



**Sandy VFW Post & Aux**

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“First to serve our Veterans”

The Buckboard Bulletin  
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## POST COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

.Happy Holidays Members, Auxiliary and any ex-employee of Sony who may have hacked our hallowed newsletter, So, two thousand fourteen has ended and two thousand fifteen has begun. Been a real honor to serve as VFW Post 4273 Commander for the past two and a half months. Hasn't been easy, though. As we look to the future, this New Year, two thousand fifteen, I have to bring up the past. Lots a well-intentioned folks have made the mistake of coming to me and my staff of Post Officers and telling us what we as Leaders should be doing, or what needs to be done, or just coming with complaints. Just a reminder: Unless you have a solution or resolution to an issue AND will be ready to ACTIVELY assist in reaching resolution, keep your counsel to yourself. Let's get back to the future. January comes in like a rabid lion,... two day hangovers,.. ends with a yawn and rolls into the Month of LOVE. I am trying to avoid a crisis management situation, and would like to have all ducks in a row for a “Sing for your Supper” Valentines with the veterans and residents of Avamere Assisted Living and Cascadia Village in February. We have Post 4273 members at both facilities who do not have the mobility to be at the Post on any kind of a regular basis. They deserve to be honored by those who have had the privilege to follow in their footsteps. The idea is for two teams of VFW Post 4273 members, auxiliary, family and friends to visit those facilities on or near Valentine's Day and be willing to stand up, sing, or even call Jody Cadence at a Special Valentine's Dinner. My executive staff is still incomplete. Members, take your nominations to the Post Adjutant with a letter of acceptance from the nominee. No Bones, if there's not enough steam left in VFW Post 4273 to come up with nominees, why shouldn't the few officers we have, who are paying volunteers, just resign? Lead, mentor, follow, or get the heck out of the way. There will be construction, renovation, etc., planning in the next few months and meetings are the surest way to have an influence on what gets done, or what languishes on for another couple of years. Be there or... get the heck out of the way. Still getting used to the job, got a lot to keep catching up to do, to become the commander this Post deserves, so for now, that's it for the Commander's Corner.

Til Next Time! Best Regards!

Casey Wood

## Ladies Auxiliary President's Message

I hope everyone had a great Holiday and the New Year treats you better than last year. There will be an important meeting this month. Please try to attend if you can. Important issues will be discussed.

Thank you all!!!

Loretta Wilson : Auxiliary President

## CANTEEN CORNER

There are several events this month which is making this a pretty busy month for all.

**On the 3rd** a celebration of life for Bob Dunn It will be a pot luck so please come and bring a dish. Bob left us to soon. He will be missed. Our complete condolences to his wife Kathy And family

**On the 17th** it's Steak and Prawns, with Tim Turins and Terry Boher. A winning team in the kitchen. Get your tickets in advance and save a few dollars.

On the 31st, there's going to be a Chili Cook Off. Melissa Samuels is rounding this up . For info call her at 503 668-4849. This is a Building Fund, fund raiser.

It's the first for this Post in a long time. So please enter your best Chili Concoction or come down and sample the best chili around.

We will now be open Sundays & Mondays with volunteer bartenders. On the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month there will be breakfast and bingo.

Breakfast starts at 9am and bingo follows at noon.

We are still looking for volunteer bartenders. So if you would like to help out , just let us know. All volunteers must be OLCC certified and have a food handlers card. **THIS IS REQUIRED BY LAW.**

Hope to see you soon

Jimmie

### **Need a new carpet, please help**

We are still taking Pop Can and bottle donations for the new carpet and flooring, Gary Lightcap has been a great help turning them in for us. We have almost \$200.00. sadly we need several hundred more. So keep them coming.

There are several other things around here that are in need of repair or replacement.

If you are a wizard with electricity, or plumbing, or any thing really and have some time to help. Please call Jimmie at the post and she can give you the details.

### **Auxiliary Chaplains Report**

Kathy Dunn's husband, Bob Passed away Dec,11 2015 after a long illness. Kathy was our Aux. President in the past. Both her and Bob were a great asset to this post. Bob Loved cooking and fishing. He also owned "The elusive Trout Pub" witch is now ran by his Wife and Son. He was a member of our shout lived Men's Auxiliary.

Have a Blessed Day

Judy Gascoe

## Post Chaplin

I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a spectacular New Year. I wish for good health and all your dreams and wishes to come true.

“What we do for ourselves die with us. What we do for others and the World remains and is immortal.”

Albert Pine

If anyone knows of a veteran that needs a visit or prayer call me  
(Melissa) at 503 668-4849.

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## CHILI COOKOFF

On January 31st the post is going to have a chili cook off, this is a fund raiser for the post we need people to participate in making chili to be judged and as many people to come and have fun in this event.

If anyone is interested in making chili to help support the Post  
call me at (503)668-4849.

