

**Community Military Appreciation Committee
Minutes
May 8, 2015**

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Larry Smith. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance led by Randy Warneke.
2. **Members Present:** Chairman Larry Smith, Chairman Dan Tarbell, Secretary Anita Stadey, and Treasurer Bruce Evans. Executive Board Members: Chaplain Randy Warneke, Advocate Morris Giesler (absent), Invitations/Flyers/Programs Samantha Whitley, Operations Jim Erixson with Randy Warneke, POW/MIA Project Manager Robert Bean (absent), Safety Roy Billings (absent), Supply and Website Bill Hauser, Gold Star Scholarships Dixie Hotaling, Ambassador Dan Sockle, and Member at Large Shane Gardner. [11]

Richard Alvarez (AM Vets VFW 7824), Merl Bieker (Vancouver Elks), Kyle Brown (Homes for Heroes), Julie Burger (American Red Cross), Tom Cates (PT Boat 658), Jim Czmowski (Young Marines), Jeff Davis (Vancouver Barracks Military Assoc.), Thomas Dombeck (Civil Air Patrol, 40 et 8, + A. L.), Jack Giesen (Oregon Military Vehicles), Phyllis Goldhammer (Oral Hull Foundation), David Hancock and Wendy “Cody” (NIVA), Jennifer Hibbs (Armed Forces Reserve Center), John Hopkins (CVD), Ed Howard (New Cadence Family), Kristina Johnson (Costco), Jerry Keen (40 et 8 Chef de Gar), Marc Lacey (Pearl Harbor Survivors), Tim McPharlin (Clark College Vet. Resource Center), James Mead (VA Medical Center Museum), Leonard Mills (Elks Lodge), David Moeglein (Life Members Social Worker), Bill Moorehouse (Buffalo Soldiers), Tiffany Plous (40 et 8), Frasier Raymond (Buffalo Soldiers), Billy Reeves (WSU Veterans Center), Bryndl Rohan (Costco), Peggy Ross (Pearl Harbor Survivors), Joyce Slemp (Emblem Club), Michael Stacey (Pure Kraze Productions), Steven Stanley (Young Marines), Tom Stillman (Clark Co. Veterans Community Garden), Jo Ann Strickland (VAVS and A.L. Auxiliary), Mike Twist (National Park Service), Marlena Varga (Homes for Heroes), Ralph Walker (Fotos with Flair), and Cody Wilhelm (Fairway Ind. Mortgage Co.), . Guests: Bill Kielmann (Motorcycle Repair), Chris Driggins and Eartha Green (Parrots for Patriots) [41]

3. **CMAC Guests:**

- A. **National Park Service – Mike Twist** will be taking over for Aaron Oacha.
- B. **Bill Kielmann** repairs motorcycles and offered to help Veterans with motorcycles either helping repair or teaching the basics for repair. Contact phone number 360-798-4758.
- C. **Northwest Bird Rescue “Parrots for Patriots” – Christopher Driggins** (1) would like to have some Veteran volunteers in uniform for the Starlight Parade, and (2) reported how parrots can help Veterans with PTSD. To apply for a parrot includes an application fee, classes, and meeting with your bird. Contact the “Bir-dman” at 360-247-3626 or northwestrescue@gmail.com. Visit their website www.northwestbirdrescue.org.

4. **CMAC News:**

- A. **CMAC Website** – No Report
- B. **Costco “Heroes Night” June 27th** – **Bryndl Rohan** announced that they still have more tables available for organizations to show their programs. See Newsletter for info.
- C. **Chief Redheart Ceremony – April 25th** Ceremony turned out great! This might be the last year, though.
- D. **July 4th “Celebrate Freedom and Children’s Parade”** – **Jack Giesen and Dan Sockle** reported everything is going well. Looking for Ron Powers to see if he will emcee the parade this year. Col. Dan Kern has come up with volunteers to carry the Gold Star Banners. Anyone interested in participating or volunteering in the parade will get free passes for the day.
- E. **Korean War Memorial Dedication – June 25th** 2:00 PM, behind City Hall at the VFW Plaza railroad berm. See Attachment. 1. MC Host Speaker – James Mead. Add VFW Color Guard. 14. Tent – Bill Hauser (Need address, security overnight, 5- 20X20 tents). Add Set-up.

5. **Memorial Day Ceremony – May 25th, 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

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 Press release next week.
7. **Invitations/Flyers/Programs** - Samantha Whitley Going out today!
8. **Honoree Drivers** –Marlene Varga No need this year.
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) 2/95th Division (2) Young Marines (3) Buffalo Soldiers (4) Northwest Indian Veteran Assoc.
15. **Bands** – Annette Allen (Vancouver Pipe Band) & 204th Band
16. **Taps** – 204th Band
17. **Singer** - Rey Reynolds (National Anthem, 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. Need to contact.
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. Set-up Friday at 8:00 AM.
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. Parking available at Hudson Bay parking.
32. **Public Transportation** - Tom Dombeck Have one C-Van vehicle and the Young Marines Bus for transportation.
33. **Radios** – Tom Dombeck Checking with the Amateur Radio Club.
34. **Security** – John Hopkins (CVI)
35. **Seating Escorts** – Doug Rhay
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. **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.

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 McEnerny- Ogle

45. **Outdoor Reception** – Anne McEnerny-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 21st 4:00 PM set-up, May 26th 4:00 PM take-down
49. **Memorial Site Flags** – Doug Rhay 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

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

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CMAC Meeting Dates

May 22 nd	Artillery Barracks	9:00 AM
June 12 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
June 26 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
July 24 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Aug. 14 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM
Aug. 28 th	40 et 8	8:30 AM

CMAC Events

May 25 th	Memorial Day Ceremony	11:00 AM
July 4 th	NPS Independence Day and Parade	

- 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