

POST 4108 Newsletter

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COMMANDER'S SITREP

We are now into the fall of the year. Our Post becomes even busier with Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's events.

It is also a time for the VFW's Veterans helping Veterans. Helping Veterans and their families to have a great holiday takes a lot of work and since I have been with this Post, this time of year is when I have seen the best come out in each of us that want to help Veterans.

Programs such as the Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, and Teacher of the Year are now closed for the Post. Jeff Chappell has been working with schools for not only the VOD and Patriot's Pen, but also Veterans in the Classroom. For those who have never been in the schools for this very rewarding experience, I can tell you the students



Dennis Guthrie
Post Commander
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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S ACTREP

Dear Ladies, Gents and Comrades;

Fall is showing signs of coming to an end and the month of November is upon us. Saturday, November 11 is Veteran's day, starting with the Parade, followed by a Chili Feed at the Post. There will also be a Family Freedom Festival event. This is also the start of the holiday season with a Holiday Bazaar in the Hall on November 17 and 18. There will be a Red Cross Blood drive on the 29th and on November 28, the VFW Auxiliary National President is going to be at the Post for a meet and greet and a dinner. See Valorie's article on page 5 for more information.

This is the month of Thanksgiving when families get together for a feast. If you are traveling, please be safe and enjoy. The roads are also going to be busy and could be winter-like traveling.

Have a Great Thanksgiving.



Randy Burger
Auxiliary President
541-771-1089

POST ACTION NEWS

Saturday, October 28, 2017 – 12:00 to 2:00 pm: Operation Change Direction. Come down to the Post for a special presentation on Suicide Awareness. There will be speakers and a video. Refreshments will also be served.

Also, there will be a Youth Halloween party from 4 pm to 6 pm and an Adult Halloween party from 6:30 pm to ?? that evening.

Thursday, November 2, 2017 – 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, November 2, 2017 – 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.

Friday, November 3, 2017 – JROTC Marine Corps Ball.

Monday, November 6, 2017 – 6:00 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting.

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 – 6:00 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.

Wednesday, November 8, 2017 - 6:00 pm: Mounted Color Guard Meeting.

Thursday, November 9, 2017 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Friday, November 10, 2017 – 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. EVERYONE (21 and over) WELCOME - you do not need to be a VFW or RSC Member to attend the dances. Outside food welcome, but absolutely no outside beverages of any kind please. Questions? Call Angela at 541-410-2572.

Friday, November 11, 2017 – 11:00 am: Veteran's Day Parade in Downtown Redmond. Come and march with us, or just come to the parade to honor our veterans.



Friday, November 11, 2017 – 12:00 pm: Veteran's Day Chili Feed at the Post. Free to all veterans and their families. The Auxiliary will also hold a "Family Freedom Festival." Kids activities, etc. We hope you can be there with your family.



Sunday, November 12, 2017 – 5:00 pm: COMOAA Banquet.

Monday, November 13, 2017 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Meeting.

Monday, November 13, 2017 – 6:00 pm: Honor Guard meeting.

Wednesday, November 15, 2017 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Thursday, November 16, 2017 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

Friday, November 17, 2017 – All Day: Christmas Bazaar in Hall.

Saturday, November 18, 2017 – All Day: Christmas Bazaar in Hall.

Saturday, November 18, 2017 – 12:05 pm: MOC Scratch/MOCA Meeting.

Monday, November 20, 2017 – 6:00 pm: House Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, November 21, 2017 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW early Thanksgiving. Serving Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Bean Casserole, Cranberries, Roll & Pumpkin Pie for \$10. Reservations if you please. Help us!

Tuesday, November 21, 2017 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Tuesday, November 21, 2017 – 7:00 pm: Lake Park Estates Meeting.

Thursday, November 24, 2017 – HAPPY THANKSGIVING -

Remember to count your blessings!



Canteen is closed.



