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Statue Dedication 1996
Walla Walla WA

AMVETS

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



Veterans Serving Veterans and our Community

Independence Day Schedule

Sunday July 4th

6:00 AM Downtown Walla Walla Flags

7:00 Breakfast

8:00 Set-up in Pioneer Park

10:00 AM Post Flags in Pioneer Park

4:00 PM Flag Ceremony Walla Walla Sweets Ball Game

5:30 PM Retire Flags in Pioneer Park

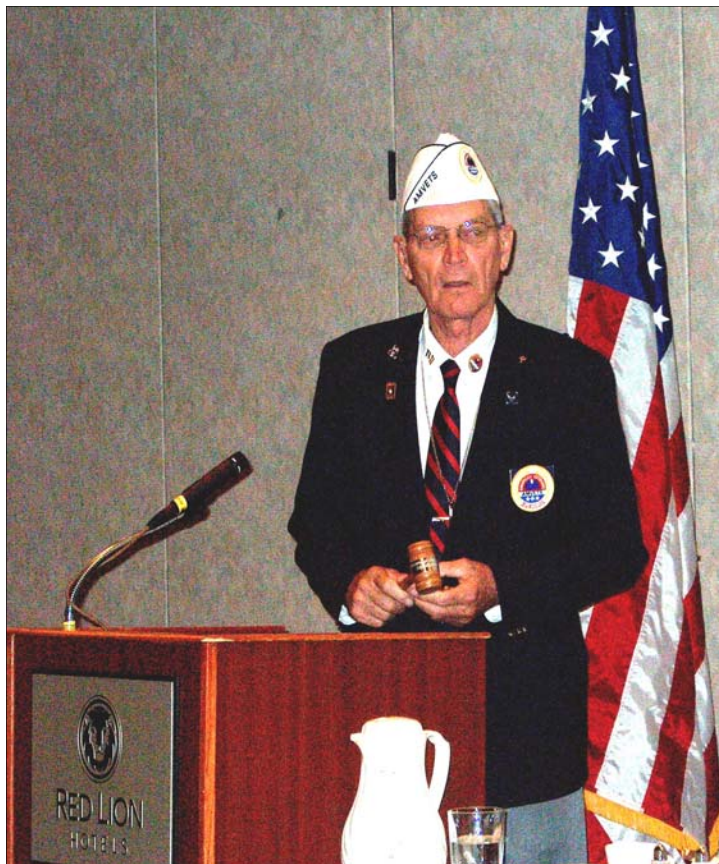
6:00 PM Retire Downtown Walla Walla Flags

July 2010

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New State Commander



Walla Walla resident **Don Schack, USAF Retired** receives the gavel as the new AMERICAN VETERANS (AMVETS) State of Washington Department Commander following elections held during the State Convention held at the Pasco Red Lion Hotel June 12, 2010. Don Schack has been an active supporter and advocate for Veteran causes locally for quite some time and now is becoming active at the State level. Earlier this year Don was nominated and appointed to the Washington State Governor's "Veteran Advisory Board" and now as the AMVETS State Commander he is in position to advocate for Veteran causes at both the local and state level. Don also currently serves as the Chair for the local Veterans Relief Advisory Committee which administers the county soldiers and sailors relief fund. As a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post # 992, American Legion Walter C Lee Post # 32, Walla Walla Jonathan M. Wainwright AMVETS Post #1111 and the Blue Mountain Veterans Coalition there are few if any veteran issues that Don has not been involved in over the last several years to include serving on the local task force established to address concerns with the initial VA CARES decision to close the Walla Walla Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center.

From AMVETS National:

June 25, 2010

Dear Commanders:

As many of you are aware, AMVETS and Holiday Retirement (Holiday) have formed a partnership that will benefit our fellow veterans, our local Posts and organization as a whole. Holiday is a senior residential community that provides carefree, independent retirement lifestyle for one all-inclusive and affordable monthly rent. No cooking, cleaning or home maintenance to worry about — every minute of the day is yours to fill however you choose. With 300 communities Holiday provides seniors a safe, carefree, all-inclusive independent retirement lifestyle.

