



THE OUTPOST

Veterans of Foreign Wars
Linn Post 584 • Albany, Oregon



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October 2011

2011 – 2012

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Message from the Commander,

Hello everyone,

I thought the month of August went by fast, but September almost got away from me. Hope this finds you all doing well.

It is quite sad that we hosted the last District 14 meeting and almost no one showed up!!! The same thing happened at our regular Post meeting. I hope to see a better showing at the October meeting.

We called for an open forum meeting two weeks after our last open forum to discuss the concerns you voiced and guess what? Not a single person came to the meeting except for the House Committee. It takes everyone caring about the Post to make a go of it. If nothing else, write me a note and put it in my mail box.

The spaghetti feed the Scouts put on was a good one; however, there was not a good showing for that either.

Thanks to all the Volunteers who are doing so much around the Post. We really do appreciate all you do even if we don't tell you often enough. We hope you will attend the Appreciation Dinner on October 6.

Don't forget to bring in your children and grandchildren to the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 29. Last year's party was a blast!

Welcome to all the new veterans who have turned in applications this month. I'm sure you will give them a nice friendly welcome.

I am sorry this is so short but I have been busy trying to run this house while my wife is in the hospital. Thank God we have women to run our homes. I don't want to make a habit of this!!!

By the way, Veterans Day is coming on November 11 and our Post needs to have a float in the Parade. We need volunteers to help build it. Contact Roy Poppleton, Bob Gore, or Linda Baker if you would like to help with a very important and fun project.

Our Post will also be hosting a Continental Breakfast on Veterans Day and putting on a Spaghetti lunch after the Parade. Volunteers will also be needed in the Kitchen.

May the good Lord keep his hand over you. And hope to see you around the Post.

Jim Jones

VA Application for Health Benefits Update: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has automated its online Health Benefits Renewal (10-10EZR) form as part of its ongoing effort to streamline access to benefits. "This action dramatically reduces the time it will take for enrolled Veterans to submit updates to their demographic information and further reduces access barriers to needed care for Veterans," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric K. Shinseki. Previously, Veterans filling out the online 10-10EZR were required to print a copy, sign it and send it to their local medical center before updates to their personal, insurance or financial information could occur. Veterans may now submit these updates online. For additional information, go to <http://www.va.gov/healtheligibility> or call VA's toll-free number at 1-877-222-VETS (8387). The online form is available at <https://www.1010ez.med.va.gov/sec/vha/1010ez/Form/1010ezr.pdf>.

[Source: VA News Release 8 Sep 2011]



**VFW Post 584
Friday Dinners**

Served 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Canteen Opens at Noon

October 07

BBQ Ribs\$10.00

October 14

Chicken Fried Steak\$9.00

October 21

Roast Pork Loin\$8.00

October 28

Amy's Beef Stroganoff 8.00

Dinners include Soup or Salad,
Chef's Choice of Potatoes and
Vegetable, Roll, Dessert.

Also Available Friday Evenings

Cod Fish-n-Chips \$8.00

Steak of the Day\$11.00

Bowl of Soup \$3.50

Cup of Soup \$2.50

Small Tossed Salad \$2.50

Coffee or Tea \$1.00

VFW Meeting Night

Wednesday,

October 19

Served 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Chili Burgers and a

Yummy Linda Rose Dessert



**VFW Post 584
Saturday Dinners**

Served 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Canteen Opens at Noon

October 01

Lasagna with Garden Salad &
Garlic Bread\$8.00

October 08

Choice Prime Rib with Baked
Potato & Veggies\$12.00

October 15

Jen's Crispy Fried Chicken with
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cole-
slaw and Banana Split \$8.00

October 22

Jo's Meatloaf with Mashed
Potatoes & Gravy\$8.00

October 29

Cross-Rib Roast with Potatoes and
Veggies and Sandy's Special
Dessert \$9.00

Dinners include Soup or Salad,
Chef's Choice of Potatoes and
Vegetable, Roll, Dessert.

Also Available Saturday Evenings

Cod Fish-n-Chips\$8.00

Bowl of Soup \$3.50

Cup of Soup \$2.50

Small Tossed Salad \$2.50

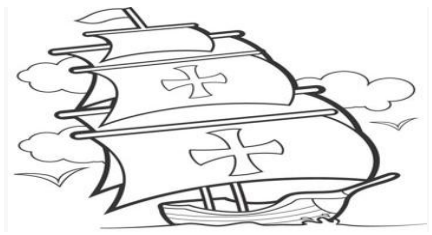
Coffee or Tea \$1.00

**Children's
Halloween Party**

Saturday, October 29

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Games, Goodies, Prizes!



