

# Veterans of Foreign Wars Deschutes Post 4108 & Auxiliary

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## Monthly Newsletter, Volume 9

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### **COMMANDER'S SITREP**

Hello all, this is your new Commander Joseph Steller. First, I would like to take the time to thank you for believing in me and giving me this great opportunity to serve you. I would like to give a big thank you to Dennis Guthrie for everything he has done in the last year to help prepare me for this endeavor. For those who do not know me, I was in the Navy during the Persian Gulf War. I am an Aviation Boatswain's Mate Fuels (ABF3), which means I put fuel in airplanes on the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, CVN70.



Joseph Steller Post Commander 541-233-7577

My goal is like many others, veterans helping veterans on the national and local levels. Also, to get more members to join us and more community involvement with our post. With that, we have a few events coming in the next few months that will help with this goal. The Wheels for Cancer

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## **AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S ACTREP**

July is fast approaching and with it lots of summer fun. I would like to thank our Past President Randy Burger for his hard work last year. The State VFW Auxiliary Convention was held at Kah-nee-ta June 13 – 17 and our Auxiliary placed in the top three in many categories. This could only have been accomplished by the hard work of the Auxiliary.

Now that we have finished the 2017 – 2018 year we have many more things to look forward to in the coming year. First off is the Fourth of July Parade in downtown Redmond, which starts at 10:00 a.m., with the BBQ at the Post following. Any Auxiliary or Post members that want to get up early and meet at the Post at 8:00 a.m. on July 4<sup>th</sup> can help decorate the float for the Parade. Sarah Brock is in charge this year and has some good ideas on decorations. I am hoping many members will attend the Parade and march or help with flags, but if you just want to ride on the float that would also be great.



Darlene Wisdom Auxiliary President 503-338-9839

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## **POST ACTION NEWS**



Saturday, June 30, 2018 – 9:00 am to 5:00 pm: Wheels Over Cancer Motorcycle Run & Car Show. Serving cheeseburgers and fries from noon to 3 pm for \$6.

Sunday, July 1, 2018—10:30 am: Salute to America at American Legion Park, 850 SW Rimrock Way, Redmond. Sponsored by Highland Baptist Church. For details, go to www.visitredmondoregon.com/ \_redmondBuzz.

Monday, July 2, 2018 – 6:30 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting

Tuesday, July 3, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.



Wednesday, July 4, 2018 – 10:00 am: Fourth of July Parade in Downtown Redmond. Followed by a Barbecue at VFW Post 4108. Burgers, dogs, chips, watermelon, cake, and beverages. Potluck dishes also welcome. Free to all veterans and their families. Service is from 11 am to 1 pm.

Thursday, July 5, 2018 – 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, July 5, 2018 – 7:00 pm: VFW Post 4108 and Auxiliary Meetings.

Monday, July 9, 2018 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Meeting

Thursday, July 12, 2018 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Thursday, July 12, 2018 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

Saturday, July 14, 2018 – Private Event in Hall.

Sunday, July 15, 2018 – Private Event in Hall.

Monday, July 16, 2018—6:00 pm: Honor Guard Meeting.

Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night.
Serving a bodacious Angus Beef Taco Salad on fresh fried tortilla chips with all the toppings for \$8. Service from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Tuesday, July 17, 2018 – 1:00 pm: Bingo at Redmond Regency with the Auxiliary.

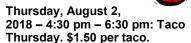
Wednesday, July 18, 2018 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Saturday, July 21, 2018 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Monday, July 23, 2018 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.

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Monday, July 30, 2018 – 11 am to 6:00 pm: Red Cross Blood Drive at VFW Post 4108.



Thursday, August 2, 2018 – 7:00 pm: VFW Post 4108 and Auxiliary Meetings.

Saturday, August 4, 2018 – Private Event in Hall

Saturday, August 4, 2018—9:00 am to 4:00 pm: First of 4 VFW School of Instruction and VFW Auxiliary Leadership, Information & Training Academies. Three Rivers Post 1324, Oregon City. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

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

Tuesday, August 7, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.

