



# ***Disabled American Veterans***

*Chapter 9*

*P.O Box 5202*

*MARYSVILLE, CA 95901*



*SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2008*  
EXECUTIVE MEETING 10:00 AM  
MONTHLY MEETING 11:00 AM  
LOCATION 730 D ST  
MARYSVILLE, CA 95901

Meetings are held in the Marysville Methodist Church located at 730 D Street, Marysville, California, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. Our meeting time is 11:00 A.M. Refreshments may be available. Our meetings are open to the public.

## **Chapter Officers**

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**The Yuba-Sutter Stand Down** will be held from August 20 thru 23 at Riverfront Park in Marysville, CA 95901 commencing with the Torch of Freedom (To provide Korean War veterans with well deserved recognition. We have invited the Disabled American Veterans mobile van to assist veterans needing assistance. Department of Veterans Affairs will send the McClellan Clinic Site Manager Mr. John Black and his assistants.

Other upcoming events sponsored or supported by our Chapter this year are attendance at the DAV National Convention at Bally's in Las Vegas, NV from 8 – 12 August 2008. We will send 4 delegates from our Chapter (Marvin Bottom, Bob Logan, Stephanie Ruscigno, and Tom Mack. We will have a Blue Grass festival in (September), a Forget Me Not Campaign (fund raiser) in October), a Town Hall meeting in October, participate in the Veterans Day Parade in November, and have a Fall/Winter dining feast during the (November/December) time frame.

The DAV Chapter is running low on *Funds* if you would like to help the Chapter, please send to: **Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 9, P.O. Box 5202, Marysville, CA 95901**

The DAV will be having our Forget- Me- Not Drive on October at Wal-Mart, Sam's Club and other sites in the Marysville-Yuba City areas. I hope that more than just a few people can show up to help with the Fund raiser. If you would like to help please contact our Senior Vice Commander, Mr. James O. Jones. If you can only come for a few hours that is better then nothing.

### ***IRS Rules Some Payments to Disabled Vets Tax-Free***

Payments under the Department of Veterans Affairs Compensated Work Therapy program are no longer taxable, the Internal Revenue Service said in a Dec. 12 news release (IR-2007-198). Disabled veterans who paid tax on these benefits in the past three years can now claim refunds by filing an amended return, IRS said. They will no longer receive a Form 1099 from the Department of Veterans Affairs. The IRS agreed with a U.S. Tax Court decision issued earlier this year, which held that such payments are tax-free veterans, IRS in November issued Revenue Ruling 2007-29 that addresses the payments. Text of IR – 2007 -198 is available at <http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=176442,00.html>

### **VA Announces Insurance Dividends**

More than a million veterans are in line to share \$349 million annual insurance dividends during 2008, according to the Department of veterans Affairs.

The dividends payments will be sent automatically to an estimated 1.1 million veterans holding certain government life insurance policies and who served between 1917 and 1956. The amounts will vary based on the age of the veteran, the type of insurance and the length of time the policy has been in force. VA officials caution veterans about a long running scam in which various groups charge fees to "locate" veterans who are eligible for the dividends. Veterans eligible for the dividends have had VA life insurance policies in effect since they left the military and have received annual notifications from VA about the policies.

Recipients include World War II veterans holding National Service Life Insurance ("V") policies, World War II era veterans who have Veterans Reopened Insurance ("J, "JR" and "JS") policies, and Korean War era veterans who have maintained Veterans Special Life Insurance ( " RS" and "W") policies. Dividends also will be paid to veterans who served between World War I and 1940 and who hold U.S. Government Life Insurance ("K") policies.

Veterans who have questions about their policies may contact the VA insurance toll-free number at 1-800-669-8477 or send an e-mail to [VAinsurance@va.gov](mailto:VAinsurance@va.gov).

**Leadership Advice:** "Don't be buffaloes by experts and elites. Experts often possess more data than judgment. Elites can become so inbred that they produce hemophiliacs who bleed to death as soon as they are nicked by the real world."

The following are our meeting minutes for our meeting held at 1100 am, June 21, 2008.