



THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

STEVENS-CHUTE POST #4 and AUXILIARY

BEND, OREGON



PICNIC! PICNIC!
Wednesday, July 10, 2024
6:00 p.m.



PICNIC LOCATION
63521 Boyd Acres Road
Bend, Oregon

OUR IN-PERSON MEETING PROCEDURE: Before the meeting, social time and potluck dinner starts at 6 pm, and Post and Auxiliary meetings follow about 6:30 pm. We enjoy the company of veterans and hope you'll join us. It doesn't matter where you served in the military, only that you served honorably. Families are always welcome. BYOB if you want something to drink other than water or soda. A small donation is encouraged to help defray costs of entree and supplies. Thanks!



ANNUAL STEVENS-CHUTE LEGION FAMILY PICNIC

You are all invited to share an evening of good food, fun conversation, and relaxation in the shade with your American Legion family and friends at our annual combined picnic. Spouses and kids welcome!

The post will provide burgers and dogs, soft drinks and bottled water. Please bring a side dish or dessert. **Also bring your favorite camp chair so we have enough seating.**

We will also have some baskets and other items to raffle off, so please bring some cash to add to our Post and Auxiliary coffers for veterans and their families in need.

The picnic will be held in Drury's backyard at 63521 Boyd Acres Road (just 800 feet south of Cooley Road.) **(BEWARE: construction on the parkway is confusing, take Hwy 97 Business exit to access Cooley Road....don't end up in Redmond!)**



CELEBRATING AMERICA'S INDEPENDENCE IN CENTRAL OREGON

La Pine Frontier Days July 3-6 The free event includes lawnmower races, beard and mustache competition, apple pie contest and tasting, men's beautiful legs contest, music, and much more.

The Bend Heroes Foundation will be displaying American flags at the Bend Heroes Memorial and along the Pet Parade route on Thursday. They will be led by Boy Scout Troop 25.

The annual Bend Pet Parade happens Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Staging is set for

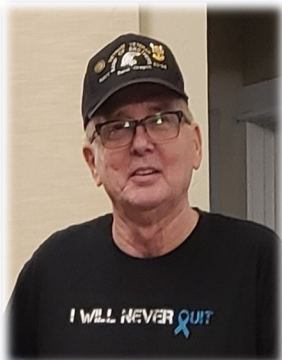
You are not alone! If you need immediate support — or just someone to talk to who understands — there are lifelines available 24/7 * Veterans Crisis Line 988 (Press 1) or TEXT the Crisis Line at 838255 * Vet Center Call Center at 877-WAR-VETS (927-8387) * Military Helpline 1-888-457-4838

Harmon Park and the route will head north on Harmon to Newport, east on Newport to Wall Street and down Wall to the finish at Drake Park.

Redmond holds its annual downtown parade from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Thursday. It starts on NW Dogwood Avenue and NW 6th Street.

The annual fireworks show at Pilot Butte launches at 10:00 p.m. Thursday.

And in Redmond, the Deschutes County Fairgrounds and Expo Center will also launch fireworks.



COMMANDER'S CORNER

Happy July everyone! Hope you have a safe and fun time when you celebrate our Independence Day.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the picnic.

Cdr. J W Terry

ADJUTANT SAYS

I've been trying to think if I've been your Adjutant for 5 or 6 years. I can't believe it how time passes. I appreciate your trust and confidence in me.

So now I've been honored with becoming your First Vice Commander and continue to be the Post Chaplain. We may be a small Post, but we are big on Patriotism and love for all our Veterans.

I do hope more of our members will join us in the future to meet you in person. Again, thank you and God richly bless you.

Thank you Sue Anne Montgomery for accepting the Adjutant position. I know that you will do a Superior job.

Adjutant Vivian Shannon

NEW ADJUTANT SAYS

Hello, I'm SueAnn Montgomery, USN 1973-1977. I'm looking forward to getting installed as your adjutant for Post #4 of the American Legion family.

WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

Denny will be grilling up some burgers and dogs for picnic fare. Members and guests are asked to bring side dishes, desserts to go with.

Sodas and bottled water will be provided. If you prefer something stronger BYOB.

The American Legion means alot to me because its mission as a patriotic veterans service organization aligns with my values.

I hope I am able to help expand our membership in our community and meet many of our current members this coming year.

Adjutant-elect SueAnn Montgomery

NOTES FROM THE PREZ

The most fun of the year is right around the corner—our annual combined picnic on Wednesday July 10. Please join us for a fun and relaxing evening in the shade!

The new fiscal year comes July 1, so you will see membership renew notices in your mail. Please renew as soon as you can, and invite a friend to join—we are always looking for new blood and new ideas!

