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

2015 Chapter Legislative Letters	454	
2015 Auxiliary Legislative Letters	<u>278</u>	Total Since 2008: 7,190
	732	

The Chapter and Auxiliary met jointly for the presentation of Quilts of Valor by Jerene Kindley to Arnie Howe, Marilyn Hunt, Rick Seward, Nolan McCormack, Scott Widmayer, and, Leonard Olson..

### Minutes from November 25, 2015

The 922nd Regular Chapter meeting since being Chartered in November of 1938 was called to Order by Chapter Commander Robert Hunt at 1828.

#### Roll Call of Officers:

<u>Roll Call of Officers:</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Commander	Robert (Bob) Hunt	Present
Senior Vice Commander	Bob Imle	Europe
1st Junior Vice Commander	Pat McDonald	Kennewick
2nd Junior Vice Commander	Fred Margiotta	Operation
Treasurer	Kirk Kindley	Present
Chaplain	Dale Stamper	Speaking Engagement
Sgt. At Arms	Pat McLean	Present
Service Officer	Jim Karlstrand	Nevada
Officer of the Day	Lew Allert	Absent
JAG	Ralph Shrigley	Family Visit
Webmaster/Facebook	Bryan Bledsoe	California
Gunnery Officer	Field Marshal Till	Anaconda Hot Springs
Motor/Noise/Energizer Bunny	Lew Allert	Absent
Sports Officer	Don Waddell	Present
Fish and Game Officer	Bernie Fox	Sick
Morale Officer/Sous Chef	Pat Mclean	Present
Spokane VAMB & CDA CBOC Liason	Al Holm	Absent
Personal History Officer	Franco DeSimone	Absent
Adjutant	Bryan Bledsoe	Absent

**COMMANDER'S MINUTE:** Discussed the importance of the being true to our mission. Cdr noted that there are over 150 military charities and non-profits in the Annual CFC drive, ranging from Fisher House to Luke's Wings. There are many non-profits and most of them deserving public support. We need to adhere to our mission and be exemplary in our work.

**ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER:** Five minutes devoted to a quick quiz.

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS QUIZ ONE**

Does the DAV have honorary memberships (Constitution Article Three)?      Yes      No

Chapter 9 has 576 members giving it one delegate for its charter and one delegate for each 50 members or major portion thereof. How many delegates would Chapter 9 have at the next National Convention (By-laws Section 3.3) \_\_\_\_\_

What color is the National By Laws and Constitution Booklet for 2014-2015? \_\_\_\_\_

**Which veteran(s) in the list below is eligible for DAV Membership (By-Laws Section 11.2)?**

*Any man or woman, wounded, gassed, injured or disabled in the line of duty during time of war as substantiated by official medical records of the armed forces?* Yes      No

*All persons who were prisoners of war?*                      Yes      No

*All persons awarded the Purple Heart?*                      Yes      No

*All persons with disability discharge from military service?*      Yes      No

*All persons who are receiving or ever did receive compensation from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for a disability received during time of war?* Yes      No

*All persons with a wartime service-connected disability of ANY degree (including those with a rating of less than 10%) officially rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs?* Yes      No

*All persons awarded vocational training because of injury or disability?*                      Yes      No

*All persons retiring from military service for disability incurred during time of war?*      Yes      No

*All persons drawing the statutory award for arrested or cured tuberculosis of wartime origin?* Yes  
No

The National Adjutant is the final authority on membership eligibility (By-laws Section 11.?) True  
False

To keep a meeting short, the Chapter can do unit rules, proxy or absentee balloting (By Laws Section 3.9?)  
True      False

**Bonus Question:**

Where is the 2016 National Convention going to be held? \_\_\_\_\_

**Motion made and carried to approve the minutes of October 27th, 2015 regular meeting as written. Bacon/McLean**

**Motion made and carried to approve the Treasurer's report for 24 November, 2015. Markiewicz/Bacon**

Checking Balance:	\$ 15,948.96
Van Saving Account Balance:	\$ 29,362.45
Commander's Discretionary Bal:	\$ 200.49
Christmas Fund Account Bal:*	\$ 9,617.96
TOTAL:	\$ 55,129.86

