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Manuel Schneidmiller Post 154 Mission Statement

The American Legion Post 154 is a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness to support Veterans and the Community at large. We are committed to mentoring and sponsorship of youth programs, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting a strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members, veterans, and their families in our communities. Our success depends entirely on active membership, participation, and volunteerism. This organization belongs to the people it serves and the community in which it thrives.

Here is the story of the Veterans' Day poster on page one above.

For the [2023 Veterans Day Poster Contest](#), the [Veterans Day National Committee \(VDNC\)](#) called on professional and amateur artists to create picture-perfect designs that reflect the theme of this year's Veterans Day observance: service.

There were more than 60 entries from people ranging from school-aged children to graphic designers with decades of experience. When all ballots were tallied, the VDNC selected "The Bugler" by Gene Russell, a service-connected disabled Army Infantry Veteran and VA employee, as this year's winning submission.

Russell is the principal photographer for the VA Secretary in Washington, D.C., and he spends his days photographing the Secretary's significant events and documenting other senior VA leaders' internal and external engagements. Described as "customer-service obsessed" by acting Deputy Secretary Scott Blackburn, Russell received the VA Secretary's Honor Award for "I CARE" in 2020 for his work on the Center for Women Veterans' "I Am Not Invisible" (IANI) campaign. The I CARE Award is VA's highest honor for customer service and workplace excellence, and refers to [VA's five core values](#): Integrity, Commitment, Advocacy, Respect and Excellence.

Music was the inspiration for Russell's submission; he has played the bugle since he was a boy. "Bugle calls are not songs, and they do not have lyrics. Yet, when heard, the calls evoke the emotion and the pride of service for members of every uniformed branch listed on this poster," he said.

More than 100 bugle calls are used in the United States Armed Services, including a few used only in emergencies, such as "man overboard" or "abandon ship." For that reason, the bugler connects each service member on land, air, and sea.

"My goal was to link the sight, sound and feeling of how we served our country. The pole and American flag in this image are the ones currently flying over VA headquarters in Washington, DC," he said. "It flies for each of us and those Veterans to come."

The Veterans Day poster will be displayed in VA facilities, military installations and municipal buildings across America. It will also serve as the cover of the official program for the Veterans Day commemoration at Arlington National Cemetery on November 11.

Commander's Comments:

November is the season of Thanksgiving. Thank you to everyone who works hard every day to make our Post the best in Idaho. Also, thank you to our amazing Veterans Recognition Committee, they have put together an awesome event. Please try and come and support our local veterans on November 11th at the Lakeland High School at 11 a.m.

You know the term "team"? It means a group of people organized to WORK TOGETHER. We need to work as a team with better communication. A team working together can get a lot of details accomplished. We need to trust each other and work together for the future of our organization. Please put on your idea cap and let me know what you come up with for projects.

