

# Pair of local veterans treated to D.C. trip

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Marvin Haynie and Raymond "Rocky" Jones were both treated to an all-expense-paid round trip to Washington, D.C. in June, courtesy of "Honor Flight of Oregon."

The program was created by Gail Yakopatz of Grants Pass to commemorate World War II veterans and has already sponsored around 600 veterans for 20 flights over the past four years. The Southern Oregon chapter has made 12 trips.

The most recent journey included 27 veterans accompanied by a relative or friend who acted as a "guardian." It was made possible with the support of Southwest Airlines, Shilo Inns & Suites and the Coquille Tribal Community Fund; as well as donations by individuals from around the state.

Haynie and Jones carpoled to Portland and were warmly greeted at the airport.

"Everywhere we went people lined up to shake our hands ... Boy Scouts and police officers," Haynie said.

The group toured the World War II, Korean War and Iwo Jima memorials, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, the Lincoln Memorial, the Navy Memorial and Museum and viewed the changing of the guard at Arlington National Cemetery.

Both Haynie and Jones enlisted in the Navy at age 17. Haynie, four years older than Jones, was sent to Guam, became a Yeoman and served on Admiral Nimitz's staff. He still has a

photo taken by a friend of Nimitz accepting the Japanese surrender on the U.S.S. Missouri.

Jones was a Navy fireman in California, responsible for aviation and ship fuel. Immediately after the war, he worked on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. His family had moved to Kerby during the war and he returned here, marrying Sara Hoskins. He became a "jack of all trades" including stone mason, blacksmith, logger, carpenter, and self-taught architect — designing and building Immanuel Methodist Church, the I.V. Golf Course and several houses.

Jones bought Southern Oregon Archery and invented an automatic spine tester, which he sold to Wolverine Manufacturing in Canada. In 1988 he joined the U.S. Coast Guard and taught seamanship and navigation for 19 years at the USCG Auxiliary in Brookings and for the Oregon State Marine Board. He was named "Auxiliariest of the Year" in 2003.

Together with Sara he became one of the first Master Gardeners in Josephine County and the couple had a produce booth at the Grants Pass Farmers' Market for years.

Haynie worked as general manager of Casey Water Conditioning in Las Vegas before buying the Sears Catalogue Store in Cave Junction and, later, the Redwood Laundromat, which he ran with his wife, Judy, now deceased.

Of the 27 veterans on the flight, Haynie and Jones were both chosen to receive American flags and accompanying certificates, stating the flags were flown over the U.S. Capitol at the request of Congressman Greg Walden and Honor Flight of Oregon to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. It was, of course, "a date which

will live in infamy," as declared by President Franklin Roosevelt. All participants received commemorative T-shirts and hats which read: "The Greatest Generation."

Although both men had known each other for years, they were in for one final surprise. Just before the trip they discovered they had both attended Leuzinger High School in Hawthorne, California.

"It really is a small world!" Jones remarked.

The motto of Honor Flight of Oregon is a quote from humorist Will Rogers. "We can't all be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by." To donate toward the next flight, visit [www.honorflightoforegon.org](http://www.honorflightoforegon.org).



Rocky Jones (left) and Marvin Haynie display the flag they were awarded that was flown over the U.S. Capitol at the request of Congressman Greg Walden and Honor Flight of Oregon.

# Illinois Valley Lions Labor Day Festival

The Illinois Valley Lions Club Labor Day Festival is fast approaching and again will offer an array of activities. The Festival is provided by the I.V. Lions as a means of thanking the community for its continued support throughout the year. The Club provides Sight & Hearing, Scholarship Awards, plus hospital/medical equipment loans for Valley residents. This year's festival theme is "PRIDE OF THE ILLINOIS VALLEY" and is scheduled for 31 August through 2 September in the Jubilee Park in Cave Junction.

The TOUGH TRUCK RACES again will be one of the main features with competition scheduled at noon on Saturday and Sunday. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first through third place winners. For entry information contact Jerry Sommers at (541) 659-3899.

The LABOR DAY PARADE will be held on Monday, 2 September in downtown Cave Junction. For parade information contact Steve or Amy Britt at (541) 592-4584 or (541) 787-7612. This year's Grand Marshalls are Donna and Wayne Whitfield. Also, honored this year are the Helen Keller Award recipients: Mark

Camp and Richard Milner.

The TALENT SHOW will be a main event during the festival and is open to amateurs of all ages. Juniors will perform on Saturday, Intermediates on Sunday and Adults on Monday. Cash prizes will be awarded the winners of each age group. Contact Donna Whitfield at (541) 596-2719 or Sue Peterson at (541) 592-2252 for sign up and information.

Vendor information can be obtained by contacting Dave Anderson (541) 597-4486. The Lion Train, Greased-Pole Money climb, Haystack Money Search and a Watermelon

Seed Spitting Contest will be just a few of the events for the youngsters.

A new event will be featured this year: the ILLINOIS VALLEY CORN HOLE CHAMPIONSHIP. Contact Scott Thornhill at 541-479-5258 or 541-592-4771 for the Corn Hole Championship sign-up.

Each day of the Festival will offer an array of music — something for everybody. Saturday will feature our very own, DAWNA CROCKER, singer and songwriter and at 6 p.m., music by CROSSFIRE. Gospel music will be on stage Sunday morning and later in the day music will be

provided by Wayne and Donna and 6 p.m., IDENTITY CRISIS BAND. The "FIESTA AMERICAS DANCE GROUP" will perform on Sunday. Each day of the Festival, Karaoke will be held.

A 2013 Harley Davidson FXDC Super Glide Custom bike will be raffled on Monday, 2 September. The bike is displayed at Taylor's Country Store and raffle tickets are available there.

Watch future issues of the Illinois Valley News for festival updates and program information.

McGrew's Restaurant and Lounge thanks all of the following for generously providing services, products, and energy for a spectacular evening of fund raising and enjoyment during our annual Christmas in July Children's Benefit.

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