**Motion made and carried to reduce the funds set aside for the purchase of the van from \$5,300 to \$800. Bacon/McLean**

As of the last meeting, the Chapter was \$5,300 short of the full purchase price of the new E 350 12 Passenger Ford Van. In the last month the Chapter took in donations from the following:

\$1,000	Lakeland High Girls Softball
\$ 500	North Idaho Standdown
\$ 500	Combat Vet Riders
\$ 250	Hauser Gun Club
\$1,240	Golden Corral Collection* Represents 80/20 split of proceeds. Not yet authorized by state
\$ 100	Gary Ashcraft
\$1,000	VFW889* Post voted to donated \$1,000 to DAV Van Project. Not yet received.
<b>\$4,490</b>	<b>Total actual and expected of the \$5,300 needed.</b>
\$ 800	Chapter Set aside to pay for van
\$ 10	Shortage

**SICKNESS & DISTRESS:** Fred Margiotta is recovering from installation of his Tens Unit. Bernie Fox is having a flu like respiratory event.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. National Order of Trench Rats is starting up with members from around the state. Cdr sent in 8 completed applications with checks because of concerns over the checks aging. National OTR processed the checks and issued ID's with instructions not to issue until initiation had been completed. Three additional applications are in hand and one transfer in for a total of 12 of 15 needed.
- B. Christmas wrapping is December 20<sup>th</sup> at St. George's starting at 1400. It is on a Sunday this year due to building availability. All hands will be needed to muster at Cdr's quarters to transport 150 boxes to church at 1230.

**Motion made and carried to set up to \$500 aside for single veterans to go to Dockside Restaurant under the Christmas Program. McLean/Schneiderman**

This money will allow up to 20 veterans to have a meal at dockside and the money is in addition to the Christmas Program project.

**Motion made and Carried to donate \$1,000 to the North Idaho Standdown. McLean/Bacon**

The Standdown is May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Kootenai County Fair Grounds

**Motion made and carried to pay up to \$3,250 for the new heating and cooling system for Ray and Jan Almeida. Kirk/Waddell**

Ray and Jan Almeida  
208-561-5094  
17274 Straight Arrow Trail

Ray Almeida is a Korean era service connected veteran ( U.S. Air Force 1954 thru 1958) living with his wife in a 46 year old single wide trailer on a lot next to the Bayview Naval Base.

This trailer is maintained in a excellent manner and has the original electric Colman heating system. This heater has exceeded its lifetime, is very expensive to run and needs to be supplemented with a propane heater in the living room. The Coleman Heater is no longer available for direct replacement and without major upgrades, code requirements cannot be met.

This veteran was referred to Chapter 9 by Scott Thorsness, Kootenai County Veterans Service Officer.

During a site review and visit with the veteran the following was observed:

- The trailer was in excellent condition and has many years of service left
- Natural Gas is possible from Avista in the future (not to property at this time) but still involves major code required improvements for a gas system conversion in any older trailer.
- The best bid for an R&R in October 2014 was \$3000 and did not appear to meet the veterans needs and all code requirements
- Charlie Till, Chapter 9 and Dave Brostrom of Border Sheet Metal & Heating (Since 1942) found during the inspection the best possible solution appeared to be a heat pump, which solved installlation and building code issues.
- A high effincency heat pump also provides low cost operation along with air condioning which is currently provided by two very old window units
- The veteran and his wife both have serious health problems. He has a cancer, along with hearing problems and she has very expensive med copays that deplete thier meger income. Both are negatively affected by cold in the winter and high heat in the summer.
- After Dave Brostrom met with Lea Ann and Greg Brovillard (owners), working with Lennox Corp are able to install a high effincency Lennox system for \$3650 at the Almeida home.
- The veteran has been able to save a total of \$1500, leaving a Balance of \$2150, which I recommend we fund from Chapter 9 monies

- Border is a local company who supports local veterans, I believe after Dave's inspection and report that they have discounted this project by as much as 50%

