

Community Military Appreciation Committee
Minutes
April 29, 2016

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 Bruce Evans(absent). Executive Board Members: Advocate Mike Burton, Chaplain Randy Warneke, Marketing Director Samantha Whitley, Operations Jim Erixson with Randy Warneke, Outreach Dan Sockle, Safety Roy Billings, Supply/Website/ POW Bricks Bill Hauser, and Member at Large Shane Gardner (absent). [10]

Richard Alvarez (AM Vets VFW 7824), Karen Brown (Dignity Memorial), Tom Cates (PT Boat 658), Ryan Corcilius (National Park Service), Randy Crisp (CVI), Jim Czmowski (Young Marines), Jeff Davis (VBMA), Bob Day (PT Boat 658), Thomas Dombeck (Civil Air Patrol, 40 et 8, + A. L.), Jack Giesen (Ore. Military Vehicles + VBMA), Dave Hancock (NIVA), Dion Hess (Fishing with Veterans), John Hopkins (CVI), Kristina Johnston (Costco), Jerry Keen (40 et 8), June Lasch (Amer. Red Cross), Anne McEnery Ogle (Vancouver City Council), Dan Matthews (Certified Health Care), Leonard Mills (Vancouver Elks Lodge #823), Bruce Mulkey (VBMA), Luis and Joanita Munoz, Ron Powers (Power Impact Training), Frazier Raymond (Buffalo Soldiers), Garrett Schmidt (Fort Vancouver Historic Trust), Michael Stacey (Pure Kraze Productions), Steven Stanley (Young Marines), Linda Tarbell, Marlene Varga (Homes for Heroes), Ralph Walker (Fotos with Flair), and Toni Wise (Fort Vancouver Historic Trust). [31] Guests: USMC MGySgt Carl Zador, Linda Wilson (Rep. 17th District), Vicki Kraft (running for 17th District Rep.), Raelynn Reeder & Tiara Simpson (Clark College Veterans Resource Center), and Kristi Cornwell & Shantina Fox (Why Racing Events). [7].

3. **CMAC Events:**
 - A. **Redheart Ceremony** – Mayor Pro Tem Vancouver City Councilwoman Anne McEnery Ogle was presented a photo album. The ceremony was very well attended. Next Pow Wow will be at Delta Park on Father’s Day.
 - B. **Our Community Salutes** – Thank you to MacKay Sposito for sponsoring this event. There were 92 Seniors in attendance that will be leaving to join their respective Service Branch. Planning on a return to Heritage High School for next year’s ceremony.
 - C. **Memorial Day Observance Community Event – May 30th** Fort Vancouver Parade Grounds, 9:45 AM Reception, 11:00 AM Ceremony. NPS Soldier’s Bivouac after the Ceremony. Sponsored by Waste Connections and National Park Service Fort Vancouver.
 - D. **Costco “Hero’s Night” – June 25th** Forms for table reservations are out now. Mustang Club will have their cars out for display. For more information to either help, get assigned table, or volunteer see Bob Day phone 360-910-2490 email theday4@comcast.net, or Dan Sockle phone 360-573-7210 or email dsocket@gmail.com.
 - E. **Fishing with Veterans – June 26th** at the Ridgefield Marina. There will be a BBQ in the afternoon starting around 2:00 PM. Looking towards 100 members fishing with about 40 boats on the water, most of them with guides. So far Dion Hess has about 20 Wal Mart stores sponsoring this event. No cost to Veterans!
 - F. **CMAC Metallic Parade Signs** were presented by Chairman Dan Tarbell to be used in Parades or other events.
 - G. **The National Wings and Armor** - Dave Statham, is offering tour rides for veterans. He has a Loach helicopter and a Huey 4H-1. Contact him at 209-481-3257 or 1-800-421-0362.
4. **CMAC Guests:**
 - A. **VA Medical Center Representative Mike Burton** announced that any veterans at the end of their enlistment, to please be sure that they check into and sign up for their benefits.
 - B. **17th District Rep. Lynda Wilson** introduced Vicki Kraft who will be running for her position in the next election.
 - C. **Pearson Field Education Center – Garrett Schmidt (Fort Vancouver Historic Trust)** invited everyone out to the Center. Different activities will be held including summer camps. Opened every Saturday from 1pm to 5pm for fun family learning activities and Free! Check into the Fort Vancouver Historic Trust website www.fortvan.org for schedule.

