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Members made a donation to the Providence House, a crisis nursery in Cleveland that is committed to child abuse prevention and family preservation. This gift was part of their chapter’s Christmas project, “Giving Straight from the Heart.” Also pictured is Providence House volunteer Linda Lane.
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Equal Access Policy
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It is also WoodmenLife’s policy that any form of harassment of any member for any reason, not just on the basis of any factor or protected status listed above will not be tolerated.

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Community Report

Throughout 2017, WoodmenLife members continued to celebrate their shared commitment to family, community and country. Our chapters made tangible impact in their communities with service projects, disaster relief, patriotic activities and supporting our National Community Focus of fighting hunger. In addition, in the first full year of the new WoodmenLife Member Benefits Program, members saved money with the Life’s Perks- discount program and planned for the future with the WoodmenLife Focus Forward Scholarship.¹

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<td>Chapter Community Events</td>
<td>14,514</td>
<td>222,442 volunteer hours</td>
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<td>Matching Funds Program</td>
<td>5,829</td>
<td>$1,224,044.41</td>
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<td>United States Flags</td>
<td>179,953</td>
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<td>Natural Disaster</td>
<td>262</td>
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<td>Newborn</td>
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<td>Orphan’s Care</td>
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<td>$158,600.00</td>
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<td>Youth &amp; Senior Activities</td>
<td>28,602</td>
<td>$1,401,588.70 total expenditures</td>
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<td>Member Discounts</td>
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<td>Scholarships</td>
<td>621</td>
<td>$369,000.00</td>
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¹ Note: WoodmenLife offers a first responder benefit but no eligible applications were received in 2017.

Financial Highlights

WoodmenLife closed out 2017 stronger than ever, with record high totals for assets and surplus. Income totaled more than $1 billion, while life insurance in force reached $38.5 billion. WoodmenLife has total assets of $10.98 billion and $115 of assets for every $100 of liabilities, further indication of our strong financial position. Benefit payments to members and beneficiaries totaled $677 million, while refunds to members were $42.8 million.

Sources of Income

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<tr>
<th>Dec. 31, 2016</th>
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<tr>
<td>Payments received from members for insurance and annuities</td>
<td>$639,186,093</td>
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<td>Interest, dividends and rents, less investment expenses and taxes</td>
<td>411,029,270</td>
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<td>Other income</td>
<td>23,186,220</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$1,073,401,583</td>
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How Income Was Used

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<td>Death benefits</td>
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<td>Endowment benefits</td>
<td>2,063,275</td>
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<td>Annuity benefits</td>
<td>276,983,222</td>
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<td>Disability and hospital benefits</td>
<td>10,980,097</td>
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<td>Payments to members and beneficiaries of monies previously deposited with WoodmenLife</td>
<td>39,983,432</td>
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<td>Surrender benefits and withdrawals for life contracts</td>
<td>134,641,406</td>
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<td>Refunds to members</td>
<td>47,528,944</td>
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<td>Set aside for members and beneficiaries to guarantee payment of future benefits</td>
<td>163,390,046</td>
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<td>Total paid to or set aside for members and beneficiaries</td>
<td>$898,389,285</td>
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<td>Bonds</td>
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<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>479,531,495</td>
<td>529,027,557</td>
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<td>Mortgage Loans</td>
<td>2,012,561,992</td>
<td>2,028,935,780</td>
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<td>Real Estate</td>
<td>80,462,084</td>
<td>79,189,607</td>
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<td>Other Invested Assets</td>
<td>112,244,876</td>
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<td>Cash and Short-Term Investments</td>
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<td>Certificate Loans</td>
<td>155,669,282</td>
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<td>Data Processing Equipment</td>
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<td>Other Non-Invested Assets</td>
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<td>Due &amp; Accrued Investment Income</td>
<td>75,818,682</td>
<td>74,521,106</td>
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<td>Separate Account Assets</td>
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<td>Certificate Refunds</td>
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<td>Advance Payments</td>
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<td>Asset Valuation Reserve</td>
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<td><strong>Special Reserve for Fluctuation of Assets, Mortality, Interest, Expense, &amp; Fraternal Activities</strong></td>
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**Dollars of Assets to Every $100 of Liabilities**: 113 \(\text{Dec. 31, 2016}\) to 115 \(\text{Dec. 31, 2017}\)

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Woodmen Financial Services (WFS) has topped $1 billion in assets, and the brokerage firm’s president, Tim Buderus, says it is all about the members.

“Everything we do is about helping our members meet their financial goals,” Buderus said. “We offer an array of products and services that help our clients plan for retirement, their children’s education — whatever they aspire to do in the coming years.”

“Most WFS clients talk about their visions for retirement,” he said. The firm offers mutual funds, market-based variable annuities with guarantees, 529 College Savings Plans, and more.

