

# POST 4108 Newsletter

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## COMMANDER'S SITREP

Comrades,

Another month has gone by and there is so much going on. We have many members heading out to National Convention and it is amazing the amount of representation from 4108 that will be present. Safe journey to all attending.

It is really amazing when we review our past month how much is given by our comrades. Comrades Hal Robbins and Galen Wisdom were able to finalize the delivery of the tank in time for the 4th of July. The Mounted Color Guard and the Cooties also made their debut in the Redmond 4th of July Parade, joining our float which the Auxiliary and Post members decorated.

Our House Committee is hard at work with many projects. They have mounted the Defibrillators, are weather stripping the doors...you get the idea.

Our Honor Guard continues to be hard at work honoring our fallen comrades, most recently Charter member Dalton Clark. The VFW memorial service was conducted and the Auxiliary provided food for the family and guests. I had the pleasure of speaking to Mrs. Clark who was very grateful for what this Post does for veterans.

As I have begun my tour as your Commander I am extremely proud of the people I see and the things that you do to serve veterans and our community. Oh, don't forget about the Tough Butt Classic coming up in August which should prove to be another great ride, and Art Horsell will be celebrating his 95th Birthday on August 6 at our Prime Rib Dinner, so come on down and help him celebrate. Happy birthday Art!

Semper Fi,  
Mike Trammel, Commander



Mike Trammel  
Post Commander  
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## AUXILIARY ACTREP

A big thank you goes out to all Post and Auxiliary members that helped with decorating the float and participating in the 4th of July parade. We had a lot of help from our youth, who were excited about participating this year due to the fact they were old enough to walk alongside the float passing out the American flags and candy on the parade route. Alicia, Sarah and Clarae have done a wonderful job teaching them the values of the VFW Auxiliary and the meaning of becoming productive citizens of our community. Thank you.

To our kitchen crew, once again a great job on the 4th of July making hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixin's for veterans and their families to enjoy after the parade. We thank you.

I know everyone has been waiting to see who won the quilt. We had the drawing on the 4th of July and the winner is...Drum roll please...Jocelyn Tureck. I would like to thank everyone that donated by buying quilt tickets. The money raised will go towards the VFW building fund for improvements.

Everyone stay safe out there and enjoy the rest of the summer, and keep our veterans and their families in our prayers. God Bless America.



Pixie Newcomb  
Auxiliary President  
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# POST ACTION NEWS



Friday, July 22, 2016 through Tuesday, July 26, 2016: VFW and Auxiliary National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina

Wednesday, July 27, 2016 through Sunday, July 31, 2016: MOC/MOCA Supreme Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Saturday, July 23, 2016 – Private Party in Hall.

Thursday, July 28, 2016 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group.

Monday, August 1, 2016 – 6:00 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting

Monday, August 1, 2016 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting. (Rescheduled from July 25 due to National Convention in North Carolina.

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 – 6:00 pm: Redmond Rotary meeting.

Wednesday, August 3 thru Sunday, August 7, 2016 – Recruiting Booth at Deschutes County Fairgrounds.

Thursday, August 4, 2016 – 4:00 to 7:00 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, August 4, 2016 – 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.

Saturday, August 6, 2016 - 6:00 pm: Prime Rib Dinner. Menu is prime rib, baked potato, green beans, green salad, Big Ed's dinner roll and homemade dessert. \$20 per person. Everyone welcome!

Sunday, August 7, 2016 – 8:00 am: Sea Cadets Drill practice.

Wednesday, August 10, 2016 - 6:00 pm: Mounted Color Guard meeting.

Thursday, August 11, 2016 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group

Thursday, August 11, 2016—10:00 am: Join the VFW Auxiliary at Redmond Health Care Center for Bingo.

Thursday, August 11, 2016 – 6:00 pm: Newcomer's Potluck. Join us as we welcome new Auxiliary members to our group and give them their obligation. This is a great time to gather socially and get to know our newer members. Everyone is welcome – including Post members!

Thursday, August 11, 2016 – 7:00

pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart meeting.

Saturday, August 13, 2016 – 7:00 am to 8:00 pm: Tuff Butt Classic Fundraiser.

Saturday, August 20, 2016 – 9 am to 3:00 pm: School of Instruction at the Molalla Grange Hall. All Post and Auxiliary members are encouraged to attend.

Monday, August 15, 2016 – 6:00 pm: Honor Guard meeting and practice.

Tuesday, August 16, 2016 – 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night. Menu to be determined.

Wednesday, August 17, 2016—1:00 pm: Join the MOCA at Redmond Health Care Center to celebrate August birthdays of the residents.