Thursday, August 9, 2018 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Thursday, August 9, 2018 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

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Friday, August 10 thru Sunday, August 12, 2018 – Tuff Butt Classic

Saturday, August 11, 2018 – Dinner at VFW

**Post 4108 from 5 to 7.** More details next month. Dinner will be followed by a Dance with music by Hwy 97.

Monday, August 13, 2018 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Meeting

Tuesday, August 14, 2018 – 1:00 pm: Bingo at Redmond Regency with the Auxiliary.

Saturday, August 25, 2018. Free Veterans Appreciation Dinner. Details to follow next month.

Wednesday, August 15, 2018 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Saturday, August 18, 2018 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Saturday, August 18, 2018 – Redmond High School Class of 1973 Reunion in Hall.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night. Menu to be determined.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Monday, August 27, 2018 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.



VFW SCHOOLS OF
INSTRUCTION &
AUXILIARY TO THE VFW
LEADERSHIP, INFORMATION &
TRAINING ACADEMY SCHEDULE:
Three Saturdays in August and one
in September. All members should
try to attend at least one...

August 4, 2018 - 9 am to 4 pm: Three Rivers Post #1324, Oregon City, OR

August 11, 2018—9 am to 4 pm: Let 'er Buck Post #922, Pendleton, OR

August 18, 2018—9 am to 4 pm: Grants Pass Grange Hall, Grants Pass, OR

<u>September 8, 2018—9 am to 4 pm</u>: Deschutes Post 4108, Redmond, OR

Lunch will be available at each location for \$8 each.



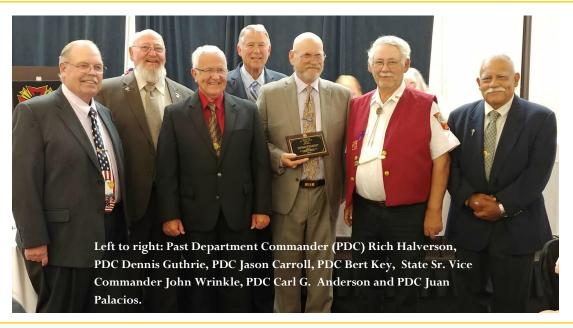
## COMMANDER'S SITREP (continued from page 1)

Car and Motorcycle Show on June 30, the Salute to America at American Legion Park on June 1, the Fourth of July parade and BBQ on the 4th, the Tuff Butt Motorcycle Run on August 10 thru August 12, the Veteran Appreciation BBQ on August 25 (more information to follow), and the Patriot Pin Ups Car and Motorcycle show on September 1.

The Fourth of July is just around the corner. Please come out and help decorate the float and/or march in the parade. Then travel on over to the VFW Post and have some eats and mingle with your fellow veterans.

My door is always open, but I work during the day, so if you need to get a hold of me, it is better to text me. However, if you need to call, please leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as I am able. I am looking forward to working with everyone to make our post even better. Thanks again for everyone's support.

#### STATE VFW & VFW AUXILIARY CONVENTION



At the VFW State Convention at the Kah-Nee-Ta Convention Center June 15th, the Past Department Commanders presented John Wrinkle with the 2018 "Veteran of the Year Award" (formerly known as Mr. VFW.) John was picked from many deserving comrades. His outstanding service to veterans at all levels was noted.

Comrade Carl G. Anderson, standing next to John in the picture, was later given the "Willie & Joe Award" for a lifetime of service to veterans.

## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S ACTREP (continued from page 1)

We have many activities that are done monthly. If you want to see where you can volunteer, come to our next meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. As always there will be tacos available in the canteen for \$1.50 each starting at 4:30 p.m. This is a good way to visit with friends prior to the meeting.

We have a few Auxiliary members that will be attending the National Convention in Kansas City, MO in July. We hope to get some important feedback from them at the August meeting. Besides some of the fun events of summer, we still have much to do to support our veterans and their families.

I invite all to attend the next meeting, especially if you haven't come in a while. We will be putting emphasis on getting back to the basics this year, so we need your input. See you soon and enjoy your summer.

## **TUFF BUTT CLASSIC**

The Tuff Butt Classic is coming up!

Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> 50/50 raffle Auction items 4' X 4' fire pit and guitar made by RHS students Dinner 5 PM – 7 PM - Dance after

Dance, dance to the Hwy 97 Band and enjoy dinner by Jocelyn and her crew. All are welcome to help Veterans enjoy the summer evening.