More than 325 WoodmenLife Sales Representatives are also licensed WoodmenLife Registered Financial Representatives. They help connect existing and prospective members with life insurance coverage and investment options.

“Our mission is to help people transform their lives after experiencing life-changing events, like illnesses or natural disasters. We also help transform communities by providing a space for community projects to raise funds. In 2017, we raised nearly $1.2 million — the most in a single year since our beginning five years ago.”

That breaks down to:
- More than $879,000 to help 255 individuals cover expenses from medical conditions and other health issues.
- $182,071 to fund 116 community projects to boost their residents’ sense of community.
- $9,810 to help nine families rebuild after natural disasters like fires and floods.

To learn more about us and read some of the amazing stories our fundraisers share, visit RedBasket.org.

Superior Rating Based on Record Assets, Surplus

Thanks to its commitment to members and conservative investment strategy, WoodmenLife finished 2017 in a superior financial position.

An independent financial rating agency, A.M. Best, reaffirmed WoodmenLife’s A+ (Superior) financial strength rating.

President and CEO Patrick L. Dees said the organization is proud to be an unwavering resource for members and is devoted to finding better ways to serve them.

“WoodmenLife continues to be well-positioned for long-term financial strength and stability,” said Dees. “We are committed to serving the best interests of our members through sound financial decisions.”

The positive trends in financial growth and stability ensure WoodmenLife remains in superior financial condition and has the ability to meet its ongoing insurance and contract obligations to members. Of note:
- WoodmenLife’s total assets grew from $10.85 billion in 2016 to $10.98 billion at the end of 2017.
- The face amount of insurance in force grew to more than $38.5 billion in 2017, also an all-time high.
- Surplus is at a record high, growing more than 9.5 percent from 2016 to 2017, to $1.39 billion.

WoodmenLife’s A+ (Superior) financial strength rating is based on a comprehensive and qualitative evaluation of the organization’s balance sheet strength, operating performance and business profile.

To find out more about WoodmenLife’s financials, visit WoodmenLife.org/about/financial-strength.cfm.
Molineu to Lead Outreach Efforts

Don Molineu seized an opportunity the day he signed his own WoodmenLife insurance certificate in 1983. The 24-year-old saw a way to achieve his own goals, take care of his family and more. Soon he would begin a lifelong career with WoodmenLife.

Now Molineu is seizing a new opportunity after a promotion from Regional Director in South Carolina to Vice President of WoodmenLife’s Fraternal Division.

"Don brings decades of sales experience into the Home Office to strengthen our Fraternal Division," said President & CEO Patrick L. Dees. "We’re eager to see how his perspective will enhance our community outreach efforts."

Molineu has extensive experience supporting WoodmenLife’s community outreach efforts. After beginning as a Sales Representative, he has been a Recruiting Sales Manager, Regional Director, product and program specialist in the Home Office Marketing Department, and Sales Director.

Molineu also brings excellent insurance credentials to this role. In addition to having a Fraternal Insurance Counselor Fellow designation, he holds FINRA licenses 7, 24 and 63 with Woodmen Financial Services.

Though Molineu’s role and ZIP code are changing, his determination stays the same.

“I have always been motivated to help change the endings of people’s stories,” he said. “Joining the Fraternal Department will let me bring what I’ve learned at kitchen tables into the people’s stories.”

Molineu and his wife, Paula, will be relocating to Columbia, SC. The husband, father and grandfather of three is ready to take on new challenges.

Mau Motivated to Protect Members’ Data

WoodmenLife has created a position that will increase the focus on safeguarding members’ confidential information.

Matt Ellis, Executive Vice President, Secretary & General Counsel, said Paula Mau, a former WoodmenLife associate and successful business owner, will bring a focus to the role of Vice President, Chief Security Officer that members and associates deserve.

“We take the trust our members put in us to protect their confidential information very seriously,” Ellis said. “We manage a great deal of data, and we can never let our guard down. Paula and this new position will help us keep current with best practices to keep our members’ information secure.”

Mau started her career as a programmer after graduating from Northwest Missouri State University with a Bachelor of Science in data processing and management. Over the past two decades, she has gained experience in security, software design and development, multi-platform testing, program management, infrastructure design and more.

Mau is a familiar face to some WoodmenLife associates. She was previously at the helm of the infrastructure and security teams in the WoodmenLife Tower. She stepped away from WoodmenLife in 2010 to start her own consulting business, Luma Services.

Outside of work, she pours energy into Rase Strong, an organization that raises money for intestinal cancer research.

“I have seen first-hand the commitment WoodmenLife makes to its members,” Mau said. “That is what motivates me every day.”

Stocks Appointed Florida Regional Director

When Wes Stocks joined WoodmenLife in 1993 as a Sales Representative, he found more than a job. The young father found a role that fit his family’s needs and set the course for success.

