

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

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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

1800 Joint Chapter DAV and DAVA Meeting:

Brandon Mattern from Fedora's briefed on the Military Appreciation night at Fedora's on Armed Forces Day, May 21. There will be vendors, bands, military vehicles, service organizations present. Participants will gather to plan on Friday, April 29, 2016. Cdr Till and Mike Teall will attend. Event will raise money for military charities.

Carl Gidlund and a Library Finance Officer presented an overview of an upcoming Library District Levy and what it will do and what it will cost.

The present facilities are running out of space and walls will be moved and shelving and furniture will be mounted on casters to use room in new ways. Technological upgrades are planned. The Levy is a three year levy and would increase taxes by \$17.50 on a \$200,000 house.

Chris Chaffee gave an presentation on the non-profit organization that will assist PTSD Veterans in learning professional photography techniques and skill over the summer in a small class of six students. The program is approved by the VAMC for disabled veterans and will be taught at the Outreach Center. There is a need for camera equipment that is the same.

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2016 Chapter Legislative Letters	187	
2016 Auxiliary Legislative Letters	134	Total Since 2008: 7,790
	321	

Minutes from April 26, 2016

926th Regular Chapter meeting called to Order by Chapter Commander Charles Till at 1835.

<u>Roll Call of Officers:</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Commander	Charles Till	Present
Senior Vice Commander	Bob Imle	Excused
1st Junior Vice Commander	Fred Margiotta	Present
2nd Junior Vice Commander	Jeff Broadhead	Present
Treasurer	Kirk Kindley	Present
Chaplain	Terry Blessing	Present
Sgt. At Arms	Pat McLean	Present
Service Officer	Jim Karlstrand	South for the Winter
Officer of the Day	Lew Allert	Excused
JAG	Ralph Shrigley	Absent
Webmaster/Facebook	Bryan Bledsoe	Present
Gunnery Officer	Field Marshal Till	Present
Motor/Noise/Energizer Bunny	Lew Allert	Excused
Sports Officer	Don Waddell	Present
Fish and Game Officer	Bernie Fox	Excused
Morale Officer/Sous Chef	Pat Mclean	Present
Spokane VAMB & CDA CBOC Liason	Al Holm	Absent
Personal History Officer	Franco DeSimone	Excused
Adjutant	Robert Hunt	Present

VISITORS/NEW MEMBERS: Don Halsey-US Army, River Patrol 100%, Carl Gidlund, Chris Chaffee, Ray Almeida, Korean Veteran – hearing-Radioman

COMMANDER'S MINUTE: Please use our website, please pass out the cards – all for outreach. Smart phones can access website quickly for phone numbers and information on the spot to help veterans.

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER: Commander noted that for an organization to grow, to be successful and to be truly democratic, all the talents of the members need to be recognized, cultivated and used. We do a very good job of being members and provide many important services for our comrades.

Motion made and carried to approve the Minutes of the March 29, 2016 meeting. Bacon/Markiewicz

Motion made and carried to approve the Treasurer's report for April 26, 2016. Howe/Bacon

Checking Balance:	\$ 7,561.13
Van Saving Account Balance: \$.	4.41
Commander's Discretionary Bal:	\$ 200.05
Chaplains Discretionary Fund	\$ 200.03
Christmas Account Bal	\$ 6,160.46
TOTAL:	\$ 14,126.08

Motion made and carried to pay spend up to \$80.00 at DAV National for two sets of condolence cards and two sets of get well cards. Hunt/Bledsoe

Motion made and carried to spend up to \$500.00 for the upcoming state commander's BBQ. Hunt/Bacon The schedule of the state commander will determine the date of the BBQ.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS: Bernie Fox unable to attend due to health difficulties. Jean Bledsoe is home and recovering, being very careful to ease back. Dale Stamper is home and recovering from terrible fall in driveway requiring plates and screws in ankle. Mike Kostur is home recovering after trip in ambulance to the emergency room. Mike Teall, Cdr Till, and Arnie Howe were instrumental in helping Dale and Mike with wheel chairs, moving trucks back to home and recovering dogs. Mairlyn Hunt spent the day with Cora and until surgery was over. Ben White, Priest River, Knee Replacement no responding and is in serious pain.

Motion made and passed to spend up to \$150.00 on food for Cora and Dale Stamper while recovering. Hunt/Bledsoe Cdr. Till will handle or designate a point of contact.

PDC Bacon reported that Ensign Austin, a Navy pilot died on active duty. \$100 was received as an honorarium. Adjutant will send the thanks you and notifications.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion made and carried to pass the changes to the Chapter Bylaws. Crosby/Bledsoe

This is the required second reading. Bylaws are attached to the minutes. The Adjutant will type and mail to the appropriate addresses.

State Convention May 11, 12, 13 & 14 – All attendees reminded to bring back receipts for payment.

