’s List” and TrustVets employs veterans so its veterans helping veterans.</li> <li>• Glen T – Citizens Supporting our Armed Forces (CSOAF) – They ship packages to troops, rally donations for families, pull resources w/local BYR groups.</li> </ul>	<p>Website: <a href="http://www.trustvets.com">www.trustvets.com</a></p> <p>Sun. June 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 6:00pm Military Appreciation Day at Central Park in North Branch.</p>
<b>Secretary Report</b>	Minutes of the March 21, 2013 meeting were distributed by e-mail. There was no meeting in April due to a snow storm.	<b>Motion:</b> To accept the March Task Force minutes as presented. Unanimously approved.
<b>Treasurer Report</b>	Income and expenses were reviewed by Jim R.	<b>Motion:</b> To approve the Treasurers Report, hearing no discussion a motion was unanimously approved.
<b>Chair’s Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bob acknowledged that Duane Broten, husband to Monica in the CVSO office, was honored and presented with a POW Medal at the State Capitol on April 21, 2013.</li> <li>• Bob updated the group on the de-escalation tactics for military veteran’s class for local law enforcement held on May 7<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Bob shared with the group a donation of \$400 to ICBYR from the Grell Family in memory of Duane Grell who served in WWII as a paratrooper.</li> <li>• Bob shared a map of the 850<sup>th</sup> HEC Locations</li> </ul>	

	<p>within the state of MN, SD, WI and one in TX and MO.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared pictures of the ICBYREB who were recognized at the Twins Game on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the new Target Stadium.</li> <li>• Camo Quilted Bed Roll Policy – a sample of the Eligibility for a Camo Quilted Bed Roll Policy was presented to the group.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Motion:</b> A motion by Jim J and seconded by Mary F to approve the Bed Roll Policy as presented. Approved unanimously. Susan M nephew is with a unit from Arden Hills who is deploying in June and at least one soldier lives in Isanti County. Susan will get more details on those soldiers in order to get them bed rolls before they leave.</p>
<p><b>Committee Reports:</b></p>	<p><b>Website Committee:</b> Scott F was unable to be at the meeting but sent updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4,972 visitors</li> <li>• Pictures from Clarence's Recycling and the Twins Game will be posted to the Website with a Thank You.</li> <li>• Friends are all updated as well as BYR minutes and agendas.</li> </ul> <p><b>Billboard Committee:</b> Gaylen S not present. New 4 x 8 signs are up on Hwy 95 west of the College. Bob shared that Gaylen asked the BYREB to assist in purchasing a saw and the Exec. Board approved the purchase.</p> <p><b>Resource/Brochure Committee Report:</b> No report.</p> <p><b>Friends of BYR Committee:</b> No report.</p> <p><b>Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group:</b> April &amp; John stated they have 150 boxes ready to be shipped if needed.</p> <p><b>Community Resource Coordinator:</b> Dave R has resigned from BYR.</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>• \$200 – KC's for quilts</li> <li>• \$400 – Grell family</li> <li>• \$224 – Clarence's Recycling – donation jar</li> <li>• \$8153.60 – Can Fundraiser and Penny per Pound at Clarence's Recycling. Some of the money will be spent to buy nice Plaques for Clarence's Recycling, Star 95 and Franklin Sign for all their support.</li> </ul> <p><b>Camo Quilts for Troops:</b> Bob F – 417 bed rolls in stock. Are still looking for a new home to move the group. Susan stated there is still space at one of the county buildings, but probably not suitable. SPC Olson, offered space at the AFRCC. There is a possible lead that there is vacant space at the Old Ford Dealership building in Cambridge. Bob F feels there needs to be</p>	