Now, the North Carolina native is moving to Florida to be WoodmenLife’s Regional Director there.

“I get up every morning and go to work – staying persistent and positive,” Stocks said. “I have made a commitment to three groups of people – my family, the new Sales Representatives I mentor and our members. They’ve all put their faith in me.”

Stocks, formerly a Recruiting Sales Manager, has followed in his father’s footsteps. His dad held the same role for WoodmenLife and welcomed his son to the business. Later, Stocks’ twin sister, Sharon Chase, became a WoodmenLife Sales Representative as well.

Carroll Appointed to Role in New State

WoodmenLife has appointed Bryan D. Carroll Regional Director for South Carolina. A native of Conway, SC, Carroll began his career with WoodmenLife as a Representative on Oct. 1, 1988. During his tenure as a Representative, he qualified as a member of the President’s Club for three years and was instrumental in the construction of WoodmenLife Chapter 27 Hall and the reorganization of several chapters in Williamsburg County, SC.

On Oct. 1, 1993, Carroll was promoted to Recruiting Sales Manager in South Carolina, and he received WoodmenLife’s National Quality Management Award in 1995 and 1996. He also received the Top Recruiting Sales Manager Award for South Carolina from 1995–1998. Carroll has been a Regional Director since Jan. 1, 2000, working in California North/ Nevada North and the Northwest Territory, Mississippi North, Florida North, and then the newly combined Florida marketing area.

Carroll is a member of the National Association of Fraternal Insurance Counselors (NAFIC) and is securities-licensed with Woodmen Financial Services.

A veteran commissioned officer of the United States Army, Carroll received several military commendations during his service, including the Army Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, and the Expert Field Medical Badge.

Carroll and his wife, Gal, will be relocating to Columbia, SC.
Focused on the Future

Mark and Kelly Lindstrom of Columbia, TN, have specific goals for their future: living debt free in retirement and continuing to serve through the ministry of their church without the need for steady income. With the help of WoodmenLife, they’re on a solid path toward those goals.

Like many adults who grew up part of Generation X, Mark knew that he wouldn’t be able to rely on the traditional plans for retirement that previous generations did. “I’ve never wanted to be in a position where I would fully count on Social Security,” he said.
Lindstrom, a pastor at Columbia Grace Church of the Nazarene, also knew a traditional pension plan would not be part of the equation. “Like many other occupations these days, there is no pension plan for ministers in my denomination,” he said. “From my earliest years in ministry, I’ve known if I’m ever going to be able to retire without burdening my children, I would have to save and invest on my own.”

With their four children in mind, the Lindstroms worked with WoodmenLife Representative Neal Pulley to roll over previously accumulated funds into a Variable Annuity with a Roth IRA rider two years ago.

“Neal went above and beyond the call of duty to help us adequately diversify within the fund,” he said. “We’ve been very pleased with the results.”

More Options with WoodmenLife
Pulley helped the Lindstroms choose the Variable Annuity, because it offered a wider range of investment options than they previously had access to. “Since WoodmenLife partners with many of the largest investment companies, I like the diversity of investment subaccounts WoodmenLife provided for me to choose from,” Mark said.

The death benefit included with the Variable Annuity was an additional option that appealed to the Lindstroms, Pulley said. “With four young children, the death benefit meant a lot to them. If the market fluctuates, they are still guaranteed that benefit.”

Personal Connection
The Lindstroms also found that planning a future with WoodmenLife meant having hands-on help. “They wanted personal advice from a financial professional,” Pulley said. “They were not getting any face-to-face consultation previously.”

The three meet regularly to discuss the future and continue building the Lindstroms’ retirement funds.

A Solid Future
After more than two decades of marriage and ministry, the Lindstroms are ready to move into their future on solid financial ground.

“We’re pretty practical, so I don’t know that we have any ‘dreams’ relating to retirement. We believe WoodmenLife provides a quality product, which enables our money to continue to grow and to be withdrawn tax-free at any point after 59½ if we choose to utilize it,” Mark said. “If we can enter our official retirement healthy and debt-free, enjoying our children (and eventually our grandchildren), and able to serve the Church without the necessity of a paycheck, that will be ‘dream’ enough.”

Mark Lindstrom

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A variable annuity is a long-term financial vehicle designed for retirement purposes. There are contract limitations, fees and charges associated with variable annuities, which include, but are not limited to, mortality and expense risk charges, surrender charges and administrative fees. Early withdrawals may be subject to surrender charges and taxed as ordinary income. In addition, if taken prior to age 59½, an additional 10% federal income tax penalty may apply. Guarantee is made by WoodmenLife. Death benefit and principal guarantee are subject to the claims-paying ability of the issuing insurance company. The minimum death benefit is limited to a maximum of 200% of total premiums paid. After age 80, the minimum death benefit amount will no longer be accumulated with interest. The minimum death benefit amount and limit are reduced proportionately by any withdrawals. Certificate 456-XX-0208, 456-44-0301, 456-18-0301. May vary by state.
Fraternal Spirit

Chapter 63
Ocean Springs, MS

Members and Representative Kevin Benjaman, second from left, presented a U.S. flag to the Ocean Springs Police Department. At left is Chief Mark Dunston and at right are two police force members.

