

POST 4108 Newsletter

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Suicide Awareness Month

COMMANDER'S SITREP

Another summer is ending, time to put our toys away and get back to work. LOL, I know that some of you get to play all year long. However, before summer ends, come out to the Pin-Ups Shakedown Car Show on September 1 and enjoy cars, bikes, comradeship with your fellow vets, and most of all lunch put on by the famous kitchen crew headed by Jocelyn.

We had a great time at the Deschutes County Fair, where we signed up several new members. I would like to thank all that helped make that a success: Dennis Guthrie, John Wrinkle, Jeff Chappel, Christine Gittins and Auxiliary President Darlene Wisdom, Dianne Guthrie and any comrades I might have missed. If you see some new faces at the Post,



Joseph Steller
Post Commander
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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S ACTREP

August has come and gone. I would like to thank VFW Post 4108 for inviting us to share their recruiting booth at the Deschutes County Fair again this year. A big thank you to the Auxiliary members who volunteered to spend their time recruiting, with an extra thank you to Dianne Guthrie and Valorie Wrinkle who spent numerous hours recruiting.

September will be here in a blink of an eye. We have the Post's September 1st Patriot Pin Ups Car Show and I hope many of you will go out and support this fantastic fund raiser. Lots of fun for all. Our next meeting will be September 6th and District 10 will be meeting at Warm Springs on September 15th.

It is sad to report that two of our life auxiliary members lost their spouses this past month. Our hearts and prayers go out to them.



Darlene Wisdom
Auxiliary President
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POST ACTION NEWS

Friday, August 31, 2018 – 9 am to 4 pm: Red Cross Blood Drive at VFW Post 4108.



Saturday, September 1, 2018 – 9 am to 4 pm: Patriot Pin Ups present the Central Oregon Shakedown Car &



Motorcycle Show & Shine at VFW Post 4108. There will be food served and a Beer Garden.



Monday, September 3, 2018 – Labor Day



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

Thursday, September 6, 2018 – 7:00 pm: VFW Post 4108 and Auxiliary Meetings. There will be a pre-meeting at 6:45 pm for a "Quilt of Valor" presentation.



Saturday, September 8, 2018 – 8 am to 4 pm: VFW School of Instruction and VFW Auxiliary Leadership, Training & Information Academy at VFW Post 4108. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend! Lunch will be available for \$8 per person. Jocelyn and crew will be serving "Build to Order" Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato sandwiches.

Monday, September 10, 2018 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Club Meeting

Monday, September 10, 2018 – 6:30 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting



Tuesday, September 11, 2018 – Patriot Day.

Thursday, September 13, 2018 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Thursday, September 13, 2018 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

Saturday, September 15, 2018 – 1:00 pm: District 10 Meeting at Warm Springs. Lunch served at noon.

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night. Serving Meatloaf, Mashies & Corn for \$8 per person.

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Lake Park Estates Meeting.

Wednesday, September 19, 2018 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Friday, September 21, 2018 – POW-MIA Recognition Day.



Saturday, September 22, 2018 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting. (Rescheduled from 9/15 due to District 10 Meeting)

Saturday, September 22, 2018 – Private Party in Hall.

Monday, September 24, 2018 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.

Sunday, September 30, 2018 – Gold Star Mother's Day.



Monday, October 1, 2018 – 6:30 pm: Rod & Gun Club Meeting

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



Thursday, October 4, 2018 – 7:00 pm: VFW Post 4108 and Auxiliary Meetings.

Monday, October 8, 2018 – 5:30 pm: VFW Riders Club Meeting.

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 – 11:00 am to 4:00 pm: Red Cross Blood Drive



Thursday, October 11, 2018 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Thursday, October 11, 2018 - 7:00 pm: Military Order of the Purple Heart Meeting.

Friday, October 12, 2018 – 7:00 pm: Redmond Social Club.



Tuesday, October 16, 2018 – 10:00 am: Bingo at the Regency Redmond with the Auxiliary.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 – 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm: OHA/VFW Meal Night. Menu to be determined.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 – 7:00 pm: OHA Board Meeting.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 - 7:00 pm: Lake Park Estates Meeting.

