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Just three days back from Europe and "humpty dumpy had a great fall" down my retaining wall at rear of my property. A few bumps on rocks along the way to ground. Legs didn't move. My Cell Phone couldn't be reached. I yelled "help" but I was hidden in deep bush. I then heard the Camas school bus and I knew the drop off was nearby. I yelled again and kids responded. My First Responders! A parent contacted and "911" called. Camas EMT response was fast, professional and I was prepared for transport. Smooth lift to ambulance and delivery to Peace Health Trauma Center. For those not knowing, including me, this is SW Washington's premier location for trauma patients. Quick tests confirmed no head or internal organ damage but pelvis fractures at multiple places front, back and right side..

Greetings to my fellow Chapter members. A few turbulent weeks behind me and now time to bring this month's newsletter message together.

Instead of attending "9/11" event at Vancouver City Hall, I underwent 5 hours of reconstructive surgery. About a dozen stainless steel screws and fasteners put me back together. My first ever hospitalization in the USA. Previously, I only had experience in French and German speaking hospitals.

A few days later, a transfer to Hudson's Bay Health and Rehabilitation. My new home away from home. A long process stated. Family and I remain very optimistic about my long term recovery.

My German Frau started the process of emergency leave from teaching but I encouraged her to stay. A German motto: "That which does

not kill you makes you stronger". My oldest kids in this area are more than adequate, plus the occasional visit of **Benny the Emotional Support Llama**, a recognized local celebrity. ❤️🩹

## Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Meeting &  
Luncheon  
Cascadia Tech Center  
Culinary Academy  
Starts 1130  
Please RSVP by 17  
November!  
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### **President's Message continued**

Your leadership needs to be active and visible. We remember that about our military commanders and being in leadership roles ourselves. The "leadership by example" guideline always applicable. I am now a poor example.

Despite being "missing in action", family, neighbors and our membership pulled off the CRC BBQ and Fund Raiser. Dry weather helped. Appreciation to all! Last year I failed to deliver fresh caught salmon. This year I failed to deliver even myself!

Now the good news part of story. My daughter, **Amber**, delivered the "Quilt of Valor" the evening of the BBQ. And it's been with me constantly since then. A tear in my eye. This beautifully handmade quilt is not for a caregiver but rather intended for those needing care. I never intended to be that person. Murphy's Law. I am humbled! Conversations are sparked constantly and a chance to tell our story.



Looking ahead, multiple activities on-going including Veterans Day at Fort Vancouver. Thanks to **Leah**, and others, the great luncheon program continues. This is also a great time for new volunteers to fill the ranks. We do so much to support veterans and servicemen at local, state and national level. New volunteers needed to fill the gaps.

**Roger "Ramjet" Rosenberry**

### **Scholarship BBQ Results**

At our 14 September 2025 BBQ, we raised over \$2,000.00 for the CRMF. Thank you all for your generous contributions!



Larry G. DeVries  
CRC Treasurer

### **Federal      Legislative      Update:** **Submitted by Rich Wersinger**

#### **MOAA.org Current Advocacy Campaigns**

##### **Featured Campaigns:**

- [Pass the Major Richard Star Act](#)
- [Improve TRICARE Access for Families](#)
- [Support Military Spouse Employment](#)

##### **MOAA's Advocacy By Issue Area**

- [Currently Serving](#)
- [DoD Health Care](#)
- [Families & Survivors](#)
- [Retirees & Veterans](#)
- [VA Health Care](#)

### **MOAA-Supported Legislation**

MOAA's experts in Washington are constantly reviewing and assessing legislation that may impact the earned pay, benefits, and support programs of the uniformed services and veteran communities. The organization's endorsement process is deliberative; MOAA will not support or oppose any legislation without a thorough review of its potential effects, positive or negative.

