



Noteworthy news

JULY 2010

VFW Post 3452 and Ladies and Mens Auxiliary

calendar of events

JULY 2010

COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
10,17,24,31
12—7pm Post Meeting
12—1pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
15—6:30pm Mens Auxiliary Meeting
24—Bowling—Wilsonville Lanes—
2-6 p.m.

AUGUST 2010

2—7pm Post Meeting
2—1pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
7, 21, 28
13-14 — TUALATIN CRAWFISH
FESTIVAL — VFW 3452 is Grand
Marshall in parade
14—Post Spaghetti Feed 4—7 PM)
19—6:30pm Mens Auxiliary Meeting

27 - VFW Fundraiser
Hosted by the Emami family

SEPTEMBER 2010

COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
4, 18,25
11 -PARADE, Returning 41st IBCT
In Tigard with American Legion
11 - Family Day in Cook's Park
13—7pm Post Meeting
13—1pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
16—6:30pm Mens Auxiliary Meeting

COMMANDERS MESSAGE

by Alex Simshaw

Comrades,

It looks like we are starting a new year with new elected leaders. This is a good time to layout a few of my expectations.

1. We have Elected Officials and Committee Chairs to establish good order and structure. This should not be new to anyone. What may be new is I would like to enforce the structure. If we want to succeed as an organization, we need to learn who our Elected Officials and Committee Chairmen are. Then we need to understand who does what so you, as members, can get the correct answers or resources from them. Over the past months, many of the membership have voiced their concern that we currently have too many informal leaders calling the shots for the membership which has made things confusing at times and have frustrated many of the membership. I challenge everyone to learn and understand the Post Organization Regulations. At the same time the Leaders need to fulfill the duties of their positions. As an example, here is a great web site from Colorado that has the Manual Requirements for the elected officials: <http://www.vfwcolodept.org/CommanderandQMmanual.shtml>

2. The next challenge is to get more involved. If a need is identified, please step up and jump in. If someone has a good idea, please voice it, but also be prepared to lead the project. It is one thing to come up with ideas and another to put them into action. With more of our members involved, it takes less effort and time. If we leave it to the few to do the heavy lifting then, in many situations, very few are

happy with the end results since very few are involved.

3. **Starting on July 10th, I am planning to begin the Commander's Brunch and Post Business Meetings at 10:00 a.m. EACH Saturday.** This is open to all Members, Family and Friends. The Elected Post and Auxiliary Officers will have a chance to get together at some point during this time.

The Meeting Hall is currently underutilized at the moment. This is a great time to join the House Committee to take the Canteen to the next level. We can use fresh ideas to provide services to our members along with Volunteers to run the Canteen. The Goal is to keep our members involved through fun and enjoyable activities that bring us together, both the Veterans and Auxiliaries.

I am looking to have more social events for our members and programs to help the underprivileged Veterans starting in the New Fiscal Year. We have several events scheduled in the near future. Please look at the Calendar of Events that are listed on this newsletter. During these social events, we have a chance to have a little fun trading stories and experiences with each other while forging lasting friendships. This is what the VFW is about.

POST BREAKFAST SOCIAL
EACH THURSDAY - 7:30 to 10 AM

NEW CANTEEN BAR & GRILL
HOURS:

FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY
4 - 9 PM

[CLOSED MONDAY - THURSDAY]

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CALENDAR FOR SPECIAL BREAKFAST,
LUNCH AND DINNER EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR THE COMING MONTH.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Kathy Walsh

We welcome Ann Derbyshire to the Ladies sewing group on Tuesday mornings. Thanks to the article in the Tualatin News and having that article posted on the web page we have received 55 plus yards of material for our sewing group. Also, we wish to thank Tony Rizzutto for the donation of \$50.00 to help the sewing group.

The Charter was draped for Past Department President Elois Wahl who passed away in May.

Our condolences go out to Julie Harnden for the loss of her father Clarence Fessler. Clarence was a life member of the Post and passed away on June 4th. I attended his funeral services in Prineville as a representative of the Post and Auxiliary as well as being a family friend for 60 years.

Due to the fact that July 4th falls on a Sunday our meeting will be held on July 12th at 1:00 PM not on July 5th

Delores Abernathy gave her resignation as Conductress and 3 year Trustee for the year 2010-2011. Pat Modlin will be the incoming Conductress and 3 year Trustee as the replacement of Delores.

We wish to thank the following ladies for their help in distributing Buddy Poppies over Memorial Day weekend: Pat Modlin; Selma Broadhurst; Delores Abernathy and Lois Dalton. With the time and help from these ladies we added \$406.00 to the Relief Fund for our Auxiliary which allows us to continue our work for the veterans.

