

2024-2025 VA&R BULLETIN

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YEAR-END REPORTS DUE MAY 1, 2025

NATIONAL AWARDS DUE MAY 15, 2025

What is the program and why do we have it?

The Service to Veterans program (VA&R) promotes our mission to enhance the lives of U.S. Veterans, military, and their families. This was the main purpose in organizing our organization. Our activities should focus on this aspect.

Remember, last year we learned the difference between National Security and VA&R. If the Veteran is still SERVING, you should report that to National Security. If the Veteran HAS SERVED, then report that to VA&R.

In Oregon, we have many pieces to the VA&R program and together we all make it happen.

VA&R Committee

- Linda Liebenow, Chairman
- Maggie LaMont and Dana Speer, members

Hospital Reps

- Marie Larson, Portland VA
- Cindy Soria, Roseburg Va

Gift Shop Chairman

Oregon Veterans Homes

- The Dalla, Geanna Horne
- Lebanon, Karol Satterfield

Portland VA, Linda Liebenow

Roseburg VA, Cindy Soria

Rose Court

- Geanna Horne

Liver and Kidney Transplant Unit

- Marie Larson

Check the Department Roster for contact information for these Chairman.

What can we do?

Choose an activity or program that fits your Unit. Have fun serving our Veterans:

- Quilts of Honor, www.QOF.org
- Honor Flights, Portland contact person, Linda Azorr
- 971-264-0814, Portlandhonorflight@gmail.com
- Fisher House (donate through Friends of Fisher House, Puget Sound. Send donations to Department)
- Wreaths Across America (we are signed up for the \$5 Give Back program. Use code OR0090P)
- Stand Downs (subject to change)
 - Sept.11,9am-4pm Salem YMCA
 - Sept.11 9am-3pm Roseburg, Roseburg VA
 - Sept 12, 10am-2pm Albany Eagles #2255
 - Sept.27 6am-3pm, Lane County Events Center
 - Nov. 15, 10am-2pm Hillsboro Sonrise Church

Gift Shops (dates to come later)

- Oregon Veterans Home, The Dalles
- Oregon Veterans Home, Lebanon
- Portland Va
- Roseburg Va

Enjoy what you do for our Veteran and don't forget to report it. If you do something throughout the year that is above what you normally do, please let me know, I would love to attend if possible.

2024-2024 VA&R Year-end Report

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Unit Name and Number _____ District _____

VA&R Chairman and phone number _____

1. How do you support rehabilitation and healing of Veterans through arts, crafts, and hobbies?
2. How do you support Veteran caregivers, family members, and survivors?
3. How have you supported your local VA facility?
4. How have you helped The American Legion, State Department of Veterans Affairs, and Chamber of Commerce to promote job fairs for Veterans and their families?
5. How have you supported Veterans and their families in the community by collaborating with external like-minded organizations such as Honor Flight, Quilts of Valor?
6. What other opportunities have you taken to support your local Veterans and their families in your community?
7. Total hours members volunteered _____
8. Total dollars spent _____
9. Number of Veterans assisted _____
10. Number of "Veterans in Community Schools" presentation. ____
11. Value of in-kind donations received _____
(estimated cash value of non-cash donations from NON- MEMBERS of good or services)
12. Does your Unit have VAVS* volunteers?
How many _____ Hours _____
13. Does you Unit have NEW VAVS volunteers*
How many _____ Hours _____

*A VAVS volunteer is one that regularly volunteers at a VA facility. They must be vetted by the VA.