**VFW Post 584
Sunday Breakfasts**

Served 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Canteen Opens at 8:30 AM

Sunday Bloody Mary Specials
\$3.00 each

***Check out our Weekly Specials
Posted just inside the
Front Door!***

2 x 2 Breakfast Special\$4.50

Includes: 2 Pancakes (Blueberry
or Plain), 2 Eggs, 2 Strips Bacon
and 2 Link Sausages

The Hungry Soldier\$4.50

(1/2 order Biscuits & Gravy with
2 Eggs, 2 Strips Bacon or 2
Links)

The Homestead\$5.00

Eggs, sausage, mushrooms,
onions, bell peppers, topped with
Monterey Jack and Cheddar
Cheese with Potatoes and
Toast or Biscuit

*We have a wide variety of
Omelets to choose from.*

*See the Sunday Menu
at your table.*

Potatoes: Hash Browns
or Home Fries

Bread: White/Wheat/Sour
Dough/Biscuit

Country Gravy on Potatoes.. \$.50

Side of Country Gravy..... \$1.00

Coffee or Tea..... \$1.00

***Karaoke with Gaylyn Shay
Sunday - 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.***

Food Available!



From The Quartermaster

Greetings Veterans & Auxiliary Members of Linn Post 584,

I've been in a whirlwind in the month of September! I got back to Oregon on September 4 from the National Convention at San Antonio and went right to work on the 9/11 Memorial Service and the Portland Wrestling Event at the Post that day. We also have had a number of dues come in so have been processing those. I put in some long days at the National Convention going to every business session and the workshops in the afternoon. I had a great time and learned a lot. One change voted on the floor was that when you join and pay your dues they are good for one year from that date. It had been that you could pay in June and your card would only be good for 6 months. This will make it more fair for everyone.

The highlight of the convention was listening to a speech given by SSgt Leroy Petry, US Army, D Company, 2nd Battalion, 75th Rangers and a Medal of Honor recipient. During a recent deployment to Afghanistan he was wounded in both legs and lost his right hand when with complete disregard for his own safety, grabbed an enemy grenade that had been thrown in among his group of fellow Rangers and threw it away. He has been fitted with a prosthetic hand that simulates normal hand movement. He is a humble man and has just an amazing attitude, a real American hero.

The new wounded Warriors Program is an incredible program, helping today's soldiers with amazing new prosthesis and several have been fitted with state of the art limbs and are going back into combat!

It was also interesting to learn more about VFW's National Home for Children; there are a number of programs like the Military Family Program which houses and cares for children of our military, National Guard and Reserve when both parents are deployed, and spouses with children who need help during deployment. The Veterans Family Program provides shelter and support services for Veterans with children who are approved for VA Vocational Rehabilitation; the Residential Program is a state licensed program that provides shelter and care to children who do not have a parent or guardian. They also have a helpline, 1-800-313-4200, where veterans, active duty military and their families can get local and National help for their unique situation. The

National Home works with the local VFW Service Officer in every state to assist them.

You can support this worthwhile cause by buying a Memorial Brick for \$100.00 or a Life Membership for \$35.00. There are brochures in the Canteen for your further information.

We have 10 new members to introduce, David Schosser, Navy, Mica Smith, Army, Jarroed Bramsen, Marines, Raymond Gilbert, Marines, Anthony Bentley, Navy, John Kosanke, Army, Christopher Lambert, Army, Justin Vaughn, Army, Vince Pace, Navy, and Mike Cruise, Army, and one transfer, Kevin Nygren, from Post 4647 in California. Please welcome them to our Post when you see them.

Remember our active duty service men and women who are risking their lives for our freedom.

Bob Gore, Quartermaster

Ph: 541-974-6936 (Cell)

Email: bobgore47@comcast.net

From our Chaplain Les Schmidt



On The Wings of a Prayer

*Just close your eyes and open your heart,
And feel your worries and cares depart.
Just yield yourself to the Father above,
And let Him hold you secure in His love.*

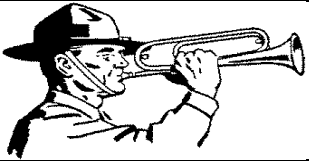
*For life on earth grows more involved,
With endless problems that can't be solved,
But God only asks us to do our best,
Then He will take over and finish the rest...*

*So when you are tired, discouraged and blue,
There is always one door that is open to you,
And that is the door to The House of Prayer,
And you'll find God waiting to meet you there.*

*The House of Prayer is no further away,
Than the quiet spot where you kneel and pray.
For the heart is a temple when God is there
As we place ourselves in his loving care.*

*He hears every prayer and answers each one
When we Pray in His name - Thy will be done.
The burdens that seemed too heavy to bear
Are lifted away on the wings of a prayer.*

Helen Steiner Rice



In Memoriam

Ronald J. Naasko

1947 - 15 September 2011
Member of VFW Post 584 &
Willamette DAV Chapter 17

Dick L. Jordan

No other information

Military Order of the Cooties, Pup Tent 12. Chartered at Post 584, Albany

Listen up cooties!

