

For Community, For Country and For Hockey

submitted by Jeff Dwyer, Duluth Warrior

"A Great Day! For Armed Forces Veterans and all citizens who attended the Silver Bay Exhibition Hockey event.", was quoted from Vince Sando (Veterans Service officer in Lake County). Wayne G. Johnson (Flying Tiger WWII) and Deloris Johnson (longtime local community pillar resident) were all Honored Guests.

In preparations for visiting fellow Veterans, the Duluth Warriors Veteran Ice Hockey organization, in liaison with the Minnesota State Veterans Home (Joyce Scott-recreation director), brought forth valuable information on a local resident John Viola. John, a Korean War Veteran, returned home to Silver Bay after his service in the US Army and was instrumental in getting Silver Bay Hockey started with an outdoor rink, and the story is much more! John is a program forefather who was specifically recognized March 3rd at Rukavina Arena, impromptu, along with all Veterans at the Minnesota Veterans home, residents and staff.

Tom Flaschberger, (DAV Mn Cmdr chapter 6) Dan Welsand (DAV), and Vince Sando (VSO) were among other Veterans honored within the full day hockey venue fundraiser event. Dave Mealy, local Veteran with a long history of veteran advocacy and a American Legion prior post Cmdr, set up the color Guard consisting of Adrian Ranta, Lee Davis and Curt Gadacz. Faron Meeks was the go-to guy for the M/C announcer, while girls from the HS North Shore Storm hockey team April Velcheff, Everly Bauck, Jessie Ketola, Maureen Dwyer, Mackenzie Dwyer, and Callie Klemmer helped with the 8U game and raffle auction events. The Wm. Kelley Student Council also stepped in to drive chuck-a-puck event sales and collaborate with the Duluth Warriors. Michelle Ketola was on hand to capture photo ops while Elizabeth Dwyer, Tammy Kmecik and Adelia Kindstrand guided the entire event's operations.

The theme *For Community, For Country and For Hockey* was appropriate! What an extra-ordinary day of fun and patriotism! A Spaghetti Dinner at Northwoods Family Grille was hosted by Everette Haselow and his staff, and it was amazing! After dinner, the Silver Bay Police and Fire Department lead an escort of the Duluth Warriors to the arena in parade fashion.

Heather Sullivan's flag team and Sharon Searls and the Heritage Girls brought forth a patriotic punch of colors and zeal to the event. The City of Silver Bay was recognized for supporting the event which helped raise funds for the Duluth Warriors to travel to USA Hockey (disabled) Nationals in Dundee, IL. in April. Mayor Scott Johnson attended and dropped the puck for the Youth 8U game between the North Shore Storm 8U and Duluth Icebreakers 8U. Arena management Mike Guzzo, Donny Thompson, and Jeremy Kasapidis were recognized, along with the Silver Bay Blue Line Club - Wade Leblanc and members.

Prior Silver Bay resident/Hockey Alum. and Wm. Kelley Grad. (1981) and now Duluth Warrior Board Secretary, and Bench Boss, John Keller was in awe of the turn out. "I loved it while living here. A great town and a homecoming on great terms", John Keller said. Efforts over 4 decades and more are amazing and credit due needs to be given for such a fine facility that supports our youth and this particular day, Armed Forces Service Veterans. There are still some on the Duluth Warrior Team still serving in Uniform.

The Duluth Warriors Ice Hockey Program has been organized for charitable and educational purposes, for wounded, injured or otherwise disabled veterans of the United States Military in conjunction with the USA Disabled Hockey Program, in order to assist our veterans with reintegration into civilian life. Current President is Matt Caple, Vice President Dustin Oosten, Secretary John Keller and Treasurer Buffy Fellows.

Silver Bay resident Jeff Dwyer, Minnesota Warrior Member player since 2015 and now Duluth Warrior, pitched for the game/event to the Duluth Warriors Board, Mike Guzzo and Wade Leblanc to be held last spring. It finally came to fruition. Duluth Warrior teammate Jim Richm who took lead and organized two hockey fundraiser exhibitions in Eveleth and Ely last year in the Duluth Warriors inaugural season, offered an idea for a Girls 8U game prior to the Warrior vs, Silver Bay adult game. Dwyer's immediate response was "Definitely! A must!". Having 2 daughters playing hockey understood "We need to promote for retention".

A raffle and silent auction with items donated by local businesses from Silver Bay, Beaver Bay, and Finland helped to shore up, no pun intended, an account in need of support to keep the Warriors tracking financially toward their National Hockey festival where Veteran Warrior Teams from around the country will play in a tournament for the title.

THANK YOU LOCAL SUPPORTERS AND BUSINESSES. Much gratitude on behalf of the Duluth Warriors. A two game exhibition stand is the planed idea for next year. One game in Two Harbors first and then Silver Bay, as this was the original plan. An annual Veteran and Youth Hockey Celebration is underway!

* The Silver Bay Warrior game ended up 8-4 for Silver Bay Men.