Wednesday, October 17, 2018 - 1:00 pm: Birthday cakes with the MOCA at Redmond Regency Health Care.

Saturday, October 20, 2018 – 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.

Monday, October 22, 2018 – 6:00 pm: House Committee meeting.

September is Suicide Awareness Month. Do you know the Five Signs?



For help or for more information, go to www.changedirection.org.

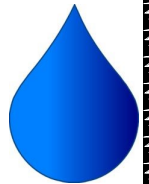
HELP IS ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH THE VETERANS CRISIS LINE

Are you a Veteran in crisis or concerned about one? Connect with the Veterans Crisis Line to reach **caring, qualified responders** with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Many of them are Veterans themselves.

Call [1-800-273-8255](tel:1-800-273-8255) and Press 1 or [Chat online](https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/) at [1-800-799-4889](tel:1-800-799-4889). Text [838255](tel:838255). There is also support for deaf and hard of hearing: [1-800-799-4889](tel:1-800-799-4889).

This free support is confidential and available every day, 24/7. The Veterans Crisis Line serves all veterans, all service members, National Guard and Reserve and their family members and friends.

Help Raise Awareness About Military & Veteran Suicide. Wear your Blue Teardrop!



COMMANDER'S SITREP (continued from page 1)

please welcome them and make them feel at home.

The Tuff Butt Classic was held on the second weekend of the month. It was a three-day motorcycle event, where to prove you were tuff enough you needed to ride 300 plus miles. All the money raised is used to help local veterans. Thank you, Dennis Guthrie and your committee, for putting this all together.

Summer is ending and that means that school will start soon. Be aware that there will be more students out walking to school. When school starts, it is also time to work some of our programs: Patriot's Pen, Voice of Democracy and Teacher of the Year. Our chairpersons Christine Gittins and Jeff Chappel will be hitting the schools hard. If you have some free time and would like to be involved, please contact them. They would appreciate any help they can get.

Our new sign is up and working. Come by and check it out. With the new sign we will be able to inform the public and our members of upcoming events and give general information about the Post. If there is something you think we need to advertise on the sign, please drop a line to the House Committee and we will investigate. I would like to thank all the members who helped get the sign here, installed and working. This will bring more attention to the

Post. Great job.

There are a few events happening in September:

September 8 is the School of Instruction. I attended the one in Grants Pass at Post 2302. The first half hour talks about the duties of the different offices. The rest of the school gives out information on the different committees at the VFW. If you are looking at getting more involved at the Post and not sure of what committee is right for you, come on out and explore the many different programs the VFW offers and talk to the Department Committee Chairs who are there to help.

September 15 is the District 10 meeting in Warm Springs. Come out and see what other Posts in the area are doing. Lunch is at 12 and the meeting starts at 13:00. Hope to see you there.

Veterans helping Veterans is what we are all about, and this Post is your Post. Please let me know if you have any ideas that will make this Post even greater.

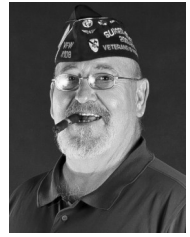
Your comrade,

Joseph J Steller
Post Commander

TUFF BUTT CLASSIC

After 11 years of the Tuff Butt Classic, the Committee and the Run has grown as more Vets and their families step up to help. Jocelyn and her kitchen crew once again created a great meal! We added a breakfast by the VFW Riders group and Poker hands this year. For all those that participated in making the Tuff Butt better, I thank you so very much and I hope to see you at the Car Show on September 1. There will be some beautiful cars and motorcycles with a Poker Run. Come by and take a walk down memory lane, have lunch, enjoy the beer garden, just enjoy the day.

Dennis Guthrie
Chairman Tuff Butt Classic



Dennis Guthrie
Past Post Commander
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WEBMASTER <http://www.vfw4108.org>

The Post website provides information for members and the Redmond Community about activities/ events going on at the Post. We receive inquiries about Honor Guard requests, dances, dinners, flag disposal, veteran events etc.

