

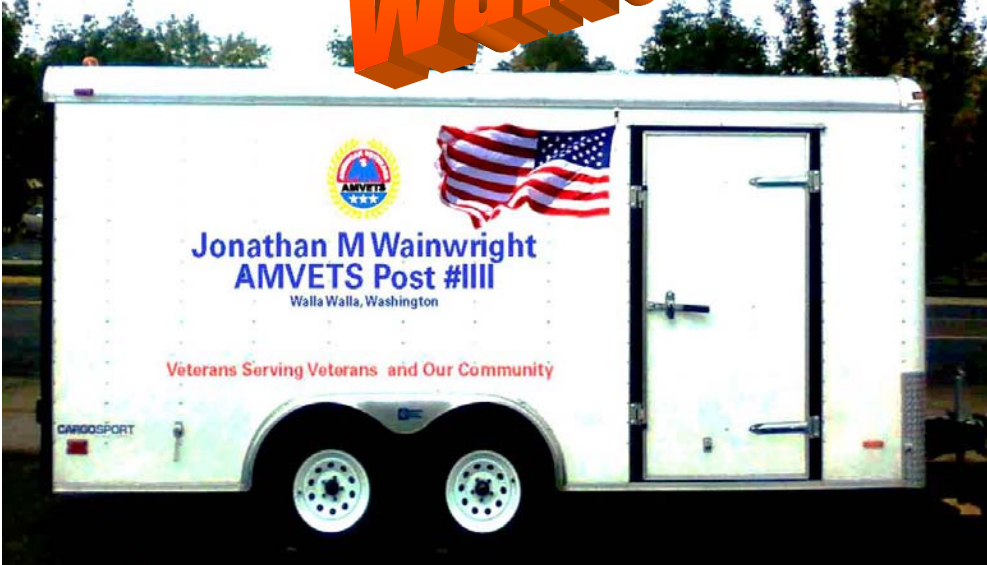


American Veterans
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Walla Walla WA
 Chartered in the year 2000



January 2011

Happy New Year
from AMVETS of
Walla Walla



AMVETS Post #1111 is set to begin it's eleventh year of service to the Walla Walla Community, with a new trailer for the Downtown Flag Program. This will be the tenth year for the flag program. The new trailer is larger and has room for more flags plus storage for other items used by the post in it's several activities thought-out the year.

Funds raised from AMVETS programs and projects are used to promote patriotism, to help veterans with scholarships at Walla Walla Community College, to help support veteran's needs at the Wainwright VA Medical Center through Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services (VAVS) and various youth programs in the community as requested.

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Post Commander

Into the New Year! Looking back on 2010 I can't help but be impressed by the effort put forth by members and our community American Veterans (AMVETS) supporters. The post was able to provide \$2840 in cash donations and in total the post and member volunteer efforts resulted in a total program value of \$15,796.87. Wow! The notable activities for the post include our signature program activities which include the Downtown Flag Program, WWCC Scholarship Donations and supporting the VA Volunteer Services. This year we have been very fortunate. Our post fund raising efforts enabled the post to upgrade our Flag Trailer and through post member donations we were able to have some impressive flag decals and lettering applied. The Post was also able to support the local Camp Fire program, Red Cross, Local Scout Troop 305, Fort Walla Walla Museum (several period flags) and others through our support of community and AMVETS Americanism Program.

We were especially grateful this holiday season to be able to use our Post resources and work with our fellow Veteran organizations to assist a dying Veteran's wish to get his brother a flight here to be with him in his last days.

I know the coming year will demonstrate continued commitment by our members to support our motto "Veterans serving Veterans and our Community"

Thank You all for your service in 2010!

Steve Bird, Commander



1st Vice commander

Happy New Years to all, hope you had a good and prosperous Holiday. 2010 was a good year for the AMVETS post 1111. We increased our Life Membership by 10 of which three transferred to us from Moses Lake, and 9 annual members have paid 2011 dues. If we can do this again in 2011 we will have another outstanding year. As you know Life Membership went up to \$200.00 the first of January and is going up again January 2012. Now is the time to stay ahead of the game and convert your annual membership to Life membership.

As a reminder our next Downtown Flag day is January 17th, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Hope to see all of you at our next post meeting January 19 at 6 pm.

Larry Cunningham, 1st Vice

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Published monthly for members and those who support American Veterans.

