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COMMANDER'S SITREP



Larry Moyer
Post Commander

And just like that 2025 is over.

Wow, did that go by fast or what? Well, here we are in 2026. This year starts out with our District meeting being held at our post on January 10th. Our Post meeting is on the 8th so not to be on New Year's Day. We ended the year well with a great turnout for Wreaths Across America. We had a nice Christmas Party. We gave out many food packages during the holiday season. We can always use more in the pantry though. Please bring in items as you can. Thanks to all who were involved in all of those things. Be sure to get your volunteer hours to Joe Stellar.

This year we need to focus on membership. Not just members, but members who want to be involved. There is so many opportunities to get involved. Just ask and we can help you find something that helps the Post and fellow Veterans. We have many small things around the post that could use a little attention. Painting something and or organizing and such.

I had heart surgery and I've not felt this good in a long time. I'm very excited about that. I suggest to you all to not just get a checkup, but to listen to the doctors as well.

We have not had much of a winter yet. But those of us who have lived here a long time know that January and February can pack a punch. Be prepared. Have reserves and be ready for the snow. It could still come.

I want to thank all who make our post great! I look forward to leading us into the New Year.

Happy New Year!

Your Commander and Comrade,
Larry Moyer
Post 4108 Commander
541-815-4363

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POST ACTION NEWS

January

Thur., Jan 1, 2026 - NEW YEARS DAY
POST CLOSED - (meeting on the 8th)

Fri., Jan 2, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Sat., Jan 3, 2026 - Undecorate the Hall.

Mon., Jan 5, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Jan 7, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thurs., Jan 8, 2026 - 8:30am Quilters



Thur., Jan 8, 2026 - 6pm Post & Aux. meetings.

Fri., Jan 9, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Sat., Jan 10, 2026 - 10am CVMA meeting.

Sat., Jan 10, 2026 - District Meeting at our Post. 12pm Potluck.

Mon., Jan 12, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Jan 14, 2026 - 6pm MOC & MOCA meeting.

Wed., Jan 14, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Jan 15, 2026 - 4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts in Aux. room.

Thur., Jan 15, 2026 - 5-9pm BINGO

Fri., Jan 16, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Sat., Jan 17, 2026 - Memorial

Mon., Jan 19, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Tues., Jan 20, 2026 - 6pm OHA meet.

Wed., Jan 21, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Jan 22, 2026 - 8am Realtors

Thur., Jan 22, 2026 - 4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts in Aux. room.

Fri., Jan 23, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Mon., Jan 26, 2026 - 6pm House Committee meeting.

Mon., Jan 26, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Jan 28, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Jan 29, 2026 - 4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts in Aux. room.

Fri., Jan 30, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

February

Mon., Feb 2, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Feb 4, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Feb 5, 2026 - 8:30am Quilters



Thur., Feb 5, 2026 - 6pm Post & Aux. meetings.

Fri., Feb 6, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Sun., Feb 8, 2026 - Cornhole Super Bowl Party Fundraiser.

Mon., Feb 9, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Feb 11, 2026 - 6pm MOC & MOCA meeting.

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Thurs., Feb 12, 2026 - 8am Realtors

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Fri., Feb 13, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Sat., Feb 14, 2026 - 10am CVMA meeting.

Sun., Feb 15, 2026 - 2pm Cornhole ACL

Mon., Feb 16, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Tues., Feb 17, 2026 - 6pm OHA meet.

Wed., Feb 18, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Feb 19, 2026 - 4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts in Aux. room.

Fri., Feb 20, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Sun., Feb 22, 2026 - 2pm Cornhole ACL

Mon., Feb 23, 2026 - 10:30am-3:30pm Red Cross Blood Drive.

Mon., Feb 23, 2026 - 6pm House Committee meeting.

Mon., Feb 23, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Feb 25, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Feb 26, 2026 - 4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts in Aux. room.

Fri., Feb 27, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

March

Mon., Mar 2, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Wed., Mar 4, 2026 - 6:30pm Cornhole

Thur., Mar 5, 2026 - 8:30am Quilters



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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S ACTREP

Dear Members,

There has been so many things happening for several months now that 2025 seemed to evaporate before our very eyes.

In December-

The Auxiliary helped Hospice decorate trees for their Festival of Trees. Tina Walker, myself, Sonja Morgenthaler, and of course Jody Logsdon helped with that. It was lots of fun and Hospice brought in a fabulous lunch.

We are experiencing banquets with caterers and the extra work that comes with that at times. We are working through the bugs.

Wreath's Across America laid wreath's at Redmond and Terrebonne cemeteries. I am not sure if any Auxiliary members helped with that but I know Post members got it done.

This year the VFW & Auxiliary sponsored our own Toy Drive thanks to James and Amanda Russum. The JROTC helped as well as some of our Post members.

Post and Auxiliary members worked together to put on our own Christmas party on the 18th. Destiny Cartwright headed that up again this year. Destiny's daughter Celeste and her friend came to MC and conducted the White Elephant gift exchange. Several gifts were stolen again this year, making the game really fun. The best part for me were all the kids, big or small.

