

# A Briefing for all Door County Residents

Door County veterans have joined the State wide effort to welcome Vietnam vets home to Lambeau Field while honoring our 5 Door County' vets Killed in Action (KIA) during the Vietnam War.

## Mission Statement:

- **Operation "Boots-on-the-Ground" will enlist Door County residents on Saturday May 22, 2010** in a mission to locate and land all Door County Vietnam vets with family members of the 5 Killed-in-Action (KIAs) inside Lambeau Field before 7:30 p.m. the official "Welcome Home Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans" to Landing Zone (LZ) Lambeau ceremonies. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
- **Operation "Rubber-hits-the-Road" will deploy 10 bikers on Friday May 21, 2010;** five (5) from La Crosse with Rolling Thunder's 1244 Riders to LZ Lambeau (*Each bike represents one of the 1244 Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans killed-in-action, those still missing-in-action, and those who were prisoners-of-war*) and five (5) from Washington Island to LZ Lambeau representing our five Door County Veterans Killed in Action (KIA's) during the Vietnam War.

**Donations received will first cover ride expenses than purchase a permanent plaque that will be placed in the Wisconsin Veterans Museum and the balance remaining will be turned over to the Door County Veterans Service Council to assist Door County Veterans in need. [Click here](#) for a briefing from our Finance Chief.**

**The Incident Command System (ICS):** *The incident command system has been around since the early 1900's. It was used to build the Hoover Dam Project and used after WWII to form regional multi-agency fire fighter task forces in the U.S. Today it's required teaching and protocol for all US and European law enforcement, fire departments, and emergency management personnel. In the 1970's, shortly after the formation of The World Council of Credit Unions (WOCCU) and NCUA's adoption of Federal Share Insurance, ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS) were used anytime the scope of a disaster expanded across international boundaries.*

- **Note:** All Briefings begin with a review of the Incident Command System. Our mission will succeed if everyone speaks the same incident management language. Remember! When you're first to the scene, the first thing out of your mouth should be; **"I TAKE COMMAND!"** Immediately, identify the type, scope, and potential for incident' scope-creep. CALL 9-1-1 and request appropriate response assets. Based on the scope and potential for scope creep either handle the incident as a "Single Command" or establish a Unified" command.

*Rich Waldt – CEO: Risk Management Learning Center*



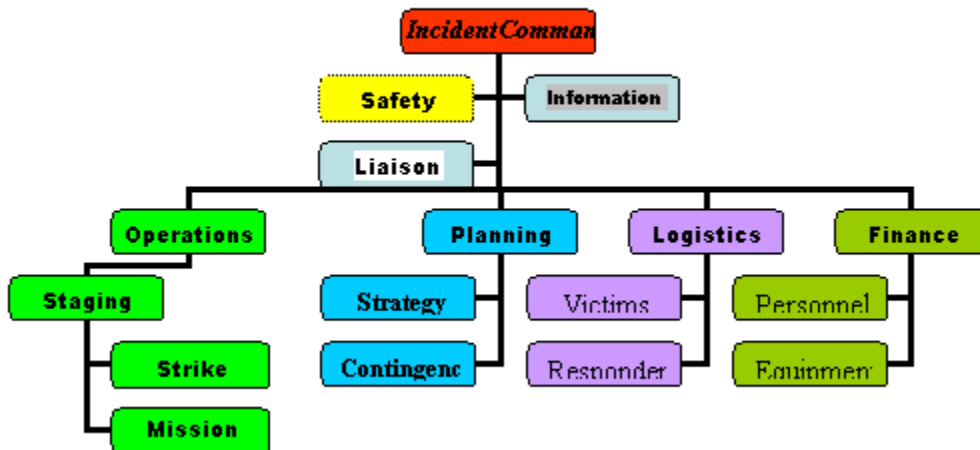
We speak the same ICS language spoken by our active military.



We adopt field tested Homeland Security protocols.



We practice what's been preached since the 1800's!



Every organization should use the "Incident Command System" [Click here](#) for Basic ICS Training. [Click here](#) for AIT. FYI: Color Coded: IC is red, Safety Officer is yellow, Information Officer and Liaison Officers are light blue, Operations Chief is always green, Planning Chiefs are dark blue and Finance Chiefs are in the black. Wisconsin is a "Home Rule" state. That means your local FIRE CHIEF rules the roost when it comes to life safety issues. The FIRE CHIEF works closely with all event Planning, Operations, Logistics, and Finance Chiefs. [Click here](#) to meet Staging Area #1's Fire Chief and personnel and [click here](#) to contact other departments. (Note: All Fire Departments need volunteers both first and backup responders)

## 5 Basic ICS Principles to Remember:

1. There is only ONE (1) Incident Commander per organization.
2. The ideal command structure has three (3) to seven (7) direct reports; never more than twelve (12).
3. Remember the "Concertina"! The "Unified" command structure expands and contracts with the incident's scope and potential for scope creep.
4. The first person to the scene must "take command," establish a "Single" command to determine the incident' type, scope, and potential for scope creep; and based on the facts, requests an appropriate "Unified" command be deployed.