# PROPOSAL <sup>1</sup>

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## BORDER SHEET METAL & HEATING

143 W Hayden Ave.  
HAYDEN, IDAHO 83835

(208) 772-9282 Fax (208) 772-1897

TO: RAY ALMEIDA  
17274 STRAIGHT ARROW TRAIL  
BAYVIEW, ID 83803

PHONE	DATE
561-5094	11/18/2015
JOB NAME / LOCATION	
SPECIAL PRICING ALL ELECTRIC HEAT PUMP INSTALLATION...	
JOB NUMBER	JOB PHONE

We hereby submit specifications and estimates for:

INSTALL ONE LENNOX XP14-018 "ELITE" SERIES SINGLE STAGE R410A HEAT PUMP W\ A 10 YEAR WARRANTY ON ALL PARTS & 1 YEAR WARRANTY ON OUR LABOR...INCLUDES THE 36" PAD (LOCATED BENEATH KITCHEN WINDOW), 3/4" REFRIGERATION LINE SET x 30', LABOR, ELECTRICAL, & TAX.

INSTALL ONE LENNOX CBX32MV-018/024 VARIABLE SPEED BLOWER COIL W\ A 10 YEAR WARRANTY ON ALL PARTS & 1 YEAR WARRANTY ON OUR LABOR...INCLUDES A LENNOX ECB40-9CB STRIP HEATER, 1" FILTER, CONDENSATE REMOVAL, LABOR, ELECTRICAL, & TAX.

INSTALL ONE HONEYWELL FOCUS PRO 5000 DIGITAL DISPLAY STAT (MOVE TO WALL NEAR FURNACE).  
FOR THE PRICE OF-----\$3,650.00

**We Propose** hereby to furnish material and labor — complete in accordance with the above specifications, for the sum of:

Three Thousand Six Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars dollars (\$) 3,650.00 }

Payment to be made as follows:

BILLED UPON COMPLETION. CONTACT LEA ANN @ 772-9282 TO SCHEDULE.

All material is guaranteed to be as specified. All work to be completed in a professional manner according to standard practices. Any alteration or deviation from above specifications involving extra costs will be executed only upon written orders, and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements contingent upon strikes, accidents or delays beyond our control. Owner to carry fire, tornado, and other necessary insurance. Our workers are fully covered by Worker's Compensation insurance.

Authorized Signature

Note: This proposal may be withdrawn by us if not accepted within \_\_\_\_\_ days.

**Acceptance of Proposal** — The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified. Payment will be made as outlined above.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Acceptance: \_\_\_\_\_

The Almeida Service Officer is a near perfect execution of the Chapter's desire for an investigation by a service officer, a gathering of facts and a recommendation of a course of action with accompanying documentation.

The total project cost is \$3,650 and last minute information showed that due to a hip replacement, expensive medication, physical therapy, the Almeida's plan to have saved \$500 per month by March for a total of \$1,500 would not be probable. The Chapter discussion determined that they needed heat now. Newby Ginnings donated \$200 to the Chapter and the Auxiliary voted to add \$500, leaving a \$300 surplus which is available to cover cost overruns.

50/50 was won by the Commander. He donated his winnings back to the Chapter for donation to the state.

**Motion made and carried to give up to \$500 to Randall and Brittany Dowell in Blanchard for such purposes as utilities, gasoline, insurance, etc. The donation will be administered by Trudy and Ralph Shrigley.**

Ralph has been the main mover in getting more wood to the Dowells and getting it cut and stacked.

**Motion made and carried to set aside up to \$1,000 for Lorie Bunes and her ongoing electrical wiring project. Waddell/Overman**

The Bunes home was built in three or more increments. The electrical panel is 60 amps and should be 200 amps. The entire house goes dark when the hot water heater comes on. The first electrician just gave a verbal estimate of \$6,000. At the last meeting, Bernie Fox said he had a friend that would do an estimate. The electrician did not appear. At this meeting it was determined that we had been asked for help over 80 days ago and we were nowhere. We obviously will not and cannot come up with \$6,000. The Chapter needs to see a written estimate, a detailed estimate and one that might break down the work into priorities. Part of the \$1,000 can be used for an estimate if need. Don Waddell will see if he can get an electrician to do an estimate.

