

# Department of Oregon Award Winning Newsletter for 2 years, Earle B Stewart American Legion Post 16



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Post website

**Meeting Held  
Noon Saturday  
September 10th**

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**National POW/MIA  
Recognition Day  
Friday September 16**



**US Air Force  
September 18, 1947**



## September Meeting

# Post to Host Boys and Girls State Participants

If there is one meeting you choose to attend this fall, make it the September meeting.



On Saturday September the 10th

we are going to turn the floor over to 8 of the 9 High School students the Post sponsored to Boys and Girls State. We are also going to hear from one of the Girls, Dystini Schuster who was chosen to represent the State of Oregon at Girls Nation in Washington DC.

American Legion Auxiliary Girls State are premier programs for teaching how government works while developing leadership skills and an

appreciation for your rights as a citizen. The participants learned how to run for office, learned public speaking, created and enforced laws and actively participate in all phases of creating and running a working government.

A luncheon will be served following their presentations. See you there!

American Legion Boys State and

# Post Survey

By now, every member of the Post should have received a letter and post card in the mail.

The post has invested time, energy and money in the printing and postage not only to update the phone numbers and email addresses, but to find out how you feel about your American Legion.

Please take the time and fill out the card and drop it in the mail. We'll report on the findings in the next issue of the Newsletter. Thank You!

Please answer the following questions and return right away, thank you:

1. Are you able to attend the scheduled monthly meeting? Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_
2. Do you get the Newsletter? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ By email \_\_\_ US mail \_\_\_
3. Does the Post satisfy your needs as a member of the American Legion? Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ Comment below if necessary.
4. Would you attend the meeting if it was on different day? Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_ if your answer yes: Evenings \_\_\_ different Day (M-F) \_\_\_ or Time \_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

**Update:** As of this Publication 77 out of the 340 cards have been returned. Thank you to those who have taken the time to fill them out and drop them in the mail.

## New Addition to the South Room



**"NO BETTER FRIEND, NO WORST ENEMY"**  
Quote from MajGen J.N. Mattis, USMC, March 2003  
*Framed poster donated by Ann and Jim Barnett*

## Keep the Dues Coming Annual Membership Renewal

Many have returned their renewals. As soon as the Post is notified by Department or a local renewal come in, your 2017 membership card is sent out to you in the mail.

The nation's largest wartime veterans service organization is committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism. Nationally we support strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.

Don't delay, get your membership sent in today or come by the Post Mondays or Fridays from 1-3 PM. There is an online pay option too at [American Legion.org](http://American Legion.org).

**VA Roseburg**

## Flu Shot Clinics

**Beginning in October**



## Flu Clinic

—WALK-IN HOURS—

ROSEBURG	EUGENE
Monday thru Friday October, November, December 8:00a—11:30a 1:00p—3:30p	Saturdays in October October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 29 <sup>th</sup> 9:00a—2:00p
NORTH BEND	BROOKINGS
October 5 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> 8:00a—11:00a 12:30p—4:00p	October 5 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> 8:00a—11:00a 12:30p—4:00p

### NOTICE

You may also request the flu vaccination with any regularly scheduled appointment if unable to attend any of the WALK-IN hours.

Please notify your primary care team if you received the flu shot elsewhere; notify them via Secure Messaging or drop off a copy of your paperwork in person at your nearest clinic. Thank you.

DANIEL E. DILLMAN Across the street from the Post

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8 "Make new friends, but keep the old. One is silver, and the other is gold."



## DOUGLAS COUNTY VETERAN SERVICES

Every Monday, 10am - New Claim sign-up

Mondays, 1pm-4pm - Walk-in

Tuesday thru Thursday, 8:30am-4pm - By appointment only

Friday - Closed

(541) 440-4219

(800) 224-1619 x4219

Fax: (541) 440-6166

Email: [veterans@co.douglas.or.us](mailto:veterans@co.douglas.or.us)

1036 SE Douglas Ave, Room 8

Douglas County Courthouse

Roseburg, OR 97470-3090

Blog: [www.douglascvso.com](http://www.douglascvso.com)

[www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans](http://www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans)



## FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION Branch 328

USN-USMC-USCG

JOIN US TODAY

Meetings Held 2nd Thursday 1300 @ Dianne's Deli

For information call: 541.863.3144

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# American Fighter Aces



The Maj. Gen. Marion Carl Memorial will soon have an addition to the base. The memorial is located at the entrance of the Roseburg Region Airport that bares his name.

By an act of Congress on 20 May 2016, United States Military Aviator Aces were awarded the American Fighter Ace medallion.