Chapter 2126
Corpus Christi, TX

Nora Waters, chapter treasurer and jurisdictional immediate past president, presented Cassidy Zheng with a WoodmenLife American History Award.

Chapter 47
Toccoa, GA

Representative Chris Hillard, right, and Chapter Secretary Vicki Wimberly, left, presented four U.S., three Tennessee and one WoodmenLife flag to Jean Blettis, who maintains flags at cemeteries.

Chapter 5
North Little Rock, AR

Representative Jason Foster, left, and member Rick Cranford presented flags for all 11 fire stations in North Little Rock.

Chapter 488
Alamo, TN

Chapter 338
Phenix City, AL

Chapter President Clayton Parish, right, presented an appreciation plaque to Thomas McCain, a retired fire chief in Ladonia, AL, for his service to the community.
Members presented a U.S. flag to Mountain Sky Junior High for the annual Veterans Day ceremony. The Glendale High School Naval ROTC lowered the old flag and raised the new one.

Chapter 58
Kerrville, TX

Members donated $500 to the Salvation Army in Kerrville for Hurricane Harvey relief efforts around Coastal Bend, TX.

Chapter 6099
Cleveland, OH
Sept. 18, 1917

Chapter 757
Inverness, GA
Nov. 14, 1917

Chapter 764
Lumberton, NC
Feb. 8, 1918

Chapter 6146
Rosiclare, IL
Aug. 30, 1918

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Members of Chapter 382 presented a plant to Precious Kelley of Chapter 95 for being the oldest member in attendance.

Members donated $500 to the Salvation Army in Kerrville for Hurricane Harvey relief efforts around Coastal Bend, TX.

Chapter 1
Oklahoma City, OK

Members volunteered at LoveLink Ministries in Oklahoma City. They cleaned, rearranged furniture, prepared meals, and took on other tasks as asked.

Chapter 592
Murray, KY

Members donated school supplies for children in need. From left are Jessie Mason, Linda Mason, Sherrie Curry, Anita Smith, and Lenelle Cagle.

Chapter 1850
Cullman, AL

Representative Ken Bates presented Cullman Primary School Principal Kori Johnson with U.S. flags for the school’s Veterans Day program.

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Members helped organize the annual Veterans Day parade, with this entry and a float.

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Members partnered with a local Girl Scout troop to make “thank you” baskets for first responders.

Members presented a U.S. flag for each of three fire stations in Brownsville, TN. From left are Fire Captain David Smith, Representative Kyle East and Fireman Kyle Brown.

Members donated $20,000 from the sale of a building to Leonville with the stipulation that a playground be built. From left are Chapter Secretary Ken Thibodeaux, Leonville Mayor Joel Lanclos and Chapter Treasurer Dwight Ledoux.

Members presented an American flag to University Academy, a charter school for kindergarten through 8th grade. From left are Representative Debbie Lemoine, Debi Whitaker, the middle school dean, and Ben Blitch, a chapter member and University Academy board member.
Members presented a flag to the Knights of Columbus ball fields.

Member Zachary Anderson, center, earned his Eagle Scout award, and the chapter contributed to his project. With him are his grandparents, Larry and Janice Strohm, who are also members.

Chapter 710
West Point, NE

Chapter 105
Highland, IL

Chapter 1446
Gulfport, MS

Chapter 1057
Monroeville, AL

Chapter 6025
Winston-Salem, NC

Chapter 157
Bradford, TN

Chapter 6
Cumberland, MD

Chapter 1446
Gulfport, MS

Chapter President Randy Cunningham, right, presents a $250 check to Shane Paschall, principal at Bradford High School.

Members presented a $1,000 check to Santa’s Helpers, which provides gifts for children in need.

Seven students received American History Awards at a banquet for them and their families. The night also featured Allegany County trivia and WoodmenLife trivia.

Members presented 10 U.S. flags to the Monroe County Association of Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department. Pictured are Maj. Daniel Day, left, and Representative Beth Womack.

Members donated $1,000 to Santa’s Helpers, which provides gifts for children in need.
Fighting Hunger

Members donated to the Christmas program for the Ballard County Family Focus, a resource center that serves schools in the county.

Chapter 1483
Hampstead, NC

Members packed boxes and delivered food to the cars of those in need at The Master’s Table Food Bank.

Chapter 196
Hornbeak, TN

Member Richard Finch packs his car with donations for the Barren River Area Safe Space, a women’s shelter.

