

NEWSLETTER

# March

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## FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:

Here I am at the train festival at Union Station again. I just talked to the first member I ever recruited. My question to him was, "where have you been?" I haven't seen him in a year. Sometimes I think about many of our members. "Where have you been?" I know we have lives outside of the VFW and they take priority often times. We still miss you and wish you were here!

Recently I found out one of our members passed away from a condition he had from southwest Asia. His name was Johnny Daniels. You all may not know who he was and probably never met him. He was a member of our post for only about 2 months. His wife's name is Kristi and if she comes to the post, please make sure she is welcomed.

This month is post nominations for officers and April is elections. In my opinion, post elections are very important and need to be carefully considered. What's funny is that I used to think it was someone else's problem. Now it's mine! Please vote and make your voice heard. It really does count.

Harley Boyles

Post Commander



**\*\*\*We have our own Website. [VFW 1481.org](http://VFW1481.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.

**Let's ALL play some BINGO! We're really excited about this and hope to see you there! Please spread the word!**



**BINGO**

**VFW Post 1481**  
907 W 12th St. Ogden

**Bingo & Potluck**  
**Saturday, March 9**  
**4-7 p.m.**

**2 cards for \$15**  
**Proceeds go to the**  
**roof fund**  
**Players must be 12 years old**

## FROM THE AUXILIARY:

Dear Auxiliary Members

We have new chairs! I'm excited for that, because we have had a couple incidents where our old chairs just collapsed. I think the building was built around those old chairs and the big table in the Auxiliary room. We send out a big thank you to Tami, who found them online and drove to Brigham City to pick them up. Now we need to spend a little time finding a good deal on some folding tables. Our tables have been repaired again and again, and having some that fold up will make our room more usable. Keep an eye out!

I received a promotional letter from Amber Silcox, who is the Mentoring for Leadership Chairperson at Department. She included some ideas that I think are valuable for all of us. We have several new members, and we've not been too successful in getting them to turn out regularly. So maybe these will help.

One foundation of mentoring is the "3 C's of Mentorship": Connection, Communication and Collaboration.

Connection: A relationship in which a person, thing or idea is linked or associated with something else. Communication: The imparting or exchange of information or news. Collaboration: The action of working with someone to produce or create something.

Amber states that these are the very values that we represent in the VFW Auxiliary. Without this foundational theory, how do we conduct a meeting? Plan an event? Support our Veterans?

Find a new member, contact them and pull them into our circle of friends so they get the most of the Auxiliary experience.

Remember that we vote next month. If you want to run for an office, let someone know so you can be nominated. We need everyone to participate!

Karin Ferguson

Auxiliary President

\*\*\* **SIGN UP STARTS THE 13TH!** \*\*\*



LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

## VFW AUXILIARY 1481 SPRING BUNCO BASH



April 25 6-9 p.m.

907 W. 12th St. Ogden  
Soft Drinks & Adult  
Beverages available in the  
Canteen  
\$10 Entry Fee

Contact Cherie to sign up.  
cheriefreeman@yahoo.com  
303-827-9161

### 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.

### Honoring Our veterans.



*“Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.”*

*Harry Truman.*

## FROM THE CHAPLAIN:

*Take a cheerful view of everything. Trust in God and mind your own business. Pray for a short memory so as to forget all unkindness.*

*Cultivate forbearance till your heart yields a fine crop of it. Give your tongue more holiday than your hands or your eyes. Compare your manifold blessings with trifling annoyances of each day. Do the duty that lies nearest you, the second duty will already have become clearer. Be content to do the things you can, and do not fear because you can not do everything. Never reply in kind to a sharp or angry word: it is the second word that makes the quarrel. Make the best of what you have and do not make yourself miserable by wishing for what you have not.*

*Happy Easter!*

*Dora Lawson*

*Post Chaplain*



## BOY SCOUT TROOP 1481:

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## CALENDAR:

- Mar. 1-3-- Hostler Train Show/Recruiting booth. (Sign ups on the board).
- Mar. 2-- No Scout meeting.
- Mar. 6--FRA meeting 5:30 pm.
- Mar. 7--Pool League 6:30 pm.
- Mar. 7-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 8-- Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 9-- BINGO Night! 4-7:00 pm. (Please bring a potluck dinner).
- Mar. 10--**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME.**
- Mar. 11--Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- Mar. 13-- Combined meeting 6:00 pm. Separate meeting 6:30 pm. (Post nominations for officers).
- Mar. 14--Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 15--Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 17--**ST. PATRICK'S DAY.**
- Mar. 17-- Post breakfast 10-1:00 pm. ( We will be having a special St. Patty's Day meal and some music).
- Mar. 19-- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- Mar. 20--Order of the Arrow meeting 6:00 pm.
- Mar. 21-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 22--Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 24--**PALM SUNDAY.**
- Mar. 26--NO Scout Troop 1481 meeting. Field Trip.
- Mar. 27--Planning meeting 6:00 pm. (Election of Canteen manager).
- Mar. 28-- Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 29--Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Mar. 37--**EASTER SUNDAY.** ( Post will be closed).
  
- **Every Tuesday**--Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm. (unless posted otherwise).

# 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:**

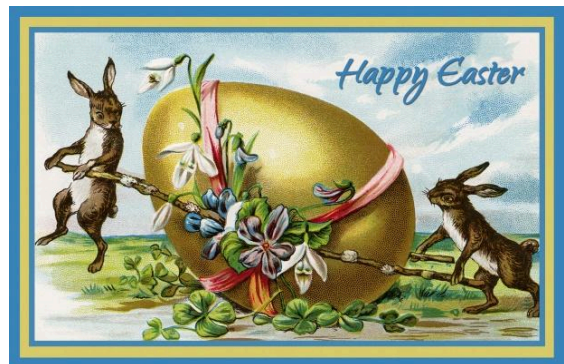
**Call: 1-800-273-8255 option 1**

**Text: 838255**

**Visit: [veteranocrisisline.net](http://veteranocrisisline.net) scroll to find the**

**"Start chat" button**

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



## 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



**\*\*\*VFW MEMBERS: WE NEED YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS TO JOIN US!\*\*\***

**Contact any local member for more information. Applications are available at the Post and online. Flier is attached with this letter.**