On the 21st , the Guthrie's, and Melissa & Michael Paul and son Zack came to help pack the food boxes. The Paul's were marvelous!

On the 22nd , The Brock's and their two beautiful daughters, The Russum's, & Michael (wish I knew his last name) and his son came to help pack food to Guard members cars. This year we had only 15 families sign up with Darlene Strupith the Family Readiness Coordinator with the Guard. Last year we had 49 families! The Russum's provided toys and each family received not only enough food for a holiday meal but food for more meals. To top it off each family received a gift card for other needs or wishes.

In January -

1/3/26 – From 10am until done, we plan on undecorating the Hall and getting all put away. Your help would be appreciated.

1/8/26 – Is our Post and Auxiliary meetings. They were moved due to the holiday.

1/10/26 – Our District 10 Winter meeting will be at our Post. Noon Potluck, & 1pm meeting. As the hosting Auxiliary we will provide a meat dish which will be a ham. Please bring side dishes and desserts. If you wish to help me in the Kitchen, contact me at 541-280-5162.

1/17/26 – Is the Department (State) Midwinter Conference in Seaside. If you wish to attend contact me for information regarding meals and places to stay.

"Helping our Veterans and their families with "Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes".

Dianne Guthrie
President, Auxiliary 4108
541-280-5162



Dianne Guthrie
Auxiliary
President



These symbols are meant to include all people of all faiths.

Chaplains Corner

Post Chaplain

Hello Comrades,

If you know of anyone who is sick, in the hospital, or alone during this tough time, please let me know. I will do my best to call or visit. I hope that all your holidays are a true blessing and we all remember the true reason for the season. God bless you all.

Donn "Bigdog" Hougham
VFW Chaplain
541-280-1819 donnbigdog@yahoo.com

Auxiliary Chaplain

Auxiliary Members,

Please let me know of anyone who is sick at home or in the hospital that you wish us to reach out to. If you feel someone needs a "thinking of you" card or more, such as a phone call, let us know.

In addition, anyone that is a Veteran or family of a veteran that needs some emotional support in trying times, please contact us. Suicide & Mental Health Awareness should be everyone's responsibility. I have access to several resources to help any veteran struggling. Please check on "Buddies". They could be veterans of any era experiencing difficulties coping with events happening around the world or in their life.

REMEMBER – "It takes the courage and the strength of a warrior to ask for help!"

Terri Stellar
Auxiliary 4108 Chaplain

Email: tlsteller@gmail.com Phone: 541-279-7135

Available: 24/7/365 Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255, press 1 Chat: veteranscrisisline.net Text message to: 838255

HONOR GUARD

Honor Guard meeting will be January 21st at 1800hrs (6pm) at the VFW hall.

Every third Wednesday of the month (1/21/25) we play TAPS at the Hospice of Redmond (1630hrs-4:30pm) and Redmond Memorial Cemetery (1700hrs-5:00pm).

Come join us in honoring our brothers and sisters who are no longer with us.

The Honor Guard is looking for new members, if you are interested contact Dave Pete.

Honor Guard Captain
Dave Pete
541-420-4463

Wreaths Across America

We have started wreath sponsorship for 2026. All wreaths sponsored from now to the end of the year will go for 2026, thank you for the support.

Wreaths Across America placement day is December 19th 2026. Please come and help us Remember and Honor all Veterans and those still serving.

Please contact Post Wreath Coordinator, Dave Pete, for more information on how you can help with this Post program.

Honor Guard Captain
Dave Pete
541-420-4463

HOUSE COMMITTEE

I would like to wish everyone the very best New Year!

Now that the HVAC system is complete as well as the City required backflow valve, we can look forward to projects for maintenance that our building and property require.

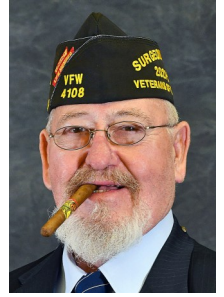
Working with the National Guard Family Readiness coordinator, Darlene Strupith who is also an Auxiliary member, we were able to provide a lot of food and toys to 15 families for Christmas. The toys came from our own toy drive this year thanks to the Russum family. Between the Post & Auxiliary we were able to donate more than \$1,000 in food and gift cards.

Once again, our Post & Auxiliary lived up to helping veterans. No one does more for Veterans in Central Oregon.

As you may have noticed we have two tiny houses located on the West side of the Auxiliary Conex. We have been working with a local church to help homeless veterans. We all get busy with work and family but try to remember the VFW has been working for 125 years and our Post for 78 years to make our community and the veterans in our community better off.

I hope to see more members at the meetings once a month and volunteer to help our veterans, and the community to be healthier and stronger.

Dennis Guthrie
House Committee Chairman
541-280-5161



Dennis Guthrie
House Committee
Chairman

THE COOTIE CORNER - RIMROCK #8

"Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of White"

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



"Increase and Multiply"

Attention all Cooties!!