The website is designed in an easy to navigate format for your convenience. Calendar events, Newsletters and Post Meeting Minutes are all available. Visit the link above to check it out. Use the Contact Us link to make any comments or suggestions on how the website might be improved.

Don DeLand
Website Committee Chair



Don DeLand
Webmaster
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HONOR GUARD

The Post Honor Guard continues to provide military honors for our fellow veterans and their families. We recently scheduled our 22nd event for 2018. The Honor Guard is made up of Post volunteers and is an excellent way to get involved in the Post. We also perform a monthly Taps Ceremony on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 4:30 p.m. at Redmond Hospice Wall of Honor and 5:00 p.m. at Redmond Memorial Cemetery. One of the Honor Guard members participates as bugler with any veterans and family members present to honor those veterans no longer with us. This is a short 5 to 10-minute ceremony so plan to come out and participate when you can.

Scheduled events:

8/22 - Steve Ellis Memorial, St. Thomas Chapel 6:00 p.m.
8/26 - John Hooper Memorial, VFW Hall 1:00 p.m.
8/31 - George Chandler burial, Terrebonne Pioneer Cemetery 2:00 p.m.
9/8 - Quentin Aschoff Memorial, Alfalfa Community Center 1:00 p.m.
9/17 - Honor Guard meeting, AL Post 44 at 6:00 p.m.
9/19 - Taps Ceremony, Redmond Hospice 4:30 p.m., Redmond Memorial Cemetery 5:00 p.m.

Gravesite flags:

We will soon be inventorying the veteran grave site flags. Our goal is to obtain 8"x12"x24" flags for all veteran grave sites at Redmond Memorial Cemetery and Terrebonne Pioneer Cemetery. We have also obtained more burial flags to use to complete the "Avenue of Flags" at Redmond Memorial Cemetery.

Don DeLand
Post Honor Guard Captain

THE COOTIE CORNER

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



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

"Increase and Multiply"

September Cootie Article

Hello Shavetails and comrades. Thank you to everyone who came to the August scratch and stayed for our comradery potluck. Nice to be able to visit with everyone.

Our next scratch has been moved from September 15th to September 22nd, as the VFW and Auxiliary will be holding their District 10 meeting in Warm Springs on our regularly scheduled scratch date. This time slot will be another time to scratch and plan ideas for assisting and visiting those veterans that are sick or hospitalized.

A big welcome home to the Wrinkles, who in true Cootie fashion, left us for bigger and better things, like having a Grand time in Colorado. I hear that their time there was full of family and friends. Also, we will miss Shavetail Tracy McKenzie as she begins a new, maybe bigger, adventure in LaGrande. Good luck Tracy.

On a sad note. While not cootie members, we say goodbye to the spouses of two of our life time Post and Auxiliary members. Their passing will leave a sad spot in our hearts.



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



Happy Summer Gentlemen Bugs and Ladybugs,

I would like to first thank Paula Brosy and Pixie Newcomb for helping this "new President" with her first audit. You ladies rock!

It appears a lot of our members have come upon some tough times and I ask that you keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

I was also informed that our esteemed Seam Squirrel is back home, which is amazing news.

Now on a positive note, we have done a great job and we need to keep up the good work in our community and our Post. This is to keep our MOC/MOCA the best we can be! Our motto of "Keep them smiling in beds of white" needs to continue being implemented, and instead of only talking the talk, we need to walk the walk!

Until next time,

President Spider Monkey
AKA Michelle Foltz



Michelle Foltz
Aka "Spider Monkey"
Rimrock MOCA Prez
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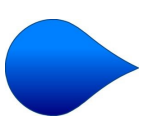







REMEMBER
POW-MIA Recognition Day
September 21, 2018





September 2018 —Suicide Awareness Month



Aug 26	Aug 27	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31	1
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16	17	18 5:30-7 pm: OHAVFW Meal Night. Serving Meatloaf, Mashies & Corn for \$8 per person. 7 pm: OHA Meeting. 7 pm: Lake Park Estates Mtg.	19 	20	21	22 Private Party in Hall. 12:05 pm: MOC/MOCA Meeting.
23	24 6:00 pm: House Committee Mtg.	25	26	27	28	29
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