NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:

First I would like to say thank you to Tyler for bringing in the new pool sticks. Much appreciated! The other day someone was telling me about what "they" needed to fix at the post. Since I was at our canteen at the time, it didn't dawn on me until a few days later, that "they" was "me!" I was the one who was supposed to fix all this stuff. I got to thinking that if people noticed something that needed to be fixed, why don't they just fix it! Instead they just complain about it. I suppose it just comes down to "ownership". The VFW may hold the deed, but our members, auxiliary and canteen, own this property, building and everything else. It's ours! We get to fix it, make it better and ENJOY it! "They" is "US!" I invite everyone to step up and take ownership and fix things they see are broken!

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.

FROM THE AUXILIARY:

Dear Auxiliary Members

The Bunco Bash was very successful again. Thanks to Cherie for organizing again. It takes a lot of time and effort to put this on and gather all the raffle items. The Aux raised over \$700.

Big thanks to everyone who helped with Carla's dinner. Special thanks to Miles, Kathy, Chuck, and our new member Judy, who all worked in the kitchen and as servers. You all stepped up and helped set up and clean up. Your efforts are much appreciated.

Looking ahead now, we have the Homeless Veterans Fellowship soup supper coming up on November 17th. It got here so fast! We need to round up items for their gift bags. We have bags left over from last year, and we are buying gift cards again. We need any full sized grooming items like shampoo/body wash, deodorant, shaving cream. No travel sized items please. They also like goodies like granola bars, candy bars, anything that doesn't spoil. Some of the bags are kept in storage for men that come to the Fellowship later in the year.

Everyone is invited to bring a soup for the dinner, as well as containers for them to take food home with them.

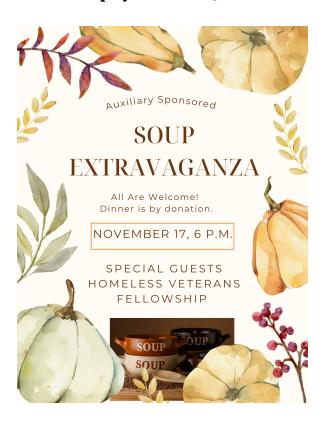
In December, we will have our Christmas party with a gift exchange. In the past, we have had a \$10 limit. It's possible we may want to raise that since everything has gotten so expensive. However, we can talk about that at our next meeting.

Sorry that I've been missing in action for so long. Glad to be able to be back.

Karin Ferguson

Auxiliary President

*** Just a reminder all members that are annual need to renew their membership by December 31. ***



FALL BUNCO BASH was a BLAST as usual. It's always such a fun night to meet new people, hang out with old friends, laugh, and enjoy all the goodies people share. Oh and sometimes you can be the big winner or the big loser and still be a winner. Thank you to everyone that helped make this night a real BASH! See you next April.



Thank You Cherie for always doing such an amazing job. All of your hard work is greatly appreciated!



"There's a little witch in all of us."



National President, Carla Martinez's Utah dinner at Post 1481.



Many thanks to our OUTSTANDING kitchen crew Judy Smith, Cathy and Miles Chester, and Chuck Love.



Commander Harley Boyles and wife Dorothy.







It was such an honor to host a dinner for our National President Carla Martinez. She's doing an amazing job and doing great things!

The night was filled with her love and the desire to truly honor our Vets and their families. We must band together. We are family. We need to be there for each other, uplift, and BE KIND to one another.

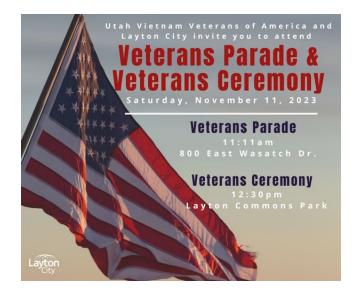
FROM THE QUARTERMASTER:

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:

Truly, love will go with you,
Throughout the seasons of life
Down every road and pathway,
Sunny days and stormy nights.
The journey of a lifetime begins
With a single step. Love is with you
From the start, and it shall never forget
nor leave you, nor forsake you, because
God is love, you know, and love is the
only thing you can take with you when
you go.

Dora Lawson
Post Chaplain



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CALENDAR:

• **Nov. 1**- FRA meeting 6:30 pm.