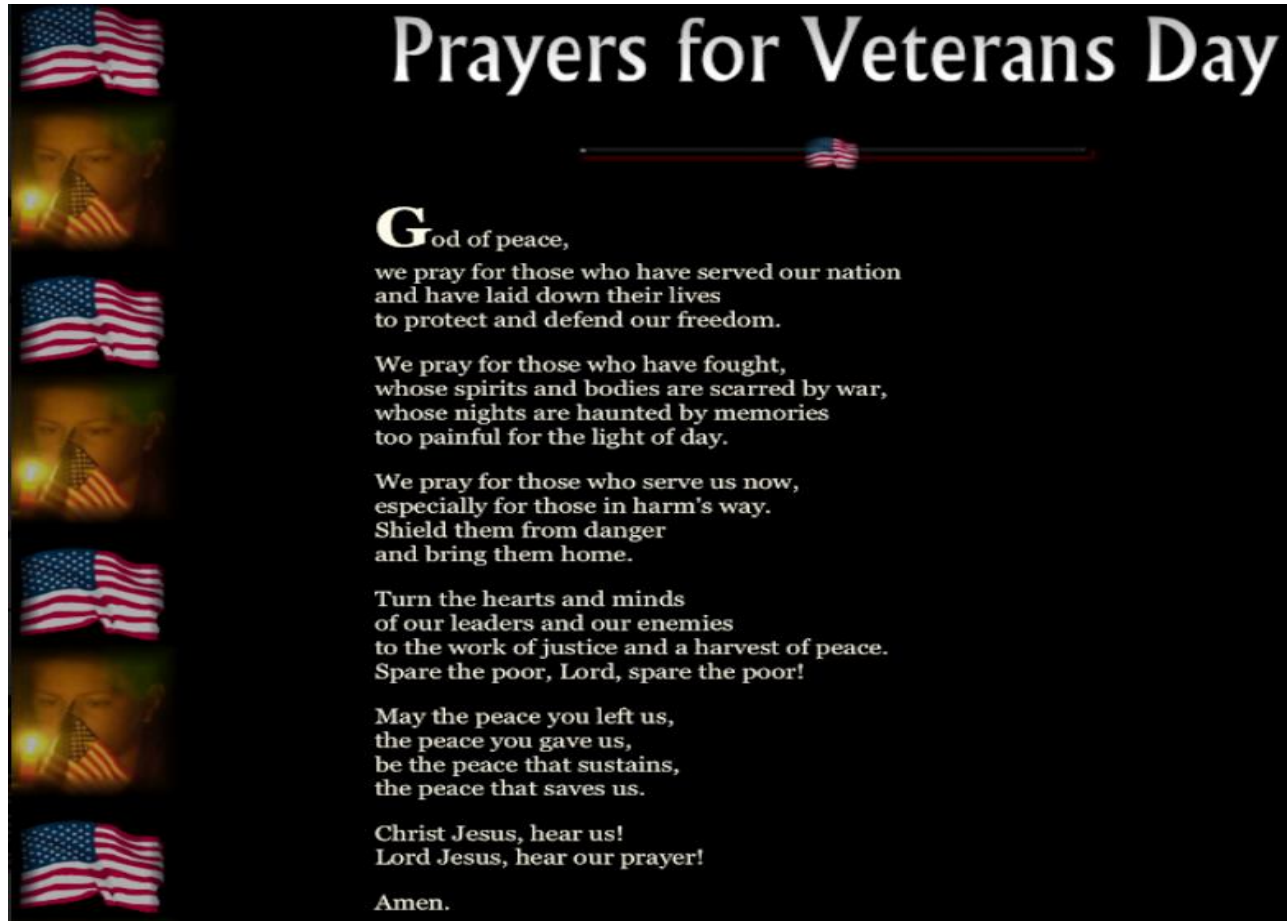
Well, I think this is all for now. Again, the success of this Post lies in its membership. Please. Please, please, be on the lookout for our next newest member. If you would like to help with anything we do, please ask!! There is always something to do to keep this Post running. Don't forget about our monthly membership meetings. That is your opportunity to make your voice heard.

For the Good of the Legion, Dee Sasse, Commander

Finance Officer:

We would like to welcome Lonnie Morse as the new Finance Officer. He replaces Len Crosby, who resigned after taking excellent care of the Post finances for the past 8 years. Thank you, Len, for your exceptional fiscal endeavors. And thank you Lonnie, for stepping up to continue the care of the Post finances.

Chaplain's Pew:

A graphic titled "Prayers for Veterans Day" with a black background. On the left side, there is a vertical strip of seven images: an American flag, a person in profile with their hand over their face, another American flag, another person in profile, another American flag, another person in profile, and another American flag. The main text is centered on the right side.

Prayers for Veterans Day

God of peace,
we pray for those who have served our nation
and have laid down their lives
to protect and defend our freedom.

We pray for those who have fought,
whose spirits and bodies are scarred by war,
whose nights are haunted by memories
too painful for the light of day.

We pray for those who serve us now,
especially for those in harm's way.
Shield them from danger
and bring them home.

Turn the hearts and minds
of our leaders and our enemies
to the work of justice and a harvest of peace.
Spare the poor, Lord, spare the poor!

May the peace you left us,
the peace you gave us,
be the peace that sustains,
the peace that saves us.

Christ Jesus, hear us!
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer!

Amen.

Sick Call & Taps:

- Al Ogram is having continuing liver issues.
- Dan Neese had back surgery and is recovering at home.
- Sharron McPhail will have eye surgery after heart issues are resolved.
- Sue Fevold will be having back surgery Thanksgiving week.
- Hal Donahue is struggling with vertigo and atrial fibrillation.
- Helen Kinder is having heart studies done for related symptoms.

