

**Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC)  
Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2018**

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith; Co-Chairman – Jim Erixson; Operations - Mike Burton (Excused); Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano Treasurer – Bruce Evans (Excused). Board Directors Present: Chaplain - James Mead, Supply/Website - Bill Hauser; Safety - Roy Billings (Excused); Advocates - Leonard Mills; Dan Sockle. Members at Large Present: Frazier Raymond; Sean Gibson (Excused); Alex Patterson; Denise Bender (Excused), Elizabeth Johnson (Excused), Samantha Whitley, and Teresa Wheeler [11]

CMAC Members Present: Steven Stanley (Marine Cadets), Jim Czmowki (Marine Cadets), Jeff Davis (VBMA); Patrick Locke (40et8), Patrick Vernier (Young Marines), Daniel Vossen (Klineline Kids Fishing), Tom Cates (Pt 658/40et8), Bob Day (Pt 658), Jerry Keen (40et8), Paul Stronge (WWII Veteran), Dion Hess (Ridgefield Outdoors), Dawn Marie Martin (Dignity Memorial), Dan Tabell (40et8), Judy Russel (CCVAC), Richard Alvarez (VWF/40et8), Jack Giesen (VBMA), Les Jo Lomax (CMAC), Michael Stacey (PureKraze), Bill Turley (City of Vancouver), Kenneth Wheeler (Army Recruiting), June Lasch (Red Cross), Annette A. Allen (40et8), Jim Moody (CMAC), and Cliff Taylor (40et8) [24]

Meeting called to order by Jim Erixson

1. Prayer: James Mead
2. Pledge of Allegiance: Jim Erixson

CMAC Scheduled Events:

- Our Community Salutes; April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30pm-Skyview High school. Our sponsors are McKay & Sposito and IQ Credit Union.
- Memorial Day Ceremony; May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:00am, Fort Vancouver National Park.

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:

		<u>CMAC Events</u>
Mar	23 <sup>rd</sup> *	
April	13 <sup>th</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup> *	
May	11 <sup>th</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup> *	Apr. 19 <sup>th</sup> Our Community Salutes 6:30pm
June	8 <sup>th</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup> *	May 28 <sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Ceremony 11am
July	13 <sup>th</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup> *	

\* Indicates Board Meeting directly following regular CMAC meeting

CMAC Summary

- Our Community Salutes program is coming up on April 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30pm at Skyview High School. We are encouraging veterans and the community to be there to help support our students and parents.

CMAC Guests:

- Rodger Morrison with Windhaven Therapeutic Riding shared about their program for wounded warriors and how it is making a difference in the lives of veterans suffering from PTSD and TBI. Their program is designed by veterans and the program is based on the latest science of how the brain heals. The program is individualized and progressive for the veteran. Horses are prepared as partners with natural horsemanship and their unique program allows the horse to choose the veteran. How does Therapeutic Riding help? The relationship between the veteran and the horse is the foundation for healing by intentionally using horse physiology to regulate human physiology, and horse psychology

to heal human psychology. Windhaven currently has an all-volunteer staff that dedicates their time and money to helping veterans. If you would like more information or would like to donate or volunteer, please contact Rodger Morrison at 503-422-1692 or visit their website at [www.windhaventherapeuticriding.org](http://www.windhaventherapeuticriding.org) or visit them on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/WHTR.Horses](http://www.facebook.com/WHTR.Horses).

- Dan Vossen with Klineline Kids Fishing shared about their 2018 Klineline Kids Fishing Derby coming up on April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> located at Klineline Pond. Each of the kids that participate in the event will be going home with a Fishing Rod and they need your help assembling them. If you are available to help assemble the 3600 ZEBCO Fishing Rods, the date to help is March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> from 3-8pm at 3300 N.W. Lower River Road, Port of Vancouver. Set up day will be on Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>. Special needs individuals fishing day will be Friday April 13<sup>th</sup> and The Main Kids Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup>. They need your help to make this a great event for the kids. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit their website at [www.klineline.kf.org](http://www.klineline.kf.org) or contact Dan Vossen at 360-600-7946 or email him at [Daniel.vossen@yahoo.com](mailto:Daniel.vossen@yahoo.com).
- Captain Kenneth Wheeler is a new member to CMAC and will be taking over the position that was previously held by Brian Boyd as the recruiter for the U.S. Army Recruiting Company here in Vancouver. Captain Wheeler attended WestPoint and flew Apache Helicopters during his time in the service. He was a Platoon Leader for the 101<sup>st</sup> Division and served time in Afghanistan. We are excited to have Captain Wheeler join us for Our Community Salutes in April and appreciate his service to our country.

#### Announcements and Events:

- Marine Cadets are selling Papa Murphy's Gift Cards to help raise money for their organization. Please see Steven Stanley if you would like to purchase the gift cards.
- LaFemme's Used Book Sale will be held in the 40et8 Boxcar Room on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and they are looking for donations. All proceeds will go to help support the 40et8 Programs. Please contact Judy Bailey at (360) 798-5166 or Mary Snyder at (360) 210-5493 for more info. You can also drop off your donations at our next CMAC meeting on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- PureKraze Events for Veterans will be honoring Vietnam Veterans at their Vietnam War Commemoration on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the Vancouver Mall near Starbucks.
- Clark County Veterans Assistance Center is holding their 2018 Raffle. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, you can contact CCVAC at 360-693-7030 or by email at [fundraising@ccvac.net](mailto:fundraising@ccvac.net).
- Costco Heroes Night will be held June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Costco on 192<sup>nd</sup>. The car show will start at 4pm. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact Dan Sockle at (360) 624-4478 or email [dsocket@gmail.com](mailto:dsocket@gmail.com) or Bob Day at [theday4@comcast.net](mailto:theday4@comcast.net).

For additional Upcoming Community Events: [See informational flyers at [www.cmac11.com](http://www.cmac11.com) – 'Events']

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