

NEWSLETTER

# February

# 2024



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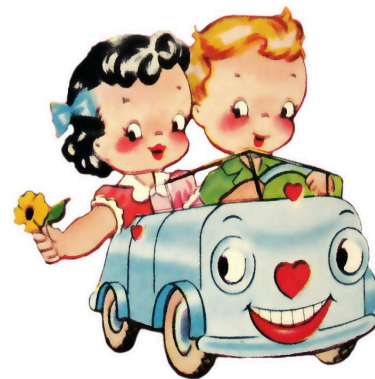
## FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

May this year, 2024, bring you happiness, joy and peace! We have been busy in November, December and January. We had our Christmas party, post birthday celebration, District 3 VOD and Patriot Pen Banquet and Carma's Celebration of Life. Pretty soon we will be having elections for canteen manager, planning committee chairman and post officers. I am so grateful for all everyone does to support veterans. That's really what everything is all about. Dorothy and I were able to celebrate our 30th wedding anniversary by going to Hawaii. One of the things we were able to do was visit Pearl Harbor and pay our respects. At the end of the day it was sad to know so many lives were lost because governments could not get along. Never forget we are brothers and sisters and we need to keep our focus on the real issues, not petty jealousies and agendas. We love you all and again, have a Happy New Year!

Harley Boyles

Post Commander



**\*\*\*We have our own Website. VFW 1481.org.**  
 Please check it out and make suggestions. Cherie Freeman is our administrator for both website and facebook page. She really is a gem for the Post.

**Carma's Celebration of Life. She was the backbone of our Auxiliary, Post and Canteen. A mentor and inspiration to many for approximately 30 years.**

**\*\*\*On our Website:**

- Check out the military cartoon of the day.
- Link directly to our Facebook page.
- Read our Post newsletter.
- Find Debt. and National VFW news.
- Check out our photo gallery.



**FROM THE AUXILIARY:**

No input this month.





## **FROM THE QUARTERMASTER:**

No input this month.

## **FROM THE HONOR GUARD:**

The main purpose of the VFW is to honor our veterans, both living and deceased. The Honor Guard of Post 1481 strives to achieve this goal by providing military honors to our fallen warrior brothers and sisters. The firing of the Volley, Playing of Taps, Folding and Presenting of the flag to the next of kin is always emotional for us. Our veterans earned this honor for their service and dedication to Duty, Honor and Country. We hope this brings some sense of closure for their grieving family.

If any VFW veteran is interested in helping us achieve our goal, please contact Honor Guard Captain Chuck Love, any honor guard member or leave your contact information at the Canteen and you will be contacted.

## **FROM THE CHAPLAIN:**

*Lord,  
give me a magic pen that writes sweet words  
from beginning to end. That tells great stories,  
strong and bold, of exciting people, young and  
old. Let the magic come into my mind and all  
my words be clear and kind. A touch of mystery  
to hold the crowd, with words of wisdom to*



*make you proud. Let me write of love, and eyes that shine, a strong belief in our mankind. know all that's bad is not the rule. When "Love Thy Neighbor" is our tool. Let my words touch the weary heart, and give them hope, as they depart. May I listen to the songs of those in doubt. Help them see what life's about. If just one soul I happen to save with words of joy and hope I gave, then I know you have heard my prayer. I thank you God for being there.*

*Dora Lawson*

*Post Chaplain*



## BOY SCOUT TROOP 1481:

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## CALENDAR:

- Feb. 1--Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 1-- Pool League 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 2,3,4--MidWinter Conference
- Feb. 6--Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm.
- Feb. 7-- FRA meeting 5:30 pm.
- Feb. 8-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 9-- Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 10--Valentines Dinner 5:00 pm.
- Feb. 11--SUPER BOWL SUNDAY!
- Feb. 13-- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm.
- Feb. 14--VALENTINES DAY.
- Feb. 14--Combined meeting 6:00 pm. Separate meeting 6:30 pm.
- Feb. 15--Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 16--Corn hole 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 18-- Post breakfast 10-1:00 pm (Helpers needed and appreciated).
- Feb. 19--PRESIDENT'S DAY.
- Feb. 20-- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm.
- Feb. 21--Scout Troop 1481. Order of the Arrow 6:00 pm.
- Feb. 22--Poker Night 7:00 pm. .
- Feb. 22--Pool League 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 23--Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Feb. 27-- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm.
- Feb. 28--Planning meeting 6:00 pm.
- **Every Tuesday**--Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm. (unless posted otherwise).

## Super Bowl Sunday!

We will be having a potluck ( 4:00 pm.) and a raffle for some really cool things.







**WARRIOR HEART**  
A 501(c)3 Non-Profit

**FIRST RESPONDERS AND MILITARY/VETERANS ONLY!**

February 29 - March 2, 2024  
Wanship, Utah

A 3-DAY WEEKEND DEDICATED TO CREATING A DEEPER CONNECTION TO GOD WITH OTHER GOOD MEN

For Specific Questions, please contact one of the following:

POLICE / S.W.A.T - Jeremy Elwood.....801-372-3902  
CORRECTIONS - Chad "Big Mo" Morales.....208-513-8595  
FIREFIGHTER - Matt Kauer.....801-783-8316  
MILITARY - Jeff Facer.....480-273-9444  
POLICE - Abe Pollard .....602-677-9245



Price includes 2-Nights lodging, all your food, drinks and adventures

Anyone who is considered a First Responder or Military/Veteran (Past or Present) are welcome. Support persons can register too!  
[www.awarriorheart.com](http://www.awarriorheart.com)



# OPERATION Cuddles & Comfort

The purpose of this group is to create and distribute Personal Afghans to the Veterans Nursing Homes in Utah, All afghans should be made of Yarn and be should be 50"X 60"min.

Meetings with a raffle will be held monthly, where you can drop off and receive donated items as well as learn and share tips and techniques.

Scan code to join us on Face Book or contact Beverly Hall-Knudson at 801-648-4118



**Get Excited for the Red White & Blue**

A National Anthem singing contest for grades K - 12.

- Record a video of your solo vocal performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner"
- Upload the video and a signed contest form on or before the deadline: **March 31, 2024**

Presented by  
**VETERAN OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY**  
DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA

Scan for Contest Form & Submission Instructions



Enter now for a chance to win up to \$500!!



**If you or anyone is in a mental health crisis, PLEASE utilize these ways to reach out:**

**Call: 1-800-273-8255 option 1**

**Text: 838255**

**Visit: [veteran-crisisline.net](http://veteran-crisisline.net) scroll to find the "Start chat" button**

**Deaf/Hard of hearing line: 1-800-799-4889**