The local Marine Corps League that is responsible for the Carl memorial has initiated a campaign to raise the money to reproduce a bronze replica of the medallion, and place it on the stone base.

The only cost for the project will be the bronze medallion itself which is around \$600.00. Sign Craft of Roseburg will install the medallion at no charge.

Fund raising has begun, and those interested in donating to the project can make a check out to the Post, and we will be sure it goes to the project. It is also reported that the local VVA and Marine Corps League are prepared to split the cost of the remaining balance when the fundraising has terminated.

US Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Marion Carl is credited with shooting down 18.5 enemy aircraft during WWII from 4 June 1942—27 December 1943.

After a long career in the Military, including tours of duty in Korea and Vietnam, the Oregon native Carl and his wife Edna settled near Roseburg. His life was cut short by a home invader in 1998. Carl was 82 years of age when he was murdered.

Carl was buried in Arlington National Cemetery with full Military honors.

*Information provided by Jim Barnett*



# County War Memorial

## Name addition to the Vietnam plaque happening soon

John D. Musgrove, Born 24 March 1928 spent his early years grades 1-12 in Sutherlin Schools. John was even the President of his senior class, and joined the military during WWII.

After his enlistment in the US Navy in 1946, he went on to OSU and in 1952 came out a commissioned officer in the US Air Force. John served in Korea and Vietnam.

He piloted the F-4 Phantom aircraft, and was involved in NASA's Gemini space program.

John was killed in Vietnam in a helicopter crash on 04 October 1965 while directing air strikes assigned as a liaison officer to the US Army.

Captain John D. Musgrove is buried in Arlington National Cemetery. He was awarded the Purple Heart and Silver Star posthumously. His name appears on the Vietnam War Memorial 'The Wall' on Panel 2E, Line 106. His name also appears on the City of Sutherlin War memorial.

Recently the Musgrove family contacted the Veterans Service Office inquiring about John's name not being on the Douglas County Vietnam War Plaque.

The home of record for John on his DOD 1300 shows Lane County Oregon. While there are guidelines for names to be added to the Douglas County War Memorial, Douglas County Commissioners have the final word.

With sufficient documentation showing John's association to Douglas County, his name will be added in the near future to the War memorial.

A ceremony unveiling his name will be announced to Veterans and the community.



**Now we wait for the Veterans Day breakfast to find out who the winner of this year's raffle will be. See you on Friday November 11th between 7-10 AM for the drawing.**



# Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency Head Steps Down

## POW/MIA Accounting to Speed Up

Stars and Stripes August 2016

Friday September 16-National POW/MIA Recognition Day

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii — The reorganized agency tasked with accounting for the nation's missing warfighters has improved its communication with family members and boosted cooperation with outside partners to find and retrieve remains, say some advocates involved in the effort.

But those observers also wonder whether the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, which reached full operational capacity in January, will flounder with the sudden July departure of its first director, Michael Linnington. While DPAA officials say the overhaul and reforms are well-established, critics contend that inefficiencies and lack of transparency still dog the agency.

Linnington stayed for only a year, despite repeated promises to families of missing service members that he was in the job for the long haul.

"It's really hard to say what exactly the positives are," said Ann Mills-Griffiths, chairman of the board for the National League of POW/MIA Families. "Things were in a state of complete flux at the time that Linnington decided to step out."

Although his departure was a "shock," DPAA can rebound if his replacement "can handle the complexities of this mission," she said.

The reorganized agency has been trying to improve, though "clumsily" so, Mills-Griffiths said.

"I think it has the chance of being better," she said. "Is it better yet? No, it's still dysfunctional. It still has a lot of work to be done to make it as productive as I think it could be."

"Over the hump" was how Brig. Gen. Mark Spindler, DPAA's deputy director, who heads the Hawaii lab at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, described the agency's status.

"We are focused," he said. "I think the organization understands the objectives. They understand the mission."

That has not equated to a significant rise in the number of identifications made annually. As of Aug. 8, DPAA has this year identified the remains of 74 missing service-members. At that rate, by year's end, the total would slightly exceed the 100 identifications made in 2015 and 107 made in 2014.

"I certainly feel like things are better than they used to be, but things were pretty damn bad," said Jed Henry, a documentary filmmaker who spearheaded a years long quest to repatriate the remains of Army Pvt. 1st Class Lawrence Gordon from an "unknown" grave in France.

Henry said DPAA was doing a better job at disinterring and working to identify World War II remains buried as unknowns, which he said had been "virtually impossible" under the management of the three agencies that merged to become DPAA: Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office, the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command and the Air Force Life Science Equipment Laboratory.