A graphic with a purple border and a background of autumn leaves and pumpkins. The text is arranged in several sections.

HELLO & WELCOME NOVEMBER

Blessings

A time to be *Thankful* for your family,
friends and animals. A time to grab onto second
chances and turn them into blessings. A time to
leave behind all the 'could have's' and the
'should have's' and make a new beginning. Don't
worry about mistakes and don't let any regrets
take hold in your mind. Just as November wipes
our landscapes clean of color and the earth goes
to sleep to prepare for spring, let it also bring with
it a clean slate. Give yourself permission
to start over, to begin anew.

—Charity M. Rishoy-Bentley

Have A Blessed November

Service Officer:

Happy November all! As the change of season continues to give us a reason to (ugh!) do final yard work and (yay!) enjoy the fall colors, sit back with a fresh cup of coffee and catch up on these helpful bits of information. You have a complete overview of caregiver support AND that handy dandy Idaho Veterans Guide. - Ruth Aresvik, Service Officer

[VA Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Fami...](#)

[Idaho Veterans Guide and Resources](#)



Post 154 Honor Guard:

Our Honor Guard is very active. They march in parades, present the colors at ceremonies, and most importantly, provide a rifle salute to honor Veterans at their funerals. However, more members are always needed to serve in this capacity. If you are interested in participating in this very fulfilling activity, contact Co-Captain Todd Halvorson at keltod11@gmail.com or by phone at 509-953-0885.

In the past month, the Post 154 Honor Guard has participated in 8 funerals including 6 Army veterans and 2 Navy Veterans. They also presented the colors at the Inland Northwest Honor Flight fundraising event and attended one Honor Guard meeting. These events involved 250 volunteer hours and 1,346 miles traveled. – Ken Johnson, Honor Guard Co-Captain



Make the Connection: Real Veterans, Real Stories

Listen now to the second season of "Make the Connection: Real Veterans. Real Stories." Powered by the voices of Veterans and their supporters, this season of the podcast explores what comes after service and how to find your next mission in life. [LISTEN NOW](#)

A Note from Your Editor: On the following pages you'll find the third installment of ten monthly articles on estate planning written by Len Crosby. Estate planning was one of the many jobs which fell within Len's wheelhouse during his many years as vice president of the bank where he was employed. He has generously chosen to share his expertise with us. Len spent many hours putting this information together after working with the widow of one of our members and seeing how much she was missing after her husband's untimely death. **I suggest you save each of these articles, after reading and following them. They are on a separate page for this purpose. And when you see Len, thank him for his contribution to your peace of mind!**

ESTATE PLANNING – LESSON 3 – POWER OF ATTORNEY

A power of attorney is a document that gives another person (your attorney-in-fact) the ability to act on your behalf in certain matters. In other words, in estate planning, it is frequently used to specify someone to make decisions about legal and financial matters if you're no longer able to make your own choices. Designating a power of attorney during retirement is especially important because, as you age, there's an increased possibility that you may need a trusted family member or friend (your attorney-in-fact) to help you take care of your financial affairs (i.e., monitor your bank and investment accounts, pay bills...) and act on your behalf. Additionally, many retirees travel or engage in new activities that could potentially result in an unexpected accident. Illness and other issues can also crop up during retirement, making it a time that's especially important for you to have someone you trust ready to step in and act in your best interest.

How to Choose a Power of Attorney

When deciding on a power of attorney, there are three main things to consider:

- **Trustworthiness.** Can you reasonably expect the person you choose as your attorney-in-fact to make good choices in your best interest? Do you know they will be honest?
- **Proximity.** It's best to have an attorney-in-fact who lives near you. They can be on the scene to help out, as well as review documents and make other decisions quickly. In addition, different states have different rules about the types of powers and authorities you can give to your attorney-in-fact, which can complicate things if your attorney-in-fact resides in another state.
- **Good with money.**
Because your attorney-in-fact may be able to make decisions about your finances, it's often a good idea to consider someone who knows how to handle money and can be trusted to make responsible financial choices.

Types of Power of Attorney

There are different types of power of attorney. Some of them can be used together. Below, we've listed some of the more common types that you may want to consider utilizing.

