1st Marine Division Association
Oregon/Columbia River Chapter News

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Ask not what your Chapter can do for you

But what you can do for your Chapter



Valentine's Day





The Battle of Iwo Jima

Between 19 Feb and 26 Mar 1945 – one of the fiercest & bloodiest battles of WWII in the Pacific.

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110,000 U.S. Marines of the 3rd, 4th & 5th Divisions, U.S. Soldiers, U.S. Navy corpsmen, USAAF personnel, and others, plus 500+ ships captured the entire island, including the 3 airfields, to provide a staging area for attacks on the Japanese mainland.

President's Message
February 2019

Dues for 'Regular' members are up 1 February - please keep updated on them.

We are still looking for NEW Members please be aware and on the lookout for them.

With no new members we will not grow as a group; we will die just as our members have been.

Be on the lookout for somebody to buy our copy machine – it's excellent, & does just about everything: Scan, duplex print, collate, staple… and the price is right.

If your Vehicle plates are expired you can get the 1st Mar Div version to replace them -- see below.

Semper Fi,

Gene Mosbrucker

If your vehicle license plate is due for renewal this year, don't forget to get your custom 1st Marine Division Veteran version!

$ ODOT routes proceeds to our Chapter. $



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GENERAL FUND …… $_____
NEWSLETTER…… $_____
OREGON VETERANS HOMES……$_____
SCHOLARSHIP FUND……..... $_____
OTHER (please specify)……..…$_____
TOTAL ENCLOSED……..……...$_____
Name & Address _____

_____

Date: _____ **Check if anonymous ☐**

DONATIONS

Kathy Erwin	**$100.00**
Shirley Hendrickson	**$100.00**

THANK YOU!!

1ST MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION
Oregon/Columbia River Chapter

MONTHLY MEETING
All Members, Marines & Corpsmen
Are invited to attend
First Tuesday of Every Month

Next meeting is *Tuesday*
February 5, 2019
Meeting Reminder **@ 1200**
Mark Your Calendar

Don't sit on the sidelines…
Get involved!

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Celebration @ CamPen – 1 February:

The 78th Division Anniversary Commemoration was a good time. 48 Association members registered. Along with their guests they had up to 75 attendees at the events. The General Membership meeting was held on Friday, 1 February. Among items discussed were the upcoming meetings, elections, the August reunion in Kentucky, and fundraising activities.





They didn't draw the 50/50 winner as intended at the banquet, so Margaret Williams, Division Commander MajGen Castellvi's Protocol Officer, was invited to HQ to pull the winning ticket. The winner is...Well, the winner did not write their contact info on the back of the ticket. Sooo, please contact HQ if you hold the winning ticket number 812929, for the $75 prize. Otherwise, if they don't hear from the winner by Friday, February 22, noon Pacific Standard Time, they'll draw another ticket.

Pictured from left-to-right, in the photo on the left in our HQ Office on CamPen is June Cormier-Executive Asst. to the President, Jerry Johs; Margaret Williams-mentioned above; & Sgt. Maj. Marty Vasquez- Liaison. Note new Association flag (at last!) in stand behind Margaret.



'Home on the Range'



'Chow'



'Yum.. Cake!'

TAPS December 2018

	Name	Age	Rank	War / Era
1.	Victor Saraceno **	87	Pfc	Korea
2.	Donald Lawrence Graves USMC, USA, USA Res, Nat'l Guard	90	Unkn	Unkn
3.	Jason Peto – Special Memorial-Vancouver, WA	Unk	Sgt	Unkn
4.	Clyde Henderson *	90	Cpl	Korea – Chosin
5.	Eric Emond (KIA) USMC, US Army Special Forces	39	Sgt1C	Afghanistan
6.	Joseph Shaw *	62	LCpl	Vietnam
7.	John Henery Wytlenberg	91	Unkn	WWII
8.	Patrick V. Davis	69	Unkn	Vietnam
9.	Bert Buland *	51	Cpl	Peacetime
10.	Dale Sumner *	71	Sgt	Vietnam
11.	Scott Andrew Wiley * USN, USMC	37	Corpsman	Iraq
12.	Thomas Frank Fender *	90	PFC	WWII
13.	John C. Calhoun--Homeless USAF, USA	74	Unkn	Unkn