Recess: 50/50 Raffle held - \$40 won by Bacon – who donated it to state – Chapter wrote a check for \$20 bringing the total donated tonight to \$100. PDC Howe announced that he will take a check to convention for a total of \$600.

NEW BUSINESS:

LVAP – difficult to get filled out in meeting due to disturbances – John Hernandez will try to telephone each member.

Newsletter – now have 250 email addresses of 575 members...much more work needs done here... has priority.

Van was paid for and awaiting delivery from VAMC. When old van is given back we will sell it and put the money in the van fund. The Motor Officer put the Blue Book value at \$7,250.

Motion made and carried to sell the van when it is returned and after it has been detailed for between \$6,500 and \$7,500. Crosby/Margiotta PDC Bacon will ensure it for liability and comprehensive and do the detailing. Previous permission to spend money on selling, insuring, registering, detailing has been given.

Service Officer reported on Wendell Wadsworth, a homeless veteran, Kicked out of St. Vincent De Paul for using a soldering iron needs \$695 for a security deposits by 1 May. Members has already assisted him with rent money out of their own pockets. The Combat Vet Riders sent us \$200 to assist.

Motion made to spend \$200 to assist with the security deposit. Howe/Kindley

Motion made to amend the previous motion to spend an additional \$295 to assist with the security deposit if the other veterans organizations fail to act. Waddell/Hernandez

The Amendment and the main motion were both passed.

Motion made and passed to donate \$500.00 to the local Quilts of Valor group for purchasing material. Hunt/Bacon So many disabled veterans have been recipients locally and the effect found to be tremendously therapeutic .

Motion made to donate \$500.00 to Light Benders to help disabled veterans learn professional photography techniques. Bledsoe/Kindley

Motion made to donate \$500.00 each to John Hernandez and Fred Margiotta to attend the VA Golden Age Games in Detroit. Hunt/Bledsoe

Dave Overman will be the Chapter coordinator with Bill Owens and the Frito Lay Pepsi Valor Foundation on 27, 28, and 29 May. The Chapter and Auxiliary will man various stores in the area accepting donations to the National Guard. Much of the Air Guard is currently deployed and in combat. About 600 are deployed ad 200 are in Africa. Both the Commander and the Adjutant will be out of town during the project.

Annual Stand Down at the Kootenai County Fairgrounds plan.

Chapter sets up Chapter tent at 1300 on Friday May 6, 2016

Chapter mans tents from 0730 to 1400 on Saturday May 7, 2016 to do outreach and assist as needed.

Chapter takes tent down at about 1300 on Saturday May 7, 2016.

A parade schedule will be forthcoming. The VAMC will have two vehicles in our contingent.

Motion to adjourn Margiotta/Waddell

Closing Ceremonies

Adjourned at 8:30 pm

Robert B. Hunt PDC

Chapter Adjutant

	03-29-16	04-26-16	8-25-15	09-29-15	10-27-15	11-24-15	01-26-16	2-23-16
Adams			Xx	Xx				
Alemeida		xx						
Lew Allert	Xx	Honor Flt	xx	Xx	Xx		Xx	xx
Bacon	Xx	XX		Xx		Xx	Xx	xx
Bledsoe	south	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Calif	Xx	xx
Blessing	Xx	XX					Xx	xx
Broadhead	Xx	xx		Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	xx
Brown						Wind		
Cook		Xx		Xx		Arizona	south	
Crosby		Xx			xx		Xx	
DiSimone								
Frank						xx		
Fox	Sick		Xx	Xx		Sick		
Hernandez	Xx	XX					Xx	Xx

Holm	Xx		Xx	Xx			Xx	
Howe	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
Hunt	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
Imle			Xx	Xx	Xx	Europe	Xx	Xx
Jonas			Xx					
Karlstrand	south	South	Xx	Xx	Xx	Nevada	south	Nevada
Kindley	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
Kostur	Xx		Xx	Xx	Xx		Xx	xx.
Leyh			Xx					
Margiotta	xx	Xx		Xx	Xx		Xx	Xx
Markiewicz	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	
McLean	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx
McMonigle		Xx						
Morrison								
Notis							Xx	
Overman	Xx	Xx		Xx		Xx	Xx	Xx
Ohlman		Xx	Xx	Xx			Xx	
Owens	Xx	Xx						
Pomarico			Xx				Xx	
Powell								
Schneidermann			Xx			Xx	work	
Shrigley	Xx		Xx	Xx	Xx	Family	Xx	Sailing
Stamper	Xx		Xx	Xx	Xx	Speaking	Xx	Xx
Sythe								
Teall	Xx	Xx					xx	
Till	xx	Xx	Xx	Xx	xx	Montana	Xx	Xx
Waddell	Xx	Xx	Xx	Xx		Xx	Xx	
TOTAL	21	21	21	23	16	11	25	16

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 0741
Fort Sherman Chapter 9 Commander	208 777-2425
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.