## MOAA's Legislative Action Center

MOAA's Legislative Action Center (LAC) is a powerful online tool that helps servicemembers, veterans, and their families engage directly with Congress on key issues. Through the platform, users can easily identify and contact their legislators, support MOAA-backed bills, and send messages advocating for military pay, benefits, health care, and much more.

### **Your Action is Vital:**

As our own **MajGEN Buck Marr**, USAF (Ret) has said, "I strongly suggest each CRC member continue to visit MOAA's legislative action center and send in proposed letters on various important subjects to our elected WA legislators."

## **2025 Standdown September 26th at the Armed Forces Reserve Center, Vancouver.** by **Larry G. DeVries, Treasurer**

The Standdown is an annual event conducted by the Clark County Veterans Assistance Center. Veterans from Clark County and the surrounding area are admitted.

This Clark County Standdown has been an annual event for chapter member volunteerism in recent years. Chapter volunteers served as greeters and guides as well as attendants at various stations.



2025 Standdown was held September 26th at the Armed Forces Reserve Center, Vancouver. Chapter volunteers were L to R: **Jim Bowen, Jim Morse, Dave Casteel, Larry DeVries, Virginia Babin, Terry Babin, Rod Williams, Bob McFarlin**. Volunteers not shown were **Leah Davis** and **Larry Smith**.

**Toby Clairmont**, a U. S. Marine Corps League leader, was working the League table there.

An estimated 175 veterans were signed in at the check-in table and once signed in the veterans made use of the various services offered by local providers.

Our Columbia River MOAA Foundation (CRMF) supported the Center again this year making a money contribution. Individual chapter members have also donated to the Center in prior years.

Thanks to each volunteer for their work in supporting this community project.

## **CCVAC Update and Request to Contact County Councilors**, by **Buck Marr**

Thanks to the chapter and those of you who are supporting the Clark County Veterans Assistance Center. A big thanks to any of you who might have sent the Clark County Councilors a message on their website (<https://clark.wa.gov/councilors>) asking them to support funding the Center at 100% in 2026. Note, the increase in funding will NOT raise your taxes—the money is there, the Councilors just need to reallocate funds. Note, you are encouraged to address your comments to all councilors.

As the new Vice Chair of the Clark Veterans Advisory Board, I have gained a lot of insights into the county budgeting process. The very competent staff is committed to excellence in managing a complex budgeting process for our county. The budget for the Center is fast approaching a million dollars per year. Which should give you an idea of the complexity of their mission. Fortunately, The **Angelo Company** committed to leasing the Center a 10,000sq foot facility at a bargain price. The old 4,600 sq ft facility was simply too small to allow the Center to expand its services to meet the needs of our approximately 36,000 veterans in the county (2023 estimate). Of course, with the increased space and services comes a bigger budget requirement. The county staff has been reluctant to sign up to 100% funding despite the funds being available. We are in deep discussion with them and the county councilors in an effort to secure a suitable accommodation. Your support is greatly appreciated.

If you are not sure which district you live in open the map in this link:

[https://gis.clark.wa.gov/ccimages/MapGallery/PDF/Councilor\\_Districts\\_Portrait\\_36x48.pdf](https://gis.clark.wa.gov/ccimages/MapGallery/PDF/Councilor_Districts_Portrait_36x48.pdf).



## Legislative Contacts

### MOAA Legislative Action Center

<https://moaa.quorum.us/issueareas>

**MOAA Capitol toll free hotline at 1-866-272-6622**

### White House

Comments: 202-456-1111 Switchboard: 202-456-1414

TTY/TTD: 202-456-6213 E-mail: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/>

### Congresswoman Marie Gluesenkamp Perez Washington's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District

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## Vancouver Area Washington State Legislative Districts and Representatives