* 6ESB Honor Guard present ** Chapter Member – also Member of the Chosin Few

Veterans Interred or Inurned in Willamette National Cemetery Without Family Support
27 December 2018

	Name	Rank	Service Branch	War / Era		Name	Rank	Service Branch	War / Era
1.	Craig Chatwood	SSgt	USAF	Vietnam	2.	James Peck	SKG3	USN	WWII
3.	Max Strickler	Cpl	USA	Korea	4.	Jerry Burge	S1	USN	WWII
5.	Robert Carlson	Cpl	USA	Korea	6.	Arthur Kenny	LTJG	USN	WWII
7.	Robert Henry	SP4	USA	Peacetime	8.	Don Flury	SKG3	USN	Korea
9.	Charles Gardner	Cpl	USA	Korea	10.	James Peters	AD1	USN	Korea
11.	Dayle Wheeler	PFC	USA	Korea	12.	James Mathews	PFC	USA	Peacetime
13.	Edwin Palluck	SEA	USN	Korea	14.	Kenneth Elmenhurst	SMSgt	USAF	Vietnam, Persian Gulf
15.	Donald Haefner	S1	USN	WWII	16.	Mary Doyle	1st Lt	USA	Vietnam
17.	Edwin Payne	AD1	USN	WWII	18.	Charles Munger	Sgt	USA	WWII
19.	Ronald Rubey	Pvt	USA	Peacetime	20.	Gary Figueroa	MM3	USN	Peacetime
21.	Manford Hansen	Pvt	USA	WWII	22.	Gary Logsdon	A3C	USAF	Peacetime
23.	Gary St Pierre	PO2	USN	Vietnam	24.	Benjamin Lemire	S1	USN	WWII
25.	Gerald Bailey	TEC5	USA	WWII	26.	James Majors	TEC5	USA	WWII

CHAPTER HONOR GUARD ATTENDANCE AT FUNERAL SERVICES
December 2018

Gary Brannan	10	Bill Call	1	Collie Collins	1	Ed Contreras	5
Chris Duenas	5	Bill Hendrickson	11	John Hudson	3	James Kotsovos	2
Gene Mosbrucker	7	Jim Pernetti	3	Bill Trumble	5	Blaine Tyler	6
Sam Whitehead	3	Bob Wickman	2				

News Flash – 2 Feb 2019: The wreckage of WWII Aircraft Carrier USS Hornet (CV-8) has been discovered,over 3 miles down, near the Solomon Islands at the scene of a major World War II battle between the U.S. and the Imperial Japanese Navies. For the U.S. aircraft carrier, Hornet, it would be her last battle. The USS Hornet is best known for launching the important Doolittle Raid in April of 1942 and its role in winning the Battle of Midway. Its exact location is kept secret to protect it, but the memory now has a place and the loss of so many of its brave crew has a memorial..



