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Never Forgotten Honor Flight
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Stevens Point Knights of Columbus Donation for "Never Forgotten Honor Flight"

Dear Jim:


The **good news**, attached is our check of \$4000 from our cookout fundraiser on June 10th at MetroMarket in Plover. The **bad news** is we had a goal to raise \$5000 minimum. Anytime, you do an event, it is always weather, date selection and location. The location was good since the previous year we raised over \$1500 with food sales and almost \$1500 in donations for Plover's new K9 patrol dog, Karma. But that event ended early due to rain. This year for Honor Flight, we fought rain the whole time and ended early too. We also found about a couple weeks before that June Dairy Day for Portage County was also the same day nearly. Yes, the rain hurt them too but they had free ice cream/cheese curd samples plus tents for Kid games and activities. Thus families went there. Hope you got your motorcycle ride in that same day of your birthday.

At our event, we had very generous sponsors but only used about one fourth of our supplies. With the low attendance (MetroMarket staff also commented how slow it was for them too), we collected \$490 in donations and perhaps \$1200 in net food sales profit. But we did provide free meals to about 30 vets and they enjoyed talking with the local VFW who had a display and of course under tent. It was so slow, that we had a 2nd food serving tent that we never even used.

Now for more good news, we ended up selling the unused meat, chips and soda leftovers and a great portion was/will be used for other KC fund raisers that provided over \$850. We also had donations after the event that added almost \$1850. It should be noted that \$1000 of it came from St Bronislava PCCW ladies group. We were selling unused supplies after Mass and they wanted to help us get closer to our goal. The other big contribution is our 4th degree group also provided just under \$500 at our monthly meeting last week to get the total to exactly \$4000 or 8 Vets.

In closing, thank you for your group that does the Honor flight for our Veterans. The 4th degree as the Patriotic degree of the Knights of Columbus will have our Honor guard members at Mosinee.

Sincerely from this event's co-chairs,


Gary Oudenhoven


Bill Konkol