



## **POST 1481**

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VFW Post & Auxiliary 1481-  
Fred J Grant, CPL

## **FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:**

The month of September signals change in both the weather and many of our attitudes. Some people embrace the start of FALL while others mourn the end of the SUMMER months. Change is inevitable but some things will never change. Post 1481's devotion to supporting Veterans and their families is just one example. Another example is our grief for the thousand of Americans murdered on the horrendous attack on our country on Sept. 11, 2001. A third example is the pride we have for our warrior brothers and sisters who answered the call to fight the war on terrorism, and our grief for those warriors who paid the ultimate price for our freedom. Please join us on the anniversary of that attack. We will be mourning the loss of those Americans at 6:00 pm in the Canteen with a short ceremony and a prayer. There will also be a separate ceremony for POW/MIA Day on the 19th.

Change will be coming to the Post in the form of new landscaping in the front of the Post. We will be replacing the rock and weeds with an artificial turf that spans the entire length of our property. It will make that space virtually maintenance and weed free. This is being done due to the generosity of Mellony Purcel, one of our Auxiliary members.

The George Wahlen Veterans Home is hosting it's Annual Car Show on the 13th of September. The theme for the car show is "Ride Free - Because of the Brave". It is being held from 2:00 - 6:00 pm and VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help push the Veterans who are in wheelchairs to the show. Several post members are planning to show their cars or trucks in the show.

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## **\*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 (more than in the newsletter!)

## FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK:

The Post is also hosting another steak or chicken night on Sept. 27th with entertainment provided by the T-Roy Show. Troy Seale is a disabled Army Veteran that uses his music to help him deal with his experiences overseas. He will be accompanied by his father Bill. Dinner is scheduled for 5:00 pm with the show scheduled for 6:00 pm. Come and enjoy a great dinner and show.

Finally, Sept. 29th marks the 126th anniversary of the VFW's founding in 1899. The original Organization was called "American Veterans of Foreign Service". In 1914 they merged with the "Colorado Society of the Army of the Philippines" and the "Philippine War Veterans". All Three groups were Veterans of the Spanish-American War. From that day forward they became known as the "Veterans of Foreign Wars". Stay safe this Labor Day and have a great month, and God Bless America.

--Larry Fox, Post Commander

## FROM THE AUXILIARY:

Dear Auxiliary Brothers and Sisters,

Last month was quite an eventful month, and this month is going to be as well. That's always a good thing! Our movie night was a success, and I really enjoyed the movie! I'm looking forward to another one soon. If anyone would like to help out with the next movie night, please don't be afraid to ask. You'll get all the popcorn, candy, and drinks you can handle, and it won't cost you an arm and a leg! Our Dinner/Band night was also a success! This was something we were all excited about. I wasn't able to attend, but it was said that everyone had a great time, the food was delicious, and the band was great! Thank you to EVERYONE who put their all into this night and went above and beyond to put happy faces on our VFW brothers, sisters and guest. Thank you all for showing up. Hope you had a great night out, and looking forward to seeing you again this month.

\*Sept. 11th Patriot Day and Sept. 19th POW/MIA Recognition Day, we will be having a memorial ceremony at the Canteen at 6:00 pm.

Sept. 13th is the Annual George Wahlen Ogden Veterans Home Car Show. This is always a fun event, and our veterans would LOVE for you to come park your classic ride and share your stories with them! If you're lucky, and I hope you are, you will hear their stories.

\*Sept. 20th is Auxiliary Dept. of Utah President Natalie Palmer-Sheppards Homecoming at Post 8307 in Layton. Let's all go and support her and let her know that we think she's great!

\*Sept. 27th we will be having a Dinner/Band Night. The T-Roy Show will be performing, and I am guessing that it will be a busy night and definitely a night you won't want to miss! Mark your calendars! Save the date! Tickets need to be bought by the 15th, either at the Post or by VENMO to @Tamara-McCollum. Steak Dinner is \$18, Chicken Dinner is \$15. We do need help with ticket sales, setting up and cleaning up, food preparation, and cooking. I will be putting together a sign-up sheet, and you can mark what you'd like to help with. We truly need the help to continue to have fun nights out at Post 1481.

