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AMVETS

Jonathan M Wainwright
Post # 1111
Walla Walla, Washington
Chartered in the year 2000



Veterans Serving Veterans and our Community

“PATRIOT DAY”

“LET FREEDOM RING”

Thursday September 11th - 3:00 PM
At Walla Walla’s Pioneer Park

A special event hosted by the
“Blue Mountain Veteran’s Coalition”
to commemorate “Patriot Day”
will be held Thursday from 3:00 to 11:00 pm
in Pioneer Park .

AMVETS will Post the Colors at the opening ceremony
and will conduct a ceremony at 5:00 pm, with the assistance of
Boy Scout Troop 305, to retire worn and faded American flags.

“Let Freedom Ring” will include a Memorial Service
at 6:00 pm, motivational speakers, patriotic displays,
food, entertainment and a raffle.

September 2008

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WW Fair & Frontier Days Parade
Saturday—August 30, 2008
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Vice Commander's Report

August was a great month. Kudos to all those involved in our August events - the Downtown Flags, Walla Walla Fair, Float and Parade, and the Shuttle drivers at the fair. Way to go Ken Paplinski, Steve Bird, Tami Siddle, Arnil Hoffarth, the Boy Scouts, and moms and dads of Troop 305!

The Quail Run Retirement Center visit was exceptional. Thanks to Sandi Daudt, her daughter and grand daughter; Roxanne Hinkle, Steve Bird, Arnil Hoffarth, Bruce Murr, and the Center residents who participated. Their recollections were inspiring.

Ms. Logan's husband (LT USNavy served in the Philippines). Ms. Lasalle's husband and his brother were aboard the USS Missouri on December 7th. Her husband survived but his brother did not. Ms. Kirk served in the Navy. Mr. Burns USMC spent 200 days in the Balboa Naval Hospital while his buddies were off to Tarawa. Ms. Bergman USN worked in communications at San Diego during the Korean War. Her husband, Art, US Army, served in the occupation of Japan. He is an AF Retiree with 44 years of service. He has been active in aviation as a pilot, CAP, Commander, Aircraft owner, DAV Life Member, and other veteran groups. Mr. Kyle, US Army, was a medic during the Battle of the Bulge.

What will be next? The September Post meeting will recognize our Air Force members and those with September birthdays. Be there.

Our first VA Bingo event will be held September 18th, 6:30 PM, at the VA MC. We can use some help. Call 522-0939.

There is no retirement center visit schedule for September. Your assistance and suggestions are welcome and will be appreciated. Norm Graybeal 2nd VC

VETERANS SERVING VETERANS AND THE COMMUNITY

The following figures reflect the hours Post Members have spent supporting various activities during the past two months and for two days in September. These are hours that can be reported in the AMVETS Monthly Report. The figures presented will be explained at the September Post Meeting. The figures are subject to change prior to being submitted to AMVETS on a monthly basis or before the end of the year.

July: Personnel 52, Clock Hours 12.25, Total Hours 61

August: Personnel 49, Clock Hours 16.5, Total Hours 71

September: Personnel 13, Clock Hours 2, Total Hours 9.5

Norm Graybeal, 2nd VC

Welcome Aboard

New members

Marvin Wood—Walla Walla WA

Mary Tock—College Place WA

Robin Gorashi— College Place WA
Sandra Vande Hey— Walla Walla WA

AMVETS POST #IIII NEWSLETTER

Published Monthly

For members and those who support
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Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days Parade

A Blue Ribbon Achievement for AMVETS Post #IIII

Thanks to the Schack Family !!!

The 15 X 25 foot flag (normally flown at 1st & Main Streets) was cleaned, repaired, and modified by seamstress Jan Schack. The trailer was fitted with flagpole holders by Don & Jan's Son Pat. Don & Jan, son Pat, and two grandsons, Daniel & Taylor with the help of two more AMVETS, Steve Bird and Jim Irwin, prepared the float for the parade. Don drove the vehicle while Pat made sure the tall float passed safely under all the wires on the parade route. Boy Scout, Daniel Taggart of Troop 305, handed out small flags along the route with the help of Commander Steve Bird and Taylor & Daniel Schack.

Vehicle passengers were Don & Jan Schack and Jim & Shirley Irwin.

First place for Community Service float.



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 Walla Walla Wagon Wheelers
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Washington National Guard Troops send-off on August 18th 2008

Photos from Royce Tollman



September 2008

- 1 Labor Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 6 Wheelin' Weekend (Downtown Flags)**
- 11 Patriot Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 18 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
Post Recognition: Birthdays, Air Force members and POW-MIA
- 18 Bingo at VAMC 6:30 PM Building 66**
- 19 POW/MIA Recognition (Downtown Flags)**
- 22 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

October 2008

- 9 Vets Visiting Vets 6:30 PM Wheatland Village**
- 13 Columbus Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 15 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
Post Recognition: Birthdays, Navy, Women in the Military, Operation Enduring Freedom
- 16 Bingo at VAMC 6:30 PM Building 66**
- 27 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**
- 27 Navy Day**

November 2008

- 10 Marine Corps Day**
- 11 Veterans Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 19 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
Post Recognition: Birthdays, Marine Corps members
- 20 Bingo at VAMC 6:30 PM Building 66**
- 24 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

December 2008

- 7 Pearl Harbor Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 10 AMVETS of WWII founded 1944**
- 17 AMVETS meeting—Christmas dinner 6 pm**
Post Recognition: Birthdays, Pre-WWII Members
- 18 Bingo at VAMC 6:30 PM Building 66**
- 22 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**
- 25 Christmas**

January 2009

- 1 New Years Day**
- 19 Martin Luther King (Downtown Flags)**
- 21 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 26 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

February 2009

- 16 Presidents Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 18 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 23 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

March 2009

- 18 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 23 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

April 2009

- 22 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 27 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

May 2009

- 20 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 26 Memorial Day (Downtown Flags)**
- ?? Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

June 2009

- 14 Flag Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 17 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 22 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

July 2009

- 4 Independence Day (Downtown Flags)**
- 16 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 27 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**

August 2009

- 19 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm**
- 24 Post Exec. Comm. Meeting 6 pm**
- 29 WW Fair & Frontier Days (Downtown Flags)**

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September 17th Meeting

6:00 pm Potluck Dinner

7:00 pm Meeting starts

Golden West Estates Community room

1425 Jasper St

Walla Walla WA

Directions:

**South off West Rose on Jade St.
past the Driver License Dept. then right
on Jasper to the middle of the block**

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DOWNTOWN WALLA WALLA FLAGS

We are now starting our 8th year of providing the downtown with holiday flags.

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Flags will fly on the following upcoming holidays.

Sept 1st—Labor Day

Sept 6th—Wheelin' Weekend

Sept—11th Patriot Day

Sept 19th—POW/MIA Day

Nov 11th—Veteran's Day