Tuesday, November 28, 2017—6 pm: (time subject to change). Dinner and Meet & Greet for VFW Auxiliary National President Dee Guillory. Everyone welcome. Menu is ham, scalloped potatoes, green salad, veggie, dinner roll and dessert for \$10. See Valorie's article on page 5 for detailed information about Dee's visit and watch your email for updates. All Post & Auxiliary members welcome.

Wednesday, November 29, 2017 - 12:30 to 5:30 pm: Red Cross Blood Drive at VFW Post 4108.



Friday, December 1, 2017 – 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.

Saturday, December 2, 2017 – National Guard Christmas Party in the Hall.

Monday, December 4, 2017 – 6:00 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting.

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 – 6:00 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.

Thursday, December 7, 2017 – 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco.

Thursday, December 7, 2017 – 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.

Friday, December 8, 2017 – 5:30 pm: OVMA Christmas Party.

Saturday, December 9, 2017 – Shasta Christmas Party in Hall.

Sunday, December 10, 2017 – Home Depot Christmas Party in Hall.

Monday, December 11, 2017 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Meeting.

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 - 6:00 pm: Mounted Color Guard Meeting.

Thursday, December 14, 2017 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Thursday, December 14, 2017 – Brightwood Christmas Luncheon.

Saturday, December 16, 2017 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Saturday, December 16, 2017 – Private Party in Hall.

Monday, December 18, 2017 – 6:00 pm: Honor Guard meeting.

Tuesday, December 19, 2017 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Christmas Party. Menu to be determined.

Tuesday, December 19, 2017 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Wednesday, December 20, 2017 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Thursday, December 21, 2017 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

Monday, December 25, 2017 – MERRY CHRISTMAS! Canteen Closed.



Tuesday, December 26, 2017 – Red Cross Blood Drive at VFW Post 4108.

Sunday, December 31, 2017 – 6:00 pm: New Year's Eve Prime Rib Dinner.

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really enjoy the Veterans sharing their experiences.

Don Deland has taken on the "Teacher of the Year" Award this year and I am sure he will do a great job. It is important for our teachers to be recognized for all the hard work they do. Don has also been working with Ridgeview High School. They are having a special program to honor veterans at the High School on November 7th. Please arrive at 9:00 AM for coffee and cookies. All Veterans will enter the Gym at the same time.

November 11th at 11:00 AM is the annual Veterans Day Parade at 6th & Dogwood. We have a float for those who don't want to walk the parade route. There will be a chili feed after the Parade at the Post for all Veterans and their Families. The Auxiliary always does a great job! There will also be a Freedom Festival put on by the Auxiliary during the Chili Feed. More information will be coming at our monthly meeting on November 2nd.

The Redmond Social Club has started their monthly dances again. See the Post calendar for the dates. The public can enjoy this music and dancing beginning at 7:30 PM.

This is just a few of the things that are going on. There is always room for anyone who wants to learn more and volunteer to help, or take on a project.

Thank you for what you do for Veterans and their families.

Yours in Comradeship,

Dennis Guthrie, Post Commander



Saturday, November 11, 2017

11 am: Parade in Downtown Redmond.

Meet at 6th & Dogwood at 10:30 am.

Chili Feed to Follow at VFW Post 4108.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE

We complete the nominations at the Post level October 31st. So far, I have a middle school nominee from Elton Gregory and have been notified that Ridgeview High is finishing their paperwork for a high school level nominee. I am hoping for an elementary school nominee for a trifecta.

Nominees that are selected to represent the Post are then moved on to District level to compete with all Posts in the District.

I am also putting together a step by step process document for future "Teacher of the Year" Chairs so they have a roadmap of what needs to be done for this award.



Don DeLand
Honor Guard
503-869-0318

HONOR GUARD

The Post Honor Guard combined with the American Legion Honor Guard to perform military honors for several veterans in October, including long time Redmond resident and businessman Bob Eberhard.

The Post Honor Guard will be making its inaugural entry in the Redmond Veterans Day Parade behind its new banner. As a community facing committee, we have touched the lives of many Redmond residents while honoring their veteran loved one. This will be a good opportunity for them to see us at a happier time.



