



## The President's Corner

By Bruce Gates

In an attempt to improve the club, or at least to make life a little easier for the members I've tried a few new ideas. Some have worked and some have been a flop, but we'll keep trying. If anyone has any new ideas please let me know. I'll do my best to implement them.

The latest idea is to attempt to buy tires in bulk and see if we can get a reduced price. We did this about 4 years ago and we did pretty well. I ordered 30 or 40 tires and we saved shipping and \$25 per tire. I'm hoping for the same thing this time.

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## - Next Club Meeting April 7th 2015

Agenda:

- Upcoming events
- ***Vintage Military Show-Fruitland Idaho***

Pre-registration is due 1 June. Point of Contact is Wayne Butterfield at 208-412-5653. Details on page 4.

- **Kohler Lawn 10 AM**

Details on page 2.



KOHLER LAWN MEMORIAL DAY PHOTO by Mrs. Winkler

### CLUB MEETINGS:

Always the first Tuesday of the month at Gate's Towing in Nampa. Come at 6 PM and BBQ (donations) or at 7 PM for the meeting.

Remember we need leaders for key events this summer! Come volunteer!

We sent out an email for anyone that was interested. I'll get a quote on the tires before we commit to buy then each person can pay for the tires in advance and we'll place our order. When they come in you can pick them up at my shop or at the Fruitland show.

If this works well enough, we'll try to continue it once or twice a year.

I was trying to get National MVPA to order tires for all the clubs and see if we could get a better price but that seems to have been falling on deaf ears.

We need to all get our vehicles ready for our show in Fruitland show on June 3-6.

This is the club's show so I'm hoping for participation from everyone. We have plenty of flyers if you have somewhere to display them just ask and I'll print them off for you.

**Bruce Gates**  
**President**  
**Idaho MVPA**



**Notes from the last meeting.**

Meeting started at 7:04 and ended at 7:36. Twenty members were present!

**From the President.** He asked members to step up and provide leadership on calendar events and rides. This can include a museum tour, convoy, or off pavement trip to Rocky Canyon, Swan Falls Dam or Silver City (for example). Other ideas are welcome of course.

He also asked members to be the committee leader on main or key events. All that means is you provide information on the event 'who

what when where how and why' and keep members informed. Barry M and Ron P volunteered as leaders for a couple of events. Who's next?

We reminded everyone that the movie "Bravo! Common Men, Uncommon Valor" is coming to the Egyptian Theater on March 30<sup>th</sup> 2015. The point of contact for a free ticket is Jack Marion at 208-375-2212 or jack.marion@ carriageservices.com.

The treasurer gave his report on the status of club funds. He said a lot of members remain unpaid.

**We welcomed a new member! Paul Kingsbury hails from Oregon and has a M923 5 ton.**

There was discussion about member Dick B donating a 6x6 to the club. The vehicle is unrestored. Do we sell it and how do we utilize the funds. It's a CCKW fire truck.

Parades: which ones to do? Mentioned was the Payette Parade, and Middleton. The Parma parade was mentioned and its said we don't do that one anymore. ❖

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**- Kohler Lawn / Hillcrest Event**

- Kohler Lawn event starts at 10 am on Memorial Day. We are asked to have vehicles there by 9:15. Those who choose to convoy can meet up at Gates Towing and be prepared to move out by 0845. Anyone can choose to lead the convoy.

- Lunch hour is open! Shall we meet somewhere for lunch?

- The next event that day is at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens 15862 South Indiana Ave in Caldwell. This is a Memorial Day program that will take place at 1:00 PM. It is sponsored by Cloverdale Funeral Home. The time was moved just to accommodate our club! (note, there is no event on Cloverdale Road like last year. The "Victory Belles" will be here in August. ❖

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**EVENT: TOWER PARK, LODI CALIF APRIL 19-26TH**

**EVENT: MEMORIAL DAY MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>  
-KOHLER LAWN IN NAMPA AND HILLCREST  
IN CALDWELL**

