Thanks to all who volunteered to staff the Buddy Poppy tables at Bi-mart and Fred Meyer stores. Just three days of distribution and the communities of Sandy and Damascus show us once again their love and support for their local veterans with almost $3900 in donations. Many of the volunteers had to do more than one three hour shift, so please plan on helping out next time if you can.

Thanks to those who helped with the Veterans Day ceremony. Especially those who brought the goodies for the potluck that followed. Thanks to the ladies aux. for hosting and serving the food. And to Pam for all she does to make things happen. The Ladies Aux. also paid for two new flags (POW/MIA and USA) that replaced the worn ones at the Veterans Memorial by Joes Donuts. Thanks Jean and Ladies for all you do.

If you have not caught up on your membership dues for next year, please do so as soon as possible. They are due by the end of December. Still just $26.00 for the whole year. To pay just stop by the Post or mail your check to: SANDY VFW P.O. BOX 404 SANDY, OREGON 97055. Keep your benefits, by staying a Member of Post 4273.

Honor your Sacrifice

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

Merle Stewart, Commander

There are so many of you to thank for all of the help and food that you provided for our way too many funerals. I thank you and the families were very grateful as well.

The Boppre family donated many funeral supplies to us. That will help us with future receptions and save our relief fund a great deal of money. Thank you so much.

Our Veteran’s Day potluck was a huge success. Many people said that it was the best in years. So another big thank you to all who brought the great food and attended this celebration to honor our veterans.

We need help with our Adopt-a-Family this year. It is an active military family with 6 children and a grandmother in the household. The father is in the Oregon National Guard and the mother is going to nursing school. A list of needs is at the Post, if you would like to help us by buying a gift. Or, you can donate some cash and we will do the shopping. I want to thank Becky Ping for volunteering to be our shopper this year. I know she will do a great job. Gifts need to be at the Post by Dec 15th and we will have a wrapping party on the 16th. Come and help us wrap, all the supplies will be provided.

I also want to thank everyone who has been involved with the tea we are having in honor of our National Auxiliary President’s visit. Many of you have been involved in the planning, shopping, and cleaning. Your work is very much appreciated. I hope many of you will have attended the tea and met our National President.

Betty Haider is still Buddy Poppy queen. I don’t know how she does it. Thanks to all the ladies who got out and helped to distribute those poppy’s for Veterans Day. The Auxiliary receives ½ of the money donated for our relief fund and this allows us to help our veterans and their families in need.

Remember the 1st Sunday of each month the Auxiliary will have a breakfast and bingo at the Post. We raise money to support our programs with these breakfasts. So, I hope that you will mark these dates on your calendar and plan on attending. We can also use help with cooking and cleaning.

I hope that you and your families have a very happy and safe holiday season.

JEAN BETTENCOURT
503-663-0510
POW/MIA Recently Accounted For

**Sgt. Willard F. Williams**, U.S. Army, E Company, 35th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, was lost on Nov. 28, 1950, just south of Unsan, North Korea. He was accounted for on Oct. 23, 2012.

**Sgt. Stanley W. Bear**, U.S. Army, F Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, was lost on Sept. 4, 1950, near Haman, South Korea. He was accounted for on Oct. 15, 2012.

**Cpl. Elmer C. Kidd**, U.S. Army, Heavy Mortar Company, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division, was lost on Nov. 30, 1950, near the Chosin Reservoir. He was accounted for on Oct. 11, 2012.

**Lt. Col. Don C. Faith Jr.**, U.S. Army, commander of the 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, was lost on Dec. 2, 1950, near the Chosin Reservoir. He was accounted for on Oct. 11, 2012.

**Cpl. Joseph W. Fontenot**, U.S. Army, L Company, 3rd Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, was lost in February 1951 near Saemal, South Korea. He was accounted for on Oct. 10, 2012.

**Pfc. James C. Mullins**, U.S. Army, H Company, 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, was lost on July 22, 1950, near Yugong-ni, South Korea. He was accounted for on Sept. 27, 2012.

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**The Auxiliary Chaplain**

**Judy Gascon**

503 668 3748

Tom Glenn of Rhododendron, a life member of the Post, was in the hospital due to a heart attack. He is home now and doing better.

I am accepting reports from both the Post and the Auxiliary until the Post has a replacement Chaplain.

Happy and Blessed Holidays.

**JUDY GASCON**

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Newsletter articles are due Nov. 20 for the Dec. Newsletter. Contact your editor at: admin@vfw4273.org VFW4273.ORG
Canteen Corner

The New Year is vastly approaching!! Oh My Gosh, can you believe it?? Brrrrrrrrr, where is Summer???? I am waiting!!!!

I would like to Thank the Aux. for a wonderful beginning of November with a Great Breakfast!

Thank you Mr. Wilson for a great “Marine Corp Birthday Party” it was great fun and an Honor to Celebrate with you and all that joined!! “Hoorah”!

Gentleman, and I use that lightly, LOL! Thank you for the wonderful Breakfast that you slaved over the hot grill to serve us on Sunday the 18th!

If I have forgotten to mention anyone, I didn't mean to so Thank you to all!!!

Well to begin the chilly month of December, the Auxiliary will be kicking it off with a nice hot breakfast on Sunday December 2nd with Bingo to follow. We have fun playing so come join us!

Those of you that are on the House Committee the meeting starts at Noon upstairs, so be there or be square. That also falls on Sunday the 2nd of December, just saying, Ha ha ha!

December 14th – Auxiliary meeting upstairs and it begins at 6pm. I will begin serving dinner at 5pm.

December 16th – “CHRISTMAS PARTY” Potluck, so bring a dish or a dessert or even maybe a salad, or just bring yourself and a “$10 gift” we will be doing a gift exchange. We would all love to see you, so don't be a grinch, come join us and have a great time!!! The fun begins at 6pm.

December 21st – Post meeting begins at 6pm. I will begin serving dinner at 5pm.

December 25th – “Christmas” The Post will be Closed.

December 31st – “New Years Eve”

I hope you all have a Wonderful Christmas and look forward to another year with all of you! Blessings to all and your families!!!!

Hey don't forget if you have any “New” ideas for dinners please let me know...

Thank you for your service You are all appreciated!!!!

Your Bartender
Pamela

Our Post needs your help

A. Service Officer Assistants: Help fellow Vets fill out Government forms to gain needed benefits.
Skills Needed: 1. Ability to fill out Government forms. 2. Desire to help fellow Vets who are in need.

B. Quartermaster Assistants: Organize membership data: name address. etc. for newsletter and other forms of communication.
Skills Needed. 1. Be detail oriented. 2. Be computer literate. 3. Have a desire to help our Post communicate with it’s membership.

C. Cooks and Kitchen Helpers: Prepare and serve a meal for Post dinners.
Skills Needed: 1. Ability to prepare a complete meal for 40 to 50 Post members & friends.

For more information please E-mail: Quartermaster.vfwpost4273@frontier.com

Thank You, Bill
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**Daily Canteen Menu (Closed Monday)**

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