The next MOC meeting is January 14th @ 1800 hrs.

Joe Stellar, Seam Squirrel of Pup Tent 8



Joe Stellar
Seam Squirrel
541-233-7577

Dear Lady and Gentlemen Bugs,

I hope everybody had a great holiday season this year. For those of you that don't know, I had an amazing holiday season this year. I got a new friend, she is a chihuahua puppy and her name is Lucy. I got her as a gift from a good friend :-). Lucy definitely has my heart and of course the run of the house!

I would like to thank Jocelyn for her help making the goodie bags. They were loaded and were delivered the same day as the cakes. Jocelyn always lets me use her awesome table to accomplish this mission and I want to say thank you again! I would also like to thank Linda Givens for making the cakes every month so the nursing home can receive them!

I can't believe it's a whole new year already! Here's hoping for all of us, that this year is a good one! Last year was definitely a tough one for a lot of us. We lost our past Grand President, Supreme President Dave Johnson. I would like us all to send our thoughts and prayers to his family.

I know we haven't had much of a winter yet, but we never know when it might strike. So please remember those members that are less fortunate than ourselves and extend a helping hand if and when the snow flies. We always need to be there for one another, if able!

"Keep them smiling in beds of white!"

Your President,
Michelle Foltz (AKA Spider Monkey)



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

The Year 2025 In Review



Valorie Wrinkle, Tanya Flewelling, Destiny Cartwright at one of the very last Kitchen crew functions.



Laura & Matthew Holgate both Auxiliary members.



Steve Nicholson, Post Member and Dishwasher extraordinaire!



Tanya & Tim Flewelling and Destiny Cartwright.



Food boxes and toys for National Guard families needing some help.



Sub Vet entry in Veteran's Day Parade 2025.



Sherrie Russum at the Trunk or Treat in our parking lot.



Starlight Parade with the Poppies and Clark from the National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation.

VFW Christmas Party Pictures



Post Commander Larry Moyer & Sr. Vice Commander Adam Leary at Post Christmas Party on December 18, 2025.



Sophia Allen being held by Grandpa Dennis.



Food and lots of it! Potluck, pizza, & Potato Bar.



Our beautiful Bartender & Post Member Andrea and Terri & Joe Steller.



Laura & Steve Nicholson, Pinky Christopher, Sonja Morgenthaler & Jon, & Laura Holgate. Too much fun at that table!



Micheal and his beautiful wife!
I need your last name?



Jody Logsdon & Tina and Tom Walker



James Allen hiding from Dad! So CUTE! His sister Sophia might be cuter?



The Russum Family



Destiny Cartwright & daughter Celeste and friend. Organizer & MC for the party. What a good job!

Events at the Post:

Call Tim Park, Canteen Manager at 541-548-4108
with questions about an event or to have one scheduled.

<u>3rd Monday:</u>	Honor Guard Meeting 6pm.
<u>Last Monday:</u>	Of the last full week-House Committee Meeting 6pm.
<u>2nd Wednesday:</u>	MOC meets at 6pm. MOCA meets at 5:30pm.
<u>3rd Wednesday:</u>	4:30pm TAPS at Hospice, 5pm TAPS at Cemetery.
<u>3rd Wednesday:</u>	Birthday Cakes at Regency Redmond (MOCA).
<u>1st Thursday:</u>	6pm Post & Auxiliary meetings.
<u>2nd Saturday:</u>	10am CVMA (Combat Vets Motorcycle Assoc.)
<u>3rd Saturday:</u>	10am OVMA at General Duffy's Annex.

Cornhole varies from month to month so please check the calendar or call the Canteen at 541-548-4108 3pm to close (varies by week).

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Ideas, questions or comments? Email me: post4108newsletter@gmail.com

~Destiny Cartwright

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**Facebook: Redmond Oregon VFW Post 4108
Facebook Auxiliary: Art Horsell Deschutes VFW Post 4108 Auxiliary**



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January 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
December 28	Dec 29	Dec 30	Dec 31	January 1	2	3
		12pm - Band of Brothers	NEW YEARS EVE	POST CLOSED NEW YEARS DAY	6:30pm Cornhole	Undecorate the Hall. 10am until done
4	5	6	7  6pm MOC meets 6pm MOC meets 6:30pm Cornhole	8 8:30am Quilters  6pm Post & Aux meet.	9 6:30pm Cornhole	10 10am CVMA meet. District Meeting at our Post, noon potluck, 1pm meeting.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		12pm - Band of Brothers	6:30pm Cornhole	4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts In Aux room.	6:30pm Cornhole	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	6pm Honor Guard 6:30pm Cornhole	12pm - Band of Brothers 6pm OHA meeting.	6:30pm Cornhole	8am Realtors 4:45-5:45pm Girl Scouts In Aux room.	6:30pm Cornhole	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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Feb 1	Feb 2	Feb 3	Feb 4	Feb 5	Feb 6	Feb 7
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