

POST 4108 Newsletter

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COMMANDER'S SITREP

February is here, and spring is not too far off. The Mid-Winter Conference for the State VFW and Auxiliary was held in Newport. There were 14 young men and women at the head table who were the District winners. We were able to hear the top three speeches. All were well presented. The #1 speech was from District #8. He should score well at National in March.

The flu bug has been going around and is really serious this year! If you have not had your flu shot, please get one! This is an extremely deadly strain and you need to be protected! Please do not come into the Post sick. Portland hospitals have had to put up tents outside to house all the sick. Here in Central Oregon several people have died! Please do get your flu shot.

Our Jr. Vice Commander, Martin Baltazar has honored our Post by holding a "Fallen Hero's Sign Dedication Ceremony" for Dale Peterson who was KIA a few years

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Dennis Guthrie
Post Commander
541-280-5161

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S ACTREP

Dear Ladies, Gents and Comrades;

We finished January with the Mid-Winter Conference in Newport and are now headed into February, still having a mild winter. February is starting to get busier with the Rod and Gun Club banquet on February 3 and the annual OHA banquet at the fairgrounds on February 24.

I hope everyone is staying healthy with all the flu and colds that are going around. Have a great month and remember, elections of officers is coming up in April.



Randy Burger
Auxiliary President
541-771-1089

POST ACTION NEWS

Thursday, February 1, 2018 – 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, February 1, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.

Saturday, February 3, 2018 – Rod & Gun Club Banquet in the Hall.

Sunday, February 4, 2018 – Boy Scouts in Hall

Monday, February 5, 2018 – 6:30 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 – 5:00 pm: Oregon Honor Flight Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 – 6:00 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.

Thursday, February 8, 2018 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group

Thursday, February 8, 2018 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Thursday, February 8, 2018 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

Friday, February 9, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Redmond Social Club. Doors open to RSC Members at 7:00 pm. Doors open to the public at 7:30 pm for \$10 per person. Music by Shaniko.

Saturday, February 10, 2017 – 7 am to 6 pm: NRA in Hall

Sunday, February 11, 2017 – 8 am to 1 pm: NRA in Ha



Wednesday, February 14, 2017

Saturday, February 17, 2018 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Monday, February 19, 2018 – 6:00 pm: Honor Guard meeting.

Monday, February 19, 2018 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Burgers & Fries Night. Prices vary.

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Thursday, February 22, 2018 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group.

Saturday, February 24, 2018—OHA Annual Banquet at the Fairgrounds.

Thursday, March 1, 2018 – 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, March 1, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.

Saturday, March 3, 2018 – Quail & Upland Wildlife Federation Banquet in the Hall.

Monday, March 5, 2018 – 6:30 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 – 6:00 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.

Thursday, March 8, 2018 – 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group

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Friday, March 9, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Redmond Social Club. Doors open to RSC Members at 7:00 pm. Doors open to the public at 7:30 pm for \$10/person.

Monday, March 12, 2017 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Meeting

Saturday, March 17, 2018 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Saturday, March 17, 2018: Oregon Outdoor Council Banquet in Hall.

Monday, March 19, 2018 – 6:00 pm: Honor Guard meeting.

Monday, March 19, 2018 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night. Menu to be determined.

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

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WEBMASTER

The Post website at <http://www.vfw4108.org> is a central point for information about the Post and activities. It is updated in real time as information becomes available to the Webmaster. The password protection has been removed from the bylaws page. The Post Minutes page still requires password access. If you don't know the password, use the Contact Us page to ask for access.

Two new Widgets have been added to the Homepage on the right side. Just scroll down and click on the picture to link to the associated article.

- Smart/Meyer National Citizenship Educator Teacher of the Year Post winning nominees award presentation
- Highway 20 Medal of Honor sign dedication with Robert Maxwell

If you are interested in joining the Website Committee and learning how to administer the website, please contact Don DeLand, [503-869-0318](tel:503-869-0318) or delandx2@msn.com. I would like to get one of our younger vets trained to administer our website to maintain continuity going forward.



Don DeLand
Webmaster
503-869-0318

COMMANDER'S SITREP (continued from page 1)

back. The Redmond Police Department raised the money from donations from their personnel. Marty put together a great program for the family, our community and our Post. Great job Martin!

Don Deland, our Web Master is doing a great job keeping our Post Web Site up and current. The web address is VFW4108.org. Please check it out.

Membership is always important. We are short about 60 members! Not a lot to do! If we are **not** growing beyond 100%, we are not thriving! We need to attract younger members that can learn the programs and keep this Post healthy for years to come, helping Veterans and their families.

Don't forget the next Redmond Social Club event on February 9, 2018. If you are not a member of the Social Club but want to enjoy the music and dancing, doors open to you at 7:30 pm for a cover charge of \$10.