5. **Public-to-Private Homeland Security Partnerships will form more easily, respond more quickly, and perform more efficiently when all segments of both public and private sectors of society speak the same Incident Command and Control System language.**

**FYI:**

- The County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) is always the primary Incident Commander representing all veterans and their posts in Door County
- The Post' Commander closest to the incident' "Hot Zone" assumes on-site command when he or she learns of the incident or arrives at the scene or Emergency Operation Center (EOC).
- The first duty of the IC is to determine the type and estimate the scope and potential for incident' scope creep. The IC should also estimate the duration of the incident to determine whether or not to launch a "Unified Command."

**Mission Focus and Objectives:**

During any large scale event, it's critically important everyone speak the same "Incident Command and Control" language. While our primary mission in both "Boots on the Ground" and "Rubber hits the Road" is to mobilize Door County veterans and honor our 5 veterans killed in action during the Vietnam War, our strategy also includes "field testing" Door County's ability to mobilize all residents during a mass evacuation. Measurements of our success will include:

- How quickly, during a worst case scenario, we can establish a "Private Sector Unified Command" consistent with our "Public-to-Private Partnership already in place.
- How effectively we can expand and contract our Unified Command to meet changing operational goals and objectives.
- How many residents, businesses, churches, clubs, associations, schools and students we can get to answer Roll-call,
- How many Door County residents are familiar with and have consistently used the Incident Command System, and
- How many will be able to pass a short Homeland Security test I call "Ready on Left – Ready on the Right – Prepare to Fire- STOP!"

**The Concertina Effect:**

Our "Unified" command will expand and contract to meet five operational objectives managed by unite managers under the command of our Chief of Operations. It is critically important for all Door County Residents to answer Roll-call so they can be assigned to the appropriate staging area in an appropriate "Role" based on their occupational specialties. It's better to report for Roll-call twice than to fail to report in at all: [Please click here and answer "Roll-call"](#)

- **Safety, Health, and Trauma Management:** Managed by Post Surgeons and Post Chaplains

- **Communications:** Managed by Post Public Relations Officers and Post Adjutant Generals
- **Security:** Managed by Post Sergeant at Arms
- **Transportation:** Managed by Post Quartermasters and Motor Pool Sergeants.
- **Equipment and Training for Response – Recovery – Reconstruction:** Managed by Post Training Officers/Trustees and Quartermasters.

**Remember: While we have many valued targets, our troops are our most valued asset.** Answering Roll-call helps ensure all are properly equipped, trained, and able to be tracked before being deployed. When everyone is accurately logged in, properly equipped, and adequately trained than and only then will Door County be “Ready to Roll” the next time its citizens stand in harms-way.

**Operational Period 1 – 2 – 3:** During operational period #1 we focus on assembling, equipping, and providing “Basic Training” for the troops. During period #2 and #3 we establish “Public-to-Private” Partnerships, and form state-wide “Private” sector “Unified” commands. Operations “Boots-on-the-Ground” will deploy under an international joint command formed between U.S military veterans and the world credit union movement.

## A Summary of Operations!

### Operations - Rubber-hits-the-Road

**Friday, May 21, 2010**

The Door County leg of the 1244 Memorial Ride will be led by Northeast Wisconsin Bikers Association' (NEWBA) President; Owen "OB1" Burgwin. OB1 is our Incident Commander and Liaison Officer with Rolling Thunder as well as all biker organizations joining our Door County one-way-memorial ride honoring our 5 Door County vets Killed in Action (KIA) during the Vietnam War. I'll be Liaison Officer with Finance Chiefs for Welcome Home Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans to LZ Lambeau, and Operation "Boots-on-the-Ground."

#### **We've established five Staging Areas**

- Washington Island Cemetery at School House Beach.
- Danny's Viking Grill in Ellison Bay
- Pioneer Credit Union parking lot - West side Sturgeon Bay
- Pioneer Credit Union parking lot at 825 Morris Ave two blocks from Lambeau Field
- Super 8 motel in La Crosse.



