## VFW POST 1833 NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2020



### **OFFICER'S MEETING & POST GENERAL MEETING:**

- The next Officer's Meeting will be at:
  1730 (5:30 pm) on Tuesday, 17 March 2020.
- The General Post Meeting will follow at 1830 (6:30 pm).
  General Post Meetings are open to any Post Comrade with a current VFW membership card who wishes to attend.

#### **MEMBER STATUS UPDATES:**

New Members: No new names

**Deceased Members**: Comrades Kindred Thomas and Roland Pacey

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE POST COMMANDER

## **Howdy Comrades:**

**Service Project:** Hwy 140 clean-up is scheduled for **29 February 2020 at 09:00** (9 am), in the parking lot of the Dollar Tree, 7338 Crater Lake Hwy, White City, OR 97503.

**Honor Flight**: The next Honor Flight will be **7-10 May** has been funded and is full. The next Honor Flight will be in September. VFW Post 1833 is still assisting with Breakfast on the first Day and Guardians when they are needed.

**Vet Stand-Up:** Josephine County Veterans Stand-Up will take place on **20 March 10:00-14:00** at the Josephine County Fair Grounds. Legal Services will be present. They can use some help with set-up and tear down. Call **Paul Rhodes 541-244-3248 f**or details and Scheduling.

**Officer Training School** has two training sessions approaching. The first will be **16 May 09:00-16:00** at Madras Senior Center Post (this is north of Redmond). The second is **23 May 09:00-16:00** at Gresham Post 180. The cost of registration, supplies, and lunch is \$30.00 per person. Registration and remittance must be returned no later than 30 Apr 20.

**Expenses and Miscellaneous:** Maintenance to be done around Post Building. Flags to be ordered with Poppies for May Fundraiser. VFW 1833 to sponsor Boy Scout Troop 103.

## **Conferences and Meetings:**

**Dependent & Family Benefits** Survivor's Seminar meeting will be at Health & Human Services Building, upstairs at 140 S Holly St, 8 April 2020,1400-1700 (2:00-5:00 pm).

District Meeting: Post 1833 will host the District 7 meeting at the Moose Lodge on 18 April 2020 13:00-16:00 with lunch starting at 1200. Please contact Comrades Josh Alvarez and Hugh Crawford for further information.

**Oregon Department Convention** will take place 11-13 June at The Mill Casino in North Bend, OR. Post 1833 will have four voting delegates attending but would encourage all members to attend as well.

**ODVA State Women's Conference** will take place in Bend, OR on 30-31 of May at River house Convention Center Visit www.wvc.oregondva.com for more info.



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Contact me or the Post Commander to get on the email list or for a hard copy of the newsletter. Send articles for the newsletter to me at 1833vfw@gmail.com.

#### **Deadline for newsletter submissions:** Thursday before the 23rd of each month.

-- Margaret Lewis, Website Admin.

# Midwinter Announcements

Midwinter Conference was held at Valley River Inn February 1, 2020



**Oregon Wounded Warrior** parking placard. Oregon veterans who qualify for a disabled parking permit and have a service-connected disability that is VA-rated at 50 percent or greater may apply for the new placard.

**Measure 96** was passed in 2016 with the support of Oregon VFW. The amendment allocated 1.5 percent of the State Lottery's net proceeds to veteran services, including assistance with accessing state and federal benefits, reintegration, employment, education, housing, health care, and additional treatment programs.

**Oregon Department of Veteran Affairs** is organizing a new initiative to get services for our elderly veterans in care facilities. The program will send volunteers out to look for and work with Veterans that might not be aware of VA programs and services.

**Vietnam War memorial** on Oregon State Capitol grounds. This fund is a charitable organization with the expressed purpose to generate funds through cash and in-kind donations for the design and construction of a Vietnam War Memorial on the Oregon State Capitol Grounds that will provide educational opportunities for future generations.