Legislator	District 49	District 17	District 18	District 14	District 20
Senator	Annette Cleveland 786-7696	Paul Harris 786-7632	Adrian Cortes 786-7634	Curtis King 786-7626	John Braun 786-7638
Representative, Position 1	Sharon Wylie 786-7924	Keven Waters 786-7994	Steph. McClintock 786-7850	Gloria Mendoza 786-7810	Peter Abbarno 786-7896
Representative, Position 2	Monica Stonier 786-7872	David Stuebe 786-7976	John Ley 786-7812	Deb Manjarrez 786-7856	Ed Orcutt 786-7990

Note: All phone numbers are 360 area code, except where otherwise noted. Toll free 1-800-562-6000  
More info at [www.leg.wa.gov/legislature](http://www.leg.wa.gov/legislature)

**Attention Surviving Spouse:**  
*by Leah Davis, Surviving Spouse Liaison*

**Parity for Surviving Spouses: Increase Dependency and Indemnity Compensation**

5482 actions taken

4518 needed to reach next goal

**ANOTHER REMINDER**

We need your VOICE to bring attention of this very important issue, “CARE FOR SURVIVORS ACT 2025”, that is now before Congress. PLEASE contact our Senators and Representative to ask them to support/sponsor S611 and HR 2055.

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC)—is a benefit for survivors of those who die in service or from service-connected conditions—lags behind other federal survivor benefits. DIC provides only 43% of what a 100% service-disabled veteran receives. Civilian federal survivor programs provide up to 55% of the employee’s calculated retirement pay. There has not been an increase in DIC since 1993.

This inequity leaves military survivors & spouses with less support than their civilian counterparts, despite the sacrifices their loved ones made in service to our country.

Contact your lawmaker by phone today and ask them to champion this bill and push for its passage.

**ACT NOW!**

*Senators:*

Maria Cantwell 202-224-3441

Patty Murry 202-224-2621

*Representative:*

Marie Gluesenkamp Perez 202-225-3536

See Page 4 for Online ways to contact your lawmakers.

**NEVER STOP SERVING!!!!**

**Leah Davis**  
**Surviving Spouse Liaison**  
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**Action Requested: Update Your MOAA Communication Preferences**

We’d like to bring your attention to a nationwide initiative launched by MOAA National in October 2025 regarding updates to MOAA’s Privacy Policy and member communication preferences.

MOAA is committed to protecting your personal account information and does not share it with outside parties. As part of this initiative, MOAA is asking members to confirm how they wish to receive communications—whether by email, phone, or postal mail. This consent ensures MOAA can continue sharing important updates in accordance with privacy regulations, which may vary by state.

Many members received an email from MOAA in mid to late October titled “Update to MOAA’s Privacy Policy.” If you received this message, please follow the instructions to verify or update your communication preferences. The process is quick and straightforward for those with internet access.

If you do not have internet service, MOAA may reach out to you by phone or postal mail. If you’ve recently changed your email address, please contact MOAA directly to ensure your preferences are correctly recorded.

For any questions or assistance, feel free to reach out to us at -> [admin@moaacolumbiariver.org](mailto:admin@moaacolumbiariver.org).

Your participation also helps us keep our chapter records current and ensures you stay informed about both MOAA and chapter activities and benefits.

**Membership Committee**



**Columbia River MOAA Foundation**  
**(CRMF) Fall 2025 Update** by *Dave Casteel*  
**CRMF President**



So, now autumn is finally here and soon we will be dining on turkey and homemade pies with our families in our warm homes. Many veterans are not as fortunate. Thankfully, the Clark County Assistance Center (CCVAC) is there to help with breakfast and lunch on week days as well as providing pantry food, clothing, shoes and other assistance including financial assistance.

In September, ten chapter members volunteered their time in various roles at the Standdown held at the Armed Forces Reserve Center. Through your generosity, we were able to donate \$1,000 to CCVAC towards Standdown expenses (estimated at \$30,000). We plan to give them another \$500 for the holidays to help them assist homeless and “at risk” veterans with food and supplies.