### We've sets standards for flying bike flags

- LZ Lambeau far left – POW middle - US flag far right

### We've established Staging Area Commands

- Washington Island – AL 402
- Ellison Bay – AL 527 (KIA Families), VFW 8337 and VFW 9290 – Bikers
- Sturgeon Bay – AL & AMVET Posts (KIA Families) VFW 3088 and Marine Corp League – Bikers
- Pioneer Credit Union Parking lots – CU President/CEO
- Super 8 in La Crosse – NEWBA President/CEO OB1



**Ten (10) bikers** with U.S. flag on the right, POW flag in the middle, and LZ Lambeau flag on the left will act as primary honor guards with the following missions:

- **Five (5) bikers** will be in La Crosse at the Super 8 motel with OB1 having been registered and briefed at the Rolling Thunder safety briefing meeting Thursday night. They'll be mission ready to ride with the 1244 to LZ Lambeau under the Command of "Skinner" Rolling Thunder's Road Captain. [Click here](#) to use Google maps.



- **Five (5) bikers** will be stationed at the grave sites of each of our 5 Door County veterans who were Killed in Action. Each of the five will lead family members of our KIAs either to our Staging Area #1 at Danny's Viking Grill in Ellison Bay or to Staging Area #2 in the parking lot of the West side Pioneer Credit Union branch office in Sturgeon Bay. Depending on numbers of bikes and vehicles, bikers and KIA family members might be able to stay at the cemetery until the memorial ride passes.

**Ride' Route:** Our Planning and Logistics Chiefs warn that the route might change at any time due to road work, accidents, detours, weather, etc. So, monitor this site for any last minute updates and changes.

### Tentative 'Rubber hits the Road" Routing as of March 31, 2010:

[Click here](#) for current briefing from our Planning Chief!

**Posted April 10:** Our Door County leg of the LZ Lambeau Memorial ride will start at the grave sites of our 5 KIAs at 0600 hours on Friday May 21, 2010. After a flag posting and

prayer ceremony, bikers will assemble at Northport Pier to meet Washington Island residents arriving on at Northport at 7:30 a.m. At 7:45 a.m. sharp the ride will leave Northport proceeding to Staging Area #1 (Viking Grill in Ellison Bay” where Door County residence on motorcycles and in cars, trucks, and busses will fall in before proceeding south on Hay #42 to the gravesite of KIA Randal Wagner in the Egg Harbor cemetery where those waiting will fall-in before proceeding across the county to Hwy #57 north of Institute to pass Saint Peter and Paul’s Catholic cemetery and gravesite of KIA David Schaefer then on to Staging Area # 3 where Door County residents will fall-in before proceeding to LZ Lambeau.

**Posted April 1:** At this time, our ride will follow #42 past Gibraltar High to Egg Harbor going past Randy Wagner's grave site in Egg Harbor's cemetery than turn East on "T" winding through the country past NEWBA's Memorial Park, than to #57 north of Institute so we pass David Schaefer's grave site at St Peter and Paul's Catholic Cemetery and Sevastopol High School, than South into and through Sturgeon Bay so we pass Sturgeon Bay High than on to Southern Door High and on to LZ Lambeau. Riders from the Island will assemble at the High School from which Rick Perez graduated. One rider will escort Dan Pfister's family from his gravesite in Bayside Cemetery to the Pioneer Credit Union Westside Branch parking lot (Staging Area #2). [Click here](#) for a Google map!

### **Focus on Education:**

**Since the 1600s in Europe, the home of many of our fore-fathers, the Rife-of-the-Shire has been the chief law enforcement officer. Since Wisconsin became a State (1848) our elected County “Shire-Rife” or Sheriff has ruled the wild-west.**

- [Click here](#) and become familiar with the Sheriff’s website.
- [Click here](#) and become familiar with the Sturgeon Bay Police Department website.
- [Click here](#) and become familiar with Wisconsin Emergency Government
- [Click here](#) and become familiar with Door County Fire Departments
- [Click here](#) and become familiar with Door County Government
- [Click here](#) and learn to use Door County’s Land Information Portal
- [Click here](#) and become familiar with Wisconsin Credit Union Movement
- [Click here](#) and become familiar with the World Credit Union Movement
- [Click here](#) and use The Risk Management Learning Center R&D Department
- **When time permits, also learn to navigate the following sites:**
- **Resource Guide**

- At **Family Watchdog's** Web site, parents can find out if sex offenders live near their home or near their kid's school. Plug in a ZIP code to see where registered offenders live, work and the crimes they committed. [Click here](#) to search by ZIP code or state.
- Crime Stoppers  
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Crime-Reports.Govt-Files.com
- [find offenders](#)

## Operation “Boot hit the Ground” - Road Captains

**Planning Chief:** **Note the revision date at the top of each handout!** Expect changes during April. On May 1st I'll post the final schedules for our memorial ride to include routes, staging area managers and what needs to be done before Thursday night May 20, 2010. Call me on 608-712-7880 if you have questions. If a handout has a May 1 revision date it means we're reasonably sure it won't be changed.