I would like to remind everyone that next month is our Annual FALL BUNCO BASH Night. This is such a fun night, and you don't have to know how to play. We will teach you! It's EASY! Come enjoy a night out.

I promise you that you will have a lot of fun, laugh, and want to sign up for the SPRING BUNCO BASH!

Sign-ups will begin on September 15th, and the cost is \$10 per person. Contact Cherie.

This summer went by in a flash! I hope you all made lasting memories. I'm a huge fan of Fall and really looking forward to cooler weather. I saw a little message today that said, I just heard the wind whisper, "Put your Halloween decorations up." Too soon? Alright, maybe let's just enjoy September for now. I am looking forward to seeing old and new faces this month. Stop by. If there is anything you need, please don't hesitate to call/text/email a Post or Auxiliary member.

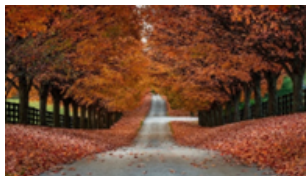
--Tami McCollum, Auxiliary President

## FROM THE CHAPLAIN:

*When the sun goes down on an Autumn day a magic aura descends over the land. It is as if nature says, "pause- be still". Give thanks for this season - so grand. It seems a good time to say, "Thank you Lord for the blessings he sends our way." It's a time when nature takes a big deep breath, and bows in reverence as if to pray.*

*The sky is awash with cotton-ball clouds, against a backdrop of blue. Nature dips her brush in the color wheel, painting a watercolor portrait for all to view.*

*But God is the ultimate artist. He guides nature's artistic hand. God and Nature make a perfect team to bring beauty and glory to the Autumn kissed land. ----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:



### POST 1481 BREAKFAST BUFFET

- \*Bacon and sausage links
- \*Scrambled eggs
- \*Fancy scrambled eggs with ham pieces, red & green bell peppers, onions, and potatoes
- \*Hash brown potatoes/O-Brian potatoes
- \*Pancakes
- \*Waffles
- \*Gritts
- \*Sausage Gravy and biscuits
- \*White or wheat toast and English muffins.
- \*The Breakfast buffet cost is \$12
- \*Special orders can be made in the Canteen for \$15

## BOY SCOUT TROOP 1481:

JULIE: 801-710-0838

OR

NONA: 801-917-0102

EMAIL: [troop1481vfw@gmail.com](mailto: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. Thank You!**



This month at camp we saw different animals in nature, played golf, had a candy drop from an airplane, saw a beautiful pond, had good food and enjoyed playing games together. At the troop meetings we did training, troop building games, worked on merit badges and rank advancement. For service some of us filled bird feeders and served dinner at the Ogden Rescue Mission. One of our patrol groups went to the Ogden Bay Bird Refuge to work on a merit badge. We also did an equipment check and clean up this month. One of our Scouts also received a high honor in Order of the Arrow. I am very proud of our Scouters!

----Nona Brown - Scoutmaster

## Calendar

- Sept. 1- Coast Guard Meeting 6:30 pm
- Sept. 2- Scout Troop Leader Meeting 6:00 pm (private meeting)
- Sept. 3- FRA meeting 5:30 pm (private meeting)
- Sept. 4- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Sept. 9- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm
- Sept. 10- Combined meeting 6:00 pm. Post and Auxiliary meetings 6:30 pm
- Sept. 11- 9/11/2001 Memorial 6:00 pm
- Sept. 11- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Sept. 12- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Sept. 13- George Wahlen Car Show 2-6pm
- Sept. 16- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm
- Sept. 17- Private Bunco Game 6:00 pm
- Sept. 17- Private Scouts Order of the Arrow meeting 6:00 pm
- Sept. 18- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Sept. 19- POW/MIA ceremony 6:00 pm
- Sept. 19- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Sept. 20- 3pm at Layton Post 8307, Retirement Party for Department Commander Laurie Charry and homecoming for President Natalie Sheppard
- Sept. 21- Post/ABATE breakfast 10am-1pm
- Sept. 23- Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm
- Sept. 24- Post Planning meeting 6:00 pm
- Sept. 25- Poker Night 7:00 pm
- Sept. 26- Corn Hole 7:00 pm
- Sept. 27- Dinner and Entertainment 5:00 pm
- Sept. 29- 126th Anniversary of VFW 6:00 pm
- Sept. 30- Private Scout Troop 1481 meeting 6:00 pm

**Every Monday** -- Canteen Special! Free Pool and \$.50 chicken wings

**Every Tuesday** -- Troop 1481 meeting 6:30 pm (unless posted otherwise)

**Every 3rd Sunday** -- Post breakfast from 10:00am - 1:00 pm (Come in and enjoy a great breakfast with great company. Menu is on the next page.