You have probably heard that CCVAC recently moved into a facility with over twice the square footage of the old building (thanks in large part due to the work of **Buck Marr**, **Larry Smith**, and others). If you want to learn more about CCVAC “Operation Helping Our Heroes” this veterans day and all year long, you can watch a short 8 1/2 minute video either by using the QR code or by clicking on the following URL <https://youtu.be/nG1BrTjdPz4>. You can also go to the CCVAC website (<https://www.ccvac.net>) to find the video and more details about the great work they do for our veterans in need.

Please mark your calendars for Dec 7 to attend our Annual Scholarship Holiday Christmas Social at the Old Spaghetti Factory at which you will have a chance to meet our four scholarship recipients. I just met with our WSU-V recipient, **Maddie Clarke**, whose father served about six years in the Army until he was injured on active duty. You will have a chance to meet **Maddie** and her father on December 7. We were also just notified of the names of our three Clark College recipients: **Mason Gibson**, an Air Force veteran;

**Julian Johnson**, a child of a retired officer; and **Demi Wickwire**, an Army veteran. Some of you know **Demi** for her involvement with the Veterans Center of Excellence at Clark College and her volunteer support of CMAC events. I will have the opportunity to meet these three individuals at a reception on Nov 13th.

In November or December, we also donate to the Transplant Lodge (“Building 18”) so the staff can do something special for the veterans waiting for, or recovering from, a kidney or liver transplant. They also provide lodging for veterans undergoing extensive and aggressive chemotherapy. In all cases, one care giver—usually their spouse—stays with them. There have been veterans/caregivers who have been at the Lodge and the Fisher House for as long as a year!

A special shout out to all of you who have linked your Fred Meyers Rewards card to the CRMF. Each time you shop, a percentage goes towards our account and every quarter we receive a check. To learn how to set up an account, see the separate article in this newsletter, “Ways to Donate.” See Page 7.

Again, what we are able to do for our local veterans is because of YOU and your great support! Thank You.

If you have questions or need additional information please contact **Dave Casteel** at 360-834-2448, [shilocamas@comcast.net](mailto:shilocamas@comcast.net) or [CRMFpresident@comcast.net](mailto:CRMFpresident@comcast.net), or **Frank Hill** at 360-241-8252, [hillhouse2@comcast.net](mailto:hillhouse2@comcast.net).

*The Columbia River MOAA Foundation (CRMF) is an IRC 501(c)3 public charity to which donations are tax deductible. Our Federal tax ID# is 47-4776049. We encourage you to consult with a tax advisor for complete information about the tax deductibility of your gift.*



## **Ways to Donate to the Columbia River MOAA Foundation (CRMF) by Dave Casteel CRMF President**

(We recommend you consult your tax advisor regarding your specific situation)

1. Donate in response to the chapter's January dues letter
2. Donate by cash and/or check at chapter events/or via mail (Columbia River MOAA Foundation, PO Box 1872, Vancouver, WA 98668).
3. Link your Fred Meyer Rewards card to the CRMF. Benefit: each time you shop at Fred Meyer or QFC (if linked), and enter your phone number at checkout, a small percentage comes to the CRMF. See instructions below.
4. Take advantage of possible new IRS rulings (2026 brings changes that offer the ability to itemize and deduct donations under certain conditions. See page 30, November 2025 issue of the MOAA Military Officer Magazine).
5. Need to take your RMD? Ask your financial firm/advisor how to make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your RMD--thereby reducing your AGI dollar for dollar on front side of 1040. Note, some firms take up to three weeks to make the distribution so don't wait until December. Give your financial advisor/firm the address in #2 above.
6. Appreciated stock held long term transferred directly to CRMF. Benefit: you avoid Capital Gains on the donation. Give your financial firm the address in #2 above.
7. Bequests from your estate (our Federal EIN is 47-4776049)

**Fred Meyer Rewards.** If you don't have a Fred Meyers Rewards card, the first step is to stop at customer service to get a card. Second, go to the Fred Meyer website ([www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards)) and click on "link your Rewards Card now" and follow the instructions. The CRMF fund is "AU238."

