



# Centennial 209 Newsletter

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From the Commander  
Charles Zeitvogel

## Decision Time.

What are your thoughts regarding the future use of the 7.4-acre lot owned by Post 209? The votes of Post 209 Legionnaire members are extremely important in this decision making time. All Post 209 Legion members are again urged to attend our General membership meetings to be heard and counted.

We need to have a quorum to have a valid business meeting. Our Post Constitution & By-laws indicate that 10% of the membership must be present at General Membership meetings to have a quorum. Absentee and mail in ballots are not acceptable.

Members (you, me, and the others) are important to the conduct of business for our Post 209. The American Legion offers many, many opportunities and programs at all levels but for a few exceptions we are all volunteers and it depends on each of us to determine what we do or do not accomplish. By all means, contact Commander Chuck Zeitvogel or Adjutant Ann Foster if you have questions relating to General Membership Meetings or any aspects of this Post's operation. Leave messages on the office voice mail or call the referral phone numbers mentioned.

"We human beings can survive the most difficult of circumstances if we are not forced to stand alone." Support our Post, attend the meetings.  
(Quote from James Dobson)

## Post 209 Annual Picnic:

Check the notice in this newsletter for details about Post 209's annual Picnic details. Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, and Sons of the American Legion of Post 209 are invited and urged to attend. Guests are welcome. This picnic will be as much fun as those in past years.

## Awards and Recognition's:

Post 209 Newsletter and Post History Book received recognition at the Department Convention held in Colorado Springs this past June.

We recognize, Auxiliary member Mrs. Pat Andries, newsletter editor, and Legionnaire Larry Johnson who formatted the newsletters. We also recognize Legionnaire Bill Marshall, Post Historian, for his work in putting the Post History Book together.

Certainly, if not for their dedications and hard work these awards would not have been earned.

Special note and congratulations to Bill Marshall for being elected Department Historian at the Department Convention..

## Blue & Gold Star Banner Program:

Blue & Gold Star banners are still available from Legion Emblem Sales. We thank the Hess family for their work this April, May and June for ordering a supply of these banners and offering them for sale at Wal-Mart Stores in Colorado Springs during May and June. Their entire family participated in this wonderful community service project.

**Post 209  
2002-2003 Officers**

Commander	Chuck Zeitvogel
Sr. Vice Cdr.	Greg Andries
Jr. Vice Cdr.	Bill Marshall
Adjutant	Ann Foster
Finance Officer	
Historian	W. W. Bandler
Sergeant at Arms	Robert Rydell
Chaplain	Howard Hornik
Judge Advocate	Larry Johnson
Service Officer	Tom Morant
Post Exec Committeeman	Neal Thomas
<b>DUES</b>	<b>\$ 30.00</b>

**Auxiliary Unit 209 Officers  
2002-2003**

President	Dot Dassero
Secretary/Treasurer	Barbara Johnson
Chaplain	Marcia Shellhammer
Sergeant at Arms	Ruth Hornik
<b>DUES</b>	<b>\$ 15.00</b>

**Meetings**

<b>Board of Trustees – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 6:30 P.M. at 4291 Austin Bluffs Pkwy Ste 104</b>
<b>Executive Committee Meeting to follow</b>
<b>Post Membership Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at VFW Post 4051, 430 E. Pikes Peak Ave 7:00 P.M.</b>

**Board of Trustees**

Chairman (2 yr)	Neal Thomas
Secretary (1 yr)	Alton Cyriaque
Finance Officer (1 yr)	
Commander (1 yr)	Charles Zeitvogel
Member (2 yr)	Larry Johnson
Member (1 yr)	Francis Redington
Member (3 yr)	Ann Foster
Meets on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday before the Post Executive Committee Meeting at 4291 Austin Bluffs Pkwy Ste 104.	

**Membership Eligibility Dates**

<b>World War I</b> April 6, 1917 – 11 November 1918
<b>World War II</b> December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946
<b>Korean War</b> June 25, 1950 – January 31, 1955
<b>Vietnam War</b> February 28, 1961 – May 7 1975
<b>Grenada &amp; Lebanon</b> August 24, 1982 – July 31, 1984
<b>Panama</b> December 20, 1989 - January 31, 1990
<b>Persian Gulf</b> August 2, 1990 – Until the end of hostilities as set by Congress