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Herschel Fullerton Jr.

March 8, 1941 - Dec. 20, 2010

Herschel F. "Hersch" Fullerton, Jr., Walla Walla, passed away Dec. 20, 2010, at his home at the age of 69 years. A time of remembrance will be held at the Walla Walla Senior Center, 720 Sprague, on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2011, from 2-4 p.m. Inurnment will be in the American Legion Circle of Honor at City View Cemetery in Salem, Ore. Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Mary Regional Cancer Center (Special Needs) through the Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, 902 S. Main, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862.

Mr. Fullerton was born March 8, 1941, in Walla Walla, the son of Herschel F. and Florence J. Endicott Fullerton. He grew up in Milton-Freewater where he graduated from McLoughin Union High School in 1959.

Following an honorable discharge from the U.S. Navy on Dec. 14, 1963, he enrolled in Portland State University from which he received a B.A. in 1968. He retired as service manager of Salem Nissan in 2001 and returned to the Walla Walla Valley where he managed Golden West Estates from 2002 until the time of his death.

On Sept. 25, 2004, he married Claudine Remillard in Milton-Freewater. He was a member of St. James Episcopal Church, a twice Commander of American Legion Capital Post #9 in Salem, Chef de Gare of 40/8 Salem, Grand Chef de Gar of 40/8 for the State of Oregon, Vice President of the Walla Walla Area Crime Watch, Volunteer of the Year for Washington State Crime Prevention Association, President of the Board of Directors of the Walla Walla Senior Center, and a member of the 2010 Sherwood Trust Community Leadership Program.

He is survived by his wife, Claudine at the home; a daughter Kelli Stockwell, of Grande Ronde, Ore., step-daughter Joelle Bray; a step-son Michael Remillard; a sister Susan Bradbury, all of Walla Walla; three grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; and two nieces.

From Walla Walla Union Bulletin

WARNING TO ALL VETERANS

Forwarded by Kevin Secor, VSO Liaison, Office of the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

An organization called Veterans Affairs Services (VAS) is providing benefit and general information on VA and gathering personal information on veterans. This organization is not affiliated with VA in any way

[Websites with the name "vaservices" immediately after the "www" ARE NOT part of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the US Government agency. Do not go to them or if approached or called, do not offer them any information concerning yourself or data on other veterans. Keep in mind that the real VA website ends in .gov. Also, be aware that the Department of Veterans Affairs does not randomly call veterans, nor does it ask veterans for information which it does not already have--like Social Security Numbers. In particular, if you have not dealt with the VA previously--and in person--and all of a sudden, you receive a call from someone saying they are with the VA or something similar sounding, hang up the phone. Also, do not respond to emails which suggest that they are from the VA. The VA never conducts official business nor asks for personal information by email. Mike]

VAS may be gaining access to military personnel through their close resemblance to the VA name and seal. Our Legal Counsel has requested that we coordinate with DoD to inform military installations, particularly mobilization sites, of this group and their lack of affiliation or endorsement by VA to provide any services.

In addition, GC requests that if you have any examples of VAS acts that violate chapter 59 of Title 38 United States Code, such as VAS employees assisting veterans in the preparation and presentation of claims for benefits, please pass any additional information to Mr. Daugherty at the address below.

Michael G. Daugherty
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Christmas 2010

A Festive Family Christmas Party With our own Santa Claus & Rudolph

Grandparents, Parents, & Grandchildren



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A ceremony is held at Arlington National Cemetery for **Roy Weaver** of Coeur d' Alene Idaho. A WWII POW, member of the "Mukden Survivors" group, held for 3 1/2 years in Mukden Manchuria.

Weaver has been a member of AMVETS Post #1111 since November 2001.

Below right, a Marine Officer presenting the U.S.Flag to Caroline.

7 Man rifle squad.
They fired 3 volleys
A full 21 gun salute



Above a lone Marine holds the POW/MIA flag.

The wall where Roy Weaver was interned.

The wind and rain was as strong as it seems in these pictures.

Pictures submitted by Caroline Weaver.



Bataan Death March Survivor celebrates 90th birthday

By Michelle Dupler, Herald staff writer

PASCO -- Jim Bogart of Pasco isn't quite sure when his birthday is.

It might be Dec. 16 -- the date his family always celebrated, and the date on most of his official documents.