**The most critical step you can take at this point is to log-in both your Commander and Liaison Officer into our Roll-Call system.** You're Liaison Officer must have internet access and provide an email address. Let me know if you want email addresses to be confidential. I'll give them an email routed through this website. **Everyone should answer our Roll-Call. Go to [www.DoorCountyVeterans.com](http://www.DoorCountyVeterans.com) and click on [Click here!](#)**

**Remember:** Our mission is to support LZ Lambeau's Welcome Home weekend! Encourage all your members to sign up at [www.LZLambeau.org](http://www.LZLambeau.org).

## 5 Door County Veterans were Killed in Action (KIA)

				
<b>Dan L. Pfister</b> Sfc. U. S. Army - Medic  Sturgeon Bay,  KIA June 18, 1968 RIP Bayside Cemetery	<b>Randy W. Wagner</b>  Corporal U.S. Army  Egg Harbor, KIA November 27 1968 RIP Egg Harbor Cemetery	<b>David R. Schaefer</b>  Sergeant U.S. Army  Sturgeon Bay KIA May 1, 1969 RIP St P&P Institute	<b>Richard E. Perez</b>  Lance Corporal USMC  Washington Is. KIA September 6, 1969 RIP Island Cemetery	<b>Philip M. Overbeck</b>  1st Lieutenant US Army  Sturgeon Bay KIA June 10, 1970 RIP Bayside Cemetery

### Personal Memories – By Rich Woldt Past Commander VFW Post 8337

**Randy Wagner**, Lee Patza and I left Egg Harbor about the same time. Lee landed in Vietnam March 23, 1968, Randy on September 11, 1968 and I on November 10, 1968. Randy was killed by a demolition bomb on November 11, 1968 the day after I landed at Long Bien Ben Hue.

**David Schaefer**, son of Roy and Helen (Rohr) Schaefer, Sturgeon Bay, landed in the Mekong Delta as part of the Ninth Infantry Division on March 1, 1969 and was killed May 1, 1969 61 days later, leaving three brothers; Steve, Rick and Mark and paternal grandmother, Nellie Schaefer behind. I remember hanging out with David at the family Shell Station on Jefferson.

Sergeant Schaefer was awarded several medals posthumously for valor in combat. The Silver Star with 1st Oak Leaf Cluster. The first was for picking up an armed Vietcong grenade from beneath a wounded soldier and hurling it away, where it exploded shortly thereafter. The second was for courageously leading an attack against a Vietcong bunker where he took machine gun fire that cost him his life. Also awarded were the Bronze Star and Bronze Star first Oak Leaf Cluster for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained aerial flight in support of combat forces and the Purple Heart.

**Rick Perez**, Washington Island, was scheduled to leave for home on September 22 (we called it "DEROS" to "CONUS" or "Date Expected to Return from Overseas to Continental United States"). He was killed by a fragmentation grenade in Quang Nam province on September 6, 1969; sixteen days before he would have safely landed home.

Lee landed safely back in the U.S. February 9, 1969. I was scheduled to go home November 10, 1968 but extended my tour to get the SOB who killed Randy. I landed back in the U.S. January 10, 1970.

**Dan Pfister**, born in Jacksonport, had been in the Army since 1955. He was the oldest and first Door County vet to be killed in Vietnam. We called him a "Brown Boot" because once you're in Nam for over a week you're boots are red-brown from the mud in the rivers. Dan was a medic on an operation out of Binh Thuan when he was first listed as MIA but than the same day (June 18, 1968), his body was recovered and he was official reported as Killed in Action.

**Philip Overbeck**, Son of Henry and Thea, brother of William and Charles and Michael and Margi and Elizabeth and Jennifer; a 1965 graduate of Sturgeon Bay High School, was the fifth and last Door County vet



to be Killed in Action on June 10, 1970. Phil was a paratrooper serving with the 173 Airborne Brigade, Company B-4, 503 Infantry when he was killed by an explosive device while on an operation out of Binh Dinh. Phil's brothers William and Charles are both Vietnam vets.

We must never apologize for defending our freedom!