Wow, what a great time I had at Supreme Convention. We had a fair representation from Oregon, but of course, it would have been nice to have another cootie from PT 12! It was interesting to get to know the incoming Supreme Officers on a personal basis by visiting around in the hospitality rooms. They are Cooties just like us and in it for the same reasons; to do what we can to put a smile on the faces of hospitalized veterans and to share some time with them. It is very rewarding to walk into a VA hospital or a local nursing home and watch their faces light up when they see us in those goofy hats! One thing most residents have in common is a love for ice cream!

Any VFW member who would like to be part of what we do is invited to become a part of our crummy fraternity! Help us spread some cheer as many of these veterans don't have a lot of visitors and really appreciate you taking time for them.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.

Bob Gore, Hungry Cootie, CCDB

From Your Canteen Manager



Greetings Everyone,

I left out a few people in last month's newsletter. I am truly sorry. I want to thank Bill & Linda Yutzie for donating the Bill's Flower Tree Gift Card and Don & Cindy Phillips for their donations of the two picnic table umbrellas, the t-shirts, and the shot glasses and pounder glasses. Mike Cruise for repairing the ice machine.

Bill & Alice Todd for volunteering to clean the post a couple days a week. Aurora Bechtel for painting the canteen.

Giles Engstrom & sons for building the fence. Paul Joel for keeping our lawn looking great.

Cynthia Holbowitch for decorating the dining room. Jackie Poppleton for the Halloween Decorations.

The Eagles for allowing us to borrow ice while our machine was not working.

Sherry Nelson and Bud Stutheit for donating a turkey for Thanksgiving Dinner.

Coming Events:

October 6 - *Volunteer dinner*

October 8 - *Casino Night*

October 22 - *Bill Elliott Memorial Service & Celebration of Life.*

October 19 & 26 - *The Jefferson Jammers will be at Post 584. Come on down for some live music!*

October 29 - *Kids Halloween Party, 2:00 - 4:00 pm.*

Are you a Costco Member? On Monday, October 3, 3 to 5 p.m., a staff member from Costco will be at the Post to offer paid memberships and a chance to renew your current membership. They will have a table of goodies and will give a \$10 or \$20 gift certificate to anyone purchasing a new membership in Costco. See you there!

As always - let us not forget our troops who have and are still fighting for our freedom!! Let's all remember to include them in our prayers each night!

Brenda, McLaughlin, Canteen Manager



Message From Auxiliary President Linda Baker

Hi Everyone,

Again, another month has gone by so fast. Maybe it is because all of us ladies have been so very busy, and having so much fun, especially rocking in our rocking chairs at K-Mart. Thanks to Mr. Jim Crocker the store manager. He has been so nice to us and says he will let the Ladies Auxiliary do just about anything to help our Veterans and current military. So, the Ladies Auxiliary will be having another Bake Sale on October 15 at the K-Mart Store from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and the Car Wash - weather permitting - will be at the Post during the same hours as the bake sale.

We've signed up seven new members in the Auxiliary this month and on meeting night, three if

the ladies were initiated into the Auxiliary. They are Ilene Williamson-Jones, Lyndsay Thompson and Kristie Seits.

Others who have yet to be initiated are Mary Gray, Julie McAdams, Tonna Dawson and S.K. Cheri Pollock. We expect to have them at our October meeting. Ladies, Welcome to the Auxiliary. We hope to see you often.

Cynthia Holbowitch won the 50/50 of \$12.00 and Donna Dawson won the door prize at the September meeting.

Sorry so many of you missed the District meeting on September 18. We had a wonderful Potluck luncheon and a good meeting. Maybe more of you can attend the next District meeting which will be on January xx at Salem Post 661.

Sandy Gore has picked out dates for the Annual Holiday Bazaar. They are November 18, 19 and 20. So get busy with your sewing, knitting, weaving, crocheting, quilting, beading, carving, building, or whatever else it is you do. Set up will be in the Auxiliary Room at 11:00 a.m. with the sales to begin at Noon and go until at least 8:00 p.m. You will pay only \$5.00 for a 6-8 foot table. Call Sandy on her cell - 541-974-6930 or call her at the Post at 541-928-7925.