- D. **Why Racing Events – Kristi Cornwell and Shantina Fox** spoke about their upcoming event May 28th, 9:00AM, in Washougal “Run to Remember Memorial Day Mile.” Cost \$50 to \$60 per person. A race to benefit Battle Buddies, who provides service dogs to our Veterans. For more information, check out website www.WhyRacingEvents.com.
- E. **Clark College Veterans Resource Center** - Raelynn Reeder and Tiara Simpson gave a brief description of what the Resource provides for Veterans at Clark College or other Veterans just finishing their duty. Now they are looking for funding to build a Veteran Memorial on Clark College grounds by the main campus center. They are selling raffle tickets for a USA Quilt to start. They will be having a Memorial Day Event on the grass area May 25th thru May 27th with tables of displays.

5. CMAC News:

A. Fort Vancouver National Park Service:

1. **BioBlitz – May 21st** 9:00AM to 3:00 PM held at Pearson Air Museum. Free. Learn about local pollinators, plants, birds of Fort Vancouver.
2. **Children’s Cultural Parade – May 27th** held on the Parade Grounds. Local students parade in celebration of our multi-cultural community. Free.
3. **Flag Day – June 14th** 3:30 PM, Parade Grounds. Come and see the Mayors’ Patriotic Tie Competition, Patriotic Songs, and the Brownie Girl Scouts.

B. Marine Corps League 24th Annual Awards and Installation Dinner – May 21st

held at the Elks Lodge 823 (11605 SE McGillivray Blvd, Vancouver, WA). 1730 no host bar, 1830 Opening Ceremony, 1915 Ceremony. Cost \$18.00 per person. Make check or money order out to CRDMCL and send to John Stofiel, Paymaster, 6204 Kansas Street, Vancouver, WA 98661-6924. For more information, contact John at 360-907-5342 or email jfstofiel@comcast.net.

C. Elks Flag Day – June 11, 2016

at the Kiggins Bowl 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

D. 40 et 8 Golf Tournament – June 12th

at the 3 Rivers Golf Course. Open to anyone interested. Teams of 4 people playing scramble. \$50 per person, \$60 with cart, and an extra \$15 with meal. Prizes will be given out. To sign up contact John at 360-574-5746 or jtpfp@comcast.net.

E. “Take the Hero’s Challenge” – July 4th

starting at Cape Horn Skye Elementary School (9731 Washougal River Road, Washougal, WA 98671). \$25 pre-registration, \$40 Day for each event. E-mail for more information at BackaHeroToday@gmail.com.

F. 2016 Stand Down – August 10th

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Armed Forces Reserve Center (15005 NE 65th Street, Vancouver, WA). Transportation shuttle to Reserve Center from CCVAC, Esther Short Park, and Vancouver VA Medical Center on 4th Plain. Afternoon meal will be provided. Sponsored by Clark County Veterans Assistance Center (CCVAC). Phone 360-693-7030, or email standdown@ccvac.net, and/or website <http://www.ccvac.net>.

G. “America’s Jihad” – Dan Sockle

new book released now. A collection of 24 individual journeys from 9/11 to today, humanity’s struggle against Jihadists, the Far Left, the Far Right, and other Extremists. This book is about building and repairing bridges across cultural and political divides. To purchase book or visit website go to <http://americasjihad.com>. For a CMAC member discount use code use U6W8P953.