Or it might be Dec. 23 -- the date on his birth certificate and Medicare paperwork.

A self-proclaimed backwoods Minnesota boy, Bogart said with four or five feet of snow on the ground at the time of his birth, his birth certificate probably didn't get registered until the spring thaw.

"I actually don't know which one is accurate," he said.

This year, Bogart split the difference and celebrated his 90th birthday Saturday with a throng of family and friends at the American Legion post in Pasco.

It seemed someone ran up to hug Bogart or shake his hand once every couple of minutes -- whether it was one of his nine grandchildren or 12 great-grandchildren, or one of his fellow veterans honoring his service in World War II.

"He's a real hero," friend Jim Irwin said.

While his date of birth might have faded from memory, Bogart remembers his military service with crystal clarity. He was one of about 700 American soldiers who survived being imprisoned at Camp Mukden in Manchuria for three years as a prisoner of war.

Before that, he survived the infamous and grueling Bataan Death March in 1942, when thousands of Americans and Filipinos captured by the Japanese after the fall of the Philippines were forced to march miles without food to prison camps.

He was a young man of 19 -- not far out of high school -- when he joined the National Guard in 1940. The following year, the Guard was nationalized and became the Army of the United States, and Bogart was stationed in the Philippines as a radio technician.

It was peacetime when he arrived, but the bombing of Pearl Harbor was near. From Dec. 7, 1941, on, the soldiers in the Philippines fought an uphill battle.

He has told the story many times -- how supplies ran low and then disappeared, how the Japanese killed anyone who fell down and couldn't march, how people starved to death and their bodies lined the way to a nearby cemetery.

It's a story he tells because it never should be forgotten.

The experience lingers with him physically 65 years after his liberation from the prison camp.

He sniffled and blew his nose during his party, and said he had developed a lifelong sinusitis during the cold Manchurian winters.

"Every injury I have ever had has come back in spades," he said.

As he spoke, Bogart drifted back to those months when American forces held out in Bataan between the Pearl Harbor attack and the day the order was given to surrender to the Japanese -- April 9, 1942.

"There was no medication, no nothing," he said. "No supplies. It was like the Alamo. There was no way in and no way out."

The winters of his imprisonment had gotten to him so much that Bogart couldn't stay in Minnesota after he returned to the United States.

He ended up coming to the Tri-Cities and finding work as a carpenter, and has lived here ever since.

Although he lived through the kind of horrific experience few can imagine, and he's losing both his hearing and his vision, Bogart sparkles with life at age 90.

He's known among his family and friends as someone always ready with a joke -- and usually a ribald one.

When someone stopped at his table Saturday and asked for a joke, he launched into a bawdy joke about a couple of Irishmen. The punchline, "That's not what they call it in the Bible," had laughter bursting from those around him.

He's also known for the strength of friendship he offers those around him.

"I have been all over the country with him," Irwin said. "He's been a good friend."



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Calendar for 2011

January

1 New Year's Day
17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (**Downtown Flags**)
19 **AMVETS Meeting** - Pot Luck 6 PM

February

8 Boy Scouts of America Founded 1910
12 Lincoln's Birthday
14 Valentine's Day
16 **AMVETS Meeting**—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
21 President's Day (**Downtown Flags**)
22 Washington's Birthday

March

12 Girl Scouts of USA Founded 1912
14 Daylight Savings Time
16 **AMVETS Meeting**—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
17 St Patrick's Day
20 First Day of Spring

April

1 **AMVETS** Because We Care Day @ VAMCS
20 **AMVETS Meeting**—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
24 Easter

May

8 Mother's Day
15 Armed Forces Day (**Downtown Flags**)
18 **AMVETS Meeting**—Pot luck dinner 6 pm
31 Memorial Day (**Downtown Flags**)

January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to these Post members

Robert Chicken

Larry Cunnington

Clark Derdeyn

Rodriguez Esteban

Norman Graybeal

Carl Selnes

Welcome Aboard New Members

**Allen Aplash of Walla Walla - Life
Rodriguez Esteban of College Place - Life**

Downtown Flags will fly on the following Holidays

**January 17- Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 21 - Presidents Day**

Membership Meeting January 19, 2011

**Pot Luck Dinner 6:00 PM
Meeting 7:00 PM
Golden West Estates Community room
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