Some of our Snow Birds are leaving us soon! Donna & Tom Dawson, Shirley Bodoh and Delma Davis will be leaving the end of September. We know there are many more of you leaving, you just haven't let us know for sure yet.

We'll really miss Donna, she has been a life-saver with the car wash and in the kitchen on Monday nights. We'll be counting the days until you return safely in April!

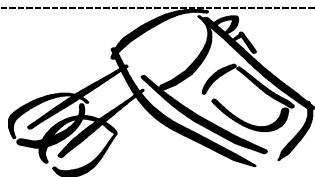
I have sent a letter to State President, Sonya Sallee, to be our special guest during the Veteran's Day Events. We hope you will all give her a real warm welcome.

The men have requested Chili Burgers for the October 19 meeting. Dinner starts at 5:00 p.m.

Until next month, keep saying those Prayers for all the young Men and Women serving overseas to keep us free and their families here at home.

God Bless you All!

*The
Kitchen
Korner*



The Chili Cook-Off has been rescheduled to the 16th of this month (October). We will have 1st, 2nd

and 3rd place prizes and the sign-up sheets will be available behind the bar.

The Volunteer Dinner is on the 6th @ 6pm and everyone is welcome who has made any kind of contribution to our club this year.

Please bring all of your little ones to our annual Halloween Party on Saturday the 29th. The festivities start @ 2pm and will run until 4pm. There will be plenty of themed food, games and costume judging with prizes. If anyone would like to help with the event, we would love to have you!

The kitchen would like to give a BIG thank-you to Bill and Alice Todd, Delma Davis, Tina Shaw, Darla Engom and Sandy Gore for helping us out this month in the kitchen! We really appreciate your time and hard work that you freely contributed!

Thanks for listening and much health and happiness to all!

~ Your Friendly Kitchen Staff ~

*Call VFW Post 584
at 541-928-7925
to report a members
illness, hospitalization
or death.*



Thinking of You!

Kenny Pitts is recuperating at the Timber View Care Center. Cards and Visitors welcome!

Garner Pool had a bit of a problem but is up and about. Cards and Calls welcome..

Commander Jim Jones seems to be holding his own. But his wife, Nicky, is in Corvallis Good Sam Hospital with a foot infection following surgery. Say a small prayer for Commander Jim & his family.

*For all Members, Please
Take Care and Keep Well!*

News of our Members

TSGT Travis W. Pomeroy - Post 584 Life Member, USAF, is currently serving in Afghanistan at FOB Leatherneck. This is his 6th tour in country. He is the son of Louie & Lorna White. His wife Sharon and his children Chandler, Conner and Cara currently reside at Malmstrom AFB in Great Falls, Montana. Pomeroy will be advanced to MSGT Pomeroy on 1 October 2011.

Post 584 life member Gunnery Sergeant John Vera, USMC, is currently serving as an Officer Selection Recruiter in Corvallis OR. He was just

promoted to his present rank in July. John just received orders to 1st Battalion 12th Marines in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. John has been busy this month as he travelled to Alaska from the 15th - 23rd to conduct recruiting activities. He and his wife, Dee, will be departing Oregon in August of 2012. John's son Page will not be travelling to Hawaii as he is planning to enlist in the Navy and will be attending Boot Camp.



Cancer Aid & Research By **Linda Rose, Chairman**

We made almost \$300.00 on our last Car Wash and Bake Sale. Thank you all for participating! We will have one more Car Wash - weather permitting - on Saturday, October 15. In addition, we will have a Bake Sale that same day at the K-Mart Store, so come on by for a Car Wash or to purchase some goodies!

We made over \$400.00 on our Rock-a-Thon. We still have a little way to go to raise our \$7,200.00. Any ideas or donations are appreciated!

Please remember that it is time to pay your dues. You can mail them to me or leave them at the Post.

Please do not wait until it is too late.

Thank you, Linda Rose, Membership

Hospital Chairman Notes By **Shirley Bodoh**



Hello Everyone,

Delma and I are leaving for the winter months. We've done what we can for our veterans at White City and know that Linda Baker and the other ladies in the Auxiliary will do OK to carry on without our help. I know that several of you will step in to help in my absence.

We expect to receive the newsletter while we are away and maybe we just might take time out to let you know how we are doing in Arizona.

We'll miss you all and hope that you will miss us a little bit, too.

My house is still for sale, if you are interested, you can check with Remax.

I hope you all have a good winter. And the veterans in White City will be counting on you for the same things we always need - underwear, socks, toiletries, and cookies, cookies, cookies!