Consolidated Taps Report 2001 - 2018

Honor Guard Service Record

Members Attending Services	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total thru 12-31-18
Adams, Bill															1				1
** Allen, Art	1		1	1															3
Arbogast, Tim	24	3	3				2							1					33
** Ball, Bruce	52	82	76	77	73	81	83	80	80	111	110	84	15						1004
Barker, Jeff								1								1			2
** Bastian, John								2	4	79	71	57	77	128	142	1			561
** Brandon, "Gunny"					1	2	1							1					5
* Brannan, Gary								1		1	77	71	84	144	142	122	159	185	986
**Bullard, Bart	25	19	17	6	3	2	3	5	1		1	1		3					86
* Call, Bill					1		1	4	2	1	2	4	35	157	109	109	47	4	476
Clark, Dave	1							1											2
* Collins, Collie "Doc"								2	6	2	9	74	68	92	79	72	63	29	496
* Ed Contreras															42	71	58	72	243
** Crockett, Dan			1																1
** Curley, Joe	2	1	5			2													10
Davis, Jim "Doc"	54	56	14	1	2		1												128
* Duenas, Chris																	4	37	41
Easterday, Steve											1	1	3	4	1	2	1	1	14
** Ebert, Dick														1	1				2
Fabian, Golda													3	3	4	3			13
Fall, Jack								1											1
Fitzpatrick, Peter										1									1
Fraiser, Gene		5	31	25	8	39	38	38	29										213
** Goewey, Butch			1																1
** Groulx, "Doc"						1		2											3
Hansen, Jeremiah												1			1			1	3
** Hart, Norris	15	21	19	21	6	10		2											94
Hein, Al												1	1		2	7		2	13
* Hendrickson, Bill									4	10	114	98	116	178	174	153	163	185	1195
Herdon, Robert			1							1									2
Hewitt, Hal	9	1																	10
Howard, Mike						1		7						1	1		1		11
* Hudson, John				1	23	25	24	18	22	42	21	30	90	132	121	56	138	137	880
** Hunt, Harry			1																1
** Jackson, Art								1											1
Janes, Dustin				1		1		5	2			1				2	1		13
Johs, Jerry	14	49	50	27	16	19	2	5								1			183
Kelley, Hattie													4	1	3	5	2	1	16
Kirkwood, Ross														3	16	2			21
* Kotsovos, James																22	32	33	87
Lamdin, Lou	26	1																	27
Lillie, Jay															2	1		2	5
** Logan, Bill					1														1
Martinez, Jim								3	1			1			1	3			9
Mathews, Art	1	6	4					1											12
** Moen, Les		2	4	45	49	55	68	52	60	80	67	33							515
** Morgan, Gordon	9	6	12	7	9	12	4												59
* Mosbrucker, Gene											1	42	64	107	97	129	115	134	689
** Niehoff, Harry		4	4			1													9
** Ogden, Bob				1															1
Oscarson, John								1											1
* Pernetti, Jim																		16	16
Pierce, Bob								1											1
Pobi, George									1										1
** Podhora, Rudy								1											1
Ponder, Chuck	1	1	3	3	7	1	2	3	3					1					25
Putney, Lyann						1													1
** Rea, Harry			1				1												2
** Richardson, Clifford J								1											1
** Ridderbusch, Ed			1																1
Riley, Dick "Doc"								1	1										2
Robinson, Bob	33	63	53	38	33	26		19	16	21	3		1						306
Russell, John													1	1	1				3
** Saraceno, Vic					1	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	1						13
** Schneider, Bob	32																		32
Scott, Bill								1											1
Stofiel, John				1	8	2		3	1	3	1			2					21
Tanada, Heidi													4	2	4	2			12
Thomas, Greg			2																2
** Tice, Ed	35	32	17	4	3		1	5											97
* Trumble, Bill																		45	45
* Tyler, Blaine														125	156	130	118	146	675
** Ummel, Wally	6	4			8		1			1									20
VanDyke, Doug						1													1
VanWie, Sally													1	1	2				4
** Vickers, Bill	14	46	49	54	22														185
Visser, Eric								4	1										5
** Wakefield, Dan								2											2
Walker, Allen	12	38	5	19	20	17	4	2		1									118
* Whitehead, Sam																	59	100	159
* Wickman, Bob "Doc"	1	1	6	8	11	15	2	6	6	4	6	1	2	18	26	20	14	29	176
Wiley, Dick	80	106	94	89	103	87	87	105	81	150	139	101	6						1228
Winslow, George								1							1				2
* Current 'core' members (14)	447	547	475	429	408	402	326	391	322	509	624	603	576	1106	1129	914	975	1159	11342

** Taps

Additional: **5,293** Monthly Memorial Services at Willamette National Cemetery 2001-2018 for Veterans Interred without Family Support

2,083 USMC Services attended by 1Mar Div Honor Guard: 2010-2018 **230** USMC Services attended in 2018

Getting Your Affairs in Order

Final Arrangements
Have You Made Yours?
Does Your Family Know What To Do?
Do You Know What Your Benefits Are As A Veteran?

