#### **NEWSLETTER**

# **July 2024**



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# FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:

Words do not do justice to how proud I am to be a member of this Post and to be a member of the VFW. I was part of two Posts coming together to host this year's Department Convention. Not only did we do it, we killed it! There are so many that I need to thank, I almost don't know where to begin. Post 8307 and Commander Rich Ludwick did an awesome job setting up the Commander's Dinner. Along with them was our own Chuck Love leading the crew to do the cooking. Cherie did an amazing job doing the swag bags. Best I have ever seen! Of course Dennis and Jerry also contributed a lot to our success. Thank you all for an amazing Department Convention.

I also hope you all have seen the pictures from the Air Show this last weekend at Hill AFB. We were asked to assist the Firewalkers who were in charge of the pyrotechnics at the show. On Saturday we had 9 volunteers and Sunday we had 3. They were awesome to work with. Have a great July.

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.

#### \*\*\*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.

Dept. of Utah Convention was held in Layton Utah this year. There was so much information and those that attended came back feeling excited about everything that is happening. So much to learn, so much to share, and always a great time to gather and enjoy good food, drinks, and friendships.

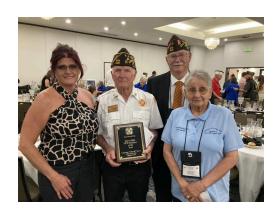








Congratulations to Chuck Love for 2023-2024 VFW Member of the Year.



Congratulations Cherie Freeman! She was awarded the Auxiliary member of the year.



A special THANK YOU to the residents of George E. Wahlen Veterans Home for helping fill swag bags for the VFW Dept. of Ut. Convention. You are loved and appreciated!



Thank you!

June 14, 2024. Flag Day and Army birthday celebration at the Post.



Flag Day retirement ceremony with Scout Troop
1481. If you've never attended one of these, I
strongly recommend you do. These men and
women do such a beautiful and respectful job of
retiring the flags that are no longer able to fly. The
scouts recycle and cut the embroidered stars
from old flags and distribute them to active-duty
servicemen and women, veterans and first

responders with a note stating "I am part of our American flag that has flown over the USA. I can no longer fly. The sun and winds caused me to become tattered and torn. Please carry me as a reminder that you are not forgotten."











<u>BINGO</u> at the Post is always a great time! We'll post when the next game is. <u>COME PLAY!</u>





Pleasant View Founders Day Parade. We are always excited to decorate and share in the festivities of Utah and America! The Auxiliary handed out flags to the kids. It's always so fun to see their faces light up!



We sure do LOVE our Post! If you know anyone that may be interested in joining, please have them reach out to Harley Boyles or call the Post and they can get them started.





"The best part about parades: the shared smiles."

Post 1481 Honor Guard at the Pleasant View Days Parade. Love seeing these men and our flag being honored during the parade. God Bless America!



Thanks to Post, Auxiliary & Canteen members who answered the call to set up pyrotechnics for the Warriors Across the Wasatch airshow. What a great time these folks had. Not only did they learn to build bombs, but they were able to be close up to watch the show.

Looks like they might be sweepin somethin under the rug. No just being GREAT helpers! Thank you Elliot and Misty!



Judv



**Elliot** 



Misty



Commander.



**GREAT SHOT!** 

# FROM THE AUXILIARY:

Dear Auxiliary Members

Happy July! Seems odd to not have parades to go to. We did have a really good turn out from the Auxiliary for the Pleasant View Founders Day Parade. We decorated Miles and Kathy's truck, and had a full house.

Coming up at our next meeting on July 10th, our new Department President, Amber Silcox,

will be visiting with us. She is presenting an award, so please be sure and come to celebrate with us. She has some great ideas for community projects. As a matter of fact, we are getting involved in the first project, a food drive spearheaded by Post 8307. We'll be getting more information, but we need non-perishable foods taken to our post between now and July 31. We'll be collecting as much as we can, as well as a few hygiene products (we don't want cases of toothpaste!) and cleaning supplies. Each month a different Post will be in charge of a project that will be undertaken by all the Auxiliaries in the state. Stay tuned for more information. Better yet, come to the meeting on the 10th.

