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POST 1481

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FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:

Post 1481 would like to put the spotlight on families this August. In that regard we will be hosting our first family movie night on August 2nd. We will be showing a live-action version of "The Jungle Book". This will provide an opportunity to bring our post and auxiliary families together to meet with friends and give the children a chance to meet and make new friends. Popcorn and soda's will be available along with other snacks. Additional activities will be available in case some children get restless.

In keeping with our family theme, we are also planning a "steak or chicken" night at the Post. The dinner is planned for August 23rd. You'll have your choice of steak or chicken, baked potato, and various sides. We are also working to provide entertainment after the dinner. Please check our Facebook and Web Page for all the details.

Finally, our Scout Troop 1481 will be enjoying the great outdoors at their scout camp from the 7th to the 9th. For all our members traveling and enjoying our great state of Utah, and the great outdoors, have a great time and a safe return.

Larry Fox, Commander.

***We have our own website. VFW 1481.org.

Please check it out! Cherie Freeman and Angus MacIver are our administrators for the Facebook page. Cherie is the admin for the website. You can speak with either of them if you have any questions.

***On our Website:

- Check out the military cartoon of the day.
- Link directly to our Facebook page.
- Read our post Newsletter.
- Find Department and National VFW news.
- Check out our photo gallery. (so many more than in the monthly newsletter!)

FROM THE AUXILIARY:

Dear Auxiliary Brothers and Sisters, I cannot believe August is already here!

I'm excited about this month. A few fun activities are happening here at the Post and we want everyone to come and have a great time!

Aug 2nd, we will be having a family movie night, so bring yourselves, the kids, and the grandkids. There will be snacks and drinks, a coloring station, and we will be watching the live-action movie "The Jungle Book".

Aug. 7-9th Our Scout Troop will be going to camp! They will have the best time, learning, and making great memories! Thank you to everyone who helps make these amazing opportunities happen for them!

Aug. 9th-14th VFW National Convention will be held in Columbus, Ohio.

In June, we had a visit from the owners of Mission BBQ, a new restaurant that is opening in Riverdale. They are passionate about serving those who serve, and the food is outstanding! Mission BBQ will be having a Military Appreciation Night on Aug. 8th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Mark it on your calendars because you will not want to miss it! Their GRAND OPENING is on the 12th, and it would be awesome to show up and give them our support. Our Honor Guard and Scouts will be in attendance as well.

Aug. 17th will be our Post Breakfast, and I would just like to say how thankful we are for those who put their hearts into making breakfast for us to enjoy. Their hard work is greatly appreciated, and the food is always delicious! Remember you can always just stop by and say HI! We would love to see you!

Aug. 23rd, We will be having a steak/chicken BBQ night AND a band! Everyone, put on your dancing shoes and come on down! There will be a presale for the meal. The cost will be \$15 for the steak dinner and \$12 for the chicken dinner. Tickets can be bought at the Post, or you can Venmo me Tamara McCollum. My account is @Tamara-McCollum (I am in Atlanta Braves gear). Please include VFW 1481and steak or chicken dinner in the memo section. Aug. 19th will be the last day to pay for your meal, so please don't miss out and buy them early!

I'm really looking forward to this month, and I'm especially looking forward to seeing you all. Come by, say hi, let's catch up, and remember that we are here for YOU and YOUR FAMILY!

Tami McCollum, President

FROM THE QUARTERMASTER:

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who participated in our annual elections this past April. Your engagement and commitment to the Post are truly appreciated.

I am especially grateful to those who supported me in my candidacy for the position of Quartermaster. It is an honor to have been elected, and I officially assumed the responsibilities of the role as of July 1st.

Thank you for your confidence and trust. I look forward to serving Post 1481 with dedication and integrity. Here is a short list of some items I can assist with:

- Updating contact information with the National VFW
- Collecting Annual Membership dues (renewing membership)
- o Please keep checking when you are due, and make sure you renew your membership, or even better join as a life member
- Converting to Legacy Life
- Requesting a replacement card
- Converting Annual Membership into Life Membership
- o Fee Schedule to convert to Life Membership

| Age | One Time | Life Membership Installmen | fe Membership Installment Plan | | | |
|-------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Payment | Initial Payment | Plus 11 Payments of | | | | |
| THROUGH AC | GE 30 \$425.00 | \$45.00 | \$38.64 | | | |
| 31-40 | \$410.00 | \$45.00 | \$37.27 | | | |
| 41-50 | \$375.00 | \$45.00 | \$34.09 | | | |
| 51-60 | \$335.00 | \$45.00 | \$30.45 | | | |
| 61-70 | \$290.00 | \$45.00 | \$26.36 | | | |
| 71-80 | \$225.00 | \$45.00 | \$20.45 | | | |
| 81 AND OVER | \$170.00 | \$45.00 | \$15.45 | | | |

Payment Plan Terms and Conditions: The VFW Life Membership installment plan allows any VFW member/applicant to purchase a Life Membership by making 11 monthly installments after an initial payment of \$45. The member will be issued a membership card and can elect, upon receipt of first monthly invoice, to pay via check, credit card or ACH Debit. The applicable Life Membership fee is to be determined from the schedule using the applicants age on Dec. 31st of the installment plan year in which the application is submitted, regardless of actual date of birth. A permanent Life Membership card will be issued upon completion of this agreement. No refund of any portion of current year annual dues will be made. A payoff amount will be printed on each monthly invoice, allowing the member the option to pay in full.