Every once in a while, when a fellow Marine passes away we receive a call from the family asking for advice, primarily about interment and entitlement. It has been suggested that we publish pertinent advice , so here goes… (for the 3rd year)

1 Before we proceed, here's what you already know, but nonetheless bears repeating: **Get your affairs in order as soon as possible** – that's one of the best gifts to your survivors. If you're not sure of what to do or how to proceed it might be wise to secure the services of an estate attorney.

- Put your important papers and copies of legal documents in one place.
- Tell a trusted family member or friend where you put all of your important papers.

2 Military records: If you don't already have them, **obtain copies of ALL* of your military records** from the National Personnel Records Center, which holds historical Military Personnel Records of nearly 100 million veterans! – THERE'S WAY MORE THAN JUST YOUR DD 214 THERE !

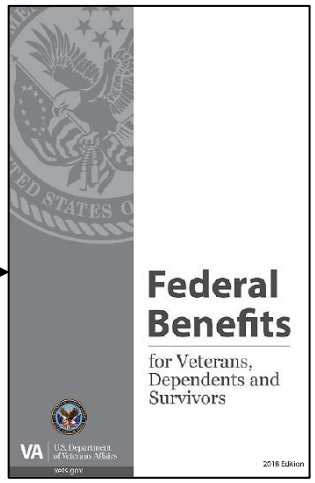
* e.g. Military personnel records can include WWII *Notice of Separation*, Report *of Separation*, Form 13038 *Certification of Military Service*, DD214, DD 215 *Reports of Transfer or Discharge*, and other service personnel records** found within the Official Military Personnel File (OMPF), …and medical records.

** Other personnel records include significant assignments, schools, conduct & proficiency marks, citations & medals, etc. – interesting information which you may have forgotten about! Military personnel records can be used for proving military service or as a valuable tool in genealogical research, notices or other documents about your service to your country, and obituary(ies).

There are 2 ways to request this information: 1) Write a letter to: National Personnel Records Center: Archives Drive, St. Louis, MO 63138, or go to the following website to fill out and submit a form SF-180: ***www.archives.gov/files/research/order/standard-form-180.pdf*** (Allow at least 90 days' turnaround time.) ***OR***
2.) **"Emergency" Requests and Deadlines:** If your request is urgent (e.g. upcoming surgery, funeral, etc.) and there is a deadline associated with your request, please provide that information in the "Purpose" section of the form SF-180 and fax it to their Customer Service Team at 314-801-9195. Their phone number: 314-801-0800 (Toll-free: 1-866-272-6272).
(**Their goal is to complete all urgent requests within two working days, but you should not count on that. The best result is to apply for these records NOW.)**

3 **Find out what your benefits are.** Obtain those which are available while you're living, and list and file with your documents those benefits which are available upon your death.

Regarding veteran benefits, how/if they apply to your circumstances, and the procedure for obtaining them: your best source of information is a booklet entitled: "*Federal Benefits for Veterans Dependents and Survivors*". This booklet is available in any Veterans Administration facility, and the administration building at Willamette National Cemetery. **Information pertaining to interment and entitlement is located starting at page 61: "Burial and Memorial Benefits"**. This booklet is also available online for downloading to your PC at: **www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp**
Examples of benefits to which you may be entitled include: interment in a National Cemetery, headstone (or medallion for existing headstone at a private cemetery), burial allowance, plot allowance, Full Military Honors, US burial flag, Presidential Memorial Certificate. **And possible benefits for your spouse. Also visit your local Veteran Service Officer (VSO) – important!**



In the event of death & no advanced plan, your funeral director should be able to provide you with funeral arrangements, and for Military Honors or call Willamette National Cemetery: 503-273-5250. Requests for Marine Corps Funeral honors should be submitted a minimum of 7 days prior to the date of service, to provide the supporting unit time to prepare manpower to support your request. Please allow a minimum of 72 hours to process requests. Their telephone number is: (866) 826-3628. NOTE: If you also want a rifle detail, it must be specifically requested!

