

## Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC) Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2020

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith, Co-Chairman – Mike Burton; Operations-Marlene Varga, 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, Alex Patterson (Excused); Denise Bender, Elizabeth Johnston (Excused), Samantha Whitley, Teresa Wheeler, Minh Pham, Ron Powers (Excused), Sarah Hannon [15]

CMAC Members Present: Steven Stanley (Marine Cadets of WA), Ray Kutch (CMAC), Juanita Swinehart (CMAC), Carl Lingenfelter (40et8) Geri Stuart (Blue Star Mothers), Patrick Locke (40et8), June Lasch (Red Cross), Ralph Walker (CMAC), Morris Giesler (40et8), Richard McHugh (CVI), David Perez (JHB), Tonya Wark (PIC), Frank Matlock (40et8), Pat Spring (CMAC), Mike Stacy (Pure Kraze), Amanda McCallum (1<sup>st</sup> Choice), Theresa Roldan (Red Cross), Ron Ostrander (CMAC), Mike Morgan (Rainer Springs), Bryan Stebbins (Senator Murray), Dan Vossen (40et8), Tom Cates (PT-658), Sarah Fox (City Council), Jay Williams (CMAC), Bryndl Rohan (Costco), Kristina Johnson (Costco), Carol Bausch (CMAC), [27]

Meeting called to order by Larry Smith

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

### CMAC Scheduled Events:

- Our Community Salutes-April 8<sup>th</sup>-6:30pm at Skyview High School, 1300 NW 139th St. Vancouver, WA 98685
- Memorial Day Ceremony-May 25<sup>th</sup>-Fort Vancouver-11am
- Costco Heroes Night-June 13<sup>th</sup>-East Vancouver Costco-Details to be announced.

### CMAC Meeting Dates:

Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>	40et8	8:30AM
Feb 21 <sup>st</sup> *	40et8	8:30AM
Mar 6 <sup>th</sup>	40et8	8:30AM
Mar 20*	40et8	8:30AM
Apr 3 <sup>rd</sup>	40et8	8:30AM
Apr 17 <sup>th</sup> *	40et8	8:30AM

(\* ) Executive Board Meeting follows

### CMAC Summary:

- Larry announced that Dion Hess has stepped down as our Operations Director to focus on his full-time job and fishing/hunting events.
- Larry shared that Marlene Varga will be our new Operations Director and CMAC member Mike Morgan will step up as our Co-Operations Director.
- Dan Sockle shared that Bob Day needs to step back from helping plan Costco Heroes Night and Ron Powers will step in with helping plan alongside Costco.
- Larry encouraged members to invite others to join in learning more about CMAC.
- 
- Sean went over the details of Our Community Salutes.

Guest Speakers

- Mike Stacy with Pure Kraze presented CMAC member Pat Spring with a plaque in honor of her cousin Corporal Thomas L. Jones.

Events and Announcements

- The LaFemmes are holding a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner Fundraiser benefiting Child Welfare on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00-6:30pm in the 40 et 8 Boxcar Room. Advance Tickets are available for \$12.00. Please text Mary Snyder at 360-798-4308 for tickets and additional information.
- Clark County Veterans Assistance Center is holding Boots, Chaps & Cowboy Hats Fundraiser on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm at Ilani Casino located at 1 Cowlitz Way Ridgefield, WA. There will be a best dressed cowboy content, dinner, line dancing, and auction. For more information and to get your tickets, please visit their website at <https://ccvac.net/> or [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/boots-chaps-cowboy-hats-2020-tickets-. 75197193831](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/boots-chaps-cowboy-hats-2020-tickets-.75197193831).
- Americans for Veterans Foundation is hosting a Gala event fundraiser at the Black Pearl on the Columbia to help raise money for their Veterans Village. The event will take place on March 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm-10:00pm. There will be fine dining, dancing, and an auction. For more information on the event, please contact Ron Fryer at 360-608-4443 or visit their website at <https://americaforveteransfoundation.org/>.
- Look for The Smithsonian channel to air a series titled "Combat Ships" starting in April 2020. A segment on PT boats is planned to be included. The filming, using PT658, the only authentically restored and operational PT boat remaining in the world, was completed in September, 2019. Smithsonian can be found on Comcast channels 270 and 809 in Vancouver.
- Volunteers are needed for the 2020 National Veterans Wheel Chair Games being held in Portland, July 3-8, 2020. They are in need of 4000 plus volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Daniel E. Herrigstad, Public Relations Officer with the VA Portland Health Care System at [Daniel.herrigstad@va.gov](mailto:Daniel.herrigstad@va.gov)

'Like us' on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/CommunityMilitaryAppreciationCommittee/](http://www.facebook.com/CommunityMilitaryAppreciationCommittee/)  
Or visit us at our website at [www.cmac11.com](http://www.cmac11.com)

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

**CMAC Mailing Address**

O.O. Howard House  
750 Andresen St. Suite C  
Vancouver, WA 98660  
360.992.1816