We would love to be a Goal Unit this 2024-2025 year. *Unit President Yvonne Drury*

A PRAYER FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP

Lord we ask that You rekindle the flame of compassion within us so that we might show real care for our fellowman. Teach us to be sensitive to the needs of others.

Grant that as Americans and as Legion Family, we may continue to help our veterans and those in need.

Be with us and guide us we pray. Amen.

Unit Chaplain Sr. Barbara Etter

RECENT DEPT OF OREGON CONVENTION A SUCCESS

Four Auxiliary Unit 4 members, Katie Terry, Linda Hellickson, Sr. Barbara Etter and Yvonne Drury represented Unit 4 at the Convention in North Bend/Coos Bay, Oregon, June12-15.



Unit 4 delegates to convention, l.to r. Linda Hellickson, Katie Terry, Yvonne Drury, and, seated, St. Barbara Etter. VA&R Chair Linda Liebenow presents an award to Unit 4 President Yvonne Drury. Sr. Barbara is applauded along with the other dual ALA members in attendance.

The Auxiliary always has a lot of fun with much emphasis on awarding Units for their good work for our mission, with a lot of cheering and chants (keeping the Legion members awake in the next room!)

Unit 4 was proud to come home with five awards for our work for veterans, local military personnel, and their families, recognition for our giving a Youth Hero Award, and one award for a poppy display.



KOREAN WAR POW/MIA HONORED

In 1950 US Army Corporal Norvin Brockett of Powell Butte was declared missing in action in North Korea. In 2021, nearly 70 years later, his remains were recovered and laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors.

On June 15 members of Brockett's family were present to remember and honor him with a ceremony at Ochoco Creek Park in Prineville, dedicating a new Fallen Hero Memorial Highway sign, now installed on US Hwy 26 just east of Prineville city limits.

Post 4 member and Chairman of Bend Heroes Foundation, Dick Tobiason, spearheaded the ceremony and authorization of the Memorial Highway sign by ODOT.

While the remains of only 44 MIA veterans from Oregon, including CPL Brockett have been recovered, identified, and returned to families over the last 41 years, another 973 Oregon Veterans still remain Missing in Action. The successful recent recovery of CPL Brockett's remains provides hope for more recoveries and returns to MIA families, Tobiason said.

A LITTLE HISTORY LESSON

Independence Day, known colloquially as the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the Declaration of Independence, which was ratified by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, establishing the United States of America.

The Founding Father delegates of the Second Continental Congress declared that the Thirteen Colonies were no longer subject (and subordinate) to the monarch of Britain, King George III, and were now united, free, and independent states.^[1] The Congress voted to approve independence by passing the Lee Resolution on July 2 and adopted the Declaration of Independence two days later, on July 4.

WELCOME BACK!

Post 4 member Ervin Remmele, USN, Korea, who thought Post 4 had been disbanded. Denny and Vivian Shannon met him during our poppy distribution and he renewed his interest. We'll hope to see him at future meetings!

BE A HERO—GIVE BLOOD

Please, please, PLEASE, if you can, give blood at the next Red Cross Blood Drive on July 15, appointments available 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

There is always a critical need for blood for accident victims, people with life threatening disease, people in surgery. Your donation can save up to three lives.

Go online to American Red Cross Blood donation and look for 97702 and Central Oregon Collective drive, 62070 SE 27th Street, Bend.

JULY EVENTS

July 4	Independence Day
July 10	Stevens-Chute annual picnic Drury Home, 6 p.m. BBQ
July 13	District 5 meeting, Post 44, Redmond, 11:30 lunch, 13:00 meeting
July 25	National "Hire A Vet" Day
July 27	National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day (1953)
July 28	Nation Buffalo Soldiers Day
July 29	Army Chaplain Corps Day

EASY WAYS TO HELP OUR VETERANS AND COMMUNITY

- Donate returnable bottles and cans to the Post. We have bags for your use, and we will deliver to the Bottle Drop.
- Save and donate aluminum pull tabs from soda and beer cans. We deliver to Ronald McDonald House to assist with their fund raising.
- Donate new greeting cards to Auxiliary. We send out birthday cards to members, and cards for other occasions (thank you, congratulations, sympathy, get well, etc.)
- Flags to be retired respectfully. We will deliver them to Boy Scout Troops.

Bring to meetings any time!



WHAT IS THIS?

See this beautiful artwork at the July 10 picnic and learn how it can become yours!

Wednesday, July 10 please join us for potluck BBQ and picnic!!

Please contact us when we can be of assistance. We are here for you!

2024-2025 Post Officers:

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Commander J W Terry

Vice Commander Vivian Shannon

Chaplain Vivian Shannon

Adjutant SueAnn Montgomery

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