Combat veteran lawmaker tweets '5 eyes. 5 arms. 4 legs. All American'



By Elizabeth Landers, CNN Updated 7:05 AM ET, Fri January 4, 2019

Returning Republican Rep. Brian Mast of Florida welcomed two other combat veterans to the US House of Representatives Thursday with a tweet that helped illustrate the sacrifice the three lawmakers had made.

"5 eyes. 5 arms. 4 legs. All American," Mast's tweet stated, showing an image of Mast with two freshmen Republican lawmakers, Reps. Jim Baird of Indiana and Dan Crenshaw of Texas, on the first day of the 116th Congress. This is Service to country. Go get em!

Crenshaw, who rose to national attention during the campaign season when "Saturday Night Live" mocked his eye patch, lost an eye in 2012 when an IED exploded in Afghanistan where he was deployed. Baird served in the Vietnam War where he lost an arm. Mast also served in Afghanistan, where he worked as a bomb disposal expert and lost both of his legs when an IED exploded.

What the tweet didn't mention is that there are three Purple Hearts and four Bronze Stars earned between them, according to their campaign websites.

L-R: Jim Baird, 1stLt Army (Vietnam) Bronze Star, Purple Heart; Brian Mast, SSgt Army (OEF-Afghanistan) Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal; Dan Crenshaw, LtCmdr Navy SEAL (OEF-Afghanistan) Bronze Star(2), Purple Heart, Navy & Marine Corps Commendation.

Maj. Edward F. Wright receives the Silver Star medal at MCB Swan Island in Portland, Ore., Feb. 1, 2019



Wright led a reaction force against North Vietnamese forces that had ambushed an Army convoy and pinned down his company commander's relief force. While exposed to intense enemy fire, Wright's tactical expertise and strategic placement of fire support enabled his force to steadily advance and rescue the besieged Soldiers and Marines. (*U.S. Marine Corps video by Sgt. Andy O. Martinez*) More of this story from KGW News: https://www.kgw.com/article/news/local/marine-awarded-silver-star-52-years-after-bravery/283-d8dc1442-0086-40e3-8d35-3f957e404e68

He grew up in a southern family where military service was expected and a source of pride. He eventually settled in Lake Oswego. His family and friends gathered on Swan Island in Portland to celebrate the awarding of the military's third-highest medal, the Silver Star. It came for action back in August of 1967 when then Lt. Wright was the *old man* in his platoon at the age of 22 serving with Lima Company, 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment 3rd Marine Division in the Republic of Vietnam. Wright led 30 men to the rescue--against incredible odds… as many as 2000 enemy soldiers.

The battle lasted five and a half hours. He got through, lost one man and had 17 wounded. But they rescued as many others as they could-- and killed 300 enemy soldiers.

After three tours in Vietnam, Wright left the Marines, honorably discharged, with the rank of Major. The company commander, who Wright and his platoon rescued, was given an award for his actions in the battle. Wright was nominated for an award too, but in the rush and confusion of war, it got lost. And it would have stayed that way if not for the men from his platoon. Leo Geyza, a former Lance Corporal, decided it was not fair, and that something had to be done. He and other members of the platoon began quietly working, years, through the Marine bureaucracy to get the award approved, at least that was the plan. It was denied many times. Retired Major General John Admire joined the effort and eventually they enlisted the help of Wright's wife, Valerie. Several more rejections followed. But they refused to give up. After 12 years, the Marines and then the Secretary of the Navy approved the award. *...Marines.mil & KGW News*

Ed. Maj General John Admire USMC (Ret) was the award presenter, and added considerable 'dimension' to Wright's citation – he 'painted a verbal picture, that virtually took you there'..

