



Centennial Post 209

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APRIL NEWSLETTER

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ITEM I

I am happy to report that at last Post 209 has a Legion home. For those of you thus far still uninformed--The Bronco Restaurant located at 3032 East Platte Ave. is now the Post home for Centennial Post 209. At the present time it is still being operated solely as a breakfast and lunch restaurant with operating hours of 6 A.M. - 2 P.M., Tuesday thru Sunday. We have future plans for a club operation; however, in the meantime whenever you are out and have the urge for a bite to eat or cup of coffee--stop in the Bronco Restaurant and help your Post. Along with having a Post home comes the responsibility of maintaining and improving it. Beginning last Saturday 6 April 85, we began an afternoon work crew operation. We plan to continue these work sessions for the foreseeable future until we have the facility in tip-top shape. Put it on your calendar that Saturday afternoons the Post will be at the restaurant--cleaning, painting and repairing as necessary. Together, we can all make it happen. You said you wanted a Post home, so now support it; come out and help!

ITEM II

Membership - Many members said they had difficulty recruiting members because we didn't have a Post home. Well, that excuse will no longer suffice. I am still asking each member to recruit at least one new member this year. With the advent of the Direct Mail Solicitation System, this can become very easy. The work to recruit new members was done by National Headquarters and we can reap the benefits of it with a minimum of effort. At present, we have the names and addresses of approximately 75-100 new members who have recently joined the National organization, but who have no local Post affiliation. All we need to do is to contact them and ask them to unite with us. Their dues for this year are already paid, therefore all we need to do is have them fill out a transfer slip. Come out to our next regularly scheduled meeting on 16 April 1985 and I will gladly give you the names and addresses of those residing in your neighborhood or maybe even next door.

ITEM III

Bingo - We are still in the Bingo Business. I realize many of you don't really like Bingo but, neither do I. Nevertheless, it is our greatest money making venture. In view of this, why expect a few members, who also dislike Bingo, to endure the agony for the benefit of the entire organization. I am not asking you to work every week - only once or twice per month and give some of the regulars a night off. After all it's as much your Post as theirs -- Why not help make it the Best!

ITEM IV

Election of Officers - A Nominating Committee was appointed at regularly scheduled March meeting to solicit a slate of nominees for Post officers for the coming year. The report from this Nominating Committee will be made at the regularly scheduled meeting, 16 April 1985. At this time we will accept their nominations along with any that may come from the floor and elect officers for 1985 - 1986 Legion year. If you have any desires to be part of this election process, please be present and make your wishes known. Also, for those of you not present, many of you will be called to accept committee nominations for various committees, so get all of your excuses out of the closet before you are called.

ITEM V

District Convention - District 7 will hold its Spring Convention, 28 April 1985 at Post 5. Make a note on your calendar to attend. Why not get involved.

ITEM VI

Department Convention - The Department of Colorado Annual Convention will convene June 20 - 23, 1985 in Breckenridge, Colorado. It would sure be nice to have Centennial Post 209 well represented at this convention. The Host Post has fewer members than Post 209 and NO Post home.

ITEM VII

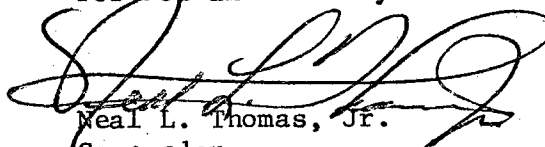
Sick and Shut-Ins - I am proud to report that I know of no sick or shut-in Post members since our last meeting.

ITEM VIII

Meeting - Our next regular scheduled meeting will be held at our new Post home - 3032 East Platte Avenue, starting at 7 P.M. Sharp! Let's get off to a good start in our new Post home. Better yet, invite a friend to attend with you. You asked for it, so now let's make this:

"The Little Post -- Going Places And Doing Big Things."

For God and Country



Neal L. Thomas, Jr.
Commander