- Nov. 2-5--VFW & Auxiliary Western Conference. Marriott City Center 220
 S. State Street, Salt Lake City Ut.
- Nov. 3,4--Membership recruitment booth at Intermountain Train Expo. Located at the Davis Conference Center in Layton.
- **Nov. 6--** Monday Night Football. (Food sign ups at the post).
- Nov. 7-- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm.
- Nov. 8-- Combined meeting 6:00 pm. Separate meeting 6:30 pm.
- Nov. 9-- Honor Guard Veterans Day Celebration 8:00 am. @ L-3. Harris Technology.Highway 215 W. 7th St. N. S.L.C.
- Nov. 9--Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Nov. 10--Flags out 9:00 am. at Leavitt's Mortuary on 36th St. Ogden. Scout Troop 1481 will also be attending. (ALL are welcome to help and appreciated).
- Nov. 10--13 Flag Fold Ceremony at The Gardens Assisted Living 10:00 am. at 1450 9th St. Ogden.
- Nov. 10,11 -- Buddy Poppy Drive at North Ogden Lee's Market and Ogden IFA (Sign ups for time slots at post).
- Nov. 10-- Corn Hole 7:00 pm.
- Nov. 11--VETERANS DAY
- Nov. 11--Honor Guard flag
 Retirement Ceremony 8:00 am. at
 UTA 135 W. 17th St. Ogden. (Staging
 is at 7:30).
- Nov. 11-- Veterans Parade and Veterans Honors Ceremony. The parade begins at 11:11 am. and the ceremony begins at 12:30 pm. in the Layton Commons Park by the Vietnam Memorial Wall Replica.

(1481 Color Guard staging is at 10:30 am.)

- Nov. 13--Flag retrieval 9:00 am. at Leavitt's Mortuary on 36th St. Ogden. Scouts will be attending. (All are welcome and appreciated).
- Nov. 13-- Monday Night Football.
 Chicken dumplings will be served. (All proceeds will go to support the Homeless Veterans Fellowship).
- Nov. 14-- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- Nov. 15--Scout Troop 1481 Order of Arrow Ceremony. 6-8:30 pm. (All welcome).
- **Nov. 16-**-Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- Nov. 17--Veterans Fellowship Dinner 6:00 pm. (This is open to everyone: The Post, Scouts, and Canteen. At the soup dinner we all bring a pot of soup and/or a dessert. The Fellowship residents eat for free. Everyone else pays by donation).
- **Nov. 18--**District 3 VOD and Patriot Pen Fundraiser Dinner 5:00 pm.
- **Nov. 19--**Post/ABATE breakfast 10-1:00 pm. (Help is always appreciated).
- Nov. 21--Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- Nov. 23--THANKSGIVING (Post will be CLOSED).
- Nov. 28--Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm.
- Nov. 29 -- Planning meeting 6:00 pm.
- Nov. 30--Poker Night 7:00 pm.
- **Every Tuesday**--Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm. (unless posted otherwise).

Veterans Day Deals, Discounts, and Freebies.

Loveland Living Planet Aquarium -

November 11. Receive FREE admission for military personnel/veterans and their immediate family with military ID.

<u>Hogle Zoo Military Appreciation Day</u> -Free admission for active military and veterans and immediate family on Nov 11

Natural History Museum of Utah – Nov 11-13 offers free admission to *former* members of military, plus one additional guest each

<u>Free National Parks Entrance</u> November 11, everyone can get this freebie.

Restaurant Deals – available November 11 unless otherwise stated:

<u>Applebees</u> – Free meal from special menu on November 11

<u>California Pizza Kitchen</u> – free meal from special menu on Nov 11

<u>Chili's</u> – Get a free meal for a special menu. Must show military ID.

Golden Corral – Free meal on Monday, November 13 with ID from 5 pm – close.

IHOP - Free pancakes for veterans from 7am - 7 pm on Nov 11

Menchie's – All veterans and military personnel with a military ID or dressed in uniform will receive a FREE, six ounce frozen yogurt any time of day. The CEO of Menchie's (a veteran himself) has a very personal connection with the holiday!

MOD Pizza – Buy one MOD-size pizza or salad, get one free on Nov 11

Outback Steakhouse - 10% off all day every day

Red Robin – Get a Free Double Tavern burger with steak fries on November 11.

<u>Starbucks</u> - Free coffee on Nov 11

TCBY - First 6 oz free on Nov 11

Texas de Brazil - Veterans receive 15% off

<u>Texas Roadhouse</u> – will distribute meal vouchers from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Nov 11. Vouchers can be redeemed for a dine-in or carry-out meal from a select menu. Contact your local Texas Roadhouse for details.

<u>Wienerschnizel</u> – Get a FREE Chili Dog, small fries, and Small Pepsi with proof of service.

<u>Great Clips and Sports Clips</u> are offering Free haircuts.

Jiffy Lube is offering free oil changes.

***You can visit Va.gov and Military.com to see more discounts for veterans, service members and families.

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

What: District 3 VOD & Patriot Pen Fundraising Dinner Where: Miller-Frazer VFW Post 8307

1389 N. Main St. Layton, UT

When: Saturday, November 18, 2023

Time: 1700 – 1900 Cost: \$10.00





District 3 is raising funds to help pay for the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Awards and Luncheon to be held January 6, 2024. Come out for an evening of Good Food and Camaraderie!



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:veterancrisisline.net scroll to find the

"Start chat" button