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ON PATROL

Here we are, November already. With the Marine Corps birthday and Veterans Day, there's a lot going on. For those of you who are not directly involved in the festivities, please come out and support those who are by attending the parade on Saturday, November 11. Oh, and by the way, everybody, please put in a good word to the Big Guy upstairs and/or Mother Nature for some nice weather during our events as rain and parades don't mix.

As for the "Project", we are solidifying our participation numbers and while not quite getting the numbers we wanted, we will still have a respectable presentation. Again, it's not too late to jump in and walk with us down 6th St., and a big "Hoo Yah" to those already in our ranks.

Thank You, Brian O'Connor



Brian O'Connor
Committee Chairman
541-699-8664

POST COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

Post members, have you reported your Community Service? The program year will run until April 2018, so please provide me with your Community Service hours on a monthly basis. This is what I have through October at this time.

Fair Winds and Following Seas,

John Wrinkle



John Wrinkle
Community Sve
541-678-3895

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MONTH	Hours	Mileage	Exp/Don	Hours	Mileage	Exp/Don	Hours	Mileage	Exp/Don	Hours	Mileage	Exp/Don
May	119	523	\$ 560.00	1	10	\$ 500.00	119	981	\$ 130.00	28	50	\$ 500.00
June	347	1,925	3,299.00	11	160	390.00	330	3,043	40.00	7	28	
July	119	1,284	760.00	-	-	-	252	1,234	450.00	-	-	-
August	226	1,021	295.00	-	-	-	245	2,069	600.00	-	-	-
October	392	8,692	321.00	70	50	60.00	304	2,443	800.00	6	100	
TOTAL	1,203	13,445	\$ 5,235.00	82	220	\$ 950.00	1,250	9,770	\$ 2,020.00	41	178	\$ 500.00



Hello, Veterans & Families!

Wow! I can't believe how fast this Fall is flying by! The holidays are just around the corner and that means we get into the Season of Giving and Sharing.

I'm very excited for our Christmas Bazaar this year! We have LOTS of great vendors and crafters sharing their wares with us! I do hope you'll show us your VFW spirit and join us for some shopping, food, getting your picture with Father Christmas or visiting with friends Friday and Saturday November 17-18th in the Post Hall.

As always the Bazaar is a fundraiser for our Post and Community. This year we'll be supporting Honoring the Sacrifice (HonoringTheSacrifice.org) through our Silent Auction and Raffle. If you have any Used to New items to donate for our Auction I would truly appreciate it as will our beneficiaries. Following is some information about this organization:

Who We Are:: The Honoring the Sacrifice Foundation was formed in 2013 by wounded United States Army Sgt. Andrew Smith (retired) and his wife, Tori. Together with a dedicated team of volunteers, the husband and wife duo are assisting service members and their families, just as they have been supported during their journey. We are a 501(c)3 public benefit charity. Our Board of Directors is made up entirely of volunteers who are committed to their mission of helping our wounded heroes.

We are also doing a "canned food drive" to stock our pantry, so if you have pantry items to spare, please share. Our Auxiliary would most appreciate the boost in their stores for this upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas season food boxes. As a past recipient of one of those boxes I truly appreciated it when we were on hard times.

And last, but not least, would you please share this event with your friends and family? Invite them to join us as we start our Holiday Season off right giving to others.

Service before self.

Thank you! Tracy :-)



Tracy McKenzie
Bazaar Chairman
541-410-3122



Welcome Home Celebration The "Madras Maiden"



Will be returning to Madras from her United States
"Salute to Veterans Tour" with the Liberty Foundation

Monday, November 13, 2017- 10 am
to book your flight call: 918-340-0243 - Cost \$450.00
Join us at the Erickson Aircraft Collection for her arrival!
(Weather Permitting)

After 9 months and 41 stops in the United States, the Madras Maiden B-17 Flying Fortress will return from her United States "Salute to Veterans Tour" on her 42nd stop, right here in Central Oregon, Monday, November 13, 2017. Please come welcome her home and join in the celebration beginning at 10:00 am.