I am wishing you the best of health and hope to see you at our next meeting, which will be on February 1 at 7:00 PM sharp.

Dennis Guthrie
Commander

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541-280-5161

TEACHER OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE

Award ceremonies were held for our three Post nominees for the Smart/Maher Citizenship Educator Teacher of the Year for 2017 - 2018. Winning high school nominee, Ben Parsons, Ridgeview High School and Marques Hase, Elton Gregory Middle School received a certificate and check for \$250.00. Middle School runner-up, Melissa Develter, Elton Gregory Middle School received a certificate. Congratulations to these three outstanding teacher nominees. Mr. Parsons (grades 9-12) and Mr. Hase (grades 6-8) have been moved on to District level to compete with other Post nominee winners. Results of District voting have not been announced to our Committee Chair at this time.



Don DeLand
Honor Guard
503-869-0318

REDMOND SOCIAL CLUB



Angela Boothroyd
VFW Auxiliary
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Redmond Social Club - Friday, February 9, 2018

Join us for live music and dancing with The Shaniko Band! Thank you to our Sponsor Brent Gourley and Homegrown Barnwood Furniture! Doors open at **7 pm**, \$10/person, 21 and over only. Outside food welcome, but no outside beverages of any kind please. You do not need to be a VFW Member or a Redmond Social Club Member to attend these fun monthly dances.

THE COOTIE CORNER

**"Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of
Beds of White"**



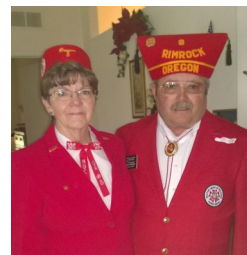
**"Closer than a Brother,
Busier than a Bee"**

"Increase and Multiply"

January is coming to an end, but we still have cold weather. We want everyone to remember to check on their neighbors and make sure that they are staying warm and toasty. The MOC did not meet in January as many of the Cooties were at the VFW Mid-Winter C of A or sunning themselves on vacation. The MOC Auxiliary held their regularly scheduled meeting and discussed ideas for upcoming events in true Cootie fashion. It is rumored that there will be some outrageous fines for those two ladybugs that left the country to enjoy some fun in the sun, while leaving us here to deal with the cold.

Next scratch and meeting will be Saturday, February 17 at 12:05 pm. We hope to see many of you attend so that we can get some hospital visitations scheduled.

Galen and Darlene



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

HONOR GUARD



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

The Honor Guard performed military honors for the following comrades in January.




1. Gary J. Hingley, USN, Korea, Post 4108 Life Member
2. Walter "Sam" Lloyd, USA, Korea
3. Earl Thompson, USAF, WWII
4. Billy Ray James, USN, Vietnam
5. Maynard Alves, USA

I want to thank the VFW, American Legion and Auxiliary veterans that make up our Honor Guard and give their time, sometimes on short notice, to honor our fallen veterans and their families. We performed 30 military honors in 2017 and already 5 military honors in 2018. It is truly an honor to serve with you.

TAPS is played by the Honor Guard every 3rd Wednesday of the month, 4:30 p.m. at Redmond Hospice and 5:00 p.m. at Redmond Cemetery. Come down and join us.

We need additional members for the Honor Guard to meet our Military Honors requests from our local families. If you are interested in joining our team, please contact Don DeLand, Jack Newcomb, or Dave Pete.

February 2018

Sun	Mon		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	Feb 1	Feb 2	Feb 3
				4pm -7pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco. 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.		Rod & Gun Banquet in Hall.
4 Boy Scouts Event in Hall	5 6:30 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting	6 5 pm: Honor Flight Mtg. 6 pm: Rotary Club Meeting	7	8 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group. 10am: Bingo at Regency Redmond with the VFW Auxiliary. 7pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart meeting.	9 7 pm: Redmond Social Club. Dance. 7 pm for members; 7:30 pm for non-members.	10 NRA in Hall.
11 NRA in Hall.	12  Lincoln's Bday	13	14 	15	16	17 12:05 pm: MOC/ MOCA Meeting.
18	19  Washington's Bday 6 pm: Honor Guard 6 pm: House Comm	20 5:30 pm-7 pm: OHA/VFW Burgers & Fries Night. 7 pm: OHA Mtg.	21 1 pm: Birthday Cakes at Redmond Health Care with MOCA	22 7:30 am: Redmond Commercial Group	23	24 OHA Annual Banquet at the Fairgrounds.
25	26	27	28	Mar 1 4pm -7pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco. 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.	Mar 2	Mar 3 Quail & Upland Game Federation Banquet

Don't forget—Wednesday, February 14, 2018 is Valentine's Day!



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