# Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC) Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2018

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith; Co-Chairman – Mike Burton; Operations – Leonard Mills, Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano Treasurer – Bruce Evans(Excused) Board Directors Present: Chaplain – James Mead, Supply/Website - Bill Hauser, Safety - Roy Billings; Advocates -Dan Sockle. Members at Large Present: Frazier Raymond, Sean Gibson(Excused), Alex Patterson(Excused); Denise Bender, Elizabeth Johnston(Excused), Samantha Whitley(Excused), Teresa Wheeler, Minh Pham [12]

CMAC Members Present: June Lasch (Red Cross), Ron Burby (Red Cross), Steven Stanley(Marine Cadets of WA), Richard McHugh (CVI-9), Ralph Walker (CMAC), Richard Alvarez(VFW), Jenny Greenmiller (The Trust), Bob Day (PT658), Carl Lingenfellow (40et8), Michael G. Langedorf (VSA), Dion Hess (Ridgefield Outdoors), John Posey( Patriot Guard Riders), Marlene Varga (Home with Heroes), Debbie Crawford (Young Marines), Chris Wright (Young Marines), Pamela Libby (CMAC), Morris Giesler (40et8), Joey Fuerstenberg (Vancouver Granite), Claudia Cardenas (Race to Remember), Wyatt Arnall (Elect Carolyn Long), Patrick Locke (40et8), Dan Vossen (Klineline Fishing), Joyce Slemp (Emblem Club) [23]

## Meeting called to order by Larry Smith

1. Prayer: James Mead

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Burton

#### CMAC Scheduled Events:

- CMAC support of Veterans Day Parade Ceremony, Saturday November 10 starting at 9:30am at the Providence Academy located at 400 E Evergreen Blvd #105, Vancouver, WA 98660
- CMAC Christmas Party-Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> from 5pm-7pm-40et8 Chateau

<u>CMAC Meeting Dates</u>: 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:

Nov  $2^{\text{nd}*}$  40et8 Boxcar Room 8:30AM Nov  $16^{\text{th}}$  40et8 Bingo Hall 8:30AM

(\*) Executive Board Meeting follows

#### **CMAC Summary:**

- Mike announced CMAC Secretary, Stephanie Collazo will take on responsibility for coordinating future receptions at CMAC events and will be looking for members and outside community partners who would like to volunteer throughout the year helping serve refreshments.
- CMAC will be sponsoring the speaker for the Veterans Day Parade and will be participating in the ceremony taking place at Providence Academy on November 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:30am. Joyce Slemp with The Emblem Club will be serving refreshments at the reception.
- Larry announced the next cleanup date for the Clark County War Memorial will be on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. 3 Creeks Rotary Club, Vancouver Granite, and Frontier Landscaping have stepped up to help The National Parks ensure the memorial is taken care of. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Larry Smith.
- Mike shared Tricare Open Session for dental and vision starts November 1<sup>st</sup>. or more information, please visit their website at <a href="https://www.tricare.benefeds.com">www.tricare.benefeds.com</a>

• Leonard announced he will no longer be serving on the Board as Operations Director but will still be attending CMAC meetings on behalf of Vancouver Elks.

### **CMAC Guests:**

- Jenny Greenmiller with the National Historic Trust announced the Lough Legacy Veterans Day Parade will be taking place on Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup> starting at 11am and still has spots open. If you are interested in registering to participate in the parade or would like more information on this year's event, please visit the Trusts website at <a href="https://www.thehistorictrust.org/calendar/veterans-parade/">https://www.thehistorictrust.org/calendar/veterans-parade/</a>
- Dion Hess shared US Fish and Wildlife will be opening a veteran only hunt on Veterans Day. The event will conclude with a celebration honoring veterans starting at 3 pm in downtown Ridgefield. For more information on the event, please contact Dion Hess.
- John Posey with Patriot Guard Riders shared about their effort to honor those who were killed in action by holding their "Never Forget the Fallen" Remembrance Ceremonies throughout the year at The Clark County War Memorial. The next ceremony will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 12pm at the Clark County War Memorial at Ft Vancouver Barracks (Ft Vancouver Way and McClellan Drive). They will be honoring US Marine Corps S/Sgt David G. Ries. For more information on upcoming ceremonies, please contact John Posey with Patriot Guard Riders at <a href="mailto:jposey@corpsecure.com/360-571-2998">jposey@corpsecure.com/360-571-2998</a> or visit our website at <a href="mailto:www.cmac11.com">www.cmac11.com</a>
- Claudia Cardenas with Race to Remember shared about their upcoming Race to Remember-Veterans Day Race taking place on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 5<sup>th</sup> and Ft. Vancouver Way. Race to Remember is a non-profit whose mission is to honor our past and present military heroes. They have several events throughout the year and are currently looking current and past military members who would like to have a "Honor Poster" displayed of them at Race to Remember events. For more information, please visit their website at <a href="www.racetoremember.com">www.racetoremember.com</a> or visit their Facebook page at <a href="www.facebook.com/racetoremember">www.facebook.com/racetoremember</a>.

#### Announcements and Events:

- Fort Vancouver High School is holding their annual Veterans Day Assembly and Brunch on Thursday November 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am at 5700 E 18th St., Vancouver, WA 98661.
- Frontier Middle School is hosting their annual Veterans Day Ceremony on Friday November 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am at 7600 NE 166th Ave, Vancouver, WA 98682.
- Vancouver Elks Lodge is hosting a turkey dinner for veterans on November 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 6pm.
- Marine Corps Dinner will be taking place at American Legion Post 14 on November 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 5pm. Please see Bill Hauser for more information.
- Clark County Veterans Assistance Center presents Storm City Rollers fundraising event on Saturday November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Clark County Events Center. Doors open at 5pm and bout starts at 6pm.
- Hiring Event Honoring Veterans. November 14<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm at the Armed Forces Reserve Center located at 15005 NE 65<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver WA 98682. For more information, please contact Monique Martin with Worksource at 360-735-4985 or email her at <a href="mailto:momartin@esd.wa.gov">momartin@esd.wa.gov</a>. <a href="mailto:nerickson@financialguide.com">nerickson@financialguide.com</a>

- Lewis and Clark Young Marines Wreaths Across America which is a national program to help place wreaths on the graves of those who have served is selling wreaths through December 1<sup>st</sup>. To find out more about how you can purchase a wreath for this wonderful program, please visit their Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/lcym2002/">https://www.facebook.com/lcym2002/</a>. You can also email Debbie at <a href="PAO@LCYM.org">PAO@LCYM.org</a> or visit their website at <a href="www.LCYM.org">www.LCYM.org</a> for more information.
- For every new or used car, truck, boat, motorcycle, RV, snowmobile, or ATV loan made between October 1<sup>st</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup>, Columbia Credit Union will give \$100.00 to these three-local veteran organizations, (CMAC, Returning Veterans Project, and Home with Heroes). For more information, please visit their website at <a href="https://www.columbiacu.org/">https://www.columbiacu.org/</a>.
- La Societe de Femmes are hosting their 2018 Holiday Craft Bazaar on November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> from 9am-4pm in the 40et8 Boxcar Room located at 7607 NE 26<sup>th</sup> Ave, Vancouver WA 98665. There will be a variety of craft vendors as well as a huge bake sale. All proceeds go to support 40et8 Child Welfare programs. For more information about the event, please contact Mary Snyder at 360-210-5493.

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

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If you would like to add your event to our Calendar of events, please email: Stephanie Collazo-Serrano, at CMAC11.Secretary@gmail.com

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