To book a ride on the Madras Maiden, call [918-340-0243](tel:918-340-0243). Cost per seat is \$450.00.

Thank you.

Michelle Forster, Assistant Manager
Erickson Aircraft Collection

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VFW Auxiliary National President Dee Guillory coming to Central Oregon!

I am very excited to report that our National VFW Auxiliary President Dee Guillory and her husband will be flying into Redmond on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 to visit Central Oregon for a few days. To welcome her, there will be a "Meet and Greet" at VFW Post 4108 that evening. We will be serving a special dinner for Dee that will be open to everyone. We plan to serve baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green salad, a veggie, dinner roll and dessert. The cost for everyone, other than our special guests, will be \$10 per person with a reduced rate for young children.

On Wednesday, November 29, Dee will travel to Madras where VFW Auxiliary 12141 will have a lunch catered by the Lady Elks at the Madras Elks Lodge at 11:30 am. Following that, she will tour the Museum at Warm Springs and VFW Auxiliary 4217 will hold a Salmon Bake at the Community Center that evening, complete with Tribal dancers.

Watch your email for further details and updates. You are welcome to join us for any or all the above events. This is a rare chance to meet our National leadership up close and personal, so I hope you will take advantage of it! Many Department of Oregon officers will be in attendance as well, and Auxiliary members from across the state. Let's all pray for good weather while Dee is here!

Valorie Wrinkle, Department Conductress, VFW Auxiliary



Valorie Wrinkle
Dept. Conductress/
Aux 4108 Secretary
541-678-3894

AROUND THE HOUSE

As October comes to an end I am still finding my way through the many chores and tasks of House Committee Chairperson. There are many things to learn and many tasks I didn't know I would be responsible for. In fact, as soon as I finish writing this report I need to schedule a fingerprinting session for the Oregon Lottery. It seems I must be vetted by the state to do this job. Who knows, perhaps a security clearance will be needed in the future.

Jeff Chappel
House Committee Chair
541-526-7181

Amongst the hardest lessons I'm learning is that we are a volunteer organization and when we need help we rely on volunteers who give freely of their time and labor. To all of those, from the Post and the Auxiliary, who are out there cleaning trash from the parking lot, shoveling sand, pouring concrete, cleaning storage rooms and Conex boxes and the other numerous jobs it takes to keep our facilities clean and usable, you have my most sincere thanks and appreciation. This Post cannot be what it is without your efforts.

Another lesson I've learned is how we operate on a limited budget and how we must make our dollars stretch. It means that things that should be done might not be done as quickly as it should, or things we would like to see be done might not get done. Prioritizing tasks, budget and help all needs to be addressed by the House Committee, and as with all committee work, nothing happens fast. Thankfully we have a great House committee to see that things do happen.

Work will continue to be done, projects will be discussed and started, ideas may be rejected but our post facilities will be maintained, and our Canteen will be open. So please support our Canteen and come in more often than once a month. We enjoy your company and comradeship.

Jeff Chappel

MOUNTED COLOR GUARD

Hi all, just a quick update for The Mounted Color Guard. There will be a meeting the 8th of November, right before the Veterans Day Parade. If you don't have your patches yet, please come by and get them. The meeting is at 6 pm in the Canteen. The Veterans Day parade starts at 11 am on November 11, so meet in the parking lot across the street from the Polar Bean Coffee House on 5th Street by 9:30. PeggySue Sweet, MCGC

Now on a personal note: I want to thank Michelle Simmons from The Suitcase Studios and Cydnee Schoettler from the Lemon Drop Salon in Bend for making me feel so special for my photo shoot on the 19th of this month and the Redmond VFW Post 4108 for letting me climb all over the tank. Thanks Joe for keeping me safe. Dan came by and suggested I jump down! LOL And a special shout out to my "Assistant" Gail Robinson. Central Oregon Daily was there filming and my segment will air on the 30th of October on Channel 21 and Fox.

Again, thank you VFW Post 4108 for being so awesome!