FEBRUARY 2019 EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 5 Feb, 1200 – **1ST Marine Division Assn, Oregon/Columbia River Chapter**, Board of Directors & members meeting. 1ST Tuesday, monthly [*next day on Fed Holidays*]. High Rocks Restaurant, 915 E Arlington St, Gladstone, OR, 503-656-1111. All members, Marines, & Corpsmen are invited. [*See page 2*]

Saturday, 9 Feb, 1200-1400 – Lady Marine Rose OR-1 Chapter, Women Marines Assn. 76th Women Marines Reserve Anniversary Luncheon The Holiday Inn Salem - 3301 Market St. NE, Salem, Oregon 97301. Dress code: Business Casual. Contact: Rosy Macias, 503-269-7428 or by email: or1@womenmarines.org .

Sunday, 10 Feb, 1400 – Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 72 meeting. 2nd Sunday, monthly. DAV Bingo Hall, 8725 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR. Contact: Spencer Jones, 760-458-4403.

Thursday, 14 Feb, 1100 – Chosin Few meeting. 2nd Thursday, monthly. High Rocks Restaurant, 915 E Arlington St, Gladstone, OR, 503-656-1111. Contact: Collie 'Doc' Collins, 503-267-4364.

1900 – Marine Corps League, Columbia River Det 862/Auxiliary meeting. 2nd Thursday monthly. Elks Lodge, 13121 SE McGillivary Blvd, Vancouver, WA. Contact: John Stofiel, 360-693-4401.

Wednesday, 19 Feb, 1100 – Marine Corps Coordinating Council meeting, 3rd Monday, monthly [*next day on Fed Holidays*]. Swan Island Marine Reserve Center, Marine Conference Room, 6535 N. Basin Ave, Portland, OR. All Marines and Corpsmen welcome. Contact: John Stofiel, 360-693-4401.

Monday, 25 Feb, 1830 – Marine Corps League, USS Oregon Det 470 meeting, last Monday, monthly [*next day on Fed Holidays*]. VFW Hall, 18820 SW Boones Ferry Rd, Tualatin, OR. Contact: Bill Allen, (503) 730-1872.

Tuesday, 26 Feb, 1130 – Oregon Trail Chapter, Korean War Veterans Assn. 4th Tuesday, monthly. Denny's Restaurant, 15815 SE 82nd Ave, Clackamas, OR. Contact: Robert "Bob" Cassidy, 503-476-9012.

Thursday, 28 Feb, 1400 – Willamette National Cemetery, 4th Thursday, monthly [*except Thanksgiving*]. Memorial services for servicemen and women interred in the preceding month without family participation. Gather at Shelter 1 (aka "D"/"Delta") unless advised otherwise. Contact: WNC office, 503-273-5250, ext. "0".

BOARD MINUTES -- 2 JANUARY 2019

- 1204: Meeting called to order by Pres. Mosbrucker
- Pledge of Allegiance: Gene Mosbrucker
- Invocation: Al Hein
- Attendance roster: Gary Brannan, Ed Contreras, Al Hein, Bill Hendrickson, John Hudson, Jim Martinez, Gene Mosbrucker, DJ Ruger, Blaine Tyler, Tim Vic, Bob 'Doc' Wickman and Jeff Wise.
- Secretary Tyler: Minutes from 11 November meeting: Read. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report: (See page 9 for November & December reports.) Ending balances: November $5,960.89; December $6,340.89.
- Member Update: No additional info on members who are ill ♦ Gary Brannan: Golda Fabian visits Dick Wiley bi-weekly & takes cookies to him; Al Walker will soon move to an assisted living facility. ♦ Gene Mosbrucker has free items from Bob Robinson.
- Pres. Mosbrucker: Re. sale of copier – no takers on Craig's List – he proposes to donate or scrap. ♦ Feedback: Doc Wickman stated that Teen Challenge may pick up; Gary Brannan volunteered to make a prospect list of print shops in greater Portland/Vancouver & flyer to distribute to them; Gene Mosbrucker will check for Teen Challenge possibility; Jeff Wise will check Facebook possibility
- New Member Jeff Wise: sponsored by SSgt DJ Ruger – served 8 years/4 deployments to Afghanistan as mortarman; works at Lines for Life, helping Marines.
- Ed Contreras: Proposes supporting "Remembering America's Heroes" (Ken Buckles, organizer) – voted & approved $500 donation.
- Treasurer's Audit: Bill Hendrickson & Blaine Tyler to assist.
- SSgt DJ Ruger: Presented info regarding Tyrone Woods-KIA in Benghazi, 12 Sep 2012 ♦ Accordingly, described project to develop a memorial park in Oregon City to be named for Woods; requested support and distributed a flyer.
- Gary Brannan: Toys for Tots update: Awaiting After Action Report (AAR) from GySgt Bazar to be given to MC Coordinating Council – I presented my AAR to Bazar. Due to late start, we had fewer locations, toys and volunteers than last year. 2019 program: planning in August & implementation in November. Chapter volunteers were Brannan, Duenas, Easterday, Ruger and Whitehead. ♦ OSU NROTC's awards ceremony is in late spring. MC Coordinating Council (MCCC) presents Marine Officer sword to top Marine grad. Sword costs $550, but MCCC has no funds, and will be soliciting funds from member organizations in February. This program has been active for 30 years, and these officers are our nation's finest – supporting the program is important! ♦ As you know, Capt. Dustin Janes donated his library to the chapter for whoever wants a good, military/USMC themed book. Books were available at the past 2 luncheons and some people even donated to the Chapter for them – THANK YOU CAPT. JANES! As he requested, all remaining books will be offered to the Oregon Military Museum at Camp Withycombe.
- Pres. Mosbrucker: Next meeting will be 5 February.
- Benediction: Al Hein @ 1304 ♦ Meeting adjourned. ♦ Marine Hymn played.