**EVENT: FRUITLAND VINTAGE MILITARY  
SHOW JUNE 3-6<sup>TH</sup> CLUB EVENT!**

**EVENT: LES SCHWAB MOTORFEST JUNE  
20-21ST**

**EVENT: 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADES**

**EVENT: AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> "THE VICTORY  
BELLES" PLAY AT THE WARHAWK MUSEUM**

### **SCUTTLEBUTT:**

**Did you know the American Legion  
Just turned 96 years old?!**

**We mourn the recent passing of Leonard  
Nimoy AKA "Mr. Spock" on Star Trek. We  
know you have Seen every single Star Trek  
episode he was in, but did you know he was  
a veteran?**

### **Book Review "Panzer Commander"** By Ron Powell

**"Man, horse, and truck, by the Lord were struck".**

Colonel Hans Von Luck served in the German army during WW2 as a Panzer Tank Platoon, Company, and Battalion Commander. In his memoirs, he had on three occasions recalled these words in his witness of three particularly horrific battles. According to Hans, the poem (above) is in reference to the battles of the crusaders in Palestine about 1213.

The destruction he witnessed occurred first when he served on the Russian Front near Moscow in 1941. The second occasion was in North Africa under Field Marshall Erwin Rommel's Afrika Corps. And finally, as German forces retreated at full speed from France after D-Day, Hans lamented the total destruction of the German army in the Falaise pocket.

At the conclusion of this last battle, he knew then of course, that the war was lost.

Note: Colonel Hans Von Luck felt great compassion for the Soldiers on all sides during WW2. He felt the war was wrong, and he despised Hitler, the SS, and anti-Semitism. However he did his duty as a professional Soldier of the German regular army. He spent 5 years in a Russian Gulag and was released in 1950. He maintained long lasting friendships with many of his former enemies. He died in 1997.

Source: **Panzer Commander**. The memoirs of Colonel Hans Von Luck. Dell Publishing. Copyright 1989

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**From the Newsletter Editor:** Is this club about sharing a hobby, knowledge, experience, or fellowship? The newsletter can contribute to these ideals. But only with your input. Contact me today!

**From the Treasurer:** Club dues should be coming in now. Cost is 20\$. Lifetime memberships are available for only \$200 (8 members are lifetime members!). In the interest of privacy, treasurer reports will be given at club meetings and not published here. Need to send a check? Your dues can be sent to Gates Towing. Make the check payable to the Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association.

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*Overheard at the last meeting:*

*"I don't want to go to no funeral home  
or cemetery."*

*Quoted member Dick B while the President was  
talking about the Kohler Lawn and Cloverdale  
Funeral home Events.*

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IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE ASSOC. ANNUAL

# VINTAGE MILITARY SHOW

**JUNE 3-6, 2015**



IDAHO MILITARY TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM Grounds

Fruitland, Idaho

**FREE ADMISSION**

Open to the public Fri & Sat

Honoring All U.S. Services



**Vintage Vehicles** – See Real WWII, Korean, Vietnam, Desert Storm Jeeps, Big 6X6 Trucks, Tanks, Half Tracks and many more up close.

**Raffle**– Military items 1:30 Saturday

**Swap Meet** – Vehicles, Dealers selling military vehicle parts, tools, uniforms, field equipment, manuals, clothing, camping equipment. Bring your own to sell – spaces available

**Transportation Museum** open free to the public

**Desert Trail Rides** – Daily trail rides

**Military Displays**

**Vintage Vehicles on Display**

**Demonstrations**

**Car Crushing** Friday & Sat 1 PM

## MUSEUM Displays



Exhibits of equipment, uniforms, Photos, more!

Open 9am to 5pm  
Dealer/Vendor Spaces:  
\$40.00, 20'X25'  
(\$30 if Pre-Registered by June 1)  
Dealer setup Wed &  
Thur  
Open to Public Fri &  
Sat



Vehicles, parts, Uniforms, equipment, tools

## Stuff to Buy

Location: Take Interstate 84 to ID/OR Border. Take Idaho Hwy 95/Exit 3 North ¼ mile. Motel list available on web.