- **General Power of Attorney.**
This type of power of attorney offers the most control over your situation, so it's especially important that the person you choose be trustworthy and competent. Your general power of attorney can take care of real estate, financial, business, and legal issues on your behalf, whether or not you're incapacitated. In some states, they can even make gifts on your behalf. A general power of attorney can be useful if you're traveling, or if you're retired and don't want to handle your business needs.
- **Durable Power of Attorney**
A durable power of attorney is basically the same as a general power of attorney. As soon as you sign the form, the person you've chosen to act as your attorney-in-fact is empowered and authorized to act on your behalf. The benefit, though, is that it is durable, and your attorney-in-fact can continue acting for you if you become unable to make your own decisions. In other words, your attorney-in-fact can act on your behalf even if you become incapacitated and cannot act for yourself. But a general power of attorney that is not durable will terminate when you become incapacitated, and your attorney-in-fact will lose his or her authority to act on your behalf. You can rescind a durable power of attorney or a general power of attorney at any time if you fill out a revocation form provided you are not incapacitated.
- **Medical or Healthcare Power of Attorney**
Also called an advance directive or healthcare proxy, the medical power of attorney allows someone else to make decisions about your healthcare or medical treatment when you are not able to make such decisions for yourself. For example, if you're incapacitated, the person you appoint as your

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attorney-in-fact pursuant to your medical power of attorney will make choices for you, often based on the guidance you've set forth in your living will.

- Limited Power of Attorney

Rather than granting broad authority to make decisions on your behalf, a limited power of attorney is designed to act in certain ways or with limited authority. For example, instead of giving a General Power of Attorney, which gives your attorney-in-fact broad discretion to act on your behalf, you might only want to give your attorney-in-fact the authority to act in a special matter or to only perform a specific task. One example is being able to cash checks for you or having access to a specific account to pay specific bills and house expenses. That way, your power of attorney can perform certain tasks on your behalf, such as when you're traveling or living overseas in retirement so that you don't have to worry about them. Like other powers of attorney, you can terminate or change your attorney-in-fact at any time provided you are not incapacitated.

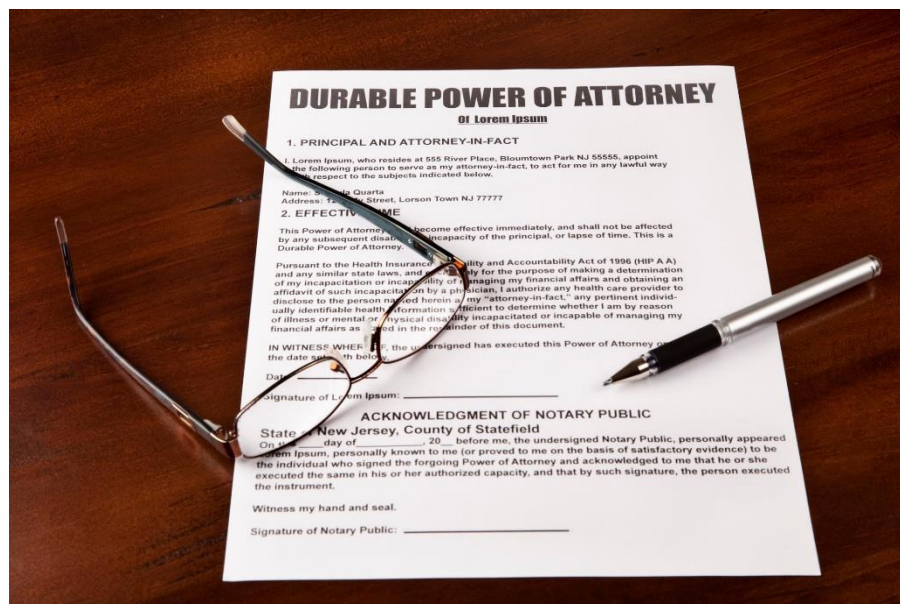
- Springing Power of Attorney

This is a type of power of attorney that only applies when a condition precedent occurs; in other words, it springs into existence when certain enumerated facts happen.

Frequently, durable powers of attorney can also be springing powers of attorney, such that they only become operative when you are incapacitated. For example, if you retire overseas and become incapacitated, the springing power of attorney will only come into effect at that time so that someone else can handle important financial and legal matters on your behalf — including potentially making arrangements to get you back to the United States. A springing power of attorney works when you're not traveling as well.