1ST Marine Division Association – Oregon/Columbia River Chapter
TREASURER'S REPORT

November 2018

Beginning Balance: $5,468.67

	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	DEPOSITS	YTD RECEIPTS	YTD EXPENSES
Dues: Chapter				$450.00	
Dues: National				35.00	($35.00)
Newsletter					(250.46)
Luncheons/dinners	$85.00		$85.00	85.00	
Raffles	124.00		124.00	521.00	
ODOT (License Plates)	263.22		263.22	902.51	
Donations: Chapter	20.00		20.00	535.38	
Donations: National					
Special Events					
Advertisements					(225.00)
Contributions					
Other				25.00	(320.33)
Totals:	$492.22		$492.22	$2,553.89	($830.79)

Ending Balance:	$5,960.89
Bank Balance	$5,960.89

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December 2018

Beginning Balance: $5,960.89

	RECEIPTS	EXPENSES	DEPOSITS	YTD RECEIPTS	YTD EXPENSES
Dues: Chapter	$10.00		$10.00	$460.00	
Dues: National				35.00	($35.00)
Newsletter					(250.46)
Luncheons/dinners					
Raffles	120.00		120.00	641.00	
ODOT (License Plates)				902.51	
Donations: Chapter	200.00		200.00	735.38	
Donations: National					
Special Events					
Advertisements					(225.00)
Contributions					
Other	$50.00		50.00	160.00	(320.33)
Totals:	$380.00		$380.00	$2933.89	($830.79)

Ending Balance:	$6,340.89
Bank Balance	$6,340.89

I called an old friend and asked him what he was doing. He replied that he is working on "Aqua-thermal treatment of ceramics, aluminum and steel under a constrained environment". I was impressed.....
On further inquiring I learned that he was washing dishes with hot water..... under his wife's supervision.

