

Gentlemen of the BTC,

August 8, 2024

Two of our own were recognized and attended the Honor Flight on July 24,2024.

Tom Kelly US Marine and Frank Reichenberger US Army.

Honoring Our Heroes: 2024 Honor Flights from Midway Airport



The Honor Flight Network is a non-profit organization dedicated to recognizing American veterans for their sacrifices and achievements by flying them to Washington, D.C., to visit their memorials. Midway Airport in Chicago proudly serves as a major departure point for these heartfelt journeys.

What is an Honor Flight?

The Honor Flight Network offers veterans an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C. During these trips, veterans visit memorials dedicated to their service, including:

- World War II Memorial
- Korean War Veterans Memorial
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- Lincoln Memorial
- Arlington National Cemetery
- U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima Memorial)

These trips provide veterans with an opportunity to reflect on their service, bond with fellow veterans, and receive the gratitude and recognition they deserve.

2024 Honor Flight Schedule

The schedule for Honor Flights departing from Midway Airport in 2024 includes several dates throughout the year, primarily from spring to fall. Specific dates are being finalized and will be available on the Honor Flight Chicago website. Historically, multiple flights are scheduled each month, with each flight accommodating a large group of veterans.

How to Get Involved

There are numerous ways to support the Honor Flight program:

- Volunteer: Volunteers play a critical role in the success of Honor Flights. Duties include assisting with logistics, ensuring veterans have a comfortable experience, and providing support during the trip. Volunteer opportunities are available for various roles, including guardians who accompany veterans on their journey.
- Donate: Financial contributions help cover the costs of flights, accommodations, and meals, ensuring that the experience is free for veterans. Donations of any size are greatly appreciated and can be made through the Honor Flight Chicago website.
- Cheer Them On: Community members are encouraged to participate in send-off and welcome-home celebrations at Midway Airport. These events are powerful displays of appreciation and provide a memorable send-off and return for the veterans.

How Veterans Can Apply

Veterans interested in participating in an Honor Flight can apply through the Honor Flight Chicago website. Applications are accepted from veterans of all service branches, with priority given to World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War veterans. The application process is simple and can be completed online or by mail.

Application Process:

- 1. Visit the Website: Go to www.honorflightchicago.org or http://www.honorflightchicago.org 2
- . Complete the Application: Fill out the application form with details about your service.
- 3. Submit the Application: Submit your application online or print it and mail it to the address provided.

Contact Information

For more information, visit the Honor Flight Chicago website or contact them directly:

- Website: www.honorflightchicago.org or http://www.honorflightchicago.org
- Phone: (773) 227-8387
- Email: info@honorflightchicago.org
- Mailing Address:Honor Flight Chicago

A huge heartfelt **THANK YOU** to all who have served. You have made our country a better place.



Tom Kelly informed me of an upcoming outing at <u>Odyssey Golf Course</u> held by the <u>Tinley Park VFW</u> on <u>August 24th, 2024</u>. This outing will be held at Odyssey Golf Course, 19110 S Ridgeland Ave, Tinley Park, IL 60477. Shotgun start at 12:00 PM Registration begins at 11:00 AM Cost is \$125.00 per golfer. (\$500.00 per foursome, Cash only)

Various prizes include longest drive and closest to the pin and raffle tickets will be sold.

Full course dinner follows the outing featuring: Choose your own Porter House steak and grill it yourself with various seasonings and spices. Guests are allowed for dinner only at 6:00 PM for \$35.00 per person.

FROM YOUR V.P.:

I am handling the signage for the golf holes (\$100) & beer hole (\$200) sponsorships for Italian Day on 8/20/24 at Glenwoodie Golf Club, 19301 S State St, Glenwood, IL 60425.

Several of you have verbally stated you would like to be a sponsor & the committee thanks you greatly! If you would like to be a 2024 sponsor, please call/ text /email me so we can make the sign exactly how you wish.

We also welcome any prize donations for raffles; such as gift certificates, sports tickets, any golf related items, etc. We will acknowledge you at the event for your kindness and generosity.

Thank you!!!

Elvis a/k/a Bob Kennedy 708-712-7400 rjkenn16@gmail.com

Happy August Birthdays

Anthony Serritella (1), Mo Younus (2), John Delano (6), Tom Skonie (6), George Les (6), Mike Kent (14), Tom Kelly (15), John Zielinski (15), Keith Tadevich (15), Ed Rooks (17), Tom Marino (18), John Guarnieri (19), Tim Dempsey (22), Adam Valentinas (22), Jim Van Eck (23), Greg Lewis (27), Peter Garetto (29).

Let me know if I forgot anyone else.