Now that you're familiar with the different types of wills and powers of attorney, it's time to ensure your estate has a beneficiary assigned. And remember - if you move, be sure to keep everything up to date with the correct address, along with your attorney-in-fact addresses as well.

- Len Crosby, Member Post 154



Training Officer:

Training Officer: Greeting my fellow Legionnaires of Post 154. As the basic training of all Legionnaires is very important for the good of the Post members, I would invite you to read this Basic Training Part 2. I know some of you have read this before, but it is very important and please read it again. If you have comments, please send them to me a theneeses@hotmail.com.

Now here is your link: [https://rathdrumpost154.org/files/Basic Training Part 2 History.pdf](https://rathdrumpost154.org/files/Basic%20Training%20Part%20History.pdf)

- Dan Neese, Training Officer

We Never Leave Anybody Behind: Vietnam Veteran's Remains Returned

As reported October 10 by Corey Vaillancourt for *Smoky Mountain News*, for the first time in nearly 55 years, a Waynesville native and Air Force captain who didn't return from his mission over Quảng Nam Province in South Vietnam is finally back among his family, friends, and loved ones. Fred Hall, a hero, has come home. Fred's journey began in Waynesville in 1943, where he was born to Robert "Birdie" Hall and Irene "Reeney" Galloway. A bright student and talented musician, Fred graduated from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and enlisted in the Air Force in 1967. Around that time, he met and married Julia Jean Keith, a Texan who was crowned Miss Houston in 1965. [Read More...](#)

Bits & Pieces

- National Forget-Me-Not Day on November 10th reminds Americans of the sacrifices returning soldiers have made of body, blood, and limb. Created in 1921, the day reminds Americans that National Forget-Me-Not Day originally raised funds for services for returning injured soldiers.
- Free Meals, Discounts and Offers for Veterans. Veterans Day 2023 is Saturday, Nov. 11. Check out this year's list of free meals, retail discounts and other ways businesses and organizations are showing appreciation for Veterans this Veterans Day and year-round. [LEARN MORE](#)
- Learn the History of Veterans Day. Veterans Day is observed on November 11 every year. Learn the origins of the day and the historical significance of the date. [LEARN MORE](#) [Download the 2023 Veterans Day Teachers Resource Guide](#)
- Veterans, Shield Your Benefits from Scammers! Combat payment redirection fraud and protect your hard-earned benefits. Scammers are targeting your personal information, rerouting payments and jeopardizing your security. Check out these [cybersecurity tips](#) to secure your accounts and report suspicious activity.

Mark Your Calendar:

November 5th Daylight Savings Time ends & it's National Donut Day!

November 7th Election Day

November 9th Post 154 Executive Committee Meeting @ 6 pm Lions Club

November 10th Marine Corps birthday & National Forget-Me-Not Day

November 11th The Veterans Recognition Event at 11 am with Free Lunch at noon –details on pg 14

November 23rd Thanksgiving (No Membership Meeting)

December 9th Post 154 Christmas Party - details on pg 15

Did you know...?

Community Care: Who is Eligible and How You Can Access It

As an eligible Veteran receiving VA health care, you can access private providers, if your VA facility doesn't offer a specific service or if you can't get an appointment in a timely manner.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Are You Caring for Someone With Dementia?

In this video series, learn some caregiver tips and suggestions on how to cope with various aspects of dementia. [WATCH](#)



A Healthier You:

November is a month of medical awareness. In fact, there are so many diseases and conditions recognized during this month that I decided to list them here with a link to more information. So here we go...

November is Awareness Month or has a week or day during the month for these cancers:

Pancreatic - [LINK](#)

Stomach - [LINK](#)

Lung - [LINK](#)

Neuroendocrine tumors (NET) - [LINK](#)

November is Awareness Month or has a week or day during the month for these other diseases & conditions:

COPD - [LINK](#)

Alzheimer's - [LINK](#)

Epilepsy - [LINK](#)

Diabetes - [LINK](#)

Diabetic eye disease - [LINK](#)

Pneumonia - [LINK](#)

Great American Smoke Out - [LINK](#)

Impotency - [LINK](#)

Stress - [LINK](#)



NEXT GENERATION MEDICINE Presents:
Advancements in Alzheimer's Research - Will there ever be a cure?