H. Veteran’s Health & Hope – Ron Powers.

You can discover the gift of health. Contact Ron at 360-798-7541 or Dan Matthews at 360-798-6629 or visit their website www.powersimpact.ichooseroptimalhealth.com.

I. Veteran’s Village – Michael Stacey

said that they now have a site at 51st and St James, Vancouver. Still waiting for the permits from the City but the owner of the property has agreed to hold the property until that time. There will be about 10 to 12 micro homes built for homeless female Veterans first. Still looking for sponsors, donations, or volunteers. Contact by email purekrazee2014@gmail.com or website purekrazee-eventsforvets.com.

J. Vancouver Barracks Military Association

will be having their military talks every 3rd Thursday 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Marshal House. The Ambulance Project is underway and should be completed within a year. If you would like to volunteer contact Jack Giesen at 360-253-9334 or Jeff Davis at 253-223-0125 or visit the VBMA website.

K. Special Forces Association Lewis and Clark Chapter XLVII

is holding a Gun Raffle. You can win an AR-16 Rifle, or AR-16 Semi Auto with scope, or a Trijicon ACOG Scope, or a tandem Skydive at Beaver Oaks Airport, Oregon, or a one- night stay at Astoria, Oregon Pier 39 (Monday – Thursday only), or a Downrange Tomahawk in Desert Tan by Gerber, and/or last a Rogue 10X50 Binoculars by Leupold. Must be 18 years of age or older. To obtain tickets contact Dave Hancock at 360-608-3556 or sfree@centurytel.net.

6. Memorial Day Observance Community Event – May 30th, 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 jimex1948@gmail.com

GROUP I Larry Smith

1. **MC Host Speaker-** Larry Smith
2. **Guests Speakers:** LT Col Brad Aiello (Inspector-Instructor USMC 6th Engineer Support Battalion) and on stage Sgt. Major Larry Beunafe (Senior Active Duty NCO), NPS Superintendent Tracy Fortman, Vancouver Mayor Tim Leavitt, Congresswoman Jamie Herrera Beutler, and AFRC Colonel John Sweeney.
3. **Memorial Day Script/time line** – Larry Smith
4. **Chaplain** – Randy Warneke
5. **Photography** –Ralph Walker
6. **Media** – Toni Wise
7. **Invitations/Flyers/Programs** - Samantha Whitley
8. **Honoree Drivers** –Marlene Varga
9. **Honor Escorts** – Dan Tarbell escorting the wreath. Wreath Stands will be in front of Flags.
10. **Parade Escorts** – John Hopkins (CVI, Patriot Guards, and Air Force ROTC)
11. **Gold Star Family Escorts** – American Red Cross and MOAA
12. **Reception Escort** – Anne MacEnerny-Ogle (Gold Star Families) & Betsy Ross Erixson
13. **Flag Line** - John Hopkins (CVI, Patriot Guard, Legion Riders, Boy Scouts)
14. **Honor Guard/Posting Colors:**
(1) USMC 6th Engineer (2) Young Marines (3) Buffalo Soldiers (4) Northwest Indian Veteran Assoc. (5) Air Force ROTC
15. **Bands** – Annette Allen (Vancouver Pipe Band) & 204th Band (YES!)
16. **Taps** – Richard Alvarez (VFW Honor Guard). Echo taps.
17. **Singer** - Rey Reynolds (National Anthem, God Bless the USA)
18. **Wreaths and Carnations** – Joel Scott Wreath, 1 Red Rose, & 12 Carnations
19. **Bright Eyes Doves Release** – Jadia Ward
20. **POW/MIA Chair & Table** – Jack Giesen/Jeff Davis
21. **Artillery Firing** – Dan Kern –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 Tues. 9:00AM. Tents - Friday at 8:00 AM
25. **Set up/take down** - Jim Erixson, Young Marines, Boy Scouts
26. **Stage** – Roy Billings Main Gazebo will be the stage. Decorations will be placed 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' and (1) 10' x 10' have been order and will be delivered Friday before the ceremony and picked up Tuesday after the ceremony. Raelynn Reeder own a 20X20 to be used if needed.
30. **Port-a-potties** –Jim Czmowski with Mike Twist. Should have 2 Handicap and 4 Regular. NPS will order the port-a-potties.
31. **Parking** – Tom Dombeck (Civil Air Patrol).
32. **Public Transportation** - Tom Dombeck Map e-mailed to Samantha for flyer to show public where stops are made.
33. **Radios** – Tom Dombeck Use cell phones!
34. **Security** – John Hopkins (CVI)
35. **Seating Escorts** – Doug Rhay
36. **Sound System** – Michael Stacey (Pure Kraze Events). Set up will be in the Gazebo. Electrical outlets are inside the Gazebo.
37. **Clean-up** – Young Marines-Boy Scouts & volunteers

