



FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Ladies. It is good to be writing

once again for our Noteworthy News monthly letter.

Many things have been happening these last few months. We have accepted several new members into our organization and are proud that they have chosen to join us. Please welcome these new members who are as follows: Amy Anderson, eligible through her son Chris Laughlin; Liz Peterson, eligible through her son Phillip Ankeney; Belle Brown, eligible through her husband Calvin Brown; Alexandra Carney, eligible through her son Brian Carney; Ann Derbyshire, eligible through her husband and Alna Cox, eligible through her brother Peter Apperson. It is always great to see new faces and hear new ideas that help keep this great organization moving forward.

Although we have new members we have had to say farewell to Arabel Bennett who joined our Heavenly Father on April 24th. Whenever we should lose a member our Charter is draped in their memory as was done at the May meeting for Arabel.

The ladies continue to sew for our hospitalized veterans. The month of April was our Auxiliary month to host the birthday party for hospitalized veterans having a birthday in April. This year we gave each of our birthday guests a quilt; deck of cards; flashlight; neck pillow in a luggage bag. The ladies also delivered 155 neck pillows to the hospital.

We received a letter along with a donation from Nedra Hobbick in memory of a veteran whom had been hospitalized in Portland by the name of Richard J. Marquez. This donation helps our organization to continue to do the work for our veterans and is greatly appreciated. We would like to wish Mary Wert a speedy recovery. Mary had a fall and is recuperating at Avamere Rehab of King City located on Pacific Highway for any of you who would



care to visit her. I am sure she would enjoy any company she would receive.

Elections were held in April and the newly elected officers were installed at the May 3rd meeting.

Your newly elected officers are as follows: President - Kathy Walsh, Senior Vice President - Belle Brown; Junior Vice President - Duffy Hamilton; Treasurer - Phyllis Houston; Chaplin - Judy Adamson; Conductress - Dolores Abernathy; Guard - Lois Dalton; Trustee #1 - Mary Ann Hulquist; Trustee #2 - Laurel Wilkinson; Trustee #3 - Dolores Abernathy and Secretary - Alna Cox.

April 24th was District 16 meeting held in Willamina with 5 Auxiliary members attending. At this meeting elections were held with Kathy Walsh being elected as District 16 President.

May 31st is Memorial Day and we will be having a program at the Winona Cemetery in Tualatin. We have been involved with the cemetery for many years and have assisted with their program every year. Our Auxiliary along with the assistances of Cub Scouts troops in the area have placed flags on the veterans' grave buried there each Veteran's Day and Memorial Day. It was our Auxiliary, along with the Post, that worked together to build the memorial wall that is in place at this cemetery. This year we will have the fly over at 11:00 A.M. and our honored speaker will be Retired Marine Colonel Norb Murray. Please plan to join us for this annual event beginning at 11:00 A.M. at Winona Cemetery located on Tualatin Road just past the Tualatin Country Club.

For those of you who would like to distribute Buddy Poppies during Memorial Day weekend please contact Phyllis Houston at 503-649-2389 or myself. I prefer to be con-

tacted through e-mail at mw1948@veizon.net. Let us know so we can get you some poppies. The donations received from the Buddy Poppy distribution is what we place into our Relief Fund and helps us to help our veterans and/or their families during times of need. This money also helps cover the cost of the articles that we make and take up to the hospital.

June marks the month of the VFW State Convention being held at Seven Feathers Casino in Canyonville. For those of you who have never attended a state convention, you should know that it is very informative, as well as being a lot of fun. I will be attending and will be bringing home lots of information on what will be happening during the 2010 - 2011 year for the Auxiliary.

It was decided at our May meeting to hold a no bake sale to raise money for National Home by purchasing an engraved brick. Each brick has the cost of \$100.00 and we are in hopes of purchasing 2 bricks to honor our Auxiliary. Letters will be mailed to our members along with the renewal cards for your annual dues. Please remember to send in your dues early. If our Auxiliary has not sent the dues on to National by December 31st, 2010 then you're not considered a member in good standing. If you are not a member in good standing then you are not eligible for your cancer insurance. We have had several members who have used this insurance and applied for cancer grants throughout the years. The annual dues are still only \$15.00 and life members pay \$5.00 for their continued insurance coverage. This is a small amount to pay for cancer insurance when you consider the cost of surgery and/or treatment for cancer. So please don't forget this very important information.