Advancements in Alzheimer's Research – Will there ever be a cure?

Advancements in Alzheimer's Research: Will there ever be a cure? featuring Dr. Thomas J. Grabowski from the University of Washington.

The recording of the entire lecture and Q&A is now available for access on YouTube. Here is the link: [Advancements in Alzheimer's Research: Will there ever be a cure?](#)

Our next lecture will be held this spring on the topic of sleep and brain health. University of Washington sleep researcher, Dr. Jeffrey Iliff will answer many questions about sleep, including what causes sleep paralysis? Can we control our lucid dreams? Why do naps make us feel more tired? Can we catch up on sleep? And more. We'll be sending out registration information for this lecture early in 2024.

Wishing you good health,

The UW School of Medicine--Gonzaga University Health Partnership



VETERANS HONORED WITH THE FLIGHT OF A LIFETIME

Ruth Aresvik

Veterans Help Net Correspondent



Early morning October 9th, and the skies above Spokane International Airport were crisp and clear. Inside the terminal, 107 local veterans, along with about 80 guardians, enjoyed a complimentary breakfast and coffee. Lots of coffee. Then the boarding began for another Inland Northwest Honor Flight...four Korean War era veterans, over 100 Vietnam War era veterans, and two female veterans, including yours truly. I spent my Navy duty working at the Pentagon and this was my first return visit in 53 years. Lots of emotions running through my body – and all the others aboard.

We arrived at Dulles International Airport late afternoon to a warm welcome of locals waving flags and posters. Our first stop of the trip was the Air Force Memorial overlooking the Pentagon and Arlington National Cemetery. This 402-foot memorial of three stainless steel spires, which opened in October 2006, represents the Air Force Thunderbirds peeling back in a “bomb burst” maneuver. Evening lights began to show the beauty of the Washington Monument across the Potomac River. I could hear the bugle sound of retreat and could picture the flag being lower across the way on Fort Myer where I had lived in the Tri-Service Women’s Barracks.

A banquet and lights out at our hotel in Crystal City quickly turned into a 6am breakfast call. We loaded the buses and traveled into the cemetery for a 9am changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. For 24 hours a day, seven days a week since 1937 there has always been a guard on watch, marching 21 steps down the mat with a 21 second pause facing the tomb, turning to shift their weapon, and waiting another 21 seconds before marching back. This is their routine. This is their job. The guard is relieved every hour; on occasion every ½ hour depending on the weather. As we turned to leave, I remembered a photo from January 1970 as I sat in the big marble chair in the connecting Amphitheater. Thanks to my guardian Jeannine, we recreated that moment. Quite the blast from the past!



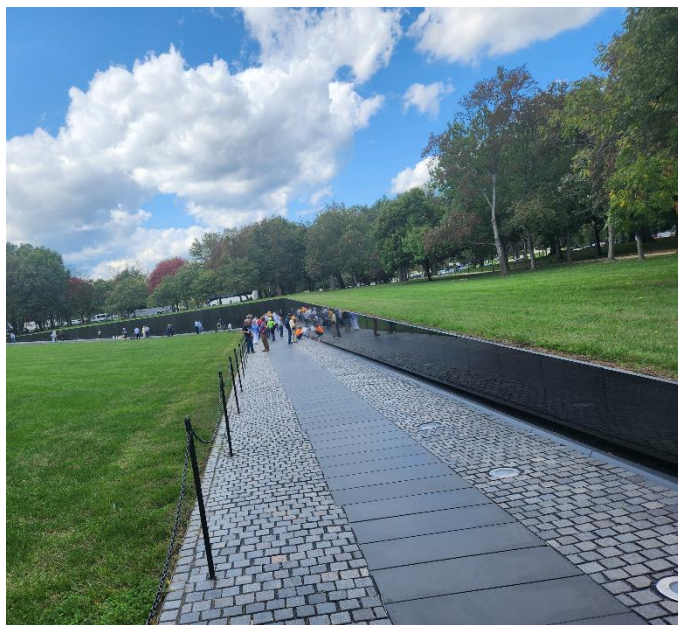
Ruth Aresvik and Marilyn Fisher Honored at Military Women's Memorial

Our next stop was the Military Women's Memorial located at the Memorial Bridge gateway entrance to the cemetery. Dedicated and opened in October 1997, it contains stories and the history of women who have served with over 300,000 women registered. My veteran friend Marilyn and I, being the only female veterans on this Honor Flight, were surprised with a short ceremony and presentation of a certificate.