Toodles for now. Take care and God Bless.

Report from Cub Scout Pack 359 For September 2011 by **Joe Lovato**

Hello from Pack 359!

Well, it appears that summer is trying to be finished. The weather is turning and our Scouts are back in school.

Thank you to all who participated in the Pack's Breakfast Fundraiser at Applebee's restaurant on August 20th. It was a huge success. On August 30th, we held a WEBELOS Den meeting to try to close some loops on requirements that were started this summer and not quite completed. During the last couple of weeks, there were a lot of behind the scene meetings to help us get ready for this coming year.

September started out with a Clean Up Project at Camp Morrison, which is located outside Scio. Boy Scout Troops from throughout the area participated in this effort. Two of our WEBELOS and their parents also participated and worked toward their Leave No Trace award.

On Sunday morning, September 11th, our Pack assisted the POST in preparing for the 9/11 Ceremony. One WEBELOS was also permitted to join in with the Color Guard.

On Tuesday, September 13th, we held our first set of Den Meetings of the year at South Shore Elementary School. We will continue to meet at the school on the first two Tuesdays of each month and at the Post on the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.

Beware everyone! We picked up our initial order of Pop Corn for the year on September 16th. There will be Scouts everywhere for the next several weeks, selling popcorn to fund their Pack's activities - including Pack 359!

Submitted by **Joe Lovato**

Am Vets Post & Auxiliary Reports

From Post 15: There are a few 2011 dues that have not been paid and some membership cards still in the office to be picked up by those who have paid for the current year. Your 2012 dues are now due. If you cannot come in, let us know and we will mail it to you. If the Am Vets are to survive we need your cooperation.

We are currently in the midst of our 10th Annual Rifle Raffle Fund Raiser. We have a Remington 700 SPS 308, Mossberg 500 12/28-24 Combo Mobuo and a \$30 Gift Certificate - First, Second and Third prizes, respectively. Tickets are \$1.00

each. Ticket sales are approved to be sold to the Public. Get your tickets now and encourage your friends to buy tickets. Drawing will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 17th.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our October 5 meeting - 6:00 p.m. We value your input that will benefit and support our organization.

Roy Poppleton, Commander

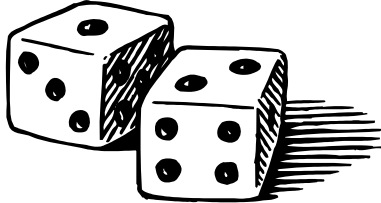
From the Auxiliary: Starting about October 15 we will be selling Raffle Tickets on a beautiful hand-made US Flag Wall Hanging. Funds will go for our local charities one of which is ABC House and another is our adopted family.

The drawing will be held on Veterans Day. Tickets will sell for \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 13 for \$10, 20 for \$15 or 30 for \$20. Sounds like a bargain to me!

We've received the OK to again have our Valentine's Day Cake Walk in February. That's always a lot of fun and we are looking forward to it.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 5. Remember that eligibility for the Am Vets Auxiliary is anyone related to any veteran who has served in the Military. Interested mothers, sisters, daughters and granddaughters are welcome to attend.

Teresa Miller, Auxiliary President



CASINO NIGHT - SATURDAY, OCT 08

Come out to the Post and join us for a great evening of fun and games.
The excitement starts at 7:00 p.m.

1938 "The War of the Worlds"

October 30, 1938: Orson Welles and members of his company touch off mass panic with a CBS dramatic radio adaptation of the 1898 novel "The War of the Worlds" by H.G. Wells.

The dramatization was so well performed that the people mistook the play for newscasts which caused mass hysteria with about one million Americans believing the Martians were invading. They readied their guns for battle, fled and prayed for deliverance from what they believed was a real threat.

The Maintenance Brigade

We are asking for the generous support of our Post members, Area Businesses, Organizations, and Individuals for monetary donations and of your time.

Volunteers are needed to help in many places - Kitchen, Landscaping, Raffle Prizes, etc., etc. You name it.

Life cannot be predicted. What we do with it is all we have. So let's jump in and volunteer. The water is Fine!

In comradeship, **Giles Engstrom**

Coming Event

Tuesday, November 01

4th Annual Salute Our Vets

Veterans Career & Benefit Fair

10:00 - 11:00 am - Veterans Only.

11:00 - 2:00 pm - Open to Public.

Central Electrical Training Center

33309 Hwy 99E, Tangent, OR 97389

Event Sponsors: Willamette DAV Chapter 17
& Oregon Apprenticeship Programs.