For those members who are unable to attend our monthly meeting please keep in contact with me at mw1948@verizon.net and let me know how you are doing. I would enjoy hearing from all of you and keep you up-to-date with what is happening at the Auxiliary or find out if there is any way that we could help you. If you are unable to attend

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meetings because you are no longer able to drive or just don't like driving in bad weather please let us know so we could find someone to pick you up to join us during these times.

Thank you all for everything that you do for our veterans. I am looking forward to working with you and hearing what is going on in your life during the next year.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LADIES AUXILIARY

HEADLINE IN TIMES NEWSPAPER DATED MAY 13, 2010 - - TUALATIN VFW AUXILIARY LADIES PRACTICE PRACTICAL PATRIOTISM

Article by Nick Peterson gives praise to Phyllis Houston, Delores Abernathy and Evelyn Turner for the work they do each Tuesday at the Post in making quilts, ditty bags, luggage bags, neck pillows, slippers and lap robes. These items are donated to patients at the Portland VA Medical Center. The VA Hospital places a value on the items they bring at \$4,000 per month. The article mentions that the ladies are short on materials at the moment due to the economy. They need quilt backing, flannel sheets and quilt batting. If anyone would like to donate material or funds to purchase the items, please contact Delores at 503-639-8366 or Phyllis at 503-649-2389.



Phyllis Houston and Delores Abernathy



NEW MEN'S AUXILIARY FORMED

On April 16 the Men's Auxiliary held their first formation meeting. On May 20 they held their chartered meeting with over 30 new members. They will meet on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. At their first meeting on the 16th the following new officers were elected:

- President—Don Comstock
- Vice President—Dale Lembke
- 2nd VP – John Goodhouse
- Treasurer—Ben Tripp
- Secretary—Daniel Payne
- Chaplain—Kevin Ferrasci
- O'Malley
- Guard—Mike Wilson
- Trustee—Terry Pennington

INTRODUCTION OF DON COMSTOCK, PRESIDENT OF MENS AUXILIARY

By Dale Potts, Post Commander 2001-2006

I have the honor of introducing the first President of our Men's Auxiliary - Don Comstock. Don has wanted to be involved with our support activities every since I joined VFW. He served in the Navy during Vietnam on a submarine repair ship. (he has some awesome stories about his Navy days) But because the ship never got any further West than Guam so he was not eligible. I even sent a letter to our National asking if his being on call while in Florida during Cuban missile crisis would help but that service didn't qualify.

I have known and respected Don for over 30 years. We have been doing Santa duties together ever since our kids attended St. Anthony's in Tigard together in grade school. We started it as a fund raiser for the PTA. He is Santa and I am his body guard, chauffer and PR guy as Rudolf. That evolved into going to low income housing units with stockings and presents for kids. In 2006, we made a Santa

visit to 41st IBCT Headquarters at the Tigard Armory. For the past two years, we have made Christmas visits to the Navy on Swan Island and 671st Army Engineers in NE Portland. So he does have a history with our Post.

Don is a sharp businessman; he builds houses, owns and manages several manufactured home parks and is a general entrepreneur. He has successfully undertaken a lot of businesses.

He is leading a community minded group of businessman who want to join in our mission and will help add financial stability that will insure the Post will be able to help veterans, military and their families for many generations to come.

NEW VFW POST 3452 OFFICERS 2010-2011

Elections were held on April 5. New officers were sworn in by Past District 16 Commander, George Anderson, at the May 3 VFW meeting. Office begins on June 27, 2010. Quartermaster has already started. New officers are as follows:

- Commander - Alex Simshaw**
- Senior Vice Commander - Bill Wilson
- Junior Vice Commander - Art Mauer
- Quartermaster - Paul Trincherro
- Chaplain - Richard Wiehrdt
- Surgeon - Shawn Berry
- Advocate - Dale Potts
- 3 Year Trustee - Ron Holland
- 2 Year Trustee - Gerald Gleason
- 1 Year Trustee - William Hubble



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Appointed Officers and Committee Chairmen

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