

**Community Military Appreciation Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**March 27, 2015**

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Larry Smith. Prayer led by Randy Warneke. Pledge of Allegiance led by Jim Erixson.
2. **Members Present:** Chairman Larry Smith, Chairman Dan Tarbell, Secretary Anita Stadey, and Treasurer (absent). Executive Board Members: Chaplain Randy Warneke, Advocate Morris Giesler, Invitations/Flyers/Programs Samantha Whitley[excused], Operations Jim Erixson with Randy Warneke, POW/MIA Project Manager Robert Bean [absent], Safety Roy Billings, Supply and Website Bill Hauser, Gold Star Scholarships Dixie Hotaling [absent], Ambassador Dan Sockle [excused], and Member at Large Shane Gardner. [10]

Richard Alvarez (AM Vets VFW 7824), Julie Burger (American Red Cross), Cara Cantonwine (Fort Vancouver National Historic Trust), Tom Cates (PT Boat 658), Don Cohen (Korean War Veterans Assoc.), Jim Czmowski (Young Marines), Jeff Davis (Vancouver Barracks Military Assoc.), Bob Day (PT Boat 658), Thomas Dombeck (Civil Air Patrol, 40 et 8, + A. L.), Emma Englund (U of P Silver Wings), Jack Giesen (Oregon Military Vehicles), Peggy Gresham (Operation Military Kids & 4-H), David Hancock (NIVA), John Hopkins (CVI), Jerry Keen (40 et 8 Chef de Gar), Mackenna Krohn (U of P Silver Wings), David Hancock (NIVA), June Lasch (American Red Cross), Patrick Locke (Legal Shield), Tim McPharlin(Clark College Veterans Resource Center), Ron Powers (Pure Kraze Productions), James Mead (VA Medical Center Museum), Leonard Mills (Elks Lodge), Bill Moorehouse (Buffalo Soldiers), Nick Ost (U of P Silver Wings), Pam Peiper (Congresswoman Jamie Herrera Beutler Rep.), George Raynor (Korean War Veterans Assoc.), Michael Stacey (Pure Kraze Productions), Steven Stanley (Young Marines), Tom Stillman (Veterans Community Garden), Jo Anne Strickland (A. L. Aux. & VAVS), Bill Turlay (Vanc. City Councilman), Ralph Walker (Fotos with Flair), and Russ Williams. Guests: Sheila Neck, Rick McLaughlin, and Alan Stewart (Vancouver Lake Crew)/ Harry Russell (America Red Cross)/Phyllis Goldhammer (Hull Foundation for the Blind)/& Bruce Evans. [40]

3. **CMAC Guests:**

- A. **Paddle for Life “Dragon Boat Festival” – May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>** at Vancouver Lake. Racing 10 and 20 paddler boats, multiple racing divisions and classes over 500m and 250m. We do have a Disabled Veterans Water Sports Program and we are looking for Disabled Veterans to enter as a team. There will be food and merchandise vendors on site. Visit website [www.paddleforlife.org](http://www.paddleforlife.org) or call 971-222-3679 for more information.
- B. **American Red Cross “Fire Preparedness Campaign” – April 18<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM meeting first at Memorial Lutheran Church (2700 E 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver WA). Come and volunteer to help canvass the neighborhood in checking for working smoke alarms, and to install new, free smoke alarms in homes that need them. To register online at [www.redcross.org/cascadeshfpc](http://www.redcross.org/cascadeshfpc).
- C. **Oral Hull Foundation for the Blind “Blinded Veterans Retreat” – September 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 11<sup>th</sup>** \$450 which includes hiking, tandem bicycles rides, fishing, crafts, archery, horseshoes, water aerobics, whitewater rafting, kayaking, swimming, zip lining, and other courses. Or sit back and relax on a park bench in our Gardens of Enchantments. For more information call 503-668-6195 or visit website at [www.oralhull.org](http://www.oralhull.org).

4. **CMAC News:**

- A. **CMAC Website** – Website is running now. Check it out! - Minutes, Newsletters, Flyers, Sponsors, Links, Photos, Calendars, and Blogs all on the website, all printer friendly. Website is still the same - [www.cmac11.com](http://www.cmac11.com). Bill Hauser is the Director for this Website. For more information contact Bill at 360-883-1421 or email [bhauser1952@msn.com](mailto:bhauser1952@msn.com).
- B. **Our Community Salutes – Randy Warneke** is coordinating this event with the Vancouver School District, Evergreen School District, and other School Districts in Clark County. The U S Navy has

committed to this event and will have contact with each of the other Branch of Services. This year the event will be April 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM, held at Heritage High School. Ice cream Social after. If you would like a table to sponsor your organization contact Randy at 360-798-3757. Tables must support families of the newly enlisted. No Recruiting!

- C. **Chief Redheart Ceremony – April 25<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 AM to Noon at the Great Meadows (corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Reserve Street). A Traditional Native American Dinner will be served at the Artillery Barracks from 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM. Public invited, no charge, but donations are welcomed!
- D. **Home Depot – Chairman Dan Tarbell** announced that last year grants were given for a total of \$28,000, and that he just received another grant for this year for \$7,000.

5. **Memorial Day Ceremony – May 25<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM**, Fort Vancouver National Park - Main Gazebo. Reception: 10:00AM to 10:45AM, Marshal House (Invitation Only – CMAC Members are welcome!).