Local Holiday communities across the country offer AMVETS Posts some terrific opportunities for outreach. Their facilities are spectacular and based on availability, Posts can utilize these facilities for meetings, social functions and other activities.

AMVETS OFFER:

The best news is that Holiday is offering a special move in package should members of your Post be looking at moving into a senior community.

This August, Holiday will be conducting a very special promotion . In the coming weeks you will be contacted by representatives from your local Holiday community. Please welcome them, get your Posts involved and take advantage of what they are offering to you, and share the information with members of your Post.

Attached is a listing of the locations of the Holiday communities. If you have one where you live, don't wait to be contacted, reach out to them. You will be glad you did.

Serving our Veterans and their Families

Duane J. Miskulin
National Commander

The Local Holiday Community is
Park Plaza on Dalles Military Road.

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Oregon State Flag to Return to Afghanistan with AMVET Member

OREGON NATIONAL GUARD AVIATION UNIT TO MOBILIZE FOR AFGHANISTAN DEPLOYMENT

Seventy-three Soldiers from Detachment 1, Bravo Company, 168 Aviation, will soon depart for pre-mobilization training at Fort Hood, Texas for about a month, before heading to Afghanistan for 10 months. The unit is commanded by Capt. John Hoffman.

The Oregon Soldiers will be joined by 64 Soldiers from Fort Lewis, Wash., and fall under the command of the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Division. The Soldiers will conduct combat support and combat service missions to transport personnel and equipment throughout Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

There is very little road access throughout Afghanistan, and our mission alleviates ground units having to conduct multiple convoys, Hoffman said. The Pendleton unit currently operates the CH-47-D "Chinook" helicopter.

August Radke will be carrying an Oregon Flag, loaned to him by Tom Vandenberg, the flag has been to Viet Nam, Iraq and Afghanistan. Vandenberg and Radke are both AMVETS Life Members of Post #1111.