Chapter 691
Northard, PA

Members gave $250 to the Church of Christ in Christian Union food pantry. From left are Pastor Mike Buchanan, church member Jim Sisson and Chapter President Jim Workman.

Chapter 302
New Haven, WV

Representative Larry Butler and his grandkids, Raine and Bryanna, helped make the 5th annual Breakfast with Santa at the Beech Creek Fire Company Social Center a success.

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The chapter donated $950 and nonperishable food to the Wedowee First United Methodist Church food pantry. Pictured are Pastor Josh Hickman, left, and Chapter Secretary James Kendrick.

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Veteran Honored as ‘Champion of Freedom’

Two Purple Hearts. The National Defense Medal. The Vietnam Service Medal. The Combat Action Ribbon. The President’s Unit Medal. These are just a few of the honors U.S. Marine Corps veteran and WoodmenLife member Gary Witt has received in his lifetime.

Last November, Witt added yet another award to the list when Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA, presented him the George Rogers Champion of Freedom Award.

The award is given annually to an individual who exemplified courage and honor while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and continues to serve as an outstanding ambassador in his/her community. It is named in honor of World War II prisoner of war George Rogers, a survivor of the 1942 Bataan Death March who worked at Liberty University from 1974-99 in various administrative positions.

During his two years of active-duty service, Witt spent 14 months in Vietnam where he earned two Purple Hearts while serving with the Golf 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines. He also held many different roles including Company Point Man, Fire Team Leader, Supply Sergeant, and Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of Troops. In his final duty in Okinawa, Japan, he served as Rifle Range Instructor for the M16 rifle, qualifying troops headed for Vietnam.

“I was truly honored to know this community cares about veterans enough to honor them, especially me,” Witt said. “As a Vietnam veteran, I know how bad we were treated upon our return home, and I want to make sure that doesn’t happen to another generation of veterans.”

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— Gary Witt

Veterans’ Advocate

An active member of many military-affiliated organizations and Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart – Lynchburg chapter, Witt has spearheaded many military-focused initiatives in the area.

He started the movement to make Lynchburg and its surrounding communities a “Purple Heart Community,” an honor bestowed by the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and also to make Liberty University the first Purple Heart University in Virginia.

“I got to looking at the things Liberty does for the military,” Witt said. “It’s about making the public aware how military-friendly the school is.”

Witt also supports the Monument Terrace Troop Rally, where veterans and supporters gather for an hour in downtown Lynchburg every Friday at noon with flags and signs in recognition of veterans, fallen soldiers and active-duty military.

“The rally is a unique experience,” he said. “Every veteran who has attended has been very impressed. It’s now been going on for more than 16 years.”

Tireless Volunteer

A second-generation WoodmenLife member for nearly 50 years, Witt has always been active with his chapter.

“I was previously president of Chapter 7, and I was honored as Fraternalist of the Year in 2012,” he said. “Our chapter has always done a lot for veterans in our community.”

In addition to his WoodmenLife activities, Witt speaks at military events around the area, presents medals to junior ROTC cadets and shares his musical talents with local residents.

“I provide music therapy for Centra Health and several area nursing homes,” he said. “I play my guitar and sing for the residents, but music is therapy for me, too.”

On Nov. 11, 1918, the armistice ending World War I went into effect. Since then, this country has been using that date to remember veterans. In the months leading up to the 100th anniversary, WoodmenLife will feature veterans’ stories as part of our shared commitment to this country. Send your stories of military services to WLEditor@woodmen.org and follow along on our corporate blog, RealWoodmenLife.com.
Service in Action

Lifelong Member Demonstrates Commitment to Community

For Samantha Senn, giving back has always been part of her life, and so has WoodmenLife. “I can remember as a kid being part of many different activities and learning what it meant to give back to the community,” she said. “I hope to share this with my children as they grow up and are part of our chapter.” She also got her husband, Matthew, involved in WoodmenLife, and together they are an active part of their chapter and have both held officer roles. They currently have one small son.

Senn helps coordinate and participate in many activities with Chapter 273 in West Columbia, SC. These include a backpack program to provide food for local children and attending a Columbia Fireflies game.

She was also selected to serve on the National Fraternal Committee. “I was excited and couldn’t wait to help out and share my knowledge of WoodmenLife and fraternal activities,” she said. “I’ve gotten to work with people from all over the U.S. and hear different ideas on fraternalism.”

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In addition to her WoodmenLife activities, Senn also helps her local community through her hobbies and her career. She teaches second grade, and coaches soccer and basketball in her spare time. “I am passionate about helping children in need. This is one reason I became a teacher. Children are helpless and have to rely on adults to provide for them,” she said.

“Children need to see love and have support from a caring adult, and I hope as a teacher I am able to do this for my students.”

