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Commander's Report - June 2021

Comrades,

This will be my last report for Post 1833, as we have just installed the new post officers of which Rachael Watters is our new Commander at VFW Post 1833, a more capable comrade there will never be. I was asked to do two things; one was to be the senior vice commander, which I excepted, and the other was to take the District 7 Commander for Oregon. I accepted that job as well. I have been talking with the past District Commander Chuck DeLore and he told me that he would be there for me as I will be there for Rachael. Three of the Comrades from Post 1833 went to the Oregon State VFW Conference at the Mill Casino in Coos Bay over the past weekend. Bob Penney, the Quartermaster for Post 1833, came back with the quartermaster of the year for Oregon. Congratulations, Bob!

Rachael came back as the Post Commander for Post 1833. Congrats to you, Rachael! I came back as the new Commander of District 7 for Oregon and the Senior Vice Commander for Post 1833. We had fun and got to meet some new folks and see some old friends.

We tried to do the HWY 140 clean-up with the Order of the Purple Heart and Post 1833 and some other folks who jumped in to help. Hugh Crawford was leading this crew and he came down with a bug and didn't want to spread this around, so he made a few phone calls and canceled for a better day. We hope to get back into this highway pick in the next month or two.

We have had another couple of Comrades who would like to join our post and that is extremely exciting. With the Covid-19 and the whole year of 2020, we are lucky just to get back together and enjoy all the post members. We are trying to do what the Veterans of Foreign Wars are all about and that is taking care of the veterans and their families, period.

Ken Wilson and I were able to distribute Poppies at Food For Less for the first time in almost a year. It was good to get out and meet the people. We were asked where we had been and why we are just now doing the poppies? It was the Oregon State Governor and her Covid-19 restrictions. We had to sit at home and do nothing like everyone else in America during the Covid 19. Now we have Jonathan Lucky calling the shots again for the Poppy Committee and we welcome him back. We will be out there again for the 4th of July weekend, come see us.

Thanks for the past three years and I will attempt to go forward and do good things,

Ralph Groover

Former Post Commander of 1833