TAPS - IN MEMORY

Past Post Chaplain Frank J. Fina - Navy - WWII - Life Member - March 2, 2010

Charles F. Miller - Navy - WWII - Life Member - May 23, 2010

Clarence W. Fessler - Army - WWII - Life Member - June 4, 2010



FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Don Comstock

Hello Tualatin VFW Post! The Men's Auxiliary has applied for its charter and is looking forward to having it up on one of walls of Cpl Matthew Lembke Hall in the near future. We have undertaken the dunk tank project for the Crawfish Fiesta as our first project. Jonathan Crane has agreed to chair this event.

The teamwork involves Dale Potts rounding up celebrities to be dunked, Ryan Miller supplying the dunk tank and staffing it, and Post and Auxiliary members handing out post office care package kits to fair goers. Jonathan has some great ideas for getting additional revenue.

According to the Post, our members had a positive impact on the Buddy Poppy Drive held over Memorial Day weekend. I expect we will have more members participating next year. Thank You to all who put their time in on the Buddy Poppy Drive held over Memorial Day, Thank You !

We expect to undertake other projects in the future. Some in conjunction with the Post and/or Ladies Auxiliary and others could be separate undertakings. We are looking forward to serving our nation's veterans.

WELCOME — NEW POST MEMBERS

Mac I. Sawyer – USN – Vietnam - Life

Steven Equall – USMC – Vietnam - Life

Perfecto Agustin – USA – Vietnam - Life

Bill Workman – USAF – WWII - New

Gerald Barzilay – USA – Korea - New

Joshua Sprague – USA – Iraq - Life

Michael Kirsch – USA – Iraq - Life

Kenny Armstrong – USN – Desert Storm - New

Terry Bales – USMC – Vietnam - Transfer

Record Receipts for Buddy Poppies, Great Teamwork

by Dale Potts, Buddy Poppy Chair

Overall, Tualatin VFW collected nearly \$7,500 for distributing Buddy Poppies over Memorial Day weekend. This is by far the largest amount received by Tualatin VFW over a Veteran's Day holiday.

This is a lot of money for veteran's relief. But more importantly it is the first joint project between the Post and Auxiliaries since I have been a member and I joined in 1999.

Some 34 VFW members participated in locations at Tualatin, Tigard, King City, Wilsonville, and Sherwood. Everyone found this to be a great way to demonstrate patriotism and our local citizens responded.

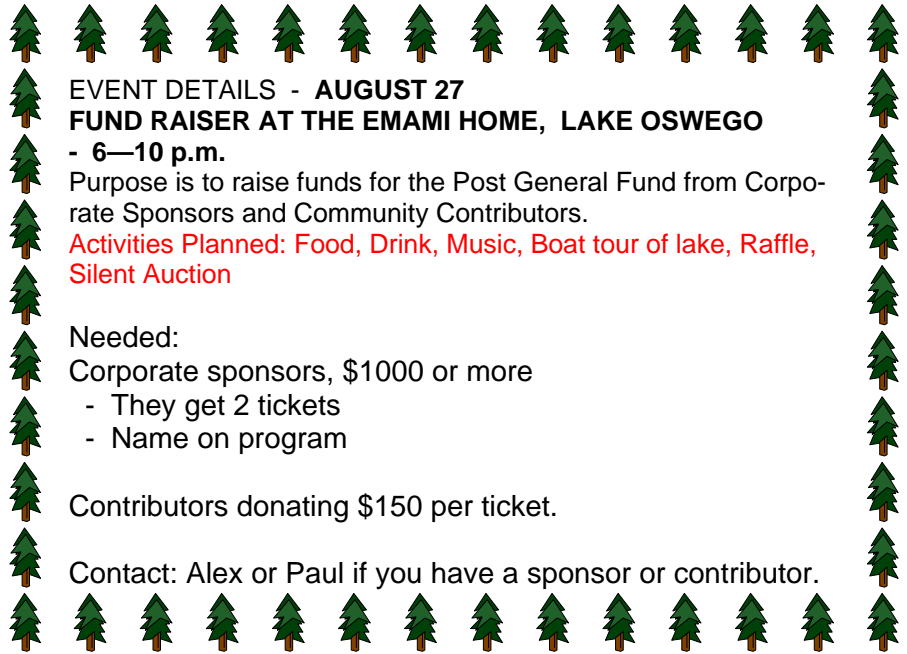
There were two \$100 donations but most were in the one or two dollar range. Not a major imposition on people and yet they felt good for giving. The secret is being visible at locations with heavy foot traffic like our area grocery stores.