Wednesday, August 17, 2016 – Exercise Night with Joclyn Manly. Time to be announced.

Saturday, August 20, 2016 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Saturday, August 20, 2016 – Class Reunion in the Hall

Saturday, August 20, 2016 – 9 am to 3:00 pm: School of Instruction at the Pendleton VFW Hall. All Post and Auxiliary members are encouraged to attend.

Sunday, August 21, 2016 – 8:00 am: Sea Cadets Drill practice.

Monday, August 22, 2016 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.

Thursday, August 25, 2016 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group.

Saturday, August 27, 2016 – 9 am to 3:00 pm: School of Instruction in Sutherlin. All Post and Auxiliary members are encouraged to attend.

Thursday, September 1, 2016 – 4:00 to 7:00 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, September 1, 2016 – 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.

Saturday, September 3, 2016 – All Day: Patriot Pin Up and Deschutes Post 4108 "Central Oregon Shakedown" Car & Motorcycle

Show. Food will be available as well as a DJ, hula hoop contests and Dance Off! Be there or be square!

Monday, September 5, 2016 – 6:00 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 – 6:00 pm: Redmond Rotary meeting.

Wednesday, September 7, 2016 - 6:00 pm: Mounted Color Guard meeting.

Thursday, September 8, 2016 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group.

Saturday, September 10, 2016 – Dance Club in Hall. (Tentative Schedule. More information will follow.)



Sunday, September 11, 2016—Patriot Day.



Friday, September 16, 2016—POW-MIA Recognition Day.

Saturday, September 17, 2016 – District 10 Meeting at VFW Post in Prineville. Potluck at Noon, meeting to follow.

Saturday, September 17, 20-16 – Private Party in Hall.

Sunday, September 18, 2016 - - 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Tuesday, September 20, 2016 - 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night. Menu to be determined.

Wednesday, September 21, 2016 – 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm: RME/VFW Meal Night. Menu to be determined.

Thursday, September 22, 2016 - 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group.

Thursday, September 22, 2016 – Crooked River Golf Banquet

Friday, September 23, 2016 – 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm: Red Cross Blood Drive at VFW Post 4108.



Sunday, September 25, 2016—Gold Star Mothers' Day

Friday, September 30 through August 1, 2016 – Grand of Oregon MOC/MOCA C of A. Location to be determined.

# AROUND THE HOUSE

## August House Committee Action Report

The House Committee elected me as the Chairman for this year. We are getting off to a fast start thanks to your committee consisting of Comrades Dennis Guthrie, Galen Wisdom, Jason Brock, Frank Kline, Quartermaster Dan Tureck and Commander Mike Trammel.

Next time you are in the Canteen, check out our display case. Jason Brock has purchased and placed patriotic items in the case that are just waiting to be sold. He has a very interesting array of items for you to purchase for yourself or as gifts. Jason has done us proud!

Any day now, we will be receiving bids from three roofing contractors. It is our goal that we have a non-leaking structure this winter. The protection of the Post's building and inventory is considered a very high priority. I want to especially thank the Post members and Auxiliary for voting to fund this high priority project.

The House Committee has started a list of projects that need to be completed to make our Post a good place to visit, schedule events and attend meetings. If you have anything on your mind that we need to add to this list, let us know. We will consider your project by adding it to our current list, determine costs for the improvements and prioritize it. However, we have more projects than money. If you have a good fund raising idea that will help us build our maintenance and repair budget, please let us know. It is our goal to fund and maintain a regular maintenance program in an effort to keep everything in good working order and avoid any unexpected breakdowns of equipment.

Occasionally, we need to have an Event Staff committee of 3 or 4 members to monitor and patrol hall rental events. The primary goal is to ensure no alcohol leaves the building, none comes in and none is consumed in our parking lot. Events such as these usually occur once per month. We are looking for a "Volunteer" Event Staff Coordinator to schedule staff to attend these events. Once we get a committee together, I will go to the Post and ask funding for special shirts and hats for Event Staff members.

We are an organization of veterans that was trained to be highly skilled in maintaining equipment, etc. I am putting a "Volunteer" list on the Canteen bulletin board looking for electricians, plumbers, carpenters, etc. We occasionally need a minor repair. Please step up and help with the maintenance of our Post.

Finally, summer is here and on your trips about town, stop by the Canteen to visit old friends and make new ones. Our Post is growing and new members are coming in on a more regular basis.

Fair winds and following seas,

House Committee Chairman John Wrinkle

P.S. Please note that the next House Committee meeting has been rescheduled for August 1 due to scheduling conflicts.



