

**Community Military Appreciation Committee (CMAC)
Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2022
40et8 Boxcar and VIA Zoom**

Executive Board Members Present: Co-Chairman – Larry Smith, Co-Chairman– Mike Burton; Operations-Marlene Varga (Excused), Secretary – Stephanie Collazo-Serrano, Treasurer – Bruce Evans, Board Directors Present: Chaplain - James Mead (Excused) Supply/Website - Bill Hauser, Safety-Roy Billings, Outreach -Dan Sockle, Members at Large Present: Donal Singleton, Aaron Ochoa, Sean Gibson, Elizabeth Johnston (Excused), Samantha Whitley (Excused), Teresa Wheeler, Minh Pham (Excused), Ron Powers (Excused), Jay Williams, Michelle Marra (Excused), Sarah Nein (Excused), Steven Stanley, Bryndl Rohan (Excused), Rod Williams, Paulette Fryar (Excused), [14]

CMAC Members Present: Judith Johnson (CCVAC), Pat Spring (CMAC), June Lasch (Red Cross), Tom Barton (Radio Club), Les Lomax (40et8), Glenn Fischer (VFW), Richard McHugh (CVI), Ralph Harris (Red Cross), Anne McEnery-Ogle (City of Vancouver), Terry Ogle (City of Vancouver), David Shehorn (CMAC), Bill Crist (AUSA), Geri Stuart (Blue Star Mothers), Larry Clifton (40et8), Anne Phillips (CLT at Home), Tom Cates (PT Boat), Darvin Zimmerman (1st Responders Board), Thao Tu (Vietnamese Community of OR), Ralph Walker (CMAC) [19]

Meeting called to order by Larry Smith
Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Burton
Prayer/Inspiration: Steven Stanley

CMAC Scheduled Events:

- Veterans Day Open House, Saturday, November 5th, 11am, Artillery Barracks

CMAC 2022 40 et 8 and Zoom

Oct 28th 40et8 and Zoom 8:30 AM
Nov 11th 40et8 and Zoom 8:30 AM

CMAC Summary

- Larry Smith shared The National Historic Trust will be holding the Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 5th and the parade route will look much like it did in 2018. The reviewing stand will be out in front of the Marshall House with a reception taking place inside. The reception will be by invite only due to space. So far, The Trust has about 55 entries. The Grand Marshall will be John Kaiser. MOAA will be providing coffee and pastries outside the Marshall House that the Red Cross will be giving out.
- Jay Williams shared our Veterans Day Open House will take place at the Artillery Barracks following the Veterans Day Parade and will consist of businesses and organizations that support the veteran community. There will be refreshments provided by local businesses. Both the Parade and the Open House will be sponsored by Columbia Credit Union. If you know of an organization or business that would be interested in having a table at the Open House, please contact Jay at jay.williams@comcast.net. There

is no cost for a table, but we ask that you bring a door prize. Tables and chairs will be provided by the Trust.

- Larry Smith shared Marlene Varga will be stepping back as CMAC's Operations Director to spend more time with her family. We will be looking for someone to take over her position.
- Dan Sockle shared if you are interested in ordering a CMAC shirt or hat, please contact him at dsocket@gmail.com.
- Anne Phillips with CLT at Home shared she has a veteran who lives in Washougal who has three recliners that he would like to give away to another veteran or veteran organization. They are in good shape, swivel, and rock. They would have to be picked up as he does not have a way to transport them. If anyone is interested or knows someone who could use one or all three, please contact Anne Phillips at 360-690-6600 or by email at anne.phillips@cltathome.com and she will get you connected with the veteran.
- Glenn Fischer with the VFW gave an update on the Wall Mural. They still have a section to complete and last weekend sealed the sections that are completed. He will let us know when the dedication ceremony is.
- Dan shared the Guest Speakers Bureau is still coming along and they are looking for veterans to share their experiences. If you are interested or would like to know more about it, please contact Dan at dsocket@gmail.com
- David Shehorn with Toastmasters shared if you are interested in learning more about Toastmasters, you are invited to join them at their next event taking place on October 29th at the 40et8 Boxcar.

Events/Announcements

- Do you love to learn and share stories? The National Historic Trust is seeking volunteers to serve as docents/tour guides at the Marshall House on historic Officers Row and Providence Academy. If you are in volunteering, please contact Michelle at Michelle.Marra@thehistorictrust.org or you can fill out an online volunteer form at complete a volunteer inquiry form: <https://www.thehistorictrust.org/volunteer/>
- The First Responders of SW WA is putting on a Dinner Concert to honor 1st Responders and the legacy of the Buffalo Soldiers on October 28th from 5pm to 9pm at the Living Hope Church Living Hope Church, 2711 NE Andresen Road, Vancouver WA. Great entertainment throughout the evening. Ticket prices are online \$20 Individual and \$50 Family. At the door \$30 Individual and \$70 Family. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/people/The-Veterans-First-Responders-Board-of-SW-WA/100080435926239/>
- Mountain View High School will be holding their Veterans Day Assembly on November 8th starting at 8:50am. They are inviting CMAC veterans to arrive from 8:00 to 8:30am to be greeted in their main office and present during our appreciation of their armed forces.

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

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