



Noteworthy news

SEPTEMBER 2010

VFW Post 3452 and Ladies and Mens Auxiliary

calendar of events

SEPTEMBER 2010

**MEETING: SEP 13—
7pm**

COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
4, 18, 25

5—LABOR OF LOVE LUAU

11 - **HOME AGAIN PARADE**,
Returning 41st IBCT In Tigard with
American Legion Post 158

11 - Family Day in Cook's Park

13—1pm Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

16—6:30pm Mens Auxiliary Meet-
ing

24—District 16 Meeting—Newberg

OCTOBER 2010

MEETING: OCT 4

COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
2, 9, 16, 23, 30

NOVEMBER 2010

MEETING: NOV 1

COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
6, 13, 20, 27

DECEMBER 2010

MEETING: DEC 6

COMMANDER'S BRUNCH—10AM
4, 11, 18

REMINDER

**POST MEETING —
SEPTEMBER 13 BECAUSE
OF LABOR DAY ON FIRST MON-
DAY**

FROM THE COMMANDER

by Alex Simshaw
Comrades,

This last month has been one filled with lots of activities. The Commander's Breakfast has become a large hit. Last Saturday we had 38 people show from three different posts to include the Tigard American Legion. Hope to see more of our members from the Axillaries, Veterans and family members attend. It is a great social time to get to know each other. Several of us show up at 9:00 AM to start cooking and then everyone eating shows up at 10:00 AM for the Family Style Meal.

The Crawfish Festival was a great event, a huge success, and a lot of fun. I would like to thank everyone involved in the Parade, Dunk Tank, Open house and Spaghetti Dinner. We had seven vehicles in the parade along with the float. Due to a lot of hard work and support from the whole post, we were able to make the VFW shine. I am also seeing a lot of team building and camaraderie starting to develop. This is refreshing to see this happening.

Special thanks needs to go to Shawn Berry's company, Robert Gray Partners, Inc., for supplying the truck and trailer for the parade. Thanks to Millers Insurance for the Dunk Tank. Thanks to the 141 Support Battalion soldiers from the National Guard for participating in the Parade and Dunk Tank. Thanks to Nick and Sherri Colo'n for putting the Spaghetti Feed together and getting the donations. Thanks to Pat Modlin for the Decorations and thanks to everyone that supplied the men/women power. I hope I did not miss anyone.

In the next month we will be busy with the 9/11 Welcome Home Parade in Tigard for the 41st Infantry Brigade Combat Team. There will be more

than 300 soldiers marching in this event to include organizations like the Lewis and Clark Young Marines. Please come and show support for the troops. We are working with the Tigard American Legion Post 158 to support this event. Volunteers will be needed for various portions of the event (Members from the post and axillaries to be in the parade, cooks and traffic control). If you know any one that would like to enter a car/float or would just like be in the parade, please let us know. There is an easy form to fill out and join in on the festivities.

On September 5, there will be a Joint Fundraiser and Luau at the Sellwood Post in Portland. Four different Posts in the area will be participating. Proceeds will be split equally among the posts participating. There will also be some care package building for the Troops going on during this event. I am hoping our post shows in force to participate. I will be sending out an email when I find out more.

We had to postpone the Emami Fundraiser until next year. We had some counter productive forces at work and felt it was better to set it up for next year.

Please keep up the good work. We as a post at all levels have managed to achieve many great accomplishments this last month. Let's keep it going.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Kathy Walsh

The summer is passing by extremely fast and the fall is approaching quickly. It seems that the years just keep passing by faster all the time.

I cannot express how important it is that members make every attempt possible to join us at our meetings. It is so important that those who have been elected and accepted positions for an office attend so that we can accept or not accept proposed suggestions that are brought about within our meetings. If a member holds an office within the Auxiliary and is not able to attend please let me, as your President, know so that I have the knowledge prior to the meeting.

It was suggested that we, along with the Post and Men's Auxiliary, work together to find a Boy Scout working towards earning his Eagle Badge to teach the proper way to dispose of tattered flags. There is a proper way to do this and then dispose of the ashes. This is a project that counts towards Americanism within the Veterans of Foreign Wars organization. It also teaches patriotism among our younger generation. This suggestion was brought into the Auxiliary by Selma Broadhurst and passed along to Commander Alex Simshaw.

Thank you goes out to Pat Modlin who volunteered to be our 2010 - 2011 Buddy Poppy Chairman with the assistance of Selma Broadhurst. Thank You ladies for accepting this Chairmanship. There are many chairmanships that are necessary to be filled for various programs as required for recognition from the Department of Oregon and National Department of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Phyllis Houston for many years has been the Chairman for Hospitals and National Home as she is again this year. If you are interested in being the chairman of one of the many programs called me or send me an e-mail to let me know what program you are interested in working on.