**Motion made and carried for the appointment of Jeffery Broadhead to 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Vice Commander by the Commander to be approved by the Chapter. McLean/Waddell**

Army veteran Don Frank, Vietnam, 100% disabled veteran walked in to meeting and signed up for life membership.

**Motion made and carried to adjourn. Waddell/Overman**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Good of the order – Memorial Ceremony

Closing Ceremonies  
Adjourned at 2020

Jeffery Broadhead  
Acting Chapter Adjutant

	04-28-15	05-26-15	8-25-15	09-29-15	10-27-15	11-24-15	02-24-15	03-31-15
Adams	Xx	xx	xx	Xx				xx
Lew Allert	Xx	xx	xx	Xx	Xx		xx	xx
Bacon				Xx		Xx		
Bledsoe	Xx	xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Calif	xx	xx
Broadhead	Xx	xx		Xx	Xx	Xx		
Brown	Xx					Wind		visitors
Cook	Xx	xx		Xx		Arizona	south	Xx
Crosby		xx			xx			
DiSimone		xx					xx	
Frank						xx		
Fox	Xx	xx	xx	Xx		Sick	xx	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		alaska	conv.
Leyh			xx					
Margiotta				Xx	Xx		xx	
Markiewicz	Xx	xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	xx	
McDonald	Xx	hawaii						Xx
McLean	Xx	xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Xx



Morrison								Xx
Notis							xx	
<b>NAME</b>	Xx	xx		Xx		Xx	xx	Xx
Ohlman			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
Sythe								
Till	xx	xx	xx	Xx	xx	Montana	xx	Xx
Waddell	Xx		xx	Xx		Xx	xx	Xx
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>22</b>

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

Member Phone Numbers:

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Lew Allert 661-0463  
Bob Allen 772-9279  
**Burt Austin 623-3035\***  
Greg Bacon 860-995-8779 457-3021  
Jeff Bates 208-290-4148  
Jim Bates 304-0366 OldTown  
Bryan Bledsoe 773-7311 C509 990-6739  
Jeffery Broadhead  
Henry Brown 683- 3991/651-2641C  
John Booth 262-9256  
Roy Cook 640-4447  
Len Crosby 651-0697  
Franco DiSimone 651-3113  
Joe Doutre 818-8868C/292-4938H  
Dan Duke 651-2333  
John Fay 457-0658  
Don Frank 457-3021

Bernie Fox	772-9324 651-1716
Rick Gibson	665-1511
<b>Theresa Hart</b>	<b>660-4601*</b>
Roy Hostetler	687-2313
Steve Hanson	773-9054 Post 818-6369
Arnold Howe	457-0645/660-9718
Don Henrikson	773-1932
Al Holm	762-5830
Robert Hunt	773-1074
Earl Hunter	667-5936/660-2670
Bob Imle	509 701 3342
Jim Irwin	783-6591 Silver Valley
Sandi Jackson	509 448-3766 c 755-9203
Rich Jones	625-0430
Jim Karlstrand	664-6828/509 991-9420C
Kirk Kindley	777-0474/755-0402
Paul Klawitter	772-2200
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
Kurt Neumier	
Rick Nordam	699-2993
Dick Oates	777-2671
Dave Overman	755-8859
Bill Owens	777-1694 509 220-9404
Joel Pomarico	704-4543
Bill Powell	819-2260
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Jim Shepperd	664-6432
Ralph Shrigley	623-2671/360 951-2660
Bill Snell	687-0309
Dale Stamper	772-4043
Neil Strom	772-4580
Wayne Syth	659-7047
Jonnie Teall	640-3052
Charles Till	777-2425
Charles Thomas	773-5831
Don Waddell	755-4875
William Wiley	682-5622 Silver Valley

\*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	208 442-5552
DAV National Headquarters	859 441 7300
DAV National Headquarters Toll Free	1 877 426 2838
DAV State Adjutant	208 938-3445
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.**