Strengths: Creative, passionate, generous, warm-hearted, cheerful, humorous

Weaknesses: Arrogant, stubborn, self-centered, lazy, inflexible

Leo likes: Theater, taking holidays, being admired, expensive things, bright colors, fun with

friends

Leo dislikes: Being ignored, facing difficult reality, not being treated like a king or queen



Strengths: Loyal, analytical, kind, hardworking, practical

Weaknesses: Shyness, worry, overly critical of self and others, all work and no play

Virgo likes: Animals, healthy food, books, nature, cleanliness Virgo dislikes: Rudeness, asking for help, taking center stage

Parting thought:

Here's Johnny!

A Teacher is teaching a class, and she sees that Johnny isn't paying attention, so she asks him, "If there are three ducks sitting on a fence, and you shoot one, how many are left?" Johnny says, "None." The teacher asks, "Why?" Johnny says, "Because the shot scared them all off." The teacher says, "No, there are two left, but I like how you're thinking."

Then Johnny asks the teacher, "You see three women walking out of an ice cream parlor. One is licking her ice cream, one is sucking her ice cream, and one is biting her ice cream. Which one is married?" And the teacher responds, "The one sucking her ice cream." Johnny says, "No, the one with the wedding ring, but I like how you're thinking."

Have a great week!
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GOLF NEWS

Fellow BTC Golfers:

In 2 weeks on **Tuesday 8/20**, is the annual Builders Tee Club **Italian Day** outing at Glenwoodie Golf Course (10 AM shotgun). I have a few (60) slots open, if you want to play (less than 4 players per group will be filled-in). I can hold your ticket at WILL CALL. Please bring cash or a check, payable to BTC, after golf at George Dunne on the 13th or mail payment (\$100) (details on the signup sheet- see club info/applicants tab on the website). I must commit the number of players to the golf course by this Friday 8/16, so your commitment is needed by Thursday 8/15 (email or fax preferred). Starting holes and groupings will be published later on in the newsletter, and any updates will be posted to **BuildersTee.com**. The dinner will go on, no matter what happens with the weather.

Bob Kennedy is in charge of soliciting hole sponsors, and needs your support. Please contact Bob at 708-712-7400 or rjkenn16@gmail.com to sponsor a hole for only \$100 (plus the cost of a sign if not already made). He needs time to get any new signs made, so do not delay.

Donations of raffle prizes can go to either Bob or Rich. Please let me know ahead of time so we can recognize you in that day's flier.

Finally I need 4 volunteers to work <u>before & during</u>, or <u>during & after</u> the event:

2-registration and errands, then.

2-assist "beat-the-pro" on the 12th hole (Bob Kennedy is back as Elvis), 1 on the tee for group photos and collect/pay wagers, and 1 to work the green.

2-witnesses, for the "hole-in-one wins a car", on hole 14 then

2-sell split-the-pot tickets and assist with scoring & raffle prizes at dinner.

Each receives a free dinner for helping out. Please reply by phone or email if you want to volunteer (hours are 8:30-5 or 10:30 until 7). Currently I have 2 committed volunteers for "before & during".

Sincerely, Richard Schroeder <u>RichardSchroeder@hotmail.com</u> 708-878-3913-c <u>708-246-5696-f</u>

2024 UPDATED GOLF SCHEDULE

DATE	COURSE	TIME	\$PLIT/SHOTGUN	EVE	ENT
			OR TEE TIMES		
8/13/2024	GEORGE DUNNE NATIONAL	8:00AM	TEE TIMES	CLUB CHAMPIC	NSHIP
8/20/2024	GLENWOODIE	10:00AM	SHOTGUN	ITALIAN DAY	
8/27/2024	GEORGE DUNNE NATIONAL	8:00AM	TEE TIMES	2 MAN	
9/3/2024	SANCTUARY	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	CLUB CHAMPIC	NSHIP
9/10/2024	GREEN GARDEN GOLD	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	2 MAN	
9/17/2024	SILVER LAKE NORTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA	
9/24/2024	MICHIGAN TRIP-TBD				
10/1/2024	CARDINAL CREEK	9:00AM	SPLIT TEES	TBD	
10/8/2024	GREEN GARDEN EMERALD/BLUE BACK	9:30AM	SPLIT TEES	WORLD SERIE	S
10/15/2024	WATERS EDGE	TBD	SPLIT TEES	WORLD SERIE	S/TBD
10/22/2024	NAPERBROOK	9:30AM	SPLIT TEES	2MAN	
10/29/2024	SILVER LAKE SOUTH	10:00AM	SHOT GUN	BANQUET AND	ELECTION
	ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE				