



A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION

CENTENNIAL POST 209

"A LITTLE POST GOING PLACES AND DOING BIG THINGS"

AUGUST 1992

FROM THE COMMANDER, FLOYD BUFKIN

On July 18, 1992, I had the pleasure of participating in a beautiful ceremony to dispose of unserviceable U. S. Flags. This ceremony was conducted at American Legion Post 38 and was a joint production of that post and American Legion Post 209. Our Sergeant-at-Arms, Al Lender, was responsible for the making all arrangements and conducting the ceremony. He is to be congratulated for his outstanding work.

Participating in this ceremony made me feel very proud to be a Legionnaire. Your American Legion is in the forefront of activities to promote Americanism and to teach our youths the importance of paying proper tribute to the colors of the United States of America, the greatest nation to ever exist.

As Legionnaires, I urge each of you to take every opportunity to participate in all events which promote Americanism.

Pictures of the ceremony can be seen at the post home.

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DUES \$20.00

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

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SGT-AT-ARMS	COLLETTE PRICE

DUES \$12.00

MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY
7:00 P.M.

POTLUCK DINNER 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

World War I
Apr 6, 1917 - Nov 11, 1918
World War II
Dec 7, 1941 - Dec 31, 1946
Korean War
June 25, 1950 - Jan 31, 1955
Vietnam War
Dec 22, 1961 - May 7, 1975
Granada & Lebanon
Aug 24, 1982 - July 31, 1984
Panama
Dec 20, 1989 - Jan 31, 1990
Persian Gulf
Aug 2, 1990 till end of hostilities

Editors

Dorothy Dassero
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BILL WEEKS, SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Our membership drive is right on schedule, thanks to many of you who have already renewed your 1993 memberships and recruited new members for the Post. We now have 480 members in Centennial Post 209 and have achieved our 30% programmed membership goal prior to the August 13th deadline date. If all of our members who have not yet renewed and received their 1993 membership cards would do so NOW and become "Early Birds," our next programmed goal would be easily achieved and even surpassed. Please give every consideration to renewing your membership with the Post as soon as possible...Let us be a TOTAL "EarlyBird" Post.

In addition, don't slack up on our new member drive. We have done very well so far this year; however, new members are our lifeblood and will be a necessity to support our NEW Post Home. The newly expanded membership eligibility dates have opened the opportunity for numerous veterans to take advantage of the benefits and representation which the American Legion can offer. Please let them know and sign them up.

ADJUTANT ANNOTATIONS by Ann Foster

Some of you may know that I have not been in the office very much during the better part of July. There was a death in my family which took me to California. I also attend an Alumni College Weekend each summer in Ohio where I gain knowledge on various topics. Tacked onto that trip was additional personal business related to the death. I would like to thank all those who have expressed their sympathy to me. Your support shows just how strong a family our Post is. I particularly appreciate that.

While on my second trip, I was able to visit The American Legion Headquarters in Indianapolis for some training and a tour. If you are ever able to be in that area, I heartily recommend the tour to you. There is much history about the beginnings and the progress of our dedicated organization contained within this building. We can be proud of our national home.

Be advised that Department Commander Joe Ross is sponsoring a Spaghetti Lunch Membership Award at the Mid-Year Conference, Saturday, January 30, 1992, at the Raintree Inn in Longmont, Colo. The Post Commander, the Post Membership Director and the Post Adjutant will attend for all posts who meet their target dates for membership. More importantly, all members who sign up twenty or more new members will be invited to attend. Thus, all of you who would like a free lunch have a special goal to attain.

CLUB NEWS

Club participation continues to grow, for which we are all pleased. If you haven't stopped by and taken advantage of the splendid menu available seven days a week, you are encouraged to do so. We have daily specials in addition to our normal menu. As a reminder, the club is open 11:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday and 11:00 to 8:00 on Sundays. Members will notice a slight increase in prices starting in August due to increased costs by our suppliers. We hope our loyal patrons understand our need to reluctantly increase our prices, even slightly.

The club has a 20 cubic foot display freezer for sale. Asking price is \$200.00. If you are interested and would like to make an offer, the freezer can be seen at the club.

AUGUST MEETING

Following the August General Membership meeting, there will be a special presentation by Jeff Stocco of the tax and financial group on the living trust program. If you are interested in learning about this alternative to the normal will, please plan to attend the general membership meeting on Thursday, August 20.

FOR ANYONE WHO IS GOING TO FT LYON on September 12 for "All Patients Day," there will be a bus available.

