



The President's Corner

By Bruce Gates

We've finished with 2014. Another great year ended with the Christmas party at the Elk's Club in Caldwell. A superb dinner, great camaraderie and a lot of fun for the twenty one members that came to the party.

We've had some good accomplishments in 2014. We've added several new members and changed some events.

We started the year with a Memorial Day caravan to and a show at Kohler Lawn in Nampa then moved to Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise for the afternoon. Later in May we were at Meridian Speedway for Idaho Veterans' Network's nice tribute to veterans.

In June we had the club's show and swap meet in Fruitland where we had a

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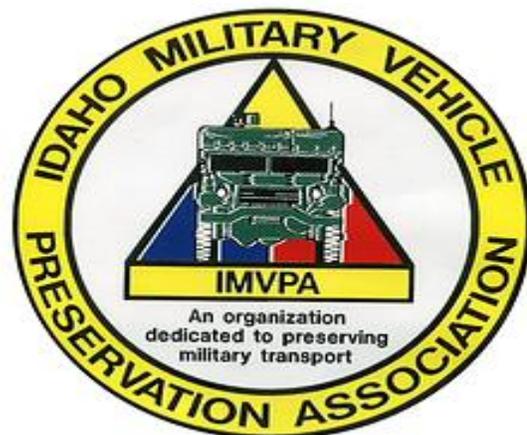
- Next Club Meeting January 6th 2015

- January Club Elections
- Discuss the Fruitland Show
- Club dues are due!

-Vintage Military Show- Fruitland Idaho

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

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Official Seal of the IMVPA.

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.

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good turnout.

July was a busy month with the High Desert Harley Davidson show, Northwest Motorfest, the Middleton 4th of July parade, and the Payette 4th of July parade.

August was Family Day at Gowen Field and September we were back out at Cloverdale funeral home with the moving Vietnam Memorial Wall. We finished the year with Boise's Veteran's Day parade, Gary's Automotive free oil change for veterans and the Golden Corral dinner for veterans.

I would like to see even more activities in the coming year.

It's been a good two year run for me as President of the club and I'd like to thank all the members that have been so helpful to me in the last two years. We have some planned changes and improvements coming for 2015. We are working on the IMVPA website with Barry McCahill as newsletter editor, Ron Powell as his co-chair and Dan Liffick as our IT guru.

Also, Northwest Motorfest will be moving from July to June in an attempt to stay away from the blistering heat of last year.

2015 is shaping up to be a good year. The economy is improving a bit so maybe the pressure is off some of the members and we can get down to doing what we love, restoring and showing these beautiful old vehicles.

Thank you,

Bruce Gates
President

What changes are coming?

Bruce, Barry, Ron and our Webmaster Dave got together for coffee this week and pounded out some changes-most of them we feel will be positive! Haha The first is the website. We now have a plan to keep it updated. If you check it out right now you will see some updates that haven't occurred in a long time. More specifically we've updated the recurring events list, photo page, and officer page.

Also, (if it isn't obvious), you've noticed a brand new newsletter. This is now available on the website to download via a PDF file. It can also be emailed if needed. The new expanded content is dependent upon you (the members) of course. Give us some good stuff to write about!

You'll notice that we chose to retain Barry's "member spotlight". We encourage you to participate. Simply tell us a few things about yourself. Such as what is your military vehicle, how you got into the hobby, how it was restored, and if you like, some things about yourself and your family.

We have also had discussion about making the meetings more interesting. Which of you would like to give a 20 minute presentation on some area of expertise? Perhaps you know paint, auto body, weapons, radios, uniforms and reenacting, etc etc. It is thought that in this way we can share our knowledge collectively. If you want to sign up, then by all means let us know!

Can we do more in winter? Of course this is the time of year that things slow down. What, everyone doesn't like to drive their pristine MV (military vehicle) in snow and salty roads with no heater? On the other hand, what about going out for coffee one morning with our MVs when it's clear (but maybe cold out). A couple of us did just this recently. We met at Shari's in Boise. The manager was excited to see us and offered us 6-8 empty slots facing the street any time we chose to stop by. He also said something about free pies but I'm on a diet so I didn't pay much attention! haha

We also will explore the idea of sharing the newsletter with the Utah and Oregon club. Why? Well maybe someone is selling something you are interested in, or we just want to see what others are up to. Good idea? Bad idea? Let your Ideas known. This is just a hobby, but you have the reigns. Speak up! ❖

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

EVENT: MEMORIAL DAY MAY 25TH

EVENT: FRUITLAND VINTAGE MILITARY SHOW JUNE 3-6TH

EVENT: LES SCHWAB MOTORFEST JUNE 20-21ST

EVENT: 4TH OF JULY PARADES

PAST EVENTS:

THE AMERICAN VETERAN'S TRAVELING TRIBUTE. SEE BELOW.



By Ron Powell

I served as Co-Chair which brought the AVTT (American Veteran's Traveling Tribute) to Boise This last September. It was an amazing event. The Club had 3 military vehicles in attendance which really looked great against the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall. Thanks to all who participated.

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From the Newsletter Editor: Why do we do 'member profiles'? The reason is simple. This club has a lot of very interesting people from all kinds of different backgrounds. We see each other so infrequently that this is just another way to get to know one another. So don't be shy, get hold of me so we can spotlight you and your vehicle!

From the Secretary: (from a conversation Bill and Ron had). Bill: I haven't been involved in the last 6 months or so because of my job and night shift. For that reason I do not intend to run for re-election. Other than that, the social roster needs to be updated. Please note it if you intend to keep your information private or not.

From the Treasurer: Club dues are always due at the January meeting. Cost is 20\$. Five people have already paid for 2015. 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.

IMVPA members pose with "The Victory Belles" who performed at Cloverdale Funeral Home last summer.



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.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: BARRY McCAHILL

Barry's first passion is boating, and he restored a mahogany 1950s world class speed boat that he proudly (and actually) uses regularly. So how did he get into the military vehicle (MV) hobby? Well his father was a WW2 and Korean war Officer and career man. In 1969, after college, Barry enlisted and subsequently attended Army Officer Candidate School. He served in Military Intelligence as a Lieutenant with the US Army Security Agency stateside for three years. So the military has always been a part of his life.

Barry retired from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in 1999 after a long career as head of its public affairs operation. He then moved to Boise Idaho, and worked as a national public affairs consultant to clients in transportation and other industries. He retired again in 2011.

He met our President Bruce Gates at a car show. He wanted a winter project and loved the idea of doing a MV. He says he didn't want a show car trailer queen. He wanted a driver!

More about Barry: he is a member of the American Classic Boat Society Payette Chapter (a National Organization). He is also a US Coast Guard Licensed Master with the rank of Captain. His family includes his better half, four daughters, five grand children, 2 horses, 2 dogs, oh, and 2 cats.



Photo above: interior shot of Barry's fully restored m37. Bruce Gates introduced him to Dick B who had it for sale.

Barry notes that his intention was to do a winter project upon retirement. The project was done in only 6 months! He wanted a vehicle that got used, not a show queen. This truck gets driven but still looks great.



Photo top: Barry with his restored and finished 1953 M37.

Middle photo. Our own Dick B says goodbye to his M37 upon the sale to Barry. I don't see any tears but hard to tell from the photo ☺

Bottom photo this page: the M37 gets a new paint job. Barry notes that he didn't want perfect paint. It is after all a military vehicle and didn't want it "over restored".

No classified ads this month. Maybe if everyone gets their ads in next time, we can get them into the January newsletter!