For More Info & Reservations Contact: Wayne Butterfield  
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## MEMBER PROJECTS (CONTINUED FROM FEBRUARY AND MARCH)

### Highland T Trailer restoration

This is only the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of Bruce G's Highland T trailer restoration and wow what a transformation! This thing has to be seen in person to fully appreciate the attention to detail that has gone into it. Especially amazing (to me) is the fine wood working detail. Bruce noted that he especially enjoys working with wood. The work is being completed in his shop at Gate's Towing. If you want to see it then come down to a meeting and take a look!



## CLASSIFIED ADS

**For Sale:** One Springfield M-1 Garand for sale. WWII serial number. Rifle has nicely grained new black walnut stock/hand guards \$800 // 1942 Ford GPW. \$4000; Very early production (APRIL 42) this would make an excellent restoration candidate. Ford Script body, excellent frame, hood, fenders windshield frame, Original top bows with brackets and very rare early pancake air filter system. (I have been offered just under \$1000 for this alone). The vehicle does not have an engine installed but I have a complete good running engine with carb, gen. and starter in storage that comes with the vehicle purchase. Clear Utah title // Small German or Swiss? WWII Ammo Trailer/Cart. Wood and steel framed, very sturdy. Meant to be used with horse or vehicle. Uses motorcycle size tires. can be towed by Jeep. \$400.// Misc. M-38 and M-38A1 Parts. Some body parts axles, T-90 transmission but mostly 24 volt electrical and ignition parts. Starters, generators, voltage regulators, Light switches, gauges etc. // Complete used M-38A1 12 Volt conversion kit, starter, distributor, alternator and brackets. // Selling uniform and wardrobe collection, All WWII era including replica WWII M-41 paratrooper suits, WWI I Marine reversible camo fatigues, original

shirts, trousers, class A's, Army, Navy and Air Corps, too much to list. // NEW reproduction CJ2A inner and outer windshield frame. Perfect condition still in bubble wrap, never used \$400. Contact Ray Meldrum 801-494-9852. apcogear@msn.com

1942 GPW, some MB, and repo parts, lots of script " F" parts . I have put in a new battery and fuel pump which fixed the problems. Purrs like a kitten now. Also had the front end tightened, so it handles much better. Price reduced again to \$10,000.00. Contact Harry Wadley in Manti Utah. outh40@mail.manti.com 435-835-4591 or 435-851-5459

I have what I believe is a Dodge 6 X 6, WC62, WC63 pintle trailer hitch. EBay had one listed for \$275.00. \$100.00 for this local one. Cell: 801-631-6381, David Barber (Utah).

WANTED: I am interested in purchasing a M151A1 in Fair plus condition. Contact : Steve Bartkowski. Phone 708-243-7713. (Utah)

WANTED: 1942 WW2 Dodge, ¾ ton, WC54 ambulance parts to include front and rear frame cross-members, interior seats/hardware. // WW2 back pack type radio BC1000 (SCR300). Contact Pete Park at 435-640-0186 or parkpc@msn.com (Utah)

WANTED: 1941-1945 Willys Jeep engine. Contact Wayne Goodman at 801-278-7015 (Utah)

**For Sale:** 1952 M38A1; older, amateur restoration; \$7,000. Contact Brian Jagoe at biagoe@msn.com or 541-999-1314 (Oregon Club).

**Wanted** — 16" CJ rims — contact Cal at militaryieeps@q.com or 541-999-0620.

MB GPW Jeep grill wall art are Plasma cut from 11 gauge steel. They make great wall art for your man cave or for gifts. Dimensions are 11 in long x 5 in tall. Cost is 24 each. Painted Olive Drab. Want something custom? Let me know and I'll give it a go. POC for these is Ron P. 801-243-6753

### **Tires Tires Tires!**

President Bruce is taking numbers now so we can do a **bulk discount tire purchase**. We are up to 35 tires. Please let him know soon how many you want. The discount is handled by Mike B and will be very close to near cost price.

**American Vintage 4x4** just opened their doors. They can work on any military vehicle (well they said no tanks!). The owner Kevin is a talented mechanic and fabricator. Summer is coming, so get that rig in top shape now! try [AV4x4.com](http://AV4x4.com). Located in Meridian Idaho.

**Do you have anything you want to barter, buy or sell? Get with the newsletter editor to get your add in now!**