

**Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC)
Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2018**

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith; Co-Chairman – Jim Erixson; Operations (Excused) - Mike Burton; Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano Treasurer – Bruce Evans. Board Directors Present: Chaplain - James Mead, Supply/Website - Bill Hauser, Safety - Roy Billings; Advocates - Leonard Mills; Dan Sockle (Excused). Members at Large Present: Frazier Raymond(Excused) Sean Gibson (Excused); Alex Patterson; Denise Bender, Elizabeth Johnston(Excused), Samantha Whitley, Teresa Wheeler, Amy Mintonye, Minh Pham (Excused) [13]

CMAC Members Present: Steven Stanley (Marine Cadets), June Lasch (Red Cross), Richard McHugh (CVI-9), Ralph Walker (CMAC), Anita Stadey (Salon 203), Wyatt Arnall (Elect Carolyn Long), Larry Hoff (Navy Veteran), Marlene Varga (Home with Heroes), Dan Vossen (40et8), Bob Day (PT 658), Dion Hess (Ridgefield Outdoors), Jenny Greenmiller (Historic Trust), Richard Alvarez(VFW), Bill Turlay (City of Vancouver), Nelson Serrano (40et8),Joey Fuerstenberg (Vancouver Granit Works), Patrick Locke (40et8), Scott Webber (Vets Court Board), John Posey(Patriot Guard Riders), Dawn Marie Martin(Vancouver Funeral Dignity), Bobbi Bjork(Rainier Springs Hospital), Mike Morgan (Rainier Springs Hospital), Terry Hurd (Sportsman’s Steakhouse), Rick Jones (CMAC), [24]

Meeting called to order by Larry Smith

1. Prayer: James Mead
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Burton

CMAC Scheduled Events:

Patriots Day, September 11, 2018, 9:00am-10:05am-Outside Vancouver City Hall

CMAC Meeting Dates: 2018 CMAC meeting dates have been published and will be held at the 40et8 Boxcar room starting at 8:30am and will be on the following days:

Aug 24 th	40et8	8:30 AM
Sept 7 th	40et8	8:30 AM
Sept 21 ^{st*}	40et8	8:30 AM
Oct 5 th	40et8	8:30 AM
Oct 19 ^{th*}	40et8	8:30 AM

(*) Executive Board Meeting follows

CMAC Summary:

- Mike shared Marlene Varga will be shadowing him in planning this year’s Patriots Day Event. Next year Marlene will take over as the committee chair for the event.
- Larry announced CMAC is no longer part of the Lower Columbia Veterans Coalition (LCVC) but will continue to share office space at the O. O. Howard House.
- CMAC’s service flags are now on display at The Marshall House. A plaque is being designed that will show the flags are on loan courtesy of CMAC.
- Larry thanked Board member Samantha Whitley for her help in designing new CMAC brochures. Please let us know if you need some to pass out to your organizations.
- Leonard Mills shared he is in the process of putting together a “How we did it notebook” to give to each of the CMAC event chairpersons that will assist them in coordinating the events
- Marine Cadets of SW WA is participating in CCVC’s 2018 Stand Down & Expo and needs donations of warm gloves and caps that they will be passing out at the event. If you are interested in donating, please contact Steven Stanley with Marine Cadets at 360-513-0312.

CMAC Guests:

- Scott Weber with the Veterans Court Board shared the Board is working on creating a business model that other courts can use in the future.
- John Posey with the Patriot Guard Riders shared they would like to hold a memorial in honor those killed in action on the anniversary of their deaths and is looking for patriotic people who would like to participate in helping honor these heroes. Patriot Guard Riders are an organization that are made up of patriots that hold the beautiful American Flag at events. They are a mission driven organization that has no dues and does not hold any meetings.
- Dion Hess introduced Terry Hurd who is the owner of Sportsman's Steakhouse in Ridgefield, WA. The restaurant donates a percentage of sales from Stein Distributing and veteran owned 4 Spirits Distillery sold in the restaurant to veteran organizations such as CMAC. During the meeting Terry presented CMAC with a check for \$250.00.
- Larry Hoff, Navy veteran who served in Vietnam from 1970-1974 and who is running for State Representative in District 18 shared about his experience in Vietnam.
- Bobbi Bjork, community liaison and Mike Morgan, veteran representative with Rainier Springs shared about their upcoming grand opening celebration on September 5th from 3:45-7:00pm. Rainier Springs is a new inpatient and outpatient behavioral health facility that helps all adults suffering from mental illness, substance abuse and co-occurring disorders. They will begin taking patients the day after their grand opening. Rainier Springs is located at 2805 NE 129th Street, Vancouver WA 98686. For more information, please visit their website at www.rainiersprings.com

Announcements and Events:

- 1st Annual Veterans Car Wash will take place on August 25th-26th from 12pm-5pm. at the 40et8 Parking Lot and Boxcar Room located at 7607 NE 26th Ave, Vancouver WA 98665. All money raised goes towards the 40et8 programs. Cars \$10, Trucks \$15 and food available for purchase.
- 3rd Annual Warriors & Wheels Cruise-in supporting veterans is being sponsored by Clark County Veterans Assistance Center on Saturday August 25th from 10am-2pm at "The Field" located at SE 164th and SE Village Loop (SE 29th Street). Please contact CCVAC at (360) 693-7030 or pre-register online at www.ccvac.net/warriorsandwheelscruise-in. Pre-registration is \$10.00 for veterans and \$15.00 for all others.
- Veteran's Car and Motorcycle Show is being held on Labor Day, September 3rd from 10am to 3pm at the 40et8 located at 7607 NE 26th Ave, Vancouver WA 98665. For more information, please contact Earl Edwards at 360-513-8251.
- Campfires and Candlelight is taking place September 8, 2018 at Fort Vancouver National Historic Site located at 1501 E Evergreen Blvd., Vancouver, WA 9866 from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The event will feature reenactors who will portray residents of Vancouver from the 1840s through the 1940s. The event is free and open to the public.
- Julie Berger a CMAC member and long-time Red Cross Volunteer and now Ambassador to helping bring awareness to Alzheimer's has put together a team for Vancouver Walk to End Alzheimer's taking place on Sunday September 9th at Esther Short Park starting at 10am. For more information on how you can support Julie or join her team, please visit <https://act.alz.org/goto/WalktheWalkforALZ>
- Operation Salmon Salute Fishing Trip will take place on September 9th. They are looking for volunteers to help serve food the day of the event. For more information about the event, please contact Dion Hess at 360-213-9190.

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- Clark County Veterans Assistance Center's 2018 Stand Down & Expo will be held on Saturday September 15th at 9:00AM at the Vancouver VA Campus. The event is open to all veterans and their families.

For additional Upcoming Community Events, please visit our
Website: www.cmac11.com or

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If you would like to add your event to our Calendar of events, please email:
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