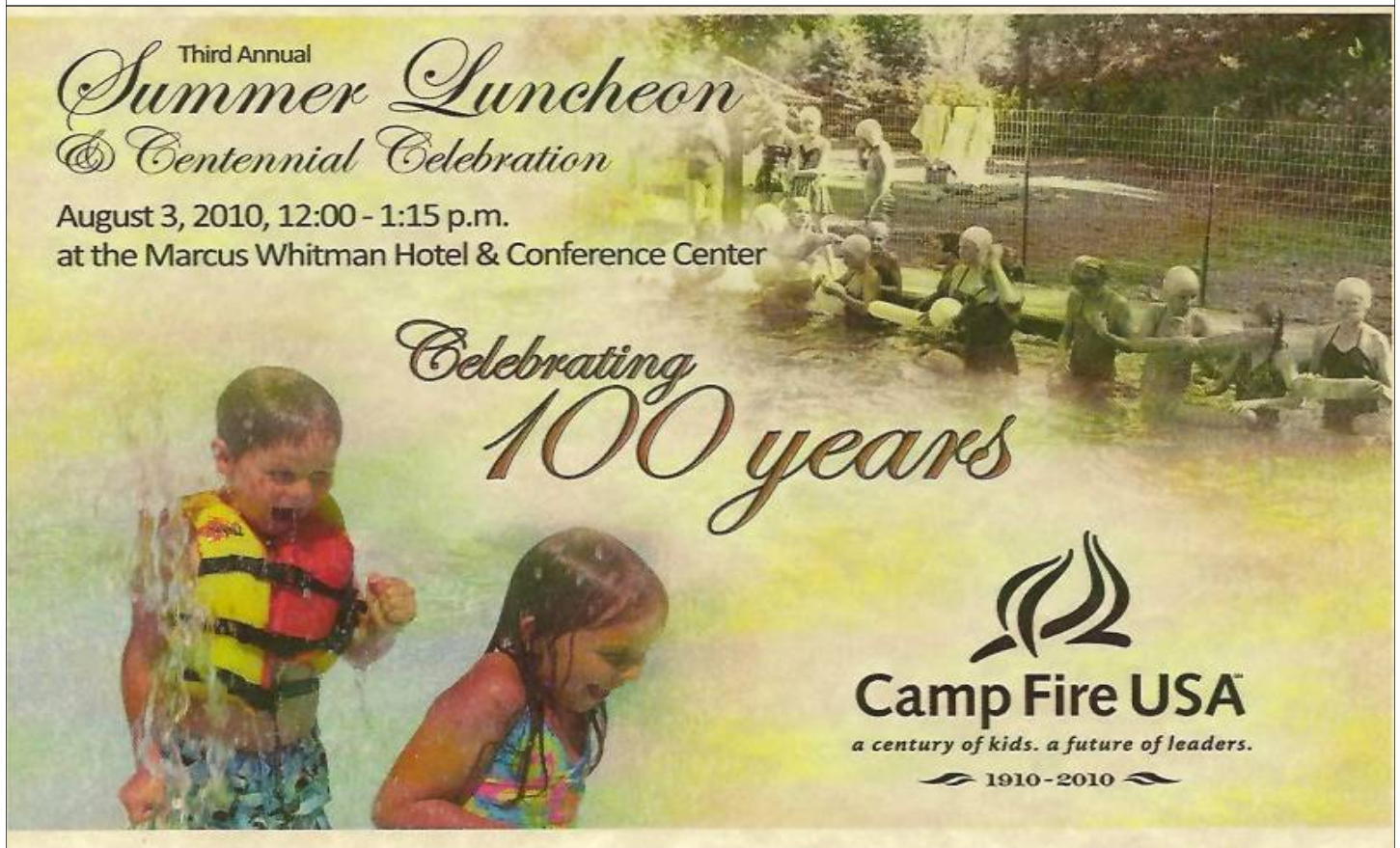


AMVETS Post #1111 is pleased to be a Table Sponsor and Support the Centennial Celebration of Camp Fire USA

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August 3, 2010, 12:00 - 1:15 p.m.
 at the Marcus Whitman Hotel & Conference Center

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A new United States flag flies from a new flag pole at "The Center at the Park".
The pole was installed by three Walla Walla Posts,
American Legion #32, AMVETS #1111, and VFW #992 and dedicated on Flag Day June 14, 2010



Commanders present were: AMVETS Steve Bird, VFW Phil Rivera, American Legion Jack Preston

The Post's annual Picnic was held in Fort Walla Walla Park on June Sunday June 13, 2010



July 2010

2 US Army Air Corps (1926)
4 Independence Day (Downtown Flags)
21 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm

August 2010

4 US Coast Guard (1790)
18 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm

September 2010

4 WW Fair & Frontier Days (Downtown Flags)
6 Labor Day (Downtown Flags)
11 Patriot Day (Downtown Flags)
15 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
17 POW/MIA (Downtown Flags)
18 US Air Force (1947)

October 2010

11 Columbus Day (Downtown Flags)
13 U.S. Navy (1775)
20 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm

November 2010

10 U.S. Marine Corps (1775)
11 Veteran's Day (Downtown Flags)
17 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm

25 Thanksgiving (Downtown Flags)

December 2010

4 Macy's Parade of Lights Downtown Walla Walla
7 Pearl Harbor Day (Downtown Flags)
10 AMVETS of WWII founded 1944
25 Christmas

January 2011

1 New Years Day
17 Martin Luther King Jr. (Downtown Flags)
19 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm

February 2011

8 Boy Scouts of America (1910)
10 Boy Scouts 100th BD party (Downtown Flags)
14 –20 Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week
15 Presidents Day (Downtown Flags)

March 2011

14 Daylight Saving Time Begins
17 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
20 Spring begins
29 Viet Nam Veteran's Day

April 2011

1 AMVETS "Because We Care Day" VAMCs
20 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
24 Easter Sunday

May 2011

15 Armed Forces Day (Downtown Flags)
18 AMVETS meeting—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
22 US Merchant Marine (1933)
31 Memorial Day (Downtown Flags)

June 2011

14 US Army (1775)
14 Flag Day (Downtown Flags)
16 No meeting this month—Picnic on 13th
21 Summer begins

**Downtown Flags will fly
on the following Holidays**

**Independence Day July 4th
Fair Parade - Sept 4th
Labor Day - Sept 6th**

Membership Meeting July 21, 2010

Americanism at its finest!