Melissa Samuels, Post Chaplin

### Post Officers

### Ladies Auxiliary Officers

Commander	Casey Woods	President	Loretta Wilson
Senior Vice Cmdr.		Sr. Vice President	Dora Fitzpatrick
Junior Vice Cmdr		Jr. Vice President	Wanda Michaels
Chaplain	Melissa Samuels	Treasurer	Midge Watkins
Quartermaster	Jerry Gomes	Chaplain	Judy Gascon
Judge Advocate	John Lamb	Secretary	Kaye Gomes
Adjutant	Tony Gibbler	Guard	Sardi Bowyer
Surgeon	Dan Copher	Conductress	Voriece Blair
1 year Trustee	Ken Hershberger		
2 year Trustee	Bert Key		
3 year trustee	William Miller		

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**Join Us for Post and Auxiliary meetings!**

**House Committee Mtg -**

**1/13/2015 at 6:00pm**

**AUX - 1/09/2015 6pm**

**POST 1/16/2015 6 pm**

**Like us on Facebook!!!!**

The sandy action center is looking for a few good people. They need help with the food dept. & also other areas.

Contact Gina @ 503-784-2202

If your in need of fresh veggies and fruits, every 3rd Thursday you can get a box full for only \$5.00.

**Daily Canteen Menu**

Halibut Fish & Chips	\$7.50	Strips & Fries	\$7.00
French Fries	\$2.50	Deep Fried Hotdog	\$2.00
CORN DOGS & FRIES	\$2.00	Pretzel	\$2.00
With cheese or Mustard			

**Calendar**

Monday	Open 3 pm	Thursday	Open 3pm	Wii Bowling
Tuesday.	Open 3pm	Friday	Open 3pm	Dinner & Karaoke
Wednesday.	Open 3pm	Saturday	Open 3pm	
Thursday	Open 3pm	Sundays	Open 3pm	Breakfast & Bingo 1st & 3rd sunday
				Domino night/Game Night
				Taco's and Poker Night—5pm
				WII Bowling starts at 6:00pm



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The Calendar for Sandy VFW Post 4273, 38452 Proctor Blvd is as follows:

Every Monday, Canteen Open 3:00PM-8:00PM. Good food, weekly specials, beverages, music, Video Lottery. Support your local veterans! Hours may vary, for info call 503-668-5211.

Every Tuesday, Canteen Open 3:00PM-. Good food, weekly specials, beverages, music, Video Lottery. Hug a Vet!

Every Wednesday, Canteen Open 3:00PM-. Card Games, Taco Nite(!), drinks, music, Video Lottery. Remember Our Fallen Heroes.

Every Thursday, Canteen Open 3:00PM-. Wii Bowling , food, beverages, Video Lottery, lots of giggles. Hug a Vet's Dog.

Every Friday, Canteen Open 3:00PM. Weekly Dinner Specials, beverages, music, Video Lottery. Karaoke , God Bless America. Hours may vary, for info call 503-668-5211.

Every Saturday, Canteen Open 3:00PM Weekly Food Specials,  
January 17, Steak and Prawn Dinner,  
January 31st, Chili Cook Off.

Every Sunday, Canteen Open 12:30-. Snacks, beverages, seasonal sports on TV, Video Lottery.

**First and third Sundays every month, Breakfast 9 am & Bingo, 12:30PM-3:00PM, proceeds to benefit Post and Auxiliary Relief Funds. Hours may vary, for info call 503-668-5211.**

## A Soldier Died Today

He was getting old and paunch And his hair was falling fast, And he sat around the post,  
Telling stories of the past. Of a war that he once fought in And the deeds that he had done,  
In his exploits with his buddies; They were heroes, every one.

And tho sometimes to his neighbors His tales became a joke, All his buddies listened quietly  
For they knew where of he spoke. But we'll hear his tales no longer, For ol' Joe has passed away,  
And the world's a little poorer For a Soldier died today. He won't be mourned by many,  
Just his children and his wife. For he lived an ordinary, Very quiet sort of life. He held a job and raised a family,  
Going quietly on his way; And the world won't note his passing, 'Tho a Soldier died today.

When some men leave this earth, Their bodies lie in state, While thousands note their passing,  
And proclaim that they were great. Papers tell of their life stories. From the time that they were young  
But the passing of a Soldier Goes unnoticed, and unsung he's the greatest contribution to the welfare of our land,  
Someone who breaks his promise or cons his fellow man? Or the ordinary fellow Who in times of war and strife,  
Goes off to serve his country and offers up his life?

While the ordinary Soldier, Who offered up his all, Is paid off with a medal  
And perhaps a pension, small. It is not the rich and powerful With their compromise and ploys,

Who won for us the freedom That our country now enjoys. Should you find yourself in danger,  
With your enemies at hand, Would you really want some cop-out, With his ever waffling stand?  
Or would you want a Soldier His home, his country, his kin, Just a common Soldier, Who would fight until the end.  
He was just a common Soldier, And his ranks are growing thin, But his presence should remind us  
We may need his likes again. For when countries are in conflict, We find the Soldier's part  
Is to clean up all the troubles That the high and mighty start.

If we cannot do him honor While he's here to hear the praise, Then at least let's give him homage  
at the ending of his days. Perhaps just a simple headline In the paper that might say:

"OUR COUNTRY IS IN MOURNING, A SOLDIER DIED TODAY."