***Happy Birthday to everyone with birthdays this month!***



**Clarification:** Corn Hole is open to everyone they just have to sign up through scoreholio. Or at least make a player profile, and they can check them in at the tournament. There is a 26-28 player limit due to only having room for 3 sets of boards. All you do is go to the app and put in your name and email and then verify, and it sets you up with the players app. There is also information that Ryan put in the Canteen.

### Post Surgeon Message:

Comrades,

Everywhere I've traveled this summer across this great country, I've witnessed, or read about extreme weather occurrences. From rapidly spreading wildfires fueled by extreme high temperatures and high winds to devastating floods caused by torrential downpours. Communities all across this nation are being affected like never before. Too often people are forced to evacuate with little or no time to prepare, resulting in loss of property and unfortunately, sometimes life. The good news is Utah offers excellent online guidance for getting ready before disaster strikes.

I strongly encourage everyone to visit, "beready.utah.gov" and review the "12 Areas of Preparedness". This site could literally be a "Life-saver"!!!

As always, Stay Prepared... Stay Safe... and Look Out for Each Other! ---V/R Matt McGuire

**\*\*\* Save the Dates \*\*\***

**George E. Wahlen Ogden Veterans Home**

**Ride FREE** ▶▶▶



**BECAUSE  
OF THE BRAVE CAR  
SHOW**

**September 13, 2025 - 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

**1102 North. 1200 West. Ogden**

**For more information about the car show please  
call #801-334-4314 or email**

**Andrea.Dixon@avalonhealthcare.com**

***We need volunteers to help!***

**VFW AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF UTAH**  
**PRESIDENT NATALIE PALMER-SHEPPARD'S**  
**SPECIAL EVENT DRAWING FUNDRAISER**

**TICKETS: \$1.00 EACH**  
**- OR -**  
**SIX (6) FOR \$5.00**  
See the Post Aux President to purchase tickets



**Drawing to be held on September 20, 2025 during Homecoming at Post 8307, Layton, UT**

**\*Presidents, if you need more tickets are needed, please contact Cindee Sommer at Cell: 801-860-1175 email: cindeesommer@gmail.com**



**"No One Makes It Alone"**

\*\*\* Save the Dates \*\*\*

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# THE T-ROY SHOW

STEAK (OR CHICKEN) NIGHT

STEAK \$18  
CHICKEN \$15



PREPAY BY  
SEPTEMBER 24  
AT THE CANTEN  
OR WITH VENMO  
@TAMARA-MCCOLLUM

**VFW POST 1481 27 SEPTEMBER 25**  
907 W 12<sup>TH</sup> ST, OGDEN, UTAH DINNER AT 5, SHOW AT 6

CPL. FRED J GRANT VFW POST 1481 IS HONORED TO HOST THE T-ROY SHOW FEATURING TROY SEAL 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.

CONTACT US ; PH 385-389-3548 WWW.VFW1481.ORG  
@FACEBOOK.COM/VFW1481AUX/

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

## VFW AUXILIARY 1481 FALL BUNCO BASH






**OCTOBER 23  
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](mailto:cheriefreeman@yahoo.com)  
303-827-9161

*We need volunteers to help. Please sign up on the sign up sheet at the Post before Sept. 15th. Thank You!*

*Sign ups for the Bunco Bash begin Sept. 15th.*



**National President  
Lois Callahan's  
2025-2026 Special Project**

**VFW National Auxiliary  
Continuing Education Scholarships**

Continuing Education Scholarships are offered to assist members and their immediate family members who wish to further their education by pursuing a college degree or career direction at a vocational/technical school.  
[vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships/continuing-education](http://vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships/continuing-education)

Help our members and their immediate family members train for a career, learn new skills and improve their lives.  
Your contributions increase the amount of awards available.

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"National President's 2025-2026 Special Project."