- 38. **Wreath and 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. Pick up Waste Connections Banner!

Group III Jo Ann Strickland

- 41. **Indoor Reception (Marshal House)** - Jo Ann Strickland, Emblem Club, and Penny Ross.
- 42. **Banners** – Marlene Varga, Mike Burton
- 43. **Reception Committee** – Karla Bean and Emily Stoutsenberger
- 44. **Indoor Greeter** – James Mead

Group IV Anne McEnerny- Ogle

- 45. **Outdoor Reception** – Anne McEnerny-Ogle (MOAA, Red Cross, Neighborhood Association, Boy & Girl Scouts, Lions Club, and 4H Club). Reception will be between National Parks Bivouac and Gazebo. Bloodmobile should park at the O’Howard House, a big NO on grounds!
- 46. **Water** – Byron Jacobus (Water & Air Works – The Water Store)
- 47. **Juice & Coffee** – Dan Sockle (MOAA). Need juice for Indoor Reception, Red Cross, and Outdoor Reception. Need coffee for Indoor Reception and Red Cross.

Group V

- 48. **Cemetery Flags** – Richard Alvarez May 26th 4:00 PM set-up, take-down May 31st 4:00 PM
- 49. **Memorial Site Flags** – Doug Rhay Need flags around memorial site.
- 50. **Military Vehicles** – Jack Giesen
- 51. **Vancouver Fire Department**
- 52. **40 et 8 Loci** – Jerry Keen

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

Secretary, Anita Stadey

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CMAC Meeting Dates

May 13 th	Pearson Air M.	9:00 AM
May 27 th	Marshal House	9:00 AM
June 10 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
June 24 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
July 8 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
July 22 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Aug. 5 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Aug. 19 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Sept. 9 th	City Hall	9:00 AM
Sept. 16 th	AFRC	9:00 AM
Sept. 30 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Oct. 14 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Oct. 28 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Nov. 4 th	AFRC	9:00 AM
Nov. 25 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM

CMAC Events

May 30 th	Memorial Day Ceremony – Fort Vanc.	11:00 AM
	Reception	9:45 AM
June 25 th	Costco “Hero’s Night”	
June 26 th	Fishing with Veteran’s	
July 4 th	NPS Independence Day and Parade	
Sept. 11 th	9/11 Ceremony – City Hall	9:00 AM
Sept. 17 th	POW/MIA Ceremony – AFRC	11:00 AM
	Reception	9:45 AM
Nov. 5 th	Veteran’s Day Parade – 10:00 AM Ceremony	
		11:00 AM Parade
Nov. 11 th	Veteran’s Day Ceremony – AFRC	11:00 AM
	Reception	9:45 AM

- Armed Forces Reserve Center 15005 NE 65th Street, Vancouver, WA
- 40 et 8 7607 NE 26th Ave., Vancouver, WA
- Artillery Barracks 600 E. Hathaway Road, Vancouver, WA
- Van Mall Retirement Community 7808 NE 51st Street, Vancouver, WA