The Post and Auxiliary both helped out with the Air Show at Hill AFB. Our people were handling the pyrotechnics. Thanks for volunteering!

The new cost for annual membership has gone up from \$20 to \$25 now. If you are an annual member, please make note of it.

A last item: volunteers are needed for the Veteran's Games coming up in Salt Lake. People are coming from all over the country, and they need thousands of volunteers. There are places for everyone to help, including checking in, handing out water bottles, giving directions, and helping at the site of each game. Whatever you'd like to do. We'll have a website available soon where you can sign up. Cherie and I are going, so we can carpool.

Come out and help us get this year started with a bang!!

Karin Ferguson

**Auxiliary President** 

# 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:

No input this month.

## FROM THE CANTEEN:



Come join in on a game and some wings! Tell a friend. Bring a friend. Come and make new friends!

# **BOY SCOUT TROOP 1481:**

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## Order of the Arrow nature walk at Camp Maple Dell.



This group is AWESOME!



Scout Troop 1481 spent 5 days in Southern Utah soaking up the sun at Sandberg Ranch. The pictures look absolutely beautiful! If you'd like to see ALL the pictures, be sure to check them out on our Facebook page. Thank you leaders for all that you do.





Any day fishing is a good day, but catching beauties like these... is an exceptionally <u>OUTSTANDING</u> day! Great job men!



What a catch!



WOW!

## **CALENDAR:**

- July. 1 -- Free Pool Night and .50 chicken wings.
- July 2 -- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm.
- July 3 -- FRA meeting 5:30 pm.
- July 4--INDEPENDENCE DAY.
- July 4-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- July 8 -- Free Pool Night and .50 chicken wings.
- July 9 -- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- **July 10--**Combined meeting 6:00 pm.Separate meeting 6:30 pm.
- **July 11--**Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Jun. 12--Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- **July 15--**Free Pool Night and .50 chicken wings.
- July 16--Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- July 17-- Order of the Arrow meeting 6:00 pm.
- **July 18**-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- July 19-- Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- July 21--Post/ABATE breakfast 10-1:00 pm.
- July 22--Free Pool night and .50 chicken wings.
- **July 23--** Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- July 24--PIONEER DAY.
- July 24--Planning meeting 6:00 pm.
- July 25-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- July 26-- Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- July 26-Aug. 1--111th VFW Auxiliary National Convention in Louisville, KY.
- **July 30--** Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- <u>Every Tuesday</u>--Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm. (unless posted otherwise).
- Every 3rd. Sunday -- Post breakfast from 10:00 am. -1:00 pm (Come in and enjoy a great breakfast with great company. Menu below.)

## POST 1481 BREAKFAST BUFFET

- \*Bacon and sausage links
- \*Scrambled eggs
- \*Fancy scrambled eggs with ham pieces, red and green peppers, onions, and potatoes.
- \*Hash brown potatoes/O-Brian potatoes
- \*Pancakes
- \*Gritts
- \*Sausage Gravy and biscuits
- \*White or wheat toast and English muffins.

You can drop off your donations at Layton# 8307 or our post Ogden #1481 and we will get them to 8307. This service project is for all Utah auxiliaries.

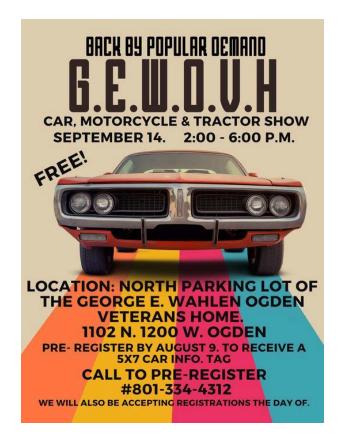








# \*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\*



Sweet Summertime!