Need assistance, please reach out via email at post1481VFW@gmail.com

Here is a quick look of the current analysis of the post membership.

| Li | le Y | New 0 | Rein | 0 | Cont. | Total 4 | Prior Ye | ar | Percent 0.87% |
|-------------|----------|----------------|----------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|------------------|------------------|
| Post Cou | nts (mem | bers in good | standing |) | | | | | |
| Life 380 | New | Reinstate 0 | Cont. | Expiring 70 | Cont. Trans. | Non-Pay Trans. | | Installment 4 | Total 457 |
| Unpaid | | | | | | | | | |
| Unpaid 3 | | Unpaid 2 | Years. | Total Ur | paid | Complete 496 | 3,000 | - 1 | Deceased 2 |



FROM THE CHAPLAIN:

We meet and seem at once to feel our hearts and minds respond. The blessing of God's love within cements our friendship bond. From our treasure of God's love, we share what's in our hearts comfort, warmth and kindness, and encouraging support. We stand in faith beside our friend, expressing loyalty, and our optimistic view of good that is to be. We give our friend a listening ear and lend a helping hand. But most of all, we offer love that will understand.

Dora Lawson



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 to 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 CANTEEN:



BOY SCOUT TROOP 1481:

JULIE: 801-710-0838

OR

NONA: 801-917-0102

EMAIL: troop1481vfw@gmail.com



Boy Scout Troop 1481 is collecting aluminum cans to raise money for supplies. Order of the Arrow is collecting the pull tabs off any cans. Cans and tabs can be dropped off at meetings at the Post Tuesday evenings or contact Nona.



In July the Scout Troop did a service project for VFW member Mike Baker. They had a Court of Honor were merit badges, rank advancement, and awards were handed out. They had a scout camp in Tremonton and did a field trip to Wagonland Adventure in Tremonton, Utah. The members from the troop that are also Order of the Arrow members continue to do service each month by filling the bird feeders at the George Whalen Veteran's Center.

CALENDAR:

- Aug. 1- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Aug. 2- Family Movie Night 6:00 pm
- Aug. 4- Coast Guard Meeting 6:30 pm
- Aug. 5- Scout Troop Leader Meeting 6:00 pm
- Aug. 6- FRA meeting 5:30 pm
- Aug. 7- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Aug. 8- Veteran's Night at Mission BQ 6 pm to 9 pm
- Aug. 8- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Aug. 7th-9th Scout Troop 1481 at camp
- Aug. 12- Mission BQ Grand Opening at 12 pm
- Aug. 12- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm
- Aug. 13- Combined meeting 6:00 pm. Post and Auxiliary meetings 6:30 pm
- Aug. 14- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Aug. 15- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Aug. 17- Post/ABATE breakfast 10am-1pm
- Aug. 19- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm
- Aug. 20- Private Bunco Game 6:00 pm
- Aug. 20- Order of the Arrow meeting 6:00 pm
- Aug. 21- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Aug. 22- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Aug. 23- Dinner and Entertainment 7:00 pm
- Aug. 26- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm
- Aug. 27- Planning meeting 6:00 pm
- Aug. 28- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Aug. 29- Corn Hole 7:00 pm

- <u>Every Monday</u> -- Canteen Special! FREE pool and .50 chicken wings.
- <u>Every Tuesday</u>--Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm. (unless posted otherwise).
- <u>Every 3rd. Sunday</u>-- 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
- *Waffles
- *Gritts
- *Sausage Gravy and biscuits
- *White or wheat toast and English muffins.

*** Save the Dates ***





CPL. FRED J. GRANT VFW POST 1481

THE T-ROY SHOW

STEAK (OR CHICKEN) NIGHT



VFW POST 1481 907 W 12™ ST, OGDEN, UTAH 27 SEPTEMBER 25
DINNER AT 5. SHOW AT 6

CPL. FRED J GRANT VFW POST 1481 IS HONORED TO HOST THE T-ROY SHOW FEATURING TROY SEALE AND HIS FATHER BILL ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025 BEGINNING AT 6 P.M. TROY, A DISABLED ARMY VETERAN USES HIS GUITAR AND MUSIC TO HELP HIM DEAL WITH HIS EXPERIENCES IN AFGHANISTAN. THIS IS NOT JUST ANY PERFORMANCE. YOUR HEART WILL BE TOUCHED BY THIS INSPIRATIONAL STORY AND MUSIC OF AN AMERICAN HERO, FIGHTER AND TALENTED MUSICIAN! COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS ARMY VETERAN.

DINNER RESERVATIONS AND INFORMATION

385-389-3548

George E. Wahlen Ogden Veterans Home



For more information about the car show please call #801-334-4314 or email Andrea.Dixon@avalonhealthcare.com