We crossed the river, blessed with beautiful fall weather, to spend time on what's considered the National Mall – nicknamed America's front yard. The World War II

Memorial, established in May 2004, is an impressive plaza that forms a ring surrounded by 56 pillars and 2 towers. The pillars represent the 48 states and 8 territories, while the towers stand as tribute to the victories in the Pacific and Atlantic fronts. Sadly, more than 400,000 service members lost their lives in the deadliest conflict for the United States.

Moving east, we parked near the Reflecting Pool to take in more memorials. The Lincoln Memorial was dedicated in 1922 with Abe's son Robert Todd Lincoln, age 78, in attendance. Flanking this mighty statue and carved into the limestone is the Gettysburg Address and Lincoln's second inaugural address.



Perhaps the most profound and emotional visit was the Vietnam Wall. With many of our group having experienced boots on the ground and losing buddies, this somber shiny black granite wall contains etched names of the 58,318 men and women who died in combat or are listed missing in action (MIA). The declared dead are marked by a diamond, those MIA are marked with a cross. If a person currently marked as MIA returns alive, a circle is placed around the cross. If his remains are identified, a diamond is superimposed over the cross. Names of the first deaths (in 1959)

and the last (in 1975) meet in the middle. Isaac, the trusty comfort dog who traveled with our Honor Flight, was a special and needed presence.

Many walked over to view the Korean War Veterans Memorial depicting a squad on patrol in rugged terrain and harsh weather. These 19 stainless steel statues with haunting hollow eyes, were dedicated in 1995 to honor the 36,574 soldiers killed during this Forgotten War. We made a quick trip to the United States Navy Memorial off Pennsylvania Avenue to tour the interactive exhibits and displays. Overlooking the plaza is the original Lone Sailor, an iconic representative of all American sailors.

Our final stop was the Iwo Jima Memorial dedicated in 1954 to all Marines who have given their lives in service and defense. This war memorial was inspired by the famous 1945 photograph, taken by Associated Press combat photographer Joe Rosenthal, of six Marines raising the U.S. flag atop Mount Suribachi during the Battle of Iwo Jima in World War II. Walking back to the raised steps, one has a spectacular view of the memorial, with the Washington Monument and United States Capitol in the distance. My mind flashed back to watching many 4th of July fireworks displays from this location. What an extraordinary experience then and now.

The four-hour flight home was interrupted by mail call! Cards, letters and drawings from friends, family and assorted school children gave us the boost we needed to stay awake for the traditional welcome home. The corridor at the airport was lined with a grateful community, news crew, flags, loved ones complete with music and cheers.

The Inland Northwest Honor Flight, active since May 2009, is one of about 124 “hubs” across the country that transports anyone who served in the U.S. military in active duty or reserve capacity to Washington D.C. In 2022, about 21,800 veterans and 18,709 guardians (who pay their own way) took an Honor Flight. This dedicated organization and all who serve and volunteer make these once in a lifetime trips possible. Many thanks to them. For more information, and to find out how to donate, go to <http://inwhonorflight.org>

On this Veterans Day, it is fitting to remember the quote from President Harry S. Truman on a wall at the World War II Memorial which reads: “Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.”



WOULD YOU LIKE TO VACATION AT A MILITARY RESORT IN HAWAII OR OTHER LOCATION?

I recently had a Marine veteran with a service-connected disability ask me if they would qualify to use one of the military resorts in Hawaii since they were not a retiree. The answer is YES! He was very happy to learn that in 2020 there were many benefits made available to any service-connected veteran which had previously required a 100% service connection.

Facilities that are designated MWR (Morale Welfare Recreation) are now available to all service-connected veterans that have a Veteran Health Insurance Card which display's their eligibility status. This requires that "SERVICE CONNECTED," "FORMER POW" or "PURPLE HEART" must appear on the card. If you are eligible but do not have that printed on your card, you will not be allowed on base.