A. Memorial Day set up: 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

B. **Operations Director: Jim Erixson** Phone 360-901-7010 E-Mail [jerixson014@centurylink.net](mailto:jerixson014@centurylink.net)

**GROUP I Larry Smith**

1. **MC Host Speaker-** Larry Smith
2. **Guests Speakers:** US Army Colonel John Sweeney, US Army Brigadier General Kurt J. Ryan, NPS Tracy Fortman, Congresswoman Jamie Herrera Beutler, Mayor Tim Leavitt
3. **Memorial Day Script/time line** – Larry Smith
4. **Chaplain** – Randy Warneke
5. **Photography** –Ralph Walker
6. **Media** – Madie Kozacek
7. **Invitations/Flyers/Programs** - Samantha Whitley
8. **Honoree Drivers** –Marlene Varga Have 2 Vans available.
9. **Honor Escorts** – Dan Tarbell escorting the wreath. Wreath Stands will be in front of Flags.
10. **Parade Escorts** – John Hopkins (CVI, Patriot Guards)
11. **Gold Star Family Escorts** – American Red Cross and MOAA
12. **Reception Escort** – Anne MacEnerny-Ogle (Gold Star Families)
13. **Flag Line** - John Hopkins (CVI, Patriot Guard, Legion Riders)
14. **Honor Guard/Posting Colors:**
  - (1) 2/95<sup>th</sup> Division (2) Young Marines (3) Buffalo Soldiers (4) NIVA
15. **Bands** – Annette Allen (Vancouver Pipe Band) & 204<sup>th</sup> Band
16. **Taps** – Richard Alvarez. 204<sup>th</sup> Band
17. **Singer** - Rey Reynolds (National Anthem, Solo: God Bless the USA)
18. **Wreaths and Carnations** – Joel Scott
19. **Bright Eyes Doves Release** – Jadia Ward
20. **POW/MIA Chair & Table** – Jack Giesen/Jeff Davis
21. **Artillery Firing** – Don Olsen –Fire 6 rounds; one for each branch of service and one for fallen veterans. The area will have to be secured for safety reasons.
22. **Honor Guard/Rifle Salute** –Richard Alvarez VFW Honor Guard

**GROUP II Dan Tarbell**

23. **Permit** – Dan Tarbell Permits for National Park Service and City of Vancouver.
24. **Set up/takedown Coordinator** – Jim Erixson
25. **Set up/take down** - Jim Erixson, Young Marines, Boy Scouts, Snowmass
26. **Stage** – Roy Billings Main Gazebo will be the stage. Decorations will be place around the stage.
27. **Seating** – Roy Billings 800 Chairs (600 Brown, 200 White)
28. **Gold Star Seat Covers** – Bill Hauser
29. **Tents** – Bill Hauser (10) 20' x 20' A tent added for the Outdoor Reception area.
30. **Port-a-potties** –Jim Czmowski with Alex Patterson. Should have 2 Handicap and 4 Regular. NPS will order the port-a-potties.
31. **Parking** – Tom Dombeck (Civil Air Patrol) .Need a map for parking. Will check into Hudson Bay parking.

32. **Public Transportation** - Tom Dombeck 2 vans will be circling the park for pickups.
33. **Radios** – Tom Dombeck Checking with the Amateur Radio Club.
34. **Security** – John Hopkins (CVI)
35. **Seating Escorts** – Leonard Mills
36. **Sound System** – Michael Stacy Set up will be in the Gazebo. Electrical outlets are inside the Gazebo.
37. **Clean-up** – Young Marines-Boy Scouts & volunteers
38. **Flag Stands** – Jim Czmowski
39. **State Flags: Set-up/Take-down** – Peggy Gresham and Young Marines
40. **Waste Connections** – Steve Stanley/Park Service Young Marines will collect trash bags. Need about 6 garbage containers and 6 recyclable containers.

**Group III Jo Ann Strickland**

41. **Indoor Reception (Marshal House)** - Jo Ann Strickland, Emblem Club, and Penny Ross.
42. **Banners** – Marlene Varga Cara Cantonwine has easels to use for the banners. It was suggested to have the banners outside on the railing. Marlene will check into it, if possible.
43. **Reception Committee** – Karla Bean and Emily Stoutsenberger
44. **Indoor Greeter** – James Mead

**Group IV Anne McEnery-Ogle**

45. **Outdoor Reception** – Anne McEnery-Ogle (MOAA, Red Cross, Neighborhood Association, Boy & Girl Scouts, Lions Club, Operation Military Kids and 4H). Reception will be in front of the Marshall House.
46. **Water** – Byron Jacobus (Water & Air Works – The Water Store)
47. **Juice** – George Golden (LINKS)

**Group V**

48. **Cemetery Flags** – Richard Alvarez May 21<sup>st</sup> 4:00 PM set-up, May 26<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM take-down
49. **Memorial Site Flags** – Leonard Mills Need flags around memorial site.
50. **Military Vehicles** – Jack Giesen Site has been located to park the vehicles.
51. **Vancouver Fire Department**
52. **40 et 8 Loci** – Jerry Keen

E. **National Park Service Soldier’s Bivouac** to follow after the Memorial Day Ceremony till 5:00 PM.

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**CMAC Meeting Dates**

Apr. 10 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Apr. 24 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8	8:30 AM
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8	8:30 AM
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Artillery Barracks	9:00 AM

**CMAC Events**

Apr. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Our Community Salutes	7:00 PM
Apr. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Chief Redheart Ceremony	10:00 AM
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day Ceremony	11:00 AM

- Armed Forces Reserve Center 15005 NE 65<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver, WA
- 40 et 8 7607 NE 26<sup>th</sup> Ave., Vancouver, WA
- Artillery Barracks 600 E. Hathaway Road, Vancouver, WA