I will not be continuing as Buddy Poppy Chair but feel very happy with the growth in the program during the years that I ran it. For Memorial weekend, we had good coverage in Times, Tualatin Life, Tualatin Chamber and several other community newsletters.

The next effort will be over Veterans Day weekend. As more members participate, we can expand to more stores and adjoining communities. Join in the fun and participate.

Jason Barrett – USA – Iraq/Afghanistan – Transfer
Brian Carney – USMC – Expeditionary 2001 – New - Active – home on leave
Obeleo Chaddick – USA – Bosnia – New
Wayne Harvey – USA – Korea – Transfer
Erik Ramseyer – USMC – Expeditionary 3001 – New
Gerald Tunstall – USAF – Vietnam - New
Robert Rogers—USAF-Vietnam-New

Melvin Walker-Life-Transfer
 Stiles Jewitt Jr– USA-Vietnam-New
 Norman Parker-USA-Korea-Transfer
 Oscar Anderson-Korea-New
 Cody Craig-USNG-Expedition-New
 Garry Golden-USN-Vietnam-Transfer
 Mary Moffitt-USA-Bosnia-Life
 Shawn Brink-USNG-Iraq –New
 Daniel York-Iraq-New
 David Bomaka-USA-Iraq-New
 Chuck Comstock-USAF-Vietnam-New
 Alexander Anuschat-USA-Iraq-New



**EVENT DETAILS - AUGUST 27
 FUND RAISER AT THE EMAMI HOME, LAKE OSWEGO
 - 6—10 p.m.**

Purpose is to raise funds for the Post General Fund from Corporate Sponsors and Community Contributors.

Activities Planned: Food, Drink, Music, Boat tour of lake, Raffle, Silent Auction

Needed:

Corporate sponsors, \$1000 or more

- They get 2 tickets
- Name on program

Contributors donating \$150 per ticket.

Contact: Alex or Paul if you have a sponsor or contributor.

EVENT DETAILS - AUGUST 14

POST 3452 SPAGHETTI FEED

4:00 - 7:00 pm

(Following the Crawfish Festival)

at VFW Post 3452 Cpl Matthew

Lembke Hall

Tickets:

\$8.00 Adults

\$5.00 Children

Children under 5 Free

MENU:

Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad and Dessert (Coffee, Water, Milk)

Other beverages for sale at the bar.

Volunteers Needed: Servers, cooks, dishwashers, bartenders, door person take money/tickets)
 Also Help Support Your Post: \$\$
 Donations, spaghetti noodles, Parmesan cheese, garlic gloves, light margarine, veg. oil, French bread, canned tomatoes, sauce, Italian seasoning, hamburger, mushrooms, celery, lettuce, fresh tomatoes, radishes, cucumbers, ranch and Italian dressing, pies, whipped cream or ice cream for the pies. The more you can donate, the less we will need to go out and get donations for or purchase ourselves. Thank you for your help.

EVENT DETAILS - JULY 24

BOWLING PARTY - 2:00-6:00 p.m.

WILSONVILLE LANES, 29040 SW

TOWN CENTER LOOP EAST -

503-682-2356

3 games at \$4 each; Shoes are free; Restaurant has food and libations.

EVENT DETAILS—AUGUST 13-14

TUALATIN CRAWFISH FESTIVAL/FIESTA-

60 years ago VFW 3452 started this festival. This year the Post has been asked to be the Grand Marshall in the Community Parade. Post members will gather at the K-Mart parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Parade begins at 10:00 a.m. Scheduled to end at 11 a.m. Post will be hosting a dunk tank booth and a booth to provide mailing boxes for support items to the troops at the park. Time is after the parade until 8 p.m. More details will be provide at the July and August Post meetings.



Election of new Officers for 2010-2011 sworn in by Past State Commander, George Anderson



VOICE OF DEMOCRACY PRESENTATION FROM NATIONAL—JUNE 21, 2010
 Dale Potts, State Cmdr Tyler Marriott, Jane Whitmore, Ron Holland, Post Cmdr

SCHEDULE FOR MEDICAL WELLNESS TALKS—6:30 p.m.

True Health Medicine talks at the VFW. **July 14th** - Dr. Bijana Devo -

Digestive Disorder /Raw Food **August 11th** - Dr. Anya Chang - Infu-

sion of vitality through IV therapy, **Sept 8th** - Dr. Jeff Clark - Diabetes

Nov 10th - Dr. Wendy Rogers - Insomnia **Dec 8th** - Dr. Bijana Devo -

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