Senn cherishes every opportunity she gets to help. “Each year our chapter does Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for families in need. I have had many opportunities to deliver the food to families,” she said. “When the family is overwhelmed with joy and encouragement that someone cares for them, and they don’t have to worry about where their next meal is going to come from, it lets me know we as a chapter are doing the right thing.”

WoodmenLife members like Samantha Senn share a commitment to family, community and country. This quarter we’re celebrating community. Check the calendar on the back of your magazine for upcoming events near you.

In April, May and June, we’ll focus on our country by participating in Memorial Day and Flag Day ceremonies, veteran and first responder appreciation events, and flag retirement ceremonies. Learn more about our patriotic activities at WoodmenLife.org/lead-and-give/patriotism.cfm.
Robert Barnitz and his wife, Corena, founded Bob’s Market and Greenhouses Inc. in Mason, WV, nearly five decades ago. Today, the couple’s five sons run the business.

At just 8 years old, WoodmenLife member Bobby Barnitz remembers visiting a seed company with his parents and three younger brothers on a family vacation as a kid in the late 1960s. Decades later, the family business that trip inspired has grown into one of the top 10 largest greenhouse operations for starter plants in the U.S.

That trip motivated family patriarch Robert Barnitz and his wife, Corena, to begin what would become Bob’s Market and Greenhouses Inc. in their hometown of Mason, WV. They began in 1970 with a roadside produce stand and a couple of greenhouses. For the next six years, Robert continued to work at the local chemical plant while they built the new business.

Today, the business is co-owned by Robert and the five sons (the youngest was born after that family vacation), and even family members of the third generation have joined the company. Bob’s is an exclusive grower for Ball Seed, and you might find their plants in stores like Lowe’s and Walmart. Their operations have grown to more than 1 million square feet of greenhouse space, a full fleet of trucks and multiple retail locations across the country. They are also a go-to plant supplier for landscapers and commercial properties.

Robert and Corena, now retired, never planned on their sons carrying on the business, but each man decided to become a part of it in early adulthood. They each took their own path, whether attending college before joining the business, completing a degree while working at Bob’s or joining the company after trying a different career path. “We all grew up in the business and liked it,” Bobby said. “There’s freedom in working for yourself. We can go to bed at night and say we did something pretty good today.”

The business continues to thrive by focusing on the principles Robert instilled. “He always said, ‘Pay attention to details, no matter how small or large, and that will separate you and make you better,’” Bobby said. “We also focus on growing the best quality products. If you do that, business will find you from word of mouth, and that’s the best marketing you can have.” Finally, Bobby said, the family strives to treat every customer like they are the most important customer.

Generations of WoodmenLife Members

At Bob’s Market and Greenhouses Inc. grew and the Barnitz brothers joined the business one by one, the family began to think about succession planning. Considering this, they chose WoodmenLife to provide life insurance for all five business owners: Bobby, Rick, Scott, Jeff, and John.

Today, the brothers have begun passing along the WoodmenLife tradition by purchasing life insurance for their families and 15 of their grandchildren.

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Member Highlights
Barnitz Family
Chapter 302
Mason, WV
Members Since 1990
Life's Perks® Leads Members to Discounts

Are you in the market for a new car? If so, you might want to follow member Kevin Lilly’s lead. Thanks to Life’s Perks, he and his wife, Jodi, secured an additional discount off the purchase price of their new car.

“My wife remembered hearing about a member in Texas who saved money on a new car with Life’s Perks,” he said. “And after browsing the website, it appears that most makes and models qualify for some sort of discount.”

Once the Omaha, NE, couple located the car they were interested in, they logged into Life’s Perks and discovered the year/model they were looking at qualified for a $1,500 discount. “Jodi printed a flyer off the website that we presented to the dealer,” Lilly said. “And a tip on the Life’s Perks page advised not to mention the discount until all negotiations were done, so we got that discount off their lowest offer. It was that simple!”

In addition to saving money on a car, the Lillys have used Life’s Perks for other discounts. “Our passion is traveling. We’ve used the site to save money on hotel stays and rental cars,” Lilly said. “Before booking or paying for almost anything, I would recommend checking the Life’s Perks website first.”

For more information and to see how you can start saving, visit WoodmenLife.org/member-benefits/member-discounts today!

Second Horse Joins Orozco in Nashville

Sgt. Lukas Merithew of the NPD reports that Orozco has successfully completed his training and has appeared at events. He said the public has embraced his name, which was selected to honor a slain Omaha police officer.

Merithew also said a second horse has been purchased. Zeus, a majestic Tennessee walking horse with Roman features, is currently in training and will be introduced to the community as soon as he’s street-ready.

The search is still on for the third horse to join Orozco and Zeus in the mounted patrol ranks.