-- Thank you, Doc Wickman

Monumental Projects

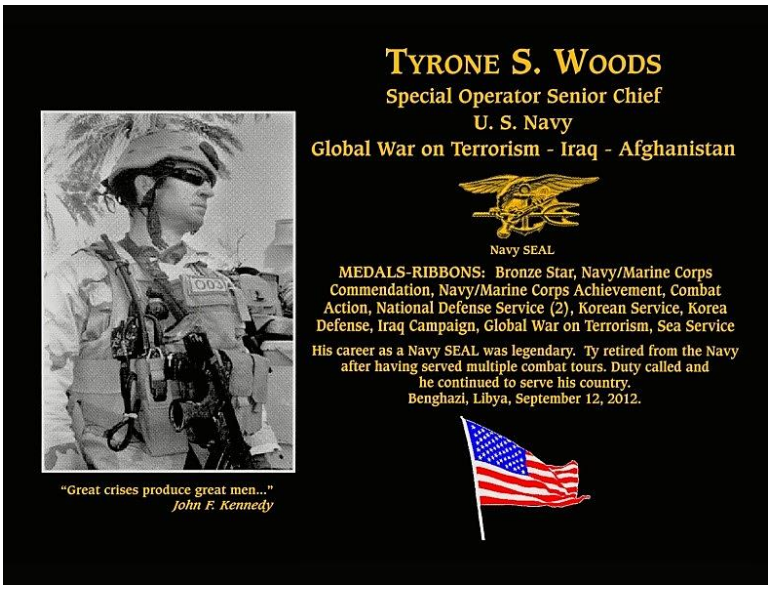
Vietnam War Memorial on the Oregon State Capitol Grounds

"Let us honor our warriors and remember the fallen"


Artist rendering

The era of the Vietnam War was a tumultuous period.
Almost 3 million United States Military personnel served in Vietnam over time. 58,318 died there.
710 Oregonians were among the Killed In Action. Four Oregon families lost two sons in Vietnam.
There were military personnel Missing in Action and Prisoners of War.
We wish to honor all who served during the Vietnam Era. Especially, those who served in Vietnam. In addition, we wish to memorialize those who gave their life, forfeiting their American Dream so that we can live ours.
It is appropriate that this memorial be placed on the grounds of the Oregon State Capitol. This will enable our state residents to understand the struggles of the Vietnam Veterans and perpetuate the history and the memory of the Vietnam War for generations to come.
"The sacrifices made by Oregon's Vietnam veterans should be memorialized, and there is no more fitting place to build their memorial than on the grounds of the people's Capitol." …*Secretary of State Richardson*
Ed: More approvals are to be secured, and the design needs to be finalized, but the momentum is positive, and approval is all but assured. However.. HB2195 identifies that the Vietnam War Memorial will be designed and built with contributions from the public. For more information including updates and how to contribute to this worthwhile, historic project go to the non-profit organization's website at www.vietnamwarmemorialfund.org. All contributions are tax deductible.

Tyrone S. Woods Memorial Park-Oregon City



On 5 December, Oregon City's newest park was officially named "Tyrone S. Woods Memorial Park" by the City Commission in honor of Oregon City resident Tyrone S. Woods who perished in Benghazi on 12 September 2012, while serving with the CIA, defending American lives. Woods was a Navy SEAL and served several decorated combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. He was a native Oregonian, 1989 graduate of Oregon City High School and OCHS state champion wrestler. The park is 9.1 acres and located off Glen Oak Road, behind the high school, near his mother's residence.
A "Tyrone S. Woods Memorial donation account" has been established at Wells Fargo Bank, 1751 Molalla Avenue, Oregon City, OR 97045 to raise funds for an appropriate monument, and… contributions are accepted at all Wells Fargo Bank branches. A PayPal DONATE button is at http://vfw1324.org/park. With a goal of $45,000 and a deadline of June 2019, all funds raised will be used for design, fabrication, installation and maintenance of a permanent stone memorial to include a flagpole and lighting. If everyone who participated in the successful campaign for the naming of the park contributes just $5, the goal will be met, but all who read this are encouraged to donate to this most worthwhile tribute 'our own' true American hero. See: CIA TRIBUTE...

All Veterans Memorial – Tualatin

Our own HM2 Joe 'Doc' Lipscomb, Korean War vet, is pushing to get an All Wars Memorial located in Tualatin Commons Park, which would commemorate all the wars America has been involved with, and all who served. "The 'Visual Chronicle' would tell a brief story of various major and other wars, engagements and interventions," he wrote in a proposal he shared. He said there is language in the city's parks master plan talking about such a memorial. The Parks Director and his staff are supportive of the project, and planning is slated in 2020. For more information, go to: "TheTimes", and 'stay tuned' for email updates from Joe.