The bus will depart from the Post Home at 7:30 A.M. We will have breakfast enroute. Lunch will be at Ft Lyon and a picnic after the activities. We will arrive back at the Post Home at approximately 7:00 P.M. There is limited seating so sign up early. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the Post Home. There will be a small charge for renting the bus.

HARRY JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN

AUXILIARY CORNER

BARBARA JOHNSON, PRESIDENT

We had a good turnout for our July meeting. The potluck was delicious. Everyone enjoys tasting the different kinds of food and we are so thrilled when everyone (Legionnaires too) bring their favorite dish. In August, the Legion will furnish the main dish and everyone is asked to bring salad or dessert.

I am sorry I will miss the Florence Nursing Home Birthday Party but God bless all of you faithful for helping Florence and Ireana make it a truly nice day for those Veterans.

If you are interested in being a Chairman of one of our committees, please call me. I would appreciate your help.

It is membership renewal time again. Get yours in early to Dot Dassero.

Post annual picnic is August 1, 11:30 A.M. We will eat at 12:30. Everyone asked to bring salad, vegetable or dessert. Sign up or call the Post.

August 12 is Executive Meeting. Please note this change due to Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo. It is important that all officers attend these meetings. August 20 is regular meeting. September 12 is the Annual All Patients Day at Ft Lyon. Sign-up sheet for the bus is at the Post

Ann says that nine Newsletters were returned because of lack of change of address notification. Please send your change of address to her when you change it with the postmaster.

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

The Auxiliary has the same membership goal dates as the Legion does and we need your dues to be sent in NOW. Please, members, send us a check for \$12.00 for the payment of your 1992-1993 dues...or drop it off with the bartender the next time you are in the club. Membership notices sent by National are delayed due to a need for reprinting. So don't wait...send them now! We are letting the Legion get ahead of us in meeting goal and we want to be "Early Birds" too!

And do notice the change of address request by the secretary. It costs twenty nine cents for every bad address and then you don't get your Newsletter.

Dot Dassero, Membership Chairman

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please type or print:

Mrs/Miss/Ms _____ (Applicant's Full Name) _____ Senior Member (Over 18)
 _____ Junior (DOB: _____)
 _____ (Street Address) _____ (Work/Home Phone)
 _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____ (Unit Number/Location)

I am eligible for membership through the military service of _____ (Full Name)

Living He/she is a member of: _____ (American Legion Post) _____ (Post #) _____ (City) _____ (State)
 Deceased
 Living or Deceased, served in:
 WWI (4/6/17-11/11/18) WWII (12/7/41-12/31/46) Mother Granddaughter
 Korea (6/25/50-1/31/55) Vietnam (12/22/61-5/7/75) Wife Great-Granddaughter
 Grenada/Lebanon (8/24/82-7/31/84) Panama (12/20/89-1/31/90) Sister Self
 Daughter

I certify that the above named individual served at least one day of active duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged.

 (Signature of Applicant) (Date) (Post Officer or Unit Secretary, Local Use Only) (Date)

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July 26 - September 5

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CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
July 26	July 27	July 28 7:30 PM AMVETS MEETING	July 29	July 30	July 31 6:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Aug 1 1:00 PM ANNUAL PICNIC
Aug 2 1:00 PM DIST SEVEN MTG, POST 15	Aug 3	Aug 4 7:00 PM MOMS MEETING	Aug 5 7:00 AM EXEC MTG 5:45 PM CIVITANS MEETING	Aug 6	Aug 7 6:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Aug 8 1:00 PM FT CARSON RETIREE APPRECIATION DAY <i>dnd</i>
Aug 9	Aug 10 8:00 PM 40/8 PROMENADE POST 5	Aug 11	Aug 12 7:00 PM GUN CLUB	Aug 13	Aug 14 6:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Aug 15
Aug 16	Aug 17	Aug 18 7:00 PM MOMS MEETING	Aug 19 5:45 PM CIVITANS MEETING	Aug 20 7:00 PM GEN MBRS MEETING	Aug 21 6:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Aug 22
Aug 23	Aug 24	Aug 25 7:30 PM AMVETS MEETING	Aug 26	Aug 27 7:00 PM GUN CLUB	Aug 28 6:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Aug 29 9:00 AM BINGO MGR TRNG SESSION 5:00 PM BINGO MGR TRNG SESSION <i>Pete AFB APP DAY</i>
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POST OPENS 11:00 AM

7/27/1992