As a supporting body for the Post, help is always needed on the various fund raising projects that might be going on in the future to support the Post operations and assist the veterans that may be in need. I have met the President of the Men's Auxiliary and was very happy to hear that the Men's Auxiliary is there to help the women and Post members on their projects for the benefit of the veterans.

I would like to congratulate Selma Broadhurst for the honors she received at the Sherwood Robin Hood Festival in July. Selma was one of twelve people to be knighted for her involvement with community service. Selma is a very busy lady with many organizations outside of her involvement with the Ladies Auxiliary. Selma each year works hard and has the past few years as well as this past year received the honor of the \$1,000.00 donations received in the Relay for Life. Selma is a four time cancer survivor and has more energy than anyone person that I know when she is involved with a project that means a lot to her personally. So I will now always refer to her as "Lady Selma" a title she well deserves.

Because the first Monday of September is Labor Day our meeting will be held on the second Monday, September 13th at 1:00 PM. There is also the District 16 meeting coming up on September 24th being held at the Newberg Post. District 16 meeting will start with a pot luck dinner beginning at 6:30 PM and the meeting starting at 8:00 PM.

Members learn a lot of information when they attend the district meetings so I hope to see a lot of our member there.

Until the next time we meet I wish you all health and happiness.



FROM THE SECRETARY

by Daniel Payne

At the Crawfish Festival the VFW Men's Auxiliary raised money by operating a dunk tank where notables from our community were dunked for \$1 a throw:

- Lou Ogden, Mayor of Tualatin
- Richard Devlin, Senator
- Donna Maddux, Tualatin City Council
- Active Duty Military (3)
- Tualatin High School Football Team (3)
- Ryan Miller, Miller Insurance
- Daniel Payne, Tualatin Web

Thank you to Ryan Miller for donating the dunk tank this year, and the Mens Auxiliary members who volunteered: Dale Lembke, Don Comstock, John Goodhouse, and Daniel Payne.

SCHEDULE FOR MEDICAL WELLNESS TALKS—6:30 p.m.
True Health Medicine talks at the VFW.
Sept 8th - Dr. Jeff Clark - Diabetes
Nov 10th - Dr. Wendy Rogers - Insomnia
Dec 8th - Dr. Bijana Devo - Cold/Flu Season

CRAWFISH FESTIVAL AFTER ACTION REPORT

By Alex Simshaw

Our Post was honored today as the Grand Marshall for the 60th Annual Tualatin Crawfish Festival. We started out the parade in classic cars, a float, plus two Humvees provided by the National Guard. The Tualatin crowd honored the military and our VFW members with applause, waves and shouts of support along the parade route. Thanks to Shawn Berry for arranging our float and the Ladies Auxiliary (Pat Modlin) for decorating it.

For everyone that missed the Crawfish Festival Parade, the VFW Dunk Tank and the Veteran's Open and Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser, you sure missed a great time!!!! We had a lot of people show up and even eight men and women from SGT Nick Colo'n's Oregon Army National Guard Unit 141 Support Battalion participated in the parade and helped raise money by going into the dunk tank (1 guy and 2 girls, not to be shown up by the 1 guy).

Then the Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser was wonderful and better than expected! Thanks to everyone that showed up to help and eat! We have new members and new friends! Special thanks to the volunteers who set up and served us: Nick and Sherri Colo'n

See photos on VFW Website
<http://tualatinvfw.com/news/successful-crawfish-festival-2010/>

FESTIVAL PHOTOS



SPAGHETTI FEED AFTER ACTION REPORT

by Nicky Colo'n

We had a great turnout and served 54 dinners. This generated a donation of \$1,100. I would like to thank the following VFW members for making this a successful event: Nicky & Sherri Colo'n, Pat Modlin, Richard and Roberta Wehrdt, Max Lacy, Richard Pasini, Joe Gamiao, Art Mauer, Jim Robbins, Paul Trinchero (who made his own special sauce), Kathy Walsh and Alna Cox.

SHUTTERS PROJECT COMPLETED

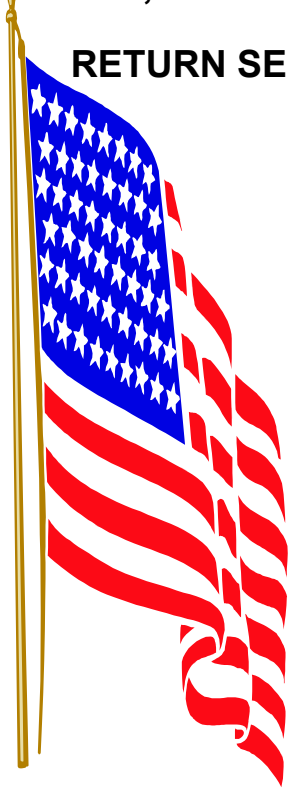
For almost a year and many meetings a controversy existed concerning the purchase of shutters for the Hall. On August 6 the Shutters were installed AND PAID FOR. SHUTTERS CLOSED.



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