Valarie Wolfe, whose father's plane was shot down in Laos during the Vietnam War in 1966, said she and several family members had grown exasperated with the government's efforts to repatriate Capt. Thomas Wolfe. The government has had a standing recommendation since 2006 to excavate a site believed to hold his remains. But year after year, nothing was done, she said.

"This is the 50th year of my father's loss," Wolfe said. "We just came to a point in our case where we felt like we needed to take additional measures."

That meant contacting elected officials, veterans groups and the media.

"The stripe of a great organization is that it can carry on without him," he said of the former director. "This organization is most capable of doing that. We'll be fine."



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## Veteran Events in September

September 11, 2016 - Sunday - Veterans Patriot Day BBQ - 2-5 PM - Veterans Memorial Building - 252 S Old Pacific Hwy. - Myrtle Creek

September 11, 2016 - Sunday - 1st Annual Charity Golf Tournament, Supporting the Roseburg Veterans Day Parade - Stewart Park Golf Course - \$75.00 - Green Fees, Cart, Bag Drop Off, Practice and Food catered by Winchester Pub & Grill included - Registration 8:00 AM Shotgun Start 9:00 AM - Questions Call Sean @ 541-672-4592 (limited to 20 teams)

September 14, 2016 - Wednesday - Roseburg Stand Down 2016 - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - VARHS Auditorium, Building 16 - Haircuts, Dental, Legal, Housing Advice, DOD Gear, Veterinarian, VSO/Claims, more. Point of contact: Carol Hunt 503- 504-8198

September 15, 2016 - Thursday - Mental Health Summit-Meeting the MH Needs of Veterans and Their Family Members - 8:00AM-3:00PM - Roseburg VA Healthcare System Auditorium, Build 16

September 16, 2016 - Friday - National POW/MIA Recognition Day Event -1100 luncheon by Invitation, Public Event begins around Noon-@ Garden Valley Church



### DOUGLAS COUNTY

Invites America to  
Show Your Patriotism  
and Join us in

*"Honoring our Veterans of the Greatest Generation"*  
**Grand Marshals: WWII Veterans**  
During  
**Oregon's Greatest Veterans Day Parade!**

Where: Downtown Roseburg  
When: Friday  
November 11, 2016  
Time: 11:00 am  
Parade Applications:  
[www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans/](http://www.co.douglas.or.us/veterans/)  
Application deadline: November 4th

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THEIR LIVES ARE IN OUR HANDS

OF COURSE I CAN!

ARE YOU DOING ALL YOU CAN?

SOMEBODY BLABBED

WE'RE ALL IN IT TOGETHER WE WILL WIN!

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WAKE UP AMERICA!

BUTT UP YOUR LIP!

HAVE YOU REALLY TRIED TO SAVE GAS BY GETTING INTO A CAR CLUB?

EACH LITTLE ERROR OVER OUR SHOULDERS

CIVILIZATION CALLS EVERY MAN WOMAN OR CHILD

WWII Veterans named Grand Marshals in this years  
Roseburg Veterans Day Parade.

Mark your calendars for Friday November 11th. The Parade begins at 1100. Don't forget the Post will have the annual Veteran's Day Breakfast beginning at 7AM at the Post. Then at 10:00 AM join us on our float in the staging area on Fowler Street as we honor those from the "Greatest Generation" in the parade.



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**General Meeting Noon Saturday September 10th**



# September 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Post Open 1-3 V-J Day	3 Sea Cadets @ the Post
4	5 Post Open 1-3 <b>Labor Day</b> 	6	7 American Legion Post 62 7:00 PM Reedsport	8	9 Post Open 1-3 DCVF Board Meeting 1200 @ Post 16 Women Vets Event VA 1100	10 <b><u>Post Meeting Noon</u></b>
11 BBQ @ Post 123 2-5PM Tri-City	12 Post Open 1-3 American Legion Post 152 3:30pm Oakland City Hall	13 AWVA 5PM @ the Post	14 Roseburg StandDown @VA 9am-3pm	15 MOPH 4PM @ Post Legion Post 123 6 PM Vets Hall Tri-City Mental Health Sum- mit VARHS 8am-3pm	16 Post Open 1-3 POW/MIA Day Event noon @ Garden Valley Church 	17 Sea Cadets @ the Post
18 	19 Post Open 1-3	20 DCVF 5PM @ the Post	21	22	23 Post Open 1-3	24
25 Gold Star Mothers Day	26 Post Open 1-3	27	28	29	30 Post Open 1-3	

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