Just the Right ‘Blue’

In the fall issue, we also told you about WoodmenLife’s $15,000 donation to the Omaha Police Department Mounted Patrol. This money is being used to provide three new horses, one of which will be named “Blue.”

Currently, the OPD is looking for a horse that perfectly suits the needs of the unit. The candidates are evaluated on many levels, and about 90 percent of the horses that are assessed won’t make the cut.

After Blue is selected, you can follow the horse’s journey on our corporate blog: RealWoodmenLife.com.

Region Rallies to Offer Relief After Hurricane Harvey

In August 2017, Hurricane Harvey hit with winds up to 130 mph and dropped close to 61 inches of rain in parts of southeast Texas. An estimated 13 million people were affected by the category four storm.

After the storm was finally downgraded, WoodmenLife sprang into action.

“In the wake of Harvey, more than 125 chapters and fraternal corporations across the nation stepped up to help any way they could,” said Kaysi Bell, community outreach manager for Texas Southeast. “Our chapters and team here were on the ground volunteering in communities.”

Addressing the Need

Immediately following the storm, the most urgent needs were for water, cleaning supplies and hygiene products. Donations poured in from across the country, including more than $8,500 in supplies delivered by the West Tennessee Region.

“One day we spent more than eight hours in Brazoria County helping receive, sort and distribute supplies,” Bell said. “We had more than 500 families come through that day who needed assistance.”

In addition, more than two dozen Sales Associates knocked on doors and helped people clean out their homes after the waters receded.

“Our work continued well into the fall,” said Regional Director Brad Lowe. “We partnered with multiple organizations in the area to provide volunteers and money to assist with the recovery effort.”

WoodmenLife members donated money and many hours of labor to help those hit by Hurricane Harvey.

Additional Support

The Texas Southeast Region also used RedBasket.org and raised nearly $7,000 for their relief efforts. In addition, they established a WoodmenLife Disaster Relief Grant program. Applicants who were members were eligible for a $400 grant and nonmembers were eligible for $200. More than 350 grants were paid in the form of a VISA® gift card, and overall, more than $101,000 in disaster relief funds were paid in the region by WoodmenLife.

“The gratitude from the families that we have helped has been overwhelming,” Bell said. “While it’s been a difficult time, it’s also been heartwarming to see so many people come together to help others get back on their feet.”
Expanding on Tradition

Chapters Find New Way to Honor America

Even after presenting more than 3 million flags, WoodmenLife is still finding new ways to celebrate patriotism in our members’ communities. Oklahoma chapters have begun presenting braille American flags. These projects began with a new partnership. Randolph Cabral, the founder of the Kansas Braille Transcription Institute and creator of the braille American flags, contacted the WoodmenLife Home Office for help distributing braille flags around the country. After being connected with Oklahoma Fraternal Coordinator Billie Floyd (Kansas is part of the Oklahoma region), the two set out on a mission to distribute as many flags for the sight-impaired as possible.

“I wanted to share as much information as possible with WoodmenLife staff and members across the country, so that we could reach individuals in our patriotic program whom we haven’t been able to before,” Floyd said. She is also working with the Kansas Braille Transcription Institute to arrange braille-engraved American History Awards for students at schools for the blind across the country.

Members in Floyd’s region have been happy to help with the effort. Chapter 1228 in Allen, OK, partnered with TLC Equine Therapy (a local nonprofit organization that focuses on equine therapy for disabled individuals) for a Wounded Warrior braille flag presentation and Veteran Appreciation event last May.

Chapter 1219 in Muskogee, OK, presented these special flags to U.S. history students at the Oklahoma School for the Blind in January as part of National Braille Literacy Month. They also presented a framed braille American flag for the school. In the future they plan to present braille flags to all Oklahoma School for the Blind students.

“All members were excited to be a part of the presentations,” Floyd said.

Chapter 1 in Oklahoma City, OK, has also gotten involved, with plans to purchase a bronze braille American flag for the VA hospital in Oklahoma.

“Mr. Cabral’s goal is to distribute braille American flags to students in schools for the visually impaired and VA hospitals across the country.”

— Billie Floyd
Oklahoma Fraternal Coordinator

About the Braille American Flag

Braille flags give sight-impaired individuals the opportunity to feel the elements of the flag that others see. They are designed and produced at the Kansas Braille Transcription Institute in Wichita, KS.

Each flag is constructed from Braillon, a polyethylene material known for durably retaining braille and tactile graphics. The raised braille symbols on each flag indicate placement of stars and stripes. For example, the red stripes are labeled with a lower case "r," and the white stripes are labeled with lower case "w." The Pledge of Allegiance is displayed in large print over the red and white stripes. A key to these markings helps the braille reader navigate the flag.

Colored, white and bronze braille American flags are available.

The institute also makes Texas state flags, POW-MIA flags and Marine Corps flags—and those are just the domestic ones.

