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***WHEELING FOR A CAUSE***

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December 2023 Newsletter

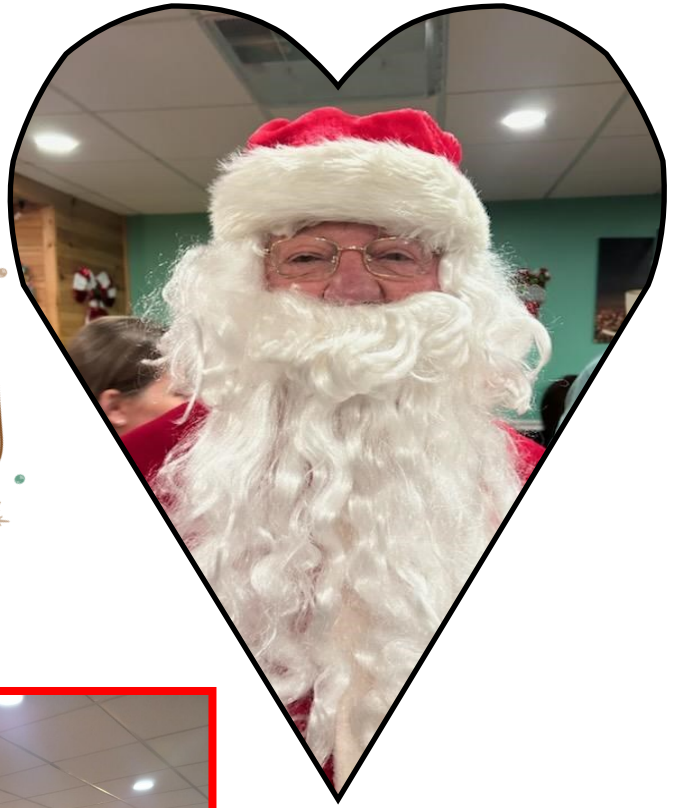
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2024









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***RAY TEGELMAN***



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# HONOR FLIGHT

Six Veterans pose with a check for \$2500 presented to the [\*Never Forgotten Honor Flight\*](#) on Dec. 2 in Woodruff.

From left, NFHF co-founder and U.S. Marine Corps veteran JIM CAMPBELL, U.S. Marine Corps veterans DAN REULAND, LARRY HALING and CHARLIE GAHLER, U.S. Air Force veteran TOM WARD and U.S. Army veteran CORKY SHEPPARD.

Reuland and Ward are on the list of veterans to go on one of the next [\*Never Forgotten Honor Flights\*](#) which originate from Mosinee's Central Wisconsin Airport.





## *From My Desk*

### **2023 Year in Review**

As 2023 comes to an end, we want to highlight the amazing accomplishments the Lakeland ATV Club has achieved. Thank you to all our members and a huge thank you to the volunteers that helped with the following accomplishments.

**Duvall Crossing** – An ATV/UTV crossing was installed at Duvall Court and Highway 70 West, adding a short trail from that crossing point west to Shishebogama Drive. This is allowing our riders west of Minocqua to gain access to further routes without trailering. The approximate cost of this project was \$11,000.

**Preuss's Pub** – The ATV/UTV crossing at the intersection of Highway 70 East and Highway 51 in Arbor Vitae has been moved to go north along Highway 51 and cross at Terry Drive. This was moved to allow a safer crossing point on Highway 51. Machines will now cross across two lanes of traffic instead of 4; essentially moving north of the "bottleneck". This project cost approximately \$6500.

**Town of Minocqua** – We have finally been able to get the Town of Minocqua to open all blacktop roads (that are open to ATV/UTV use) to be open year-round. Please make sure that this does not get abused as this is a huge accomplishment for the club. We ask that signage is followed and to stay off the roads not open to ATV/UTV use. Also, most importantly, please stay off Highway 51 and Highway 70. These are NOT open to ATV/UTV use at any time.

**County Road J** – A small segment of trail was built from County Highway J to the Veteran's Parkway in the Town of Woodruff. This allows riders coming off County Road J to intersect with the rest of the trail system and vice versa. The cost for this small trail section was approximately \$1200.

**Town of Arbor Vitae** – The club is currently in the process of working with the Town of Arbor Vitae to change their ordinance, allowing ATV/UTV use on all blacktop roads year-round. This will hopefully be completed and changed by January 15, 2024.

**Raffle** – Our yearly raffle was a huge success once again. We were able to raise approximately \$23,000! Thank you to everyone who sold and purchased tickets, and congratulations to our winners!

**Wheelin' for a Cause** – Fundraising efforts for Wheelin' for a Cause brought in donations for numerous groups. The club was able to donate to Seeing for Lelyn, Operation Santa and is sending 5 veterans on the Honor Flight. We are hopeful this event continues to grow yearly.

**New for Next Year** -There will be a new trail segment being built connecting Blumenstien Road near the Wildlife Center to Old Highway 70 West. Also, for next year will be a new crossing by County Road M and Highway 51 to get riders north of the busy intersection allowing riders to cross the highway more safely.

**Board Members** – Many thanks to the following Board Members who keep the club running in the background. The amount of time and effort put into keeping the club going sometimes goes unnoticed and we want to make sure everyone knows they are appreciated. The Board members are as follows. Positions coming up for elections in spring of 2024 are marked with an asterisk (\*). If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer and fill one of these positions, please make sure to get your nominations in starting March 2024. Thank you also to Jerry Bettin and Bill Trojan for serving as board members the first half of 2023.

\*President Corky Sheppard

\*Board Member Kirby Giampa

Vice President Darwin Lohse

Board Member Jim Thompson

\*Secretary Erin Sharp

\*Board Member Chris Froemming

Treasurer Kathy Sheppard

Board Member Kevin Halverson

\*Board Member Earl Sorensen

**Recognition/Awards** – The Lakeland ATV Club would like to give special recognition to the following individuals and businesses whom the board voted stood out above and beyond this past year. Your help not only with the club, but also with the community does not go unnoticed and we greatly appreciate each one of you.

Sponsor of the Year – High Point Sand and Gravel

Volunteer of the Year – Ray Tegelman

Raffle Sponsor of the Year – Slo's Pub

Sponsor of the Year – Wheelin' for a Cause – The Boathouse, Bill Fricke

Volunteer of the Year - Wheelin' for a Cause – Ron & Kris Kemnitz

Never Forgotten Honor Flight for 5 Service Members – Thank you very much for your service

Best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Corky Sheppard

***Sad News from South Dakota:  
Sugar Shack burned down Last Week***