If you do not have (or are not eligible for) a Veteran Health Identification Card but have at least one service-connected disability, then you will have access to online exchanges and American Forces Travel benefits. You will not have base access or in-person benefits.

If you are participating in the VA's Caregiver Program, you will receive an eligibility letter from the VA's Office of Community Care.

Those eligible will have access to:

- Military Exchanges (PX, BX, etc)
- Golf Courses
- Bowling centers
- Recreational Lodging
- RV Campgrounds
- Movie Theaters
- Restaurants
- Marinas
- Vehicle Storage
- Kennels
- Commissaries
- and more!

Facilities that are not part of MWR will not be available. For example, gyms and fitness centers are not part of MWR.

The first time you visit the base you will show your photo ID, vehicle registration, and insurance at the gate or visitor center. You may be required to register your vehicle before you can drive on base so it's best to be prepared in advance. Call ahead to confirm what you need.

Some bases limit visitor access. Even if the base allows visitors, each visitor will need to prove their own identity and fitness for access. Everyone should be prepared with a REAL-ID compliant driver's license, ID or passport.

Here is a [LINK](#) to the Fairchild Air Force Base website that tells more about the program. – Bryan Bledsoe

Sue Fevold has a request: I need some empty glass jars as I am experimenting with some crafts. Better to experiment with crafts than cooking-- less risk involved.

Anyway, if members wouldn't mind saving their empty glass jars & bringing to any general meeting, I would appreciate it. Examples are jam jars, spaghetti sauce jars like Prego, pickle jars. Any size will work as long as it is glass. Thanks. Sue



Please Join the Rathdrum Community

2023

Veterans Recognition Ceremony

Honoring all Veterans

Saturday, November 11

Lakeland High School

Commons Area

- **All Veterans and Families Welcome**
 - **Doors Open at 10:00 AM**
 - **Ceremony Starts at 11:00 AM**
 - **Free Lunch at 12:00 PM**
- **Special Recognition To All Veterans**

Everyone is invited to this free celebration to meet, honor, & thank our Veterans. Event sponsored by the American Legion Post 154, N.W. Guardian Riders, and the City of Rathdrum.



POST 154



For more information please call Barbara Williams at 208-691-7964 or Helen Kinder at 208-772-7736. For more information call Rathdrum Parks and Recreation at 208-687-2399 or go to www.rathdrum.gov



***You are Invited to Attend the American Legion, Post 154
“2023 Christmas Party”***

Where: Shepherd of the Hills Church; 13541 W Hwy 53, Rathdrum
When: Saturday, December 9th at 1:00pm

This will be a “Pot-Luck Meal”

***Bring your favorite traditional side dish, salad, rolls,
or dessert to share. Come and enjoy an afternoon to celebrate
this special time of year with friends and family.***

RSVP by Nov. 24th to: jeanbledsoe@gmail.com

***Let us know how many will be in your party and
what you will be bringing for the meal.***



***Santa will be visiting again, so bring your kids or grandkids along,
with a wrapped gift that Santa can give them.***

***Questions may be directed to: Sharron McPhail
760-289-9266 (phone or text)***



Christmas Party Volunteers Needed for the following Tasks:

- 1. General Set-up & clean-up. Tablecloths & decorations on all round tables. All will be provided.**
- 2. Set-up coffee table & make coffee including cups, creamer & sugar & stir sticks.**
- 3. Set-up dessert table with dessert plates, forks & napkins.**
- 4. Set-up main food table. Arrange foods, put out serving utensils.**
- 5. Set-up sound system for background music & microphone.**
- 6. Set-up Santa area with backdrop, small side table for children's gifts.**
- 7. Set-up & decorate side table with door prizes for ticket drawings.**
- 8. Set-up greeting table with sign-in, tickets for drawing, & name tags.**
- 9. Bring cooked & cut-up turkeys & ham:**
 - a. 1 turkey**
 - b. 1 turkey**
 - c. 1 turkey**
 - d. 1 ham**
- 10. Pick-up tubs out of Conex & also put back afterward.**

All items for tables will be furnished. It is the responsibility of the volunteers to set-up their area with these supplies. Volunteers need to arrive at 11 AM.

**Please call or text Sharron McPhail
760-289-9266 with the task you would
like to do, your phone number, and
email address.**

**Thank you for helping to make our
Post Christmas Party a success!**