Contact your Community Outreach Manager if you are interested in presenting a braille flag in your area.
Godfrey Excited by Possibilities of New Role

Going from a career recruiting and training physicians to a new role as a Community Outreach Manager in Arkansas may seem an unlikely change. But it’s a transition Melissa Godfrey was excited to make.

“My initial reaction after learning about WoodmenLife was that everyone should know about us,” she said. “I hope to be part of significantly growing our presence in this region.”

Warm Welcome

Godfrey is the first to admit she didn’t know what to expect from chapter members when she took on the COM role in August 2017. She was pleasantly surprised.

“Our members are the best. We have so many committed members who have been part of WoodmenLife for decades,” she said. “They’ve treated me like family from the beginning, and I’m sincerely grateful.”

In a region with 30 chapters and more than 20,000 members, one thing Godfrey likes to do when she’s attending a chapter meeting for the first time is ask how long each person has been an active member. The current record is 52 years.

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Looking to the Future

Although she’s new to her role, Godfrey has been busy making plans. She’s planning three Fraternal Summits, collecting ideas for a senior trip and family activities and learning how she can assist the Sales Force.

Godfrey also hopes to put her recruiting background to good use in getting young members active in her chapters. “I’m excited about helping transition the current chapter leadership to the next generation of members.”

Chapter Steps Up to Replace Stolen Flag

Last fall, the Warsaw, NC, Fire Department returned from a football game to a surprising discovery: someone had stolen the American flag from the flagpole in front of their station.

In a report filed by television station WNCT, Assistant Fire Chief Lee Graham said, “We are proud of our country. We are proud of our flag, and it really hit home knowing someone would do that to us. For somebody to take it, I believe it was disrespectful.”

Security camera footage confirmed that an unidentified man walked up, took down the flag, and walked away with it. Luckily the flagpole wasn’t bare for long. Just over 12 hours later a department member donated a flag the station could use temporarily.

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The Warsaw Fire Department has been flying an American flag in front of its building since the 1920s in their original building, so they were very appreciative to receive a new flag.

The presentation was also meaningful because more than half of the members of the Warsaw Fire Department are veterans. “My father was a veteran, so I was raised to respect and honor the flag,” Rumbold said. “In a small way, it shows respect to those who have fought, served and died for our country. It gives me pride to be able to present American flags to folks.”

According to Rumbold, in the past year alone, WoodmenLife has presented more than two dozen American flags in the Duplin County, NC, area.

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The presentation was also meaningful because more than half of the members of the Warsaw Fire Department are veterans. “My father was a veteran, so I was raised to respect and honor the flag,” Rumbold said. “In a small way, it shows respect to those who have fought, served and died for our country. It gives me pride to be able to present American flags to folks.”

According to Rumbold, in the past year alone, WoodmenLife has presented more than two dozen American flags in the Duplin County, NC, area.

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Looking to the Future

Although she’s new to her role, Godfrey has been busy making plans. She’s planning three Fraternal Summits, collecting ideas for a senior trip and family activities and learning how she can assist the Sales Force.

Godfrey also hopes to put her recruiting background to good use in getting young members active in her chapters. “I’m working on ideas to help chapters generate new interest in getting people more active,” she said. “I’m excited about helping transition the current chapter leadership to the next generation of members.”

Chapter Highlights

Chapter 974
340 members
Rose Hill, NC
Founded Dec. 11, 1937

Warsaw Fire Department
Chief John Blackmore accepted a new American flag from Representative Will Rumbold.
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**Fair and Foul Funnies**

Q: How do baseball players stay cool?
A: By sitting next to the fans.

Q: What has 18 legs and catches flies?
A: A baseball team

Q: How is a baseball team similar to a pancake?
A: They both need a good batter.

Q: Which animals are best at hitting a baseball?
A: Bats.

Q: Where does a baseball player go when he needs a new uniform?
A: New Jersey.

Q: When should baseball players wear armor?
A: When they play knight games.

Q: What did the baseball player do when the coach said to steal second?
A: He stole the base and went home.

Q: What do you get when you cross a tree with a baseball player?
A: Babe Root.

Q: Why are baseball players so rich?
A: Because they play on diamonds.

Q: Where do you get dirt stains out of baseball pants?
A: In the bleachers.

Q: What runs around a baseball field but never moves?
A: A fence.

Have a good joke?

Make your fellow members laugh. Please send contributions to WLEditor@woodmen.org.
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Chapter 96
Laurens, SC

James Bailey
Age 55
Chapter 879
Cynthiana, KY

Mildred Pearl Baughgardner
Age 82
Chapter 383
Catawba, NC

Gary Boggs
Age 85
Chapter 117
Benton, KY

Donald R. Brown
Age 81
Chapter 143
Clarksville, GA

Robert “Bob” Couch
Age 81
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