

**Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC)
Meeting Minutes of August 20, 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 (Excused)- Roy Billings, 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, Minh Pham, Ron Powers, Jay Williams, Michelle Marra [12]

CMAC Members Present: Patrick Locke (40et8), Jerry Keen (40et8), Steven Stanley (Marine Cadets), Dick Halvorson (CDM Caregiving), Tom Barton (Radio Club), Bob Day (PT Boat) June Lasch (American Red Cross) Dale Rex (CMAC), Pat Spring (CMAC), Ralph Walker (CMAC), Morris Geisler (40et8), Richard McHugh (CVI), Curt Loop (AUSA), Ron Ostrander (CMAC), Keith Hyde (Fallen Outdoors) [15]

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 6th, 2021- directly following the Historic Trust Veterans Day Parade– Time TBD-Hudson Bay High School
- Our Community Salutes-March 30, 2022-Skyview Highschool

CMAC 2021 40 et 8 and Zoom

Sept 3 rd	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Sept 17 th	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Oct 1 st	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Oct 15 th	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM

CMAC Summary

- Marlene Varga went over the Patriots Day Agenda and shared an arial map of where the event will take place on the waterfront. We are waiting for final approval for the flyover. The doves will be released from the PT Boat. Final details for the bus shuttle are being worked out. There is another planning meeting next week and Marlene will update us on the progress of the event at our Sept 3rd meeting.
- Larry shared this year's Veterans Day Open House is still being planned for Hudson Bay High School for November 6th following the Veterans Day Parade. We will know more as the time progresses and school opens back up.

- Curt Loop with AUSA shared their recent fundraising event was a success and they were able to raise money for area soldiers and their families.
- Larry shared that Bob Knight head of his Rotary Club and Dave Daly, head of the Veterans Resource Center at Clark College to reach out to Afghan Veterans to be of assistance to them. Mike Burton shared the VA has a resource page for Afghan veterans as well
- Keith Hyde from the Fallen Outdoors shared about an upcoming fishing event for Vietnam Veterans. The event will take place on September 25th in the Camas/Washougal Area. This is a Vietnam Veteran Only event and you must pre-register. There will be a catered lunch afterwards. If you are interested in being a part of the fishing event, please contact Keith at 360-772-0996.

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 - <https://cchmuseum.org/membership/> . 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 cmac11.secretary@gmail.com

- 40 et 8 is hosting their Annual Car Show Labor Day Car Show on September 6th from 10am-3pm. \$20.00 entry fee per car. Vendor space available. Raffle Prizes. Event is at the 40 et 8 located at 2809 NE 78th Street, Vancouver WA 98665. For more information contact Earl Edwards at 360-513-8251.
- Sound the Alarm: Save a Life. The American Red Cross is offering virtual home fire safety education 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 an appointment, please visit redcross.org/cascades. Email: preparedness@redcross.org or call (503) 528-5783.
- REACH Too is hosting a Veterans Support Circle the last Thursday of each month starting at 5pm starting July 29th 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.

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- 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 <https://veteran.mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry/#page/home> .

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If you would like to add your event to our Calendar of events, please email:
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