**John Wrinkle**  
House Committee Chair  
541-678-3895

# WEBMASTER

I am continuing to work on the website to make it as informational as possible. We are receiving hall rental requests, Honor Guard requests and Community Service Reports via the website now, which is a plus. We have also added a DONATE link to PayPal on the site so that we can receive donations via PayPal or credit card online.

Post and Auxiliary Surveys: I will leave the Post and Auxiliary Surveys on the website until the August 4th meeting. We have only had 30 Post responses and 8 Auxiliary responses with no new responses in the last 2 weeks. If you have not already done so, select the appropriate survey on the menu of the website and complete. If you wish to stay anonymous, type Anonymous in the Name field and leave the email field blank. I have put together a summary of the current survey responses. If you are interested contact me at [vfw4108@gmail.com](mailto:vfw4108@gmail.com) and I will e-mail you a copy.

I will be training Post member Jeff Chappell in Administration of the website as a backup. If you are interested in working on the website or have any suggestions for enhancements, please let me know.



**Don DeLand**  
Webmaster  
503-869-0318



# THE COOTIE CORNER

Well July has been a “not so busy month” for the Cooties. We entered a float in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Some of you may have seen the Seam Squirrel, Galen Wisdom and our MOCA Sr. Vice President Darlene Wisdom in the decked out red Cootie truck. We hear from little cootie bugs that the parade Emcee had a hard time pronouncing the name “Cootie”, but they were set straight in Cootie fashion. Now the community has a small idea of what the Cooties are about.



Later in the month, The Cooties were up to some shenanigans on July 17 while at The Oregon Veterans Home in The Dalles, Oregon. Sixteen Cooties and Ladybugs, and 5 little nits went to the Veterans Home to have an Ice Cream Social with the residents. Oh, did I forget, Butch our K-9 #1 Cootie was also present and was a big hit with the residents. We were told we weren't too lousy as we brought them Root Beer floats. It was a lousy time visiting with the residents and generally making their day lousy.

**Galen Wisdom**  
**Aka “Surf & Turf”**  
**Seam Squirrel, Pup Tent 8**  
**541-604-0388**

Just a reminder, the next scratch and meeting will be Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:05.

Galen “Surf-n-Turf” Wisdom. Seam Squirrel



The Oregon Veterans Home Ice Cream Social on July 17, 2016. Pictured are Dianne Guthrie, Alicia, Emily & Nicholas Wherry, Galen and Darlene Wisdom with Maisy and Logan Whitacre, Dennis Guthrie with K9 Cootie Butch, Jackie and Bert Key, John “Perma Press” Wrinkle, Jim & Nate Wherry, Joe and Terri Stellar, Irene Stellar, Valorie Wrinkle holding Nolan Wherry, Melissa & John Whitacre and Don Keith.

# HONOR GUARD



We continue to seek new members for the Post Honor Guard. We have struggled at times to get enough members to attend an event to honor the deceased veteran in the manner we would like. Ideally we would have 6 members to cover rifles, bugler and Detail Captain for commands. Most funeral events are on weekends with some falling on weekdays. If you are interested in joining our Honor Guard, please contact me at 503-869-0318 or vfw4108@gmail.com.

**Don DeLand**  
**Honor Guard**  
**503-869-0318**

# SHOOTING INTEREST GROUP

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Shooting Group  
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## "Shooting Interest Group" Update

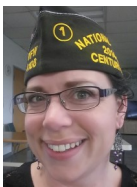
The Shooting Interest Group has been in a lull lately, primarily due to the general busyness of everybody. We held several classes over the colder / wetter months with great turnouts, and have several members involved in building their own AR type platforms.

Now that the good, warm weather is upon us, it is time to get out there and burn some powder. I am in the process of setting up some friendly competition matches but not getting much input from our members as to what kind of shooting they would like to do and when are the best times to do such shooting.

To all our shooting enthusiasts, take a good look at your collective schedules and let me know what you would like to do. For those into pistols and/or shotguns, I need someone to step up and take the lead on some activities in those disciplines.

As always, for more information you are encouraged to contact Brian O'Connor, at 541-699-8664, or by email at boconnor308@gmail.com

Hope to see you out there with us.



Judith Burger  
Past Post Commander  
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The 2nd annual Patriot Pin-up and Deschutes Post 4108 "Central Oregon Shakedown" car and motorcycle show will be September 3, 2016. The Central Oregon Pin-ups are a non-profit organization that raise money for veterans or veteran organizations. They teamed up with us last year for the first show and this one promises to be even bigger. We will have breakfast and lunch available, served by The Auxiliary, and an

# PATRIOT PIN-UP AND CAR SHOW

outdoor beer garden, a Pin-up Contest, hula hoop contests and a "Dance Off", as well as live music and a DJ. Entry fee for the show will be \$10 per bike or car, or \$5 per bike or car for veterans. Please mark your calendars to either participate or...we need lots of volunteers that day as well. Judith is the point of contact for this event. Let her know your interest.

