

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS FORT SHERMAN CHAPTER #9
COEUR D' ALENE, IDAHO**

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Chapter Commander: **Robert Hunt 208 773-1074**

Chapter Adjutant: **Bryan Bledsoe 509 990-6739**

DAV MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Membership is open to anyone wounded, injured, gassed, or disabled during honorable wartime service. Please refer to the following chart for the dates of active duty that are considered during “time of war”:

World War I.....	04/06/17 – 07/02/21
World War II.....	09/16/40 - 01/31/55
Vietnam and Other Engagements.....	01/31/55 - 10/14/76
Iranian Crisis, Lebanon Crisis, Invasion of Grenada, Invasion of Panama, And Other Engagements.....	11/04/79 - 01/30/90
Persian Gulf Crisis And Subsequent Engagements.....	08/20/90 - Until terminated by Presidential Proclamation or Congressional Resolution

In addition, there are circumstances under which veterans, who served at other times, can meet the requirements, “during time or war” or “wartime service.” This occurs when review of official military/VA records show that the applicant’s wound, injury or disability was incurred:

- 1) **As a direct result of armed conflict, or**
- 2) **While engaged in extra-hazardous service under conditions simulating war, or**
- 3) **While the US was engaged in any war, or**
- 4) **While in receipt of an expeditionary or campaign medal.**

Feel free to contact National DAV Headquarters if you have any questions regarding eligibility.

CHAPTER MINUTES

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2016 Chapter Legislative Letters	47	
2016 Auxiliary Legislative Letters	39	Total Since 2008: 7,276

Minutes from January 26, 2016

Joint meeting of the DAV and DAVA

1. Quilt of Valor Presentation by Jerene Kindley to Graham Crutchfield and his wife Betsy accompanied him.

2. Arnie Howe and Sandy Doutré presented a check for \$1,075 to both the DAV and DAVA for profits from the State Convention.
3. Barb Nelson was recognized for purchasing the medal display case from the Army Navy Store that closed and will donate it to the Veterans Home when it is built.
4. Chapter Commander promoted the communications committee members to Minnions First Level and presented them with Minnion coloring books and a picture of his boat with its 50 cal machine guns. Awardees were Brian Bledsoe, Jeff Broadhead, Bob Imle and Charlie Till.
5. Chapter Commander awarded Charlie Till and Auxiliary Commander Marilyn Hunt Minnion Level Bob Minnion Stuffed dolls for performance above and beyond.

The 923rd Regular Chapter meeting called to Order by Chapter Commander Robert Hunt at 1830.

Roll Call of Officers:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Commander	Robert (Bob) Hunt	Present
Senior Vice Commander	Bob Imle	Present
1st Junior Vice Commander	Fred Margiotta	Present
2nd Junior Vice Commander	Jeff Broadhead	Present
Treasurer	Kirk Kindley	Present
Chaplain	Dale Stamper	Present
Sgt. At Arms	Pat McLean	Present
Service Officer	Jim Karlstrand	Gone South for the winter
Officer of the Day	Lew Allert	Present
JAG	Ralph Shrigley	Sailing in the Bahamas
Webmaster/Facebook	Bryan Bledsoe	Present
Gunnery Officer	Field Marshal Till	Present
Motor/Noise/Energizer Bunny/Main Battery	Lew Allert	Present
Sports Officer	Don Waddell	Present
Fish and Game Officer	Bernie Fox	Absent
Morale Officer/Sous Chef	Pat Mclean	Present
Spokane VAMB & CDA CBOC Liaison	Al Holm	Present
Personal History Officer	Franco DeSimone	Absent
Adjutant	Bryan Bledsoe	Present

VISITORS/NEW MEMBERS: Terry Blessing (new member), Tim Fuller (possible new member), John Hernandez (new member), Don Healey (possible new member)

COMMANDER'S MINUTE: Erma Hubbard, wife of Harry E. Hubbard, CO of the destroyer Meredith was killed in action in WWII. She was forced into poverty with a \$50 pension while the wife of a reserve officer received \$400 per month. Rather than take from the reserve officer widow's pension she lobbied Congress, writing over 10,000 letters, walking the halls of the Capitol for 16 years. She formed a survivors association and was directly responsible for DIC being enacted. 90,000 widows began receiving a pension immediately and it quickly grew to 250,000. The Commander's second ship was the Harry E. Hubbard DD-748. It turns out both the namesake and his wife were hero's in their own right.

