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Your presence is requested! Next Post/Aux Meeting

Wednesday September 20th,2023 at 6:00 p.m.

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Commander's Corner





Hello Comrades.

President's Pen



Hello Brothers and Sisters.

It's been a rough month with the Grey Fire affecting Medical Lake, Clear Lake, Cheney and much more, as well as the Oregon Fire affecting the Elk Chattaroy area. Sadly, many families have lost their homes, vehicles, livestock and more. I wish everyone could please keep these families in their prayers.

As for the Post we had fun at the 80's party and hope to have many more events that all SVO's sharing post in. As we move forward into September, please keep in mind, we need as much help at the fair booth as we can get. I know many members have volunteered in the past and they above all should and can remember how hard it is to work every day.

Personally, I would like to thank everyone for the Birthday wishes as well.

Daniel Leichty
Commander Post 51

As we are ending our summer, we would like to see more attend our meetings. This is where we get ideas and help support our programs. Some of you have never met and would love to meet you.

At the September meeting we will be discussing the Halloween Party we put on for our children. We get to dress up and to remember how fun it used to be. We will have candy, games and of course, prizes.

Our Auxiliary tries to have monthly dinner at the Post but are falling short of volunteers this is another way we support our programs. I know we must have some wonderful cooks out there. Come show us your skills.

If any of you are interested in decorating, we could use some extra help making our post show a little bling. We have plenty of decorations and just need some extra help with ideas.

The fair starts September 8-17. If you are interested in helping, please call the post and let them know. Volunteers are always appreciated. If you aren't interested in cooking or cashiering, there are plenty of other things you could do to help.

I don't want you to think I just want help from you because I truly miss the post being full of our members. Brothers and Sisters, we miss you dearly.

Laura Bondurant VFW Auxiliary President

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From our Chaplain

As we come into September, there are a lot of dates that hold a lot significance.

V-J Day

This date, September 2nd, marked the official end to WW-2. After six long years of fighting the war to end all wars was over. The greatest generation (as they were called) came home to start a new life.

September 11th

We did not ask for nor did we provoke an assault On our freedom. On that day 2996 Fathers, Mothers, Brothers, Sisters and Childrens were lost that day. We must always remember every time we think we have measured our capacity to meet a challenge, we look up and we're reminded that that capacity may well be limitless.

POW/MIA Day

September 15th is a day when we honor and remember all those Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force service men and women who did not come home. We must remember their sacrifice made in defense of this Grand Nation. We must say their names so they are not forgotten.

Yours in Comradeship Wes Anderson Post 51 Chaplain

HASHMARK DEADLINE: September 20th by 6pm HASHMARK FOLD: September 25th at 10am

If you would PLEASE give us your e-mail address, we can send your Hashmark out and you will get it quicker.

Contact the Quartermaster

quartermaster@vfw51.org or the

A word from our Canteen Manager

As we get near to the end of summer. I know how a lot of you spend time on vacation, out at the lake or extra time with your families. I sure hope to start seeing more of our loyal members. We miss you!

Moving along with upgrades to our Post we have replaced our small refrigerator in the canteen and will soon be receiving a new commercial refrigerator for our kitchen. For those of you that have volunteered in the kitchen you know how nice that will be. Unfortunately, due to costs we have changed prices on some of our drinks and food.

The 18th of August was our commander's double nickel birthday. We had a hairband night with costumes, a potato bar, door prizes, trivia to include prizes for the one with the right answer. An all-around great time. We are going to try and do more of those for fun. For those who missed it you truly missed a fun night. Please, if you sign up for a meal, please try to make it. We use the sign-up list to determine

how much food to have so that would really help.

We just had our North Central class of 1978 have and received well by all. We even had an article put on the front page of the local newspaper. All you need to do is give me a call and I will set you up for your event.

Meeting night in the canteen we will be selling Tickets 2 for \$1 for a beautiful homemade wooden pen. The ticket will be drawn just before our meeting begins.

All proceeds will be donated towards our scholarship night for our youth.

Thank you again for all you do to help support our veterans, military and their families.

Laura Bondurant Canteen Manager

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Club Hours Sundays 12pm to 5pm Mondays 12pm to 8pm Tuesdays, Wednesdays Closed Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays 12pm to 8pm.	VFW POST 51 (509) 327-9847 AMERICAN LEGION POST #9 (509) 326-4168	DOWAMIA TOUR TOURSON			Open 12pm to 8pm	Open 12pm to 8pm 12:30pm VJ Day Celebration Lunch provided. 1pm Bingo 5:30pm Seabees Mtg.
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Open 12am to 5pm VFW Fair Booth	Open 12pm to 8pm VFW Fair Booth 12pm Remembering 9-11 Celebration, lunch provided. 3pm Honor Guard 6:30pm Boy Scouts	Closed VFW Fair Booth	Closed VFW Fair Booth	Open 12pm to 8pm VFW Fair Booth 10am to 2pm Lunch 1pm Poker 5pm Son of Norway Board Mtg. 5pm Closed Mtg. 6pm KOC Mtg.	Open 12am to 8pm VFW Fair Booth REMEMBERING POW MIA DAY	16 Open 12pm to 8pm VFW Fair Booth 10am AL Riders Mtg. 11am Sons of Legion 1pm Bingo
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24 Open 12pm to 5pm 1pm Pool League	25 Open 12 pm to 8pm 6pm AL/Aux Mtg. 6:30pm Boy Scouts	26 Closed	27 Closed	28 Open 12 pm to 8pm 12pm Poker 12pm to 1pm Lunch 5pm Closed Mtg.	Open 12 pm to 8pm VFW Day 5pm to 7pm Dinner Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo Bake \$12.00	30 Open 12pm to 8pm 1pm Bingo