# Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC) Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2021 VIA Zoom

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith, Co-Chairman – Mike Burton; Operations-Marlene Varga, Mike Morgan (Excused), Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano Treasurer – Bruce Evans, Board Directors Present: Chaplain - James Mead (Excused) Supply/Website - Bill Hauser, Safety - Roy Billings (Excused), Outreach -Dan Sockle, Members at Large Present: Frazier Raymond (Excused), Sean Gibson, Alex Patterson (Excused); Denise Bender (Excused), Elizabeth Johnston (Excused), Samantha Whitley, Teresa Wheeler (Excused), Minh Pham, Ron Powers, Jay Williams, Michelle Marra [13]

CMAC Members Present: Tom Barton (Radio Club), June Lasch (American Red Cross), Barbara Bannon (CMAC), helsea White (Red Cross), Pat Spring (CMAC), [5]

Meeting called to order by Larry Smith

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Burton
- 2. Prayer/Inspiration: Larry Smith

# CMAC Scheduled Events:

- Patriots Day Ceremony-Saturday, September 11, 2021, Vancouver Waterfront-9am-in partnership with the City of Vancouver.
- Veterans Day Open House-November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021- directly following the Historic Trust Veterans Day Parade– Time TBD-Hudson Bay High School

### CMAC 2021 40 et 8 and Zoom

Aug 20 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Oct 1st	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Oct 15 <sup>th</sup>	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM

# **CMAC Summary**

- Marlene Varga went over the Patriots Day Agenda. This year's event is in partnership with the City of Vancouver and is the 1<sup>st</sup> major event being held at the Vancouver Waterfront. Marlene is working closely with the City of Vancouver to plan the event. The PT Boat along with some Fire Boats will be out on the water during the event as possibly a flyover during the event. Sarah Hannon has graciously stepped up to help Marlene plan the event and will be working on the sponsorship packets. Marlene shared they are meeting with the planners of this event next week and will have an update at our next meeting on August 20<sup>th</sup>. Please email Marlene if you are able to help with this year's event at <a href="marlenemvarga@gmail.com">marlenemvarga@gmail.com</a> or Stephanie at <a href="marlenemvarga@gmail.com">cmacl1.secretary@gmail.com</a>.
- Larry shared this year's Veterans Day Open House will duplicate what we did for Veterans Day Open House in 2019 and will be in partnership with the National Historic Trust. We will discuss more about this event at upcoming meetings.

#### **Events/Announcements**

• The Clark County Historical Museum (CCHM) has announced the launch of its membership drive on August 1st, 2021. (Information below taken directly from their press release). For over 100 years, the Clark County Historical Society and Museum has worked to gather, save, and share the history of Clark County. For the entire month of August, you'll have an opportunity to make a lasting impact and invest in this important work. Membership in the organization will be used to create community-driven exhibits, engaging programs, such as historical walking tours and locally-focused talks, and save the stories and pieces of our community's history. The CCHM will also be asking community members to serve as History Ambassadors and help grow our membership. Weekly social media posts will update the public on this fun competition. To find out more about membership with CCHM, become a member, and learn more about being a History Ambassador please visit - <a href="https://cchmuseum.org/membership/">https://cchmuseum.org/membership/</a>. For more information, contact the museum at 360-993-5679 or outreach@cchmuseum.org

The museum will also have a new Women's History Exhibit as well as its continued display of military relics and displays. For information on the full press release, please contact Stephanie at <a href="mailto:cmail

- Sound the Alarm: Save a Life. The American Red Cross is offering virtual home fire safety educations sessions to the community. From the comfort of your home, you and a trained Red Cross volunteer, will discuss your home fire escape plan, practicing your 2-minute drill, testing smoke alarms, and other key home fire safety tips. To request and appointment, please visit redcross.org/cascades. Email: <a href="mailto:preparedness@redcross.org">preparedness@redcross.org</a> or call (503) 528-5783.
- REACH Too is hosting a Veterans Support Circle the last Thursday of each month starting at 5pm starting July 29<sup>th</sup> at the REACH Center, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd, Building 17 (in the basement)
- Virtual workshops for living with chronic pain. There is more information about the upcoming workshops on our website. To register for their virtual events taking place from February through November, please call 564-397-5700 or email zena edwards@wsu.edu.
- Dave Casteel shared in a prior meeting about the Burn Pit Registry and if you know of anyone exposed to Burn Pits, please have them register using this link <a href="https://veteran.mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry/#page/home">https://veteran.mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry/#page/home</a>.
- Hoops for H.O.P.E is a 3-3 Basketball Event benefiting veterans and their families being held August 20-22, 2021 at the Vancouver Mall Parking Lot. This event is put on by H.O.P.E and there is opportunity for youth, adult, wheelchair, and elite teams to play. To register to participate or learn more about volunteering, sponsoring, or attending the event, please visit their website at <a href="https://www.hopeforthegood.org">www.hopeforthegood.org</a> or phone at 360-644-7199.

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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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