Do you shop at Fred Meyer and QFC? No problem. To make sure your points and rewards are tracked properly, log in to your online account on the Fred Meyer website

([www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards)) or the [QFC website](#) and link your rewards card to your account.

### **NEW and Online. Method to Donate to the Foundation**

Simply enter <https://columbia-river-chapter-moaa.cheddarup.com/> in your browser window and it will take you directly to our Columbia River chapter donation portal. Or scan the QR below!

What could be easier?



This is a new MOAA-approved online payment option for 2025 and no transaction fees are charged to either the donor or the Chapter.

If you have questions or need additional information please contact **Dave Casteel** at 360-834-2448, [shilocamas@comcast.net](mailto:shilocamas@comcast.net) or [CRMFpresident@comcast.net](mailto:CRMFpresident@comcast.net), or **Frank Hill** at 360-241-8252, [hillhouse2@comcast.net](mailto:hillhouse2@comcast.net).

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**2025 Recruiting – Met or Exceeded Goals by Larry G. DeVries Membership Circle**


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In fiscal year 2025, all four U.S. military branches met or exceeded their recruitment targets. The Army, Navy, and Air Force notably surpassed their goals, while the Marine Corps met its target almost exactly.

Here's a breakdown of the recruitment goals versus actual accessions for each branch:

Branch	Recruitment Goal	Actual Accessions	% of Goal Achieved	Surplus
Army	52,400	58,011	110.71%	+5,611
Navy	37,049	39,936	107.79%	+2,887
Marine Corps	23,710	23,735	100.11%	+25
Air Force	~31,000 (combined with Space Force)	~31,000	100%+ (goal met 3 months early)	—

Note: The Air Force and Space Force reported a combined recruitment total of nearly 31,000, having met their FY25 goals by July 2025.

This marks a significant turnaround from previous years, especially for the Army, which had faced a 15,000-recruit shortfall just two years prior. The success has been attributed to revamped recruiting strategies, increased incentives, *and improved public outreach*.

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**The U.S. Navy's 250th anniversary on October 13, 2025**, was marked by a weeklong national celebration themed "Honoring the Past, Defending the Future," featuring flagship events in Philadelphia, outreach across the country, and participation from senior Navy leaders.

The Navy's 250th birthday was commemorated with a wide array of events across the U.S.:

- Flagship Celebration in Philadelphia (Oct 9–15): A historic weeklong tribute to Navy and Marine Corps service, including parades, exhibitions, and community engagements.
- Navy Week in Eugene, Oregon: Featured performances at Oregon State University football games, including pre-game and anthem presentations.
- Special Collaborations:
  - Disneyland hosted a themed celebration titled "Age of Sail to Age of Steel".
  - Washington Wizards held a Navy Day event on October 12.
  - Illinois State University hosted an "Afternoon of Brass" musical performance.
- Multilateral Exercises and Community Engagements: These began in January 2025 and continued throughout the year, showcasing naval strength and fostering public connection.

The overarching theme was "250 Years of Defending Freedom, Protecting Prosperity", emphasizing the Navy's enduring role in national security and global maritime leadership. The celebration also aimed to:

- Inspire future generations to serve in both public and private sectors.
- Highlight the Navy's evolution from its 1775 origins to modern sea power.
- Reinforce the Navy's commitment to professionalism, heritage, and innovation.



### ***Chapter ~ Membership Eligibility***

Chapter membership is open to active duty, National Guard, Reserve, retired, and former commissioned officers and warrant officers of the following uniformed services: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Surviving spouses of deceased officers are also eligible to join.

### ***Columbia River Chapter ~ Affiliate***

Our chapter is an affiliate of the more than 350,000 member national MOAA which is the nation's largest and most influential association of military officers. MOAA and the chapter are nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organizations. Our chapter is an IRC 501(c)19 war veterans organization.