**FYI: Landing Zone (LZ) Lambeau** is a State wide program to "Welcome Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans Home!" **Door County Veterans have launch two operations to honor our five Vietnam veterans Killed in Action (KIA).** Door County did not have any Missing in Action (MIAs) or Prisoners of War (POWs). "Boots on the Ground" helps ensure we've located and, if they choose, landed all our Vietnam vets inside Lambeau Field for the program Saturday night. "Rubber hits the Road" is our biker salute to all Wisconsin Vietnam vets. Our one-way ride starts on Washington Island in honor of USMC Lance Corporal Richard E. Perez and ends at LZ Lambeau. A 5 bike contingent will ride with the 1244 Rolling Thunder bikers coming from La Crosse. 1244 represents the number of Wisconsin Vietnam vets Killed in Action (KIA), Missing in Action (MIA), or who were Prisoners of War (POWs).

**Planning/Logistic Chiefs:** Both operations "Boots on the Ground" and "Rubber hits the Road" support our State wide [www.LZLambeau.org](http://www.LZLambeau.org) project welcoming Vietnam veterans home to Landing Zone Lambeau between Thursday May 20 and Sunday, May 23, 2010.

The primary mission of [www.DoorCountyVeterans.com](http://www.DoorCountyVeterans.com) is to locate and land family members of our 5 Door County veterans Killed in Action in Vietnam inside LZ Lambeau Saturday night May 22 and include at least 5 bikers in Rolling Thunders' La Crosse to LZ Lambeau ride in honor of the 1244 Wisconsin Vietnam vets Killed in Action (KIA), reported as Missing in Action (MIA), or who were Prisoners of War (POWs). We will also escort family members of our 5 KIAs from grave-side to LZ Lambeau Friday morning, May 21, 2001.

## Recommendations

- **Fly** LZ Lambeau flag and/or post LZ Lambeau poster with LZ logo on entry doors, lobby bulletin board, over night depository boxes, and on ATMs to confirm your credit union is taking part in the LZ Lambeau welcome home for Wisconsin Vietnam veterans.
- **Promote** LZ Lambeau via you website to include providing a link to [www.lzlambeau.org](http://www.lzlambeau.org) and [www.DoorCountyVeterans.com](http://www.DoorCountyVeterans.com).
- **Log in! Click here** and log into Operation "Boots on the ground" and "Rubber hits the Road." **Note:** all vets should log in and you need only log in once as both go into the same log in data base.

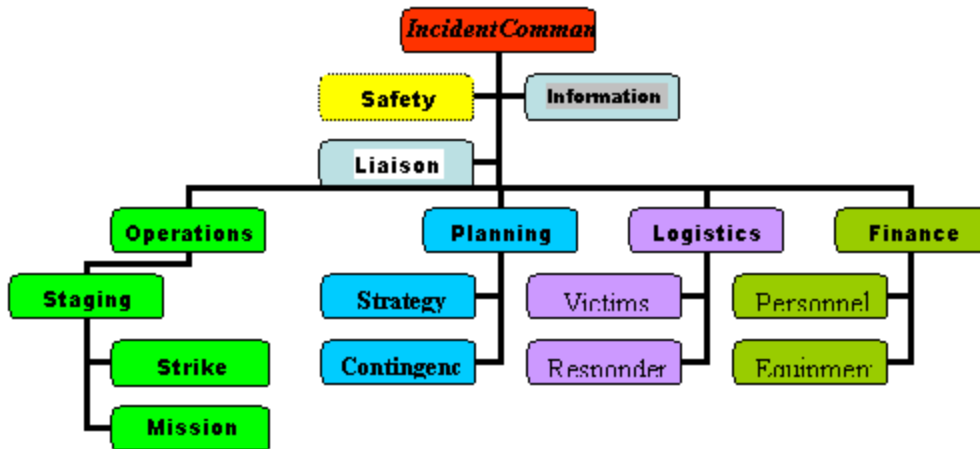


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## Please Remember!

Request everyone to [click here](#) and answer Roll-call.

Encourage every Door County resident, business leader, school and church administrator, tourist and retiree to learn the Incident Command System (ICS) and speak its internationally recognized language.



I have one last request! Please click on the following and sit through the briefings from our Chiefs of Operations, Planning, Logistics, and Finance!

[Planning Chief:](#) Operational Goals, Objectives, Targets, and Protocols.

[Operations Chief:](#) Staging Area Management

[Logistics Chief:](#) Using Google mapping to monitor staging areas and track our ride.

[Finance Chief:](#) Controlling expenses and monitoring internal, auditing, and collection control procedures.