There will be posters available in the next issue and we will have them at the Post as well very soon. One of our life members, Chris Wide-

man is graciously allowing his motorcycle to be photographed with a Pin-up for the poster and other advertising!!



# SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

Each year the Department Officers and Chairmen for the VFW and the Auxiliary put on sessions called "Schools of Instruction." If you want to know about the programs that the VFW and Auxiliary promote and support, you need to come to at least one of these Schools. This is also when the program booklets and other important information for the year will be provided. Officers and Chairmen will be on hand to answer questions and offer assistance.

On the VFW side, there are also sessions for Commanders and Quartermasters to get the latest instruction. On the Auxiliary side, there are break-out sessions for Treasurers, Secretaries and Recruiters.

Whether you are a new member or Officer, or you have been around a while, there is always something new to learn. It is also a good time to meet people from other Posts around the State and share ideas.

The schedule for this year's Schools of Instructions is as follows:

**Saturday, August 13, 2016**, 9:00 am Joint opening at the Foothills church across from the Molalla Grange, 127 Grange Avenue, Molalla. Following the joint opening, the Auxiliary will move across to the Grange Hall for their schools and the VFW will remain at the church.

**Saturday, August 20, 2016**, 9:00 am Joint opening at VFW Post 922, 1221 SE Court Place, Pendleton. The VFW will meet downstairs and the Auxiliary will be upstairs.

**Saturday, August 27, 2016**, 9:00 am Joint opening at the Senior Center, 202 E Central Avenue, Sutherlin, Oregon.

Ask around the Post if you would like to carpool with someone. Come enjoy a day of learning, sharing ideas and friendship.

# August 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
July 31	1 6 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting 6 pm: House Committee Meeting	2 6pm: Redmond Rotary	3 VFW/Auxiliary Recruiting Booth at Deschutes Expo Center	4 VFW/Auxiliary Recruiting Booth at Deschutes Expo Center 4 pm: Taco Thursday. 7pm: VFW & Aux Meeting.	5 VFW/Auxiliary Recruiting Booth at Deschutes Expo Center	6 VFW/Auxiliary Booth at Deschutes Expo Center 6pm: Prime Rib Dinner—\$20. Open to the Public. Art HorSELL's Birthday.
7 VFW/Auxiliary Recruiting Booth at Deschutes Expo Center 8 am—4 pm: Sea Cadets Drill Practice.	8	9	10 6:00 pm: Mounted Color Guard Meeting	11 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group 10 am: Bingo at Redmond Health Care Center with VFW Auxiliary 6 pm: Newcomer's Potluck. Everyone Welcome. 7pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting	12	13 7 am to 8 pm: Tuff Butt Classic 9 am to 3 pm: School of Instruction at Mollala Grange Hall
14	15 6 pm: Honor Guard Meeting	16 5:30—6:30 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night: Menu TBD.	17 1 pm: Birthday Cakes at Redmond Health Care with MOCA Exercise Night with Joclyn Manly. Call Joclyn for more info.	18	19	20 9 am to 3 pm: School of Instruction at Pendleton VFW Hall 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Pup Tent 8 Scratch/Meeting Class of '71 + Reunion in Hall
21 8 am—4 pm: Sea Cadets Drill Practice.	22 6 pm: House Committee Meeting	23	24	25 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group Sept 1 4 pm: Taco Thursday. 7pm: VFW & Aux Meeting.	26 Sept 2	27 9 am to 3 pm: School of Instruction in Sutherland Sept 3 2nd Annual Patriot Pin-Up "Central Oregon Shakedown" Car & Motorcycle Show!
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# Check Out the New Additions to our Parking Lot!



This is a picture of our new M60 A3 Tank as it was delivered earlier this month. Next month I will include a picture of it mounted in its new place of honor. Pictured are Committee members Galen Wisdom and Hal Robbins with the truck driver that made that long haul from Joint Base Lewis-McChord Washington to bring us our new addition!



Pictured are Mayor George Endicott , MOPH Chapter 551 Sr. Vice Commander with the Commander of the MOPH Chapter 551, Russell Coleman. They unveiled the new sign at the entrance of our parking lot, showing that their Chapter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart meet at our Post.

We are proud to host this group of heroes!

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