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FEATURE PROPERTIES



•**25 Aiken Circle, SB** MLS 6033096: Enjoy a glimpse of Lk. Superior from this updated 3 BR, 1 BA house w/ front deck, shed & detached 2 car garage on a level site. Many updates including custom cabinetry, remodeled BA, siding, windows, doors, some landscaping & 2 car garage. **\$79,600**



•**82 Burk Dr., SB**: Back to the woods, w/ views of Lk Sup., 3BR, 1BA move in cond. Updates incl: 1/2 log siding outside & inside, newer shingles, windows, storm door, updated BA, remod. Kit., newer appliances, flooring, some wiring & window treatments. Private back yard w/views of Lk Superior from the hillside & a fire pit for your enjoyment. **REDUCED \$99,500**

Silver Bay & Surrounding Area

HOMES IN TOWN

•**5940 Old Hwy 61, SB** MLS6028125: Rare opportunity to own 200 ft of Lk Sup. lakefront w/accessible beach. Let your vision create the color palette & update modifications you desire. New roof in 2014. New septic system will be installed. Spring fed water supply. Tranquil, private setting, yet only six miles to Silver Bay, 1 hour to Duluth, & 3 1/2 hours to Twin Cities. Walking distance to Tettagouche, hiking trails & Baptism River. **REDUCED \$349,900**

•**61 Adams Blvd, SB** MLS 6026996 : 1.7 story, 4 BR, 2 BA house back to the woods w/updates incl: siding, windows, shingles, 2nd floor add'n, new garage roof, no maint. decks, hardwood floors, new Kit. countertops & backsplash, oak cabinetry, hearth stove, new carpet, & good landscaping. Other feat's incl: full basement, att'd 2 car garage, shed & large side yard. **\$218,900**

•**XX Burk Dr., SB** MLS6031120: Wooded vacant lot w/view of Lk Sup., city water/sewer nearby. **\$18,500**

•**58 Horn Blvd, SB** MLS6029726: 3 BR, 1 BA home, detached 2 car garage w/many updates in a convenient location on corner lot. Updates incl: vinyl windows, siding, overhead water lines, new plumbing in slab, new shingles, remodeled kitchen, paint, insulated garage, gardens and a large storage shed. **REDUCED \$74,900**

•**14 Lee Cir., SB**: Enjoy the features of this 4+ BR, 2.25 BA home w/full basement, patio & detached 2 car Gar. on level site. Improvements incl: newer shingles, new water heater, hdwd flooring, updated BA, updated Kit., good storage incl. add'l shed. **REDUCED \$129,500**

•**57 Nelson Dr, SB** MLS6030470: Looking for a back to the woods location on Lg site in City of Silver Bay, check out this 3BR, 3BA house w/def'd 2 car Gar., Lg. deck & recent updates incl: windows, siding, deck, doors, some lighting, BA's, paint, & 6 panel maple interior doors w/matching trim. **REDUCED \$179,500**

RURAL HOMES

•**6990 Air Base Rd, Finland** MLS6030813: Listen to Tower Creek from the quiet setting of this 3 finished BR, plus a potential master BR suite, house w/ull walkout basement, deck, def'd 2 car garage & many updates including several windows, patio door, shingles, furnace, stainless appliances, remod. BA, hdwd floors & paint. **\$154,900**

•**6088 Hwy 1**: Private country home with lots of mature pines, split entry home with a 2 stall garage, large asphalt driveway. **\$129,900**

•**6771 Riverside Dr.**: Nice lots on Baptism River with 300' of River Frontage. Structures need some TLC, but great opportunity to own property in the country. **\$89,900**

LAND & BUILDING SITES

•**6826 Breezy Lane, Finland, MN** MLS6017955: Wooded 115.94 acres w/frontage on the Baptism River, access from Breezy Lane & power available nearby. **\$165,000**

•**4751 Correll Rd, Finland** MLS6029567: 7.5 wooded acres with approximately 328' of frontage on the Baptism River. Electricity is available nearby! Good location with recreation trails nearby and access to Highway 1 close. **\$65,900**

•**XXX Sannes Rd., TH**: 5.26 acres, convenient road access, nice building sites, mature Norway Pines & Poplar trees, a creek bordering the property, electrical & high speed internet hook ups close. Take a look today & don't miss this opportunity. **\$42,500**

•**XXX Kane Lk Rd.** 40 Acr. of remote hunting land w/road acc. & public land surrounding **\$34,500**

•**XXX London Crossing & JC Campbell Rd.** 242 Acres with a 20'x20' hunting shack, ATV trail access, public land surrounding, mix of high and low ground and a trout stream running through the property **\$205,700**

•**61XX Little Marais Road** Lot A, Lot B and Lot C, Silver Bay, MN. Three 10 acre lots with views of Lake Superior near Little Marais. Lot A is reduced to \$69,900, Lot B reduced to \$59,900 & Lot C reduced to \$69,900. MLS 6027797, 6027795 and 6027794

•**XXX Hwy 61 & Onion River Rd.** MLS6005052: 18 Acres commercial resort bldg site between Tofte & Lutsen on Onion River Rd. Great views of Lk Sup. High ground w/pwr at rd. Close to Sup. Hiking trl & rec. activities. **\$173,500**

XX Reed Dr., SB, MLS6017982: 3.2 ac. bldg. site w/rd to property & cleared bldg site. Great location in the city w/views of Lk Superior, access to Rec. Trails close by. **\$57,900**

•**5-Newly Developed Building Sites** MLS24229: Marks Dr. Larger lots w/curb, city water & sewer, back to woods. **\$45,000 to \$60,000** plus special assessment which has decreased.

•**XXX Hwy 1 Finland**: Large piece of property w/a network of Roads in place, trout streams, Lake frontage, big mature Norway Pine trees. Close to ATV & Snowmobile trails. An Investor or hunting party's chance to own 846 acres. **\$889,000**