### ***Newsletter Editor***

Our Chapter Secretary, **Jim Morse**, coordinates calendar inputs and newsletter distribution. You can contact him at 360-433-5605 or email him at [jlmorse77@gmail.com](mailto:jlmorse77@gmail.com)

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### ***Newsletter Distribution***

We continue to distribute our newsletter by e-mail. If you are receiving this via postal service and would prefer e-mail please notify **Jim Morse**, our Chapter Secretary at 360-433-5605 or [jlmorse77@gmail.com](mailto:jlmorse77@gmail.com).



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YOU ARE INVITED TO  
THE MOAA COLUMBIA RIVER CHAPTER  
**HOLIDAY**  
SCHOLARSHIP SOCIAL CELEBRATION

**WHEN:** December 7th, 2025 @3pm

**WHERE:** **THE OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY RESTAURANT**  
730 SE 160th Avenue  
Vancouver, WA. 98683

**PROGRAM:** David Casteel, CRMF President,  
*"Scholarship awards to Clark College & WSU-V recipients"*

**RSVP & MEAL**

**SELECTION TO:** **Jim Morse no later than Dec 2nd, 2025**  
360.433.5605 or [jlmorse77@gmail.com](mailto:jlmorse77@gmail.com)

**\*MEAL CHOICES: \$35.00** per person

**PLEASE** choose one of the following:

**Baked Lasagna:** Layers of noodles, Marinara sauce, ground beef and pork, and four delicious cheeses.

**Fettuccine Alfredo:** Butter cream sauce with shredded Romano Cheese. (Vegetarian option)

**Chicken Marsala:** A freshly seasoned breast of tender chicken with a Mushroom and Marsala Wine Sauce. Served alongside spaghetti with Mizithra Cheese & Browned Butter.

**MEAL INCLUDES:** A crisp salad, hot fresh baked bread and their signature spumoni ice cream.

**Beverages are NOT included**

If you have a dietary restriction, please let it be known to your server when you arrive.

## Columbia River Chapter Membership 2025-2026 Calendar Events

Date	Event	Program/Speaker
20 November Thursday	<b>Membership Meeting</b>	Speaker: <b>David Stuebe</b> , WA 17 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District State House Representative Cascadia Tech Center Culinary Academy
December 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>Holiday Party</b>	Old Spaghetti Factory 3pm to 6pm See page 8 for details & RSVP requests



**YOU ARE INVITED TO**

**THE MOAA COLUMBIA RIVER CHAPTER  
November 20<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Meeting**



Plan to join us for a great talk and enjoy a delicious lunch at 1130 hours on Thursday, 20 Nov 2025, at the Cascadia Tech Center Culinary Academy, 12200 NE 28th St, Vancouver.

Our speaker will be CRC member **David Stuebe**, WA 17th Legislative District State House Representative, who will discuss some of his "hip pocket lessons."

The Culinary Academy will provide us with a complete lunch including a Thanksgiving theme main course, a salad, warm bread, dessert, tea, and coffee.

The cost continues to be \$25 per person, all inclusive. (Discuss any dietary requirements with the Culinary Academy staff upon arrival.)

We will have our customary raffle, the proceeds used to help defray our luncheon expenses. So please bring an item, e.g., a book, goodie, DVD, or nickname to donate to the raffle.

***Unfortunately, alcoholic beverages are no longer allowed to be brought into the Culinary Academy for our raffle as the prohibition of alcohol on the campus is now being enforced.***

Please contact Jim Morse, Co-Secretary, by phone or text at 360.433.5605 or by email at [jlmorse77@gmail.com](mailto:jlmorse77@gmail.com). **All RSVPs are needed by 17 Nov 2025.**

See you on Thursday, 20 Nov!

CRC Newsletter Schedule	
First week of month	
February	November
April	December
June	
September	