**Bring Your Newspapers
To the Post for Cub Scout Pack 359!
The Collection Box
is at the Door by the Flag Pole.**

Soldiers and families in need of crisis assistance can contact the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Trained consultants are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year and can be contacted by dialing 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or by visiting their website at <http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org>.

Did you know you that we have Wireless capabilities at the Post? You can bring your Laptop with you when you come in for a drink. You can get on the Internet, play a game of Solitaire or finish writing your Memoirs!



*Don't just Count your Years!
Make your Years Count!*

October 04	Jarrod Bramsen
October 04	LeeAnna George
October 04	Brian Jamison
October 05	Andrew Jurash
October 06	Erwin Akins
October 07	Robert Keppinger
October 08	Lee Evans
October 12	Kevin Nygren
October 13	Michael George
October 14	Susan Dack
October 15	Dianna Mallett
October 15	Barbara McKee
October 17	Dennis Foster
October 17	Dick Newkirk, Sr
October 18	Cindy Brenner
October 18	Edward Roebuck
October 18	Edward Rubesh
October 19	Claude Friend
October 19	David Schlosser
October 19	William Todd
October 20	Paula Bronson
October 20	Stephen Sandridge
October 21	Steven Dailey
October 21	Mica Smith
October 23	George Jackson
October 26	Frank Monson
October 27	Thomas Lanman
October 28	Louis Lampreht
October 28	Robert Shine
October 29	Kate Hennessy
October 29	Jimmie Jones
October 30	Giles Engstrom
October 30	Kit Scofield
October 31	Jane Broughton

If your birthday is not listed here, it may be because you have not written it in the Birthday Book by the front door. Post 584 members can get a \$5.00 Birthday Coupon from the Bartender!

National Convention Highlights Monday, August 29, 2011 Joint Opening Session

DELEGATES APPROVE MAJOR STRUCTURAL CHANGES: Delegates at VFW's 112th National Convention cast three historic votes fundamentally changing the organization's structure in terms of political activity, timing of dues payment and composition of VFW's board of directors—the National Council of Administration.

After extended debate, delegates voted overwhelming by voice vote to abolish VFW's Political Action Committee (PAC). Bylaw amendment *B-21* amended Section 619 by deleting Political Action Committee in the first paragraph and in section (d). Delegate arguments in favor of eliminating the PAC included focusing on issues instead of candidates, being responsive to the membership, preventing membership losses, divisiveness of endorsements, voters making their own decisions and that VFW's National Legislative Service, already effectively represents the needs of members in regard to influencing legislative outcomes.

By voice vote, delegates also approved *subscription dues*. Bylaw amendment *B-1* amended Section 105 by adding the following paragraph: *"Effective no later than January 2014, a member's dues will be for a full 12 months based on the actual month that the member paid."*

Moreover, delegates by another voice vote agreed to restructure the National Council of Administration by approving bylaw amendments *B-22*, *B-23* and *B-24*. In short, this change will increase the number of Council members from 28 to 54. The intent is to give equal representation to each and every Department.

More at <http://www.vfw.org/news-and-events/>

Future National VFW Convention Schedule:

- 2012 July 21-26 – Reno, NV
- 2013 July 20-25 – Louisville, KY
- 2014 July 19-24 – St. Louis, MO
- 2015 July 18-22 - Pittsburgh, PA
- 2016 July 23-27 - Charlotte, NC

Note: Future locations and dates are subject to change.

Coming Events Please Save!
September 2011

Every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. – **KARAOKE** – Come on out and show off your singing talents. Bring a Potluck Dish to share on October 9!

Every Monday Evening @ 6:00 p.m. – **Eight-Ball or Nine-Ball Pool Tournament** - Entry Fee \$5.00. Come on down and join us! Lady Pool Players welcome!

Tacos, Taco Salads, Nachos with Cheese and other interesting items will be available at various prices. Check it out on Monday Evenings!

Every Tuesday @ 5:30 p.m. – The **Cribbage** group meets for fun and fellowship.

Every 3rd & 4th Tuesday of each month – **Cub Scout Pack 359** meets at 6:30 p.m.

Every Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Albany Farmers Market**, 4th & Ellsworth.

Monday, October 03 – 3:00 to 5:00 pm. **Purchase or renew your Costco membership!**

Wednesday, October 05 – 6:00 p.m. **Am Vets** Post & Auxiliary Meeting.

Thursday, October 06 – 12 Noon. **Korean War Veterans** Lunch and Meeting.

Thursday, October 06 – 6:00 p.m. **Volunteer Dinner**. This is when we let our Volunteers know how much we appreciate them.

Saturday, October 08 – 7:00 p.m. **Casino Night**. Revised Rules. Join us for a fun evening!