This is Saturday night of the Tuff Butt Classic, welcoming local VFW members, local riders, and out of town riders as well. Everyone should have a great time. Good food and this is a good dance band.

**Tuff Butt Committee** 



Dennis Guthrie Past Post Commander 541-280-5161



## **HONOR GUARD**

I first want to thank Dave Pete, Larry Roshak, Patti Oliver and bugler John O'Neil for braving the thunder, lightning and rain on June 20th during our monthly TAPS Ceremony. It was quite a sound and light show during TAPS.

So far in July, we have the following events we will be involved in:

7/4 - Redmond 4th of July Parade

7/8 - Memorial for Loren D. Larson at 1:00 p.m. - VFW Post

7/16 - Honor Guard Mtg. - 6:00 p.m. - VFW Post

7/18 - TAPS Ceremony Redmond Hospice (4:30) & Redmond Cemetery (5:00)

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Don DeLand Honor Guard 503-869-0318

We are still looking for members to join the Honor Guard. Currently about 1% of our members are active on the Honor Guard. We perform, on average, 30 military honors ceremonies at funerals, memorials and celebration of life events each year, requiring 7 members for a full squad. We have combined with the American Legion Post 44 Honor Guard to fulfill our squad requirements, so the veteran and their family receive the honors they deserve.

If you would like to join the Honor Guard, contact me, Dave Pete or Jack Newcomb and we will answer any questions you may have.

Don DeLand Honor Guard Captain 503-869-0318 delandx2@msn.com

## WEBMASTER http://www.vfw4108.org



Don DeLand Webmaster 503-869-0318

I've added a few new things to the website.

- Homepage widget Veteran Appreciation BBQ on August 25th
- Post Tab Post meeting agenda (Commander Steller initiated a meeting agenda so members can see what items have been submitted for discussion, voting etc.) More information at July meeting.
- Post Tab updated the Post history page to show Redmond Spokesman newspaper article on Post's 50th Anniversary (thank you to Art Horsell for the newspaper)
- Post Tab updated bylaws page to include House Committee Rules approved by members at the June meeting.

#### THE COOTIE CORNER

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



"Closer than a Brother, Busier than a Bee"

#### "Increase and Multiply"

Greetings and salutations. Summer is upon us, and it is hotter than, well you get my drift. The first weekend in June our Grand Convention was held at Redmond. Grand business was conducted with much confusion and the election of 2018 -2019 Grand Officers followed in rowdy form, and a scrumptious banquet put on by our very own Jocelyn Tureck was enjoyed by all. Our June scratch was held, but alas, no quorum. So, in true Cootie fashion, those that chose to grace us with their presence held a planning scratch, much to the chagrin of those that just wanted to have fun. Our next scratch will be held Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:05 p.m. at the post, so all of you that have the unfortunate duty of working on Saturday can plan on attending the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday night of July. Our duteous planning committee is working on a get together after our August scratch for some muchneeded comradery. Details to be worked on, or not, at the July scratch. Remember, "keep 'em smiling in beds of white".



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

Galen Wisdom, Aka Surf-n-Turf Seam Squirrel







Hello Fellow Ladybugs and Gentlemanbugs,

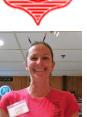
As the new incoming President of the MOCA, Rimrock #8, I would first like to take this opportunity to thank all of you that threw me under the bus to get this said position. (I hope you all know that is a joke). As most of you know, I enjoy spending any spare time that I have helping our Fun Girl in the kitchen, which in turn means, of course, socializing, and I feel very lucky, yet dignified, to meet so many amazing people. I hope this year is going to be an amazingly beneficial one. Working with our PUP TENT of course, I hope we can get involved with new locations (with the Dalles home still in our hearts always), and getting back to our main objective, "KEEPING THEM SMILING IN BEDS OF WHITE"!!!!

As we enter the loveliest season of all, summer (my opinion of course), we all get awfully busy and have little time to spare. With that said. I hope we can all still make time for those less fortunate than ourselves, especially our Veterans and their families. Working with the Pup Tent, I hope we can make. this one of the best years yet!!!

Madam President (HA! HA!), Michelle Foltz (AKA Spider Monkey)

Until Next Time...





Michelle Foltz Aka "Spider Monkey" Rimrock MOCA Prez 541-610-3608

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