The Commander announced that under the bylaws first nominations for the upcoming year for officers would be at the next meeting with elections in the March meeting. He announced that he would not be standing for office, He noted that if the sitting commander indicated in any manner that he would serve

another term, seldom would anyone ever run in opposition. He encouraged new members to jump in and noted that enthusiasm can easily overcome lack of experience.

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER: Nominations and election procedures were discussed.

Motion made and carried to approve the minutes of November 25, 2015 Allert/Imle

Motion made and carried to approve the Treasurer's report for December 2015 and January 2016. Waddell/Bacon

	<u>January 2016</u>	<u>December 2015</u>
Checking Balance:	\$ 21,507.54	\$ 22,565.17
Van Saving Account Balance:	\$ 30,369.51	\$ 30,369.51
Commander's Discretionary Bal:	\$ 10.94	\$ 200.54
Christmas Fund Account Bal:*	<u>\$ 1,160.17</u>	<u>\$ 764.01</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 53,048.16	\$ 53,699.23

Motion made and carried to unblock \$500 set aside for meals at Dockside Margiotta/Bacon

Motion made and carried set to set aside \$500 to take the DAV van drivers and spouses to breakfast and buy each driver a buck knife Bacon/Crosby Bob Imle and Charlie Till are action officers on the knife procurement. Kirk Kindly offered to purchase the breakfast for the drivers and theirs spouses out of his own funds.

Recessed at 7:00 pm for presentation to DAV and DAVA by Leslie Johnson of the Salvation Army Kroc Center

Working on the para triathlon – April 8th presentation – free para trip camp the following day. Check out KrocCDA.org to get updated information. They have a pain management class available. Don Waddell will be the contact person for getting more information as plans progress.

Reconvened at 7:20

Motion made and carried to return Almeida donation to DAVA for \$500 Till/Stamper

The bill was originally to be \$3,650.00. Lennox offered the heating system at half price and Borders cut nearly \$1,000 from the bill.

UNFINISHED BUSINESSs:

Corey – roof to be checked out by Greg Bacon

Dowell – has spent all but \$40 of the \$500 allocated to them

Bunes – needs to have some electrical work done. Bryan Bledsoe to work with other veterans groups to see if they will become involved and assist in paying some of the costs.

Motion made and carried to buy plaques and emblems for 10 future presentations Till/Howe

Christmas project served 28 families and 86 children

Motion made and carried to pay for the van in full. Kindley/Alert

Motion made and carried to set aside \$200 for the chaplain's discretionary fund. Kostur/Waddell

Motion made and carried to replenish the commanders discretionary fund to \$200 Till/McLean

50/50 \$24 was donated back to the Chapter by Kirk Kindley – Chapter to add \$52 for a total of \$100 to the state

NEW BUSINESS:

Convention 2016 is in Boise is May 11th thru 14th Greg Bacon, Mike Kostur and Arnie Howe plan to go to the convention.

The Commander went over the National Commanders message on fund raising. PROHIBITED by National is solicitation of funds outside of the chartered geographic boundaries of the Chapter. There can be no internet related solicitation.

Motion made and carried to replace two batteries for a wheel chair owned by a 96 year old veteran and have it checked out and repaired up to \$450 Allert/McLean

Lew Allert and John Hernandez are the action officers.

Motion made and carried to set aside \$100 for John Marshals family Howe/Bacon

John Marshal was the senior surgeon at the Spokane VAMC was found dead. John Hernandez is the action officer. He will contact the family or co-workers and decide on getting potted plants, flowers, food basket, teddy bears, etc for the family.

The proposed veterans home for Post Falls currently has 6.1 acres of donated land and this maybe too small for a 95 bed facility. Discussion has begun on opting for a 66 bed home, the same as Pocatello and Lewiston. Len Crosby has stated that there is no need to do anything at the moment as the issue is being researched and discussed at various levels.