Tuesday, October 11 – **DAV Chapter & Auxiliary**. Lunch @ 12:15 with meeting to follow. Chapter will have a **supplemental meeting** at 7:00 p.m. *Ask about our Rifle Raffle! See Roy P. or Ron MacD.*

Wednesday, October 12 – 7:00 p.m. **Legion 40 & 8** Meets at VFW.

Thursday, October 13 – 6:00 p.m. **VCA Meeting**. **Support your Veterans Day Parade!** Membership @ \$20 per person! \$40 per business.

Friday, October 14 – **VFW Scrap Metal Drive**. Proceeds go to our General Fund. All donations of scrap metal greatly appreciated!

Saturday, October 15 – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **VFW Aux Car Wash. Weather permitting!** Proceeds to our Cancer Aid & Research project.

Saturday, October 15 – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. **VFW Aux Bake Sale. Front entryway at K-Mart!** You can

help us out with your donations of baked goods and homemade candies. Proceeds to our Cancer Aid & Research project. While you're there - do some shopping and let the Store Manager know that you appreciate what he is doing for our VFW Auxiliary Cancer Aid & Research Program!

Saturday, October 16 – 1:00 p.m. **Chili Cook-Off!** Mix up your favorite meat and beans and show off your best! Prizes available.

Monday, October 17 – 2:00 p.m. **Officers Meeting**.

Monday, October 17 – 3:00 p.m. **VFW House Committee** Meeting.

October 18 – 4:00 p.m. **Navigating Medicare**. If you are contemplating retirement you should attend this meeting at the Albany Senior Center. Or you can attend on any of the following dates: Nov 15 @ 4:00 pm; Dec 7 @ 4:00 pm. Call the Senior Center at 541-917-7760 to reserve your spot!

Wednesday, October 19 – **VFW Post 584 & Auxiliary** Meetings.

Saturday, October 22 – 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. **Memorial Service and Celebration of Life for Bill Elliot**. Please bring your favorite salad or dessert to share.

Sunday, October 23 – 1:00 p.m. **Cooties Meeting** followed with treats for residents of the Timber View Care Center.

Monday, October 24 – **Deadline** for news articles for "The Outpost."

Wednesday, October 26 – 6:00 p.m. **Shriner's Club Dinner and Meeting**.

Wednesday, October 26 – **Copy 1st section of "The Outpost."**

Friday, October 28 – **Finish and Mail "The Outpost."**























Saturday, October 29 – **Kids Halloween Party**. 2:00 p.m. Wear your favorite costume (including adults), bring your children & grandchildren! Fun and Games and Prizes!

Coming Events . . .

November 1: Veterans Career & Benefit Fair Central Electrical Training Center, Tangent. See Jim Munger at Employment Office.

November 18, 19, 20: Annual Holiday Bazaar. Noon to 8:00 p.m. \$5 per table. Sign up now. See Sandy Gore at Post 584.

