

The St. Cloud Area Metropolitan Veterans Council (Metrovets) is a unified approach to many of the worthy causes that have been born out of the Veterans' dedication to the highest ideals of our democracy. The units participating in the Metrovets are:

American Ex-Prisoners of War
American Legion Post 323, Clearwater
American Legion Post 621, St. Augusta
American Legion Post 254, Sauk Rapids
American Legion Auxiliary 254, Sauk Rapids
American Legion Post 76, St. Cloud
American Legion Auxiliary 76, St. Cloud
American Legion Post 428, Waite Park
American Legion Auxiliary 428, Waite Park
AMVETS Post 11, St. Cloud
Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 9, St. Cloud
Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, Chapter 9, St. Cloud
Forty and Eight Voiture 415, St. Cloud
Forty and Eight Cabane 415, St. Cloud
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 428, St. Cloud
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 428, St. Cloud
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6992, Sauk Rapids
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 6992, Sauk Rapids
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4847, E. St. Cloud
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 4847, E. St. Cloud
Marine Corps League, Valhalla Detachment 171, St. Cloud
Military Order of Cooties, Pup Tent 13, St. Cloud
Military Order of Cooties, Pup Tent 62, St. Cloud
Military Order of Cooties Auxiliary, Pup Tent 62, St. Cloud
Women in the Military, Central MN Unit, St. Cloud
Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 290, St. Cloud

METROVETS OFFICERS

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DJ Voth, Senior Vice President
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DJ Voth, Chaplain
Ken Johnstone, Sergeant at Arms



**VA MEDICAL CENTER
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA**

Monday, May 31, 2010

Parade: 10:30 a.m.

Ceremony: 11:00 a.m.

Parade and Ceremony Arranged by

**ST. CLOUD
METROPOLITAN VETERANS COUNCIL**

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

May 31, 2010

Musical Prelude St. Cloud Municipal Band

Parade Passes In Review (Please Stand)

Present and Post Flags Ken Johnstone
Sergeant At Arms, Metrovets

National Anthem Patty Tix

Pledge Of Allegiance Metrovets

Invocation Chaplain Peter Lundholm

Medical Center Welcome Susan M. Markstrom, M.D.
Chief of Staff

Flander's Field Dickie Voth

Remembrance Ceremony Members Of Metrovets
In tribute to those of all conflicts whose gift of life remains anonymous, a wreath is placed on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. In tribute to the Navy dead, the Navy Mother casts a wreath upon the waters of the Sauk River. In tribute to the sons, daughters, brothers and sisters who died in service to America, the Gold Star Family member places a wreath. And in honor of those who died in all conflicts, wreaths are placed at the foot of the crosses of Flander's Field.

Introduction of Guests and Remarks Ray Theis
President, Metrovets

Speaker Clint Fladland
WWII Fighter Pilot, Marine Corps

Keynote Speaker 1 Lt. Shaun Meling
Minnesota National Guard

Armed Forces Salute St. Cloud Municipal Band

Benediction Chaplain Peter Lundholm

God Bless America All in Attendance

Amazing Grace Joe Linneman
Ben Richason

Firing Squad Salute American Legion Post #428

Taps And Echo St. Cloud Municipal Band

Parade Passes In Review Each marching unit is a mark of special recognition to the memory of all the men and women who have died in service to our country.

THANK YOU

Through your attendance you have personally joined with millions of Americans in expressing honor and respect for the men and women who were called upon for the supreme sacrifice. They gave their lives on behalf of all of us who cherish the virtues of the United States of America. We are most appreciative of your presence with us.

We are also grateful to the many individuals, units, organizations, firms and municipalities whose generous assistance contributed so much to the parade and ceremony. To each of those we extend a sincere **"Thank You"**.

A salute to our Flag is a personal commitment to the highest ideals of this nation. Our Freedoms yet live because of the commitment of those who have gone before us. Let us further perfect these ideals and let us carry this commitment forward to those whose hands stretch out to us from the future. Let us, each one, Salute Our Flag when it is brought before us.