Miss Shakedown 2017, PeggySue Sweet



Peggy Sweet
Mounted Color Guard
pss@prinettime.net



WEBMASTER




Widgets come and Widgets go. On the right side of the website Homepage, you will see a list of Up-coming Events and below that "Image Widgets". These are usually short, time sensitive things, so check there often. One new "widget" that will remain is called "War Stories". If you click your mouse on the image, it will take you to a link with Central Oregon Veteran War Stories. Some of our members' stories are available. Please explore and if you have any suggestions, use the "Contact Us" page to send me your thoughts.

Remember, a calendar of events, Post meeting minutes, Post bylaws, Community Service reporting and the ability to Donate to the Post are all available on the website.



Don DeLand
Webmaster
503-869-0318

November 2017

Sun	Mon		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30		Nov 1	Nov 2 4pm -7pm: Taco Thursday. \$1.50 per taco. 7:00 pm: Post and Auxiliary Meetings.	Nov 3 5 pm: JROTC Marine Corps Ball	Nov 4
5	6 6 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting.	7 6 pm: Rotary Club Meeting.	8 6 pm: Mounted Col- or Guard Mtg	9 10am: Bingo at Re- gency Redmond with the VFW Auxiliary.	10 7pm: Redmond Social Club. Open to mem- bers at 7 pm and general public at 7:30 pm.	11  Veterans Day 11 am: Veterans Day Parade in downtown Redmond. Chili Feed to follow at the Post—free to all veterans and their families. Family Freedom Festival-Kids activities, program info and more.
12 5 pm: COMOAA Winter Ban- quet.	13 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Meeting. 6 pm: Honor Guard Meeting	14	15 1 pm: Birthday Cakes at Redmond Health Care with MOCA	16 7pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart meet- ing.	17 12 pm: Christ- mas Bazaar in Hall.	18 10 am: Christmas Bazaar in Hall. 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meet- ing.
19	20 6 pm: House Commit- tee Meeting (General Session at 6:30 pm)	21 5:30 pm-7 pm: OHA/ VFW Early Thanks- giving with turkey, mashies/gravy, green bean casserole, cran- berries, roll & pump- kin pie for \$10. 7 pm: OHA Board Mtg. 7 pm: Lake Park Estates.	22	23  CANTEEN CLOSED	24	25
26	27	28 6pm: VFW Nat'l Pres Meet & Greet & ham dinner. See page 5 for details! All welcome. Meal is \$10.	29  12:30 pm to 5:30 pm:	30	Dec 1 7 pm: Redmond Social Club.	Dec 2 National Guard Christmas Party.

REDMOND SOCIAL CLUB



Angela Boothroyd
VFW Auxiliary
541-410-2572

Redmond Social Club 2017-18

Friday - October 13th	The Shaniko Band	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
Friday - November 10th	The Shaniko Band	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
Friday - December 1st	The Shaniko / Moonshine Band	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
Friday - January 12th	Precious Byrd / High Street Band	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
Friday - February 9th	TBA	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
Friday - March 9th	The Shaniko Band	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
Friday - April 6th	The Shaniko / Moonshine Band	Opens at 7pm - 10pm
FRIDAY - MAY 4th QUATRO DE MAYO with COUNTRYFIED PARTY!		

Members FREE
Guests \$10 - 21 & Older

Event Coordinator:
Angela Boothroyd
www.RedmondSocialClub.com
www.facebook.com/RedmondSocialClub

LIVE MUSIC EVENT AT
REDMOND VFW

1836 SW VETERANS WAY, REDMOND
CONTACT: 541.410.2572 CELL



"We kicked off the 2017-18 Second Season of Redmond Social Club with the Shaniko Moonshine Band. This was a 7-piece band that included all the things we love about the Shaniko Band, PLUS steel guitar and fiddle too! We had a nice turnout, but as always, we need YOUR participation. Come to the dance or even just help spread the word! The next dance is Friday, November 10th with the Shaniko Band. \$10/person at the door or we have Membership (AND Sponsorship) opportunities available too! Questions? Call Angela Boothroyd, [541-410-2572](tel:541-410-2572).

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