October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Birthstone:</i> Opal</p> <p><i>Flower:</i> Calendula</p>	<p>October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month</p>					<p>1 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>Soroptimist Cancer Walk 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p>2 – Breakfast 9:00 – Noon</p> <p><i>Karaoke!</i> 6 - 10 PM</p>	<p>3</p> <p> 6:00 PM</p>	<p>4</p> <p> Cribbage 5:30 PM</p>	<p>5</p> <p> AmVets Post & Auxiliary 6:00 PM</p>	<p>6</p> <p> Linn-Benton KWVA 12:00 pm</p> <p>Volunteer Dinner 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>7 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>War on Terror Began 2001</p>	<p>8 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p> Casino Night</p> <p>Yom Kippur</p>
<p>9 – Breakfast 9:00 – Noon</p> <p><i>Karaoke!</i> 6 - 10 PM</p> <p>Bring a Potluck Dish to Share and we'll bring ours!</p>	<p>10</p> <p> Columbus Day (Observed)</p> <p> 6:00 PM</p>	<p>11</p> <p>DAV 12:15 Lunch Meeting 1 pm and Meeting 7 pm</p> <p> Cribbage 5:30 PM</p>	<p>12</p> <p> Columbus Day</p> <p> Legion 40 & 8 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>13</p> <p> U.S. Navy Established 1775</p> <p> VCA 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>14 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>Scrap Metal Drive All Day</p>	<p>15 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>Auxiliary Car Wash Weather permitting! 9am - 4pm Bake Sale at K-Mart!</p>
<p>16 – Breakfast 9:00 – Noon</p> <p>Chili Cook-Off 1:00 p.m.</p> <p><i>Karaoke!</i> 6 - 10 PM</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Officers Mtg 2:00 p.m. VFW House Committee 3:00 p.m. National Boss's Day</p> <p> 6:00 PM</p>	<p>18</p> <p> Cribbage 5:30 PM</p> <p>Navigating Medicare Senior Center 4:00 p.m. 541-917-7760 Cub Scout Pack 359 6:30 pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p> VFW Post & Auxiliary 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jefferson Jammers</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p>	<p>22 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>Memorial & Celebration of Life for Bill Elliott. 1 – 5 p.m.</p> <p>Please bring Potluck Dish to Share.</p>
<p>23 – Breakfast 9:00 – Noon</p> <p> Cooties 1 pm</p> <p><i>Karaoke!</i> 6 - 10 PM</p>	<p>24</p> <p> United Nations Day <u>Deadline for News Articles</u></p> <p> 6:00 PM</p>	<p>25</p> <p> Cribbage 5:30 PM</p> <p>Cub Scout Pack 359 6:30 pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Copy Newsletter! Shriners Dinner & Meeting 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Jefferson Jammers</p>	<p>27</p> <p> Navy Day</p> <p>Copy Newsletter!</p>	<p>28 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>Finish & Mail Newsletter!</p>	<p>29 – Dinner 5:00 – 7:30</p> <p>Kids Halloween Party 2 - 4 p.m.</p>
<p>30 – Breakfast 9:00 – Noon</p> <p><i>Karaoke!</i> 6 - 10 PM</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween</p> <p> 6:00 PM</p>	<p>Plan now for the Annual Holiday Bazaar to be held at the Post on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 18, 19, 20. \$5.00 per table covers the whole weekend.</p>				

Dues Structure

Your membership dues will support the VFW's mission to serve and represent our veterans at the local, state, and national level. Join now, and your membership will be valid through **12/31/2012**.

Annual Membership: Your dues of just \$35.00 will cover the cost of your membership through 12/31/2012 as a Member-At-Large for your state.

Lifetime Membership: You can become a VFW Life Member by making a one-time payment as shown below. You can also pay for your Life Membership through our installment plan, with an initial \$35 payment, with the Life Membership amount billed over an 11-month period as shown in the table below.

Age	One-Time Payment	Installment Payment
18-30	\$425.00	\$38.64
31-40	\$410.00	\$37.27
41-50	\$375.00	\$34.09
51-60	\$335.00	\$30.45
61-70	\$290.00	\$26.36
71-80	\$225.00	\$20.45
81 and over	\$170.00	\$15.45

Payment Plan Terms & Conditions The VFW Life Membership installment plan allows any VFW member/applicant to purchase a Life Membership by making either installments after an initial payment of \$35. The member will be issued a "Provisional Life" membership card and can elect, upon receipt of first monthly invoice, to pay via check, credit card or ACH Debit. The applicable Life Membership fee is to be determined from the schedule using the applicant's age on Dec. 31 of the installment plan year in which the application is submitted, regardless of actual date of birth. A permanent Life Membership card will be issued upon completion of this agreement.

2011 NATIONAL AUXILIARY CONVENTION - PRESS RELEASE

SAN ANTONIO—Gwen Rankin, a Life Member of Mission Santa Clara Auxiliary #3982, was elected National President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) of the United States at its 98th National Convention in San Antonio, Texas. She joined Mission Santa Clara Auxiliary #3982, on the eligibility of her husband, Rick, who served in the United States Army.

During her term, she will introduce her theme, "Step Up ~ Leave No Veteran Behind," and plans to focus attention on September Military Suicide Awareness Month, female veterans, youth scholarships and support of VFW National Military Services. She is also calling on members to build a strong membership base and raise \$5 per member for the Cancer Aid & Research Fund

While in office, the National President will present the annual gift at the Statue of Liberty's 125th Birthday Ceremony on October 28, visit every state, tour the Far East, and represent the Ladies Auxiliary at Veterans Day ceremonies and other official functions.

The 3,000 members attending will now return home to conduct the organization's many programs. For more information about the Auxiliary, visit www.ladiesauxvfw.org.

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Through 20 \$220	36-40 \$185	56-60 \$150	81-85 \$75
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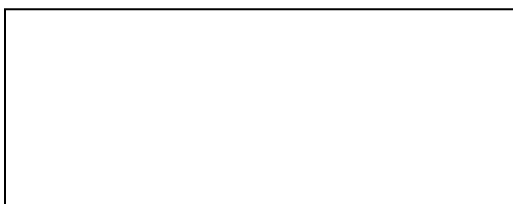
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