This year AMVETS Post 1111 had two entries in the Americanism Essay Contest.

Both submissions were of outstanding quality for their respective division.

First I would like to congratulate Riley Roach who not only impressed the Post locally but also impressed the Washington State Department of AMVETS by being selected as the Department winner of Americanism Essay Contest for the 9th Grade division.

All 9th Grade Department 1st place winners receive an all-expense paid trip to the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania for a long weekend of youth oriented activities, Dynamic speakers and sightseeing are highlights of a trip that is sure to be long remembered. Riley will also receive a \$75.00 treasury bond from the post.

Second I would thank Conner Ferguson for his submission in the 6th grade division. The post enjoyed reading both essay's and I think you will as well.

Conner will also receive a \$75.00 treasury bond from the post for his entry.

Steve Bird, Commander

The fourth of July marks a significant date in our history. On this day in the year 1776, the Americans adopted the Declaration of Independence. This document, which declared independence from Great Britain, was written by one of the United States of America's founding fathers, Thomas Jefferson. Many other men and women desired to be free of the rule of Great Britain. Delegates from thirteen colonies met and discussed the issue of pursuing their freedom from Great Britain from 1774 to 1789.

July 2, 1776, marked the legal separation of the thirteen colonies and Great Britain. On this day, Richard Henry Lee, a delegate from Virginia, proposed a resolution of independence. He was told to do so by Edmund Pendleton, the president of the Virginia Convention. When Lee advised his resolution to the Second Continental Congress, they appointed a "Committee of Five" to write a document pertaining to the reasons for independence. This document was primarily written by Thomas Jefferson and is today known as the Declaration of Independence. This document was commended on July 4, 1776.

Today the fourth of July means staying up late setting of fireworks and having a good time. But the real meaning of the fourth of July is a remembrance of what our founding fathers set up for us. We are a free nation because of many brave men and women-who spoke out against the British.

Riley Roach, 9th grade entry

Why Do We Celebrate the Fourth of July?

BOOM! BANG! Fireworks blazing everywhere! Everyone in America knows what day it is: THE FOURTH OF JULY! But why do we celebrate this holiday? On the Fourth day of July 1776 our founding fathers drafted and signed a declaration of independence. This declaration stated that America's colonies were now free to live how they wished; if England had a problem with it, they were ready to fight. When England received that message they were furious. The war that followed was epic! For seven years the colonies and their ally, the French, battled England. In 1783 the colonies and the French defeated the British and the nation that formed was the United States of America. In 1886 the French gave the United States a token of friendship. The gift was a copper statue called Lady Liberty. The statue is a symbol of freedom given to the Americans after their victory of the revolutionary war. As I pick up flags each holiday with my fellow scouts and local veterans, I think about all these events and without them we would not celebrate a red, white and blue Fourth of July with our glorious flag.

Connor Ferguson, 6th grade entry

**Post #1111 Current Membership 96
Annual Members 21 / Life 75**

Annual Dues: \$36.00 per year / Life Member: \$180.00

To be eligible for membership, you must have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, anytime after Sept. 15, 1940. Additionally, unless still serving, your discharge must have been under honorable conditions. If you served as an American citizen in the armed forces of an allied nation, under honorable conditions, between Sept. 15, 1940 and May 8, 1975, you are also eligible, as are wartime members of the Merchant Marine. Proof of eligibility can take the form of a DD-214, an honorable discharge certificate or other appropriate document.

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Susan Friesen of Milton Freewater (Life)
Walter Hoffman of College Place
Daryl Schreiner of Walla Walla

AMVETS Post #1111 Activities for July

July 4th — Downtown Flags

July 4th — Flags in the Park

July 4th — Flag Ceremony Walla Walla Sweets Ball Game



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