Motion made and carried to adjourn. Koster/Bacon

Good of the order

Nurse practitioner Paul Fontana left Group Health and went to the VA Hospital. Kirk Kindley said that he has been going to him for years at group health and many of the doctors ask him his opinion of various issues. He highly recommends him if you go to the VA Hospital in Spokane

Closing Ceremonies

Adjourned at 8:29

Bryan Bledsoe
Chapter Adjutant

	04-28-15	05-26-15	8-25-15	09-29-15	10-27-15	11-24-15	01-26-16	03-31-15
Adams	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx				xx
Lew Allert	Xx	xx	xx	Xx	Xx		Xx	xx
Bacon				Xx		Xx	Xx	
Bledsoe	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Calif	Xx	xx
Blessing							Xx	
Broadhead	Xx	xx		Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	
Brown	Xx					Wind		visitors
Cook	Xx	xx		Xx		Arizona	south	Xx
Crosby		xx			xx		Xx	
DiSimone		xx						
Frank						xx		
Fox	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx		Sick		Xx
Hernandez							Xx	
Holm	Sick	xx	Xx	Xx			Xx	
Howe	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Conv
Hunt	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
Imle	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Europe	Xx	Hawaii
Jonas			Xx					
Karlstrand	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Nevada	south	
Kindley	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
Kostur	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx		Xx	conv.
Leyh			Xx					
Margiotta				Xx	Xx		Xx	
Markiewicz	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	
McLean	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
Morrison								Xx
Notis							Xx	
Overman	Xx	xx		Xx		Xx	Xx	Xx

Ohlman			Xx	Xx			Xx	
Owens	Xx							Xx
Pomarico	Xx	xx	Xx				Xx	Xx
Powell								
Schneidermann			Xx			Xx	work	Xx
Shrigley	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Family	Xx	Xx
Stamper		xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Speaking	Xx	Xx
Sythe								
Teall							xx	
Till	xx	xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Montana	Xx	Xx
Waddell	Xx		Xx	Xx		Xx	Xx	Xx
TOTAL	26	21	21	23	16	11	25	22

Website: <http://www.davmembersportal.org/chapters/id/09/default.aspx>

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John Booth 262-9256
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Mike Kostur	676-0959
Steve Kukuraza	964-1195
Fred Margiotta	509 220-5042
Harold Markiewicz	773-2862
Pat McLean	640-9143
Fred Meier	762-3309/699-3347
Nolan McCormack	664-0674
Patrick McDonald	509 922-4982
Jerry Morrison	818-4085
Roy Murdock	640-6785
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Bill Powell	819-2260
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Jonnie Teall	640-3052
Charles Till	777-2425
Charles Thomas	773-5831
Don Waddell	755-4875
William Wiley	682-5622 Silver Val

*Non members

Important Telephone Numbers

CDA CBOC	208 665 1700/01/04
CDA Dept of Commerce Vet. Rep.	208 769 1558 ext 310
DAV Idaho State Commander	208 559-0779
DAV National Headquarters	859 441 7300
DAV National Headquarters Toll Free	1 877 426 2838
DAV State Adjutant	208 999-8729
DAV Van, Express Shuttle	1 800 325 7940 ext 7019
DEERS	1 800 538 9552
DFAS	1 888 332 7411
Fairchild AFB ID Card	1 509 247 2701
Fort Sherman Chapter 9 Adjutant	208 773 7311
Fort Sherman Chapter 9 Commander	208 773-1074
Idaho DAV National Service Officer	208 429-2140/2143
Idaho Division of Veterans Services	208 334 1245
Idaho State Veterans Cemetery	208 334 4796
Kootenai County Veteran Service Officer	208 446 1090
Spokane VAMC	509 434 7000
Spokane VAMC Appointments	1 800 325 7940
Spokane VAMC Chief Health Care Service	509 434 7500
Spokane VAMC DAV Van Transportation	1 800 325 7940 ext 7019
Spokane VAMC Pharmacy	1 800 274 6025
Spokane VAMC Toll Free	1 800 325 7940
Spokane Vet Outreach	1 509 444 8387

SPOKANE VAMC:

Radiology	509 434-7332
Ultrasound	509 434-7337
MRI	509 434-7357
Audiology	509 434-7008
Eye Clinic	509 434-7253/7032
Gastroenterology	509 434-7006
Podiatry	509 434-7029/7675
Behavioral Health Svcs	509 434-7013
Prosthetics	509 434-7726
Physical Therapy	509 434-7018
Travel	509 434-7517
Orthopedics	509 434-7006
Billing	509 434-7534
Eligibility	509 434-7545
Release of Information	509 434-7520
Cardiology	509 434-7000 ext. 6360
Urology	509 434-7678
Oncology	509 434-7676

Pharmacy: 509 434-7011 for the automated line – will need Rx numbers and full SSN

If out of refills and need to renew your medication please call 1 800 274-6025 and press #3 to speak with a pharmacy technician. You must do this if requesting a renewal of a narcotic pain medication.