

**Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC)
Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2021
40 et 8 and VIA Zoom**

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith, Co-Chairman– Mike Burton (Excused); Operations-Marlene Varga, Mike Morgan (Excused), Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano (Excused) Treasurer – Bruce Evans, Board Directors Present: Chaplain - James Mead (Excused) Supply/Website - Bill Hauser- Safety-Roy Billings, Outreach -Dan Sockle (Excused), Members at Large Present: Frazier Raymond (Excused), Sean Gibson, Alex Patterson (Excused); Denise Bender (Excused), Elizabeth Johnston (Excused), Samantha Whitley (Excused), Teresa Wheeler, Minh Pham (Excused), Ron Powers, Jay Williams, Michelle Marra (Excused) [10]

CMAC Members Present: Tom Barton (Radio Club), Bob Day (PT Boat), Cross), Pat Spring (CMAC), Steven Stanley (Marine Cadets), Ralph Walker (CMAC), Ron Ostrander (CMAC), Les Lomax (40et8), Si Lewis (CMAC), Jerry Keen (40et8), Barbara Bannon (Red Cross), Amanda McCullum (1st Choice), Curt Loop (AUSA), [5]

Meeting called to order by Larry Smith

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

CMAC Scheduled Events:

- Veterans Day Recognition Event-Thursday, November 11th, 11am-in front of the Vancouver Artillery Barracks.
- Our Community Salutes-March 30, 2022-Skyview Highschool

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Oct 15 th	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Oct 29 th	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM
Nov 12 th	40 et 8 and Zoom	8:30 AM

CMAC Summary

- Larry made closing remarks on our 9/11 Remembrance event.
- Since we are unable to hold the Veterans Day Open House at Hudson Bay and recent updates that the Veterans Day Parade has been cancelled by the Trust. Instead, we have changed the plans and will partner with the Trust this year to hold a Veterans Day Recognition event in front of the Vancouver Barracks on Veterans Day, November 11th, 2021 starting at 11am. This will tie into showcasing the *Fighting for the Right to Fight Exhibit* taking place inside Artillery Barracks. More details of the event will be shared at our October 15th meeting.
- Larry discussed a possible Holiday event to thank our sponsors and volunteers. Marlene will work on getting information together and share more at our next meeting.
- Larry thanked the Patriot Guard Riders for hosting their Never Forgotten Ceremonies this year.
- The next CMAC Board meeting will be Friday, October 8th at 8:30am via Zoom.

Events/Announcements

- The National Historic Trust is hosting the traveling exhibit, *fighting for the Right to Fight, African American Experience in WWII*. The exhibit will be held in the Artillery Barracks Meeting Room October 1, 2021-January 15, 2022. The address is 600 Hatheway Road, Vancouver WA. The Exhibit will include artifacts as well as individual war time stories. You can learn more about the exhibit by visiting <http://righttofightexhibit.org/home/> OR VISIT THE TRUST'S WEBSITE AT <https://www.thehistorictrust.org/fighting-for-the-right-to-fight/> . They are also looking for volunteers to help with this event. Please contact Michelle at Michelle.Marra@thehistorictrust.org if you are able to help.
- 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.
- 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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