	<p>some communication that the ICBYR Quilting Group is looking for space. More quilting kits are needed – digital pattern costs less than the Nato fabric which they can't get anymore.</p> <p><b>School Liaison:</b> Randy P not present. No report.</p> <p><b>Law Enforcement:</b> Scott F is the new law enforcement liaison.</p>	<p><b>Motion:</b> A motion was made and seconded to approve the purchase of 100 bed roll kits. Approved unanimously.</p>
<b>Old Business</b>		
<b>New Business</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review new Friend of BYR – Hayford Ford – 10% off service.</li> <li>2. Fire on the Rum – June 15<sup>th</sup> – Fundraiser for the Cambridge Fire Dept. at the Fairgrounds.</li> <li>3. Patriot Ride – June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Fairgrounds</li> <li>4. Isanti Parade – July 11<sup>th</sup></li> <li>5. Isanti County Fair – July 24-28<sup>th</sup></li> <li>6. Motorcycle Ride at Captains – Sept. 1<sup>st</sup></li> <li>7. Utilize Photo Release form to be filled out prior to public release of photo's</li> <li>8. Update on 501c3 process <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Waiting for federal approval</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Motion:</b> A motion was made and seconded to accept Hayford Ford as a new ICBYR Friend.</li> <li>2. Fire on the Rum – June 15<sup>th</sup> BYR Booth should be there from 10:00 to 4:00 pm. BYR can have a donation jar and it will be good exposure. A sign-up sheet went around for volunteers to man the booth.</li> <li>3. Patriot Ride – Approx. arrival time is around 2:00pm to the Isanti Co. Fairgrounds.</li> <li>4. Kerry Knack will chair the Rodeo Parade Committee. ICBYR will have a float in the parade with a theme of "Hero's Left Behind". Will check with the Guard unit on a vehicle to pull the float.</li> <li>5. A copy of the Photo Release Form was distributed so the task force members could sign and have on file.</li> </ol>
<b>Adjournment</b>		<b>Motion:</b> To adjourn.

Submitted by: Kathy Rostberg, Secretary

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### Minutes from Executive Board Meeting, June 10, 2013

Continuing towards becoming a 501(c)3. Bob B will phone Kevin B regarding status of application.

Discussed the need of a soldier of the 850<sup>th</sup> – but no request to the CVSO.

Discussed the Isanti parade to be held Thursday, July 11, 2013. Kerry will be chairing and heading up the committee to decorate the float. Isanti Co. Sheriff's department will donate a pick up truck to pull the float.

Discussed an older veteran who needs assistance with spring yard cleanup. A friend of BYR who has a lawn service who will be contacted.

Christmas Party for the 850<sup>th</sup> families. Gail has a Santa lined up. This will be an agenda item on the next BYR meeting and Susan will talk to Vicky about the food.

Food Certificates to Ruby's Pantry will be purchased and will be available through the CVSO.

The application has been sent in for the Isanti County Fair and purchased insurance.

The BYR Burger – Ingredients are cheese, bacon with a fried onion ring on it. Plated with lettuce, tomato, pickle with Chips. Gail will talk to the different restaurants.

Packages – BYR has names and addresses of 850<sup>th</sup> deployed and we decided to send extra packages to the four bases in Afghanistan to be distributed.

A certificate was given to the ICBYR Task Force in appreciation of their support and will be hung at the AFRCCC.

A request came in from a soldier for his wife in Missouri. Gail contacted the Missouri BYR and they will do something for her. Gail will follow up.

The Red Hat Society wants a service project and will get in touch with John and April to help with packages.

Sea Cadets

The North Branch and Little Falls American Legion will send one package per month to any 850<sup>th</sup> HEC member within those communities.

Bed Roll Quilting Committee New Home – City of Cambridge is telling BYR that the Senior Center has applied for a grant and will know some time in June whether or not they get it. Discussed possible locations but need to ask if available for the group; it would need to be a

dedicated area. Ask Curtis Anderson to speak with the Ministerial Committee about meeting at local churches. There is a companion unit (849<sup>th</sup>) that will be deploying in July with approx. 98 soldiers. There is also a unit out of Arden Hills that will be deployed as well. No commitments have been made about giving out quilts to either units.

New Friends of BYR are Star Quality Glass Corp. and Citizens Supporting our Armed Forces (CSOAF). Discussed a possible recruitment for more Friends of the BYR in Isanti County. The Application to provide services as a Friend needs to be updated and add a return address and provide a cover letter with the application. Bob volunteered to go to the Chambers of Commerce and speak to the businesses.

Fire on the Rum- Sat. June 15th – BYR only needs to be there before the Patriot Riders at approx. 11:00 am. Six wrist bands will be available for the BYR Task Force at no charge. Location not determined yet.

Gail will pick up a quilt from the Committee to give to a client of Jim's.

Community Resource Coordinator – need a new volunteer.

501c3 packet has not been sent to the state yet.