**Committees**

Planning, Budget and Planning	Chuck Zeitvogel 719-531-0546
Membership	Greg Andries 719-636-3346
Program and Social Activities	Bill Marshall 719-495-0088
Americanism/Youth/Scouting/Jr. ROTC and Marksmanship	Francis Redington 719-471-3925
Boys State & Oratorical	Bill Marshall 719-495-0088
Legislative & National Security	Neal Thomas 719-392-1510
Veterans Affairs	Tom Morant
Rehabilitation	Howard Hornik 719-596-6345
(Club) Land use, Care & Development	Greg Andries 719-636-3346
<b>ADHOC</b>	<b>COMMITTEES</b>
Constitution & By-Laws	Neal Thomas 719-392-1510
Property Inventory	Ann Foster
Office -	719-599-8624
Storage -	Larry Johnson 719-622-0344
Auxiliary Liaison	Chuck Zeitvogel 719-531-0546
Sons of The American Legion	Larry Johnson 719-622-0344



From the Commander  
Charles Zeitvogel  
(Continued)

Pueblo VA Nursing Home All Patients Activity Day:

The "All Patients Activity Day" at the Pueblo VA Nursing Home is a special day. This year it is scheduled for September 20th. Representatives of veteran and services organization in Colorado will visit and tour this facility, and then put on a small carnival with games for resident patients there to take part in. Patients in the past had memorable/good times with all being winners at the small games conducted at the carnival. Most of the patients talk about these events for months after their being held.

Legionnaires, Auxillary members, and Sons of the American Legion members are cordially invited to take part in this activity. If you are interested in participating in this activity contact Adjutant, Legionnaire Ann Foster, for details.

Membership.

Congratulations to all Legionnaires who joined, renewed, and transferred into Post 209 this past legion year. As Post Commander, I am extremely happy that you are part of Post 209.

I look forward to meeting each member this coming year.

Please be assured that each member is invited to call the office and leave a message as to when it will be convenient for you to come in for a visit. I will do my best to meet with you at that time. I also invite you to attend any of the meetings of the Post.

Serving current and new members is what it's all about, in my opinion. Therefore, it is extremely important that we get to know each member so that member needs can be met within our resources. Again, call at your earliest convenience so that we can meet.

Great  
family  
fun!



FREE!  
FREE!  
FREE!

PIKES PEAK  
BAR-B-Q FESTIVAL  
August 8, 9 & 10, 2003  
Chapel Hills Mall

### Benefit for "Operation Back to School"

Operation Back to School, Holiday Toy distribution, Prescription Plush and Earn-A-Bike is a part of Christmas Unlimited.

Operation Back to School raises money for student's who can't afford school supplies and live within District 11 and a couple of other districts. Earn-a-Bike is for at risk kids. Some of these kids are not allowed to drive a vehicle. They get the opportunity to refurbish two bikes and they will get to keep one of them.

Prescription Plush is a program for the mature adult in Nursing Homes who have no one visiting them. Plush toys are collected and the residents are given an opportunity to choose one.

As stated above they will be doing a Bar-B-Q Festival on Friday 8 August through Sunday, 10 Aug 2003.

Holiday Toy Distribution allows kids who are cash challenged to pick out a toy for the sisters and brothers and maybe something for Mom and Dad.

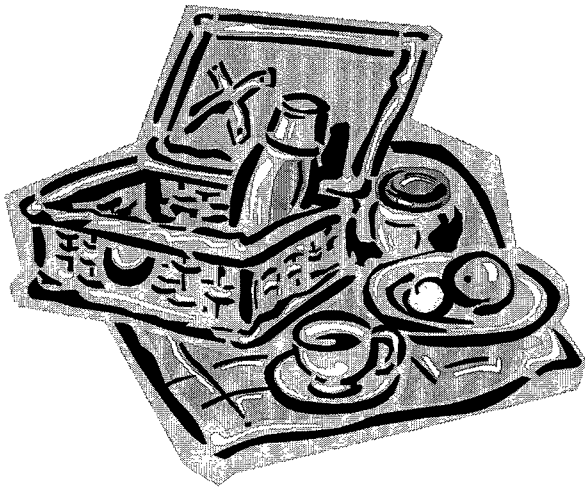
They are having a BBQ Festival from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> of Aug at the Chapel Hills Mall to raise money. Some of the officials from Kansas City BBQ Society will be there to conduct the contest.

Anyone can compete. All it takes is a \$ 150.00 for a participation sight.

Their website is [www.pikespeakbbqfestival.org](http://www.pikespeakbbqfestival.org). You can also go to [www.christmasunlimited.org](http://www.christmasunlimited.org) for further information.

### OPINIONS

On the first day of school, a first-grader handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, "The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents."



The Post picnic will be held on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> on the Post property at the corner of Austin Bluffs and Old Farm Road starting at 9 a.m. Lunch will be around noon. Please bring a favorite covered dish to serve at least ten and non-alcoholic drinks. Larry Johnson will have the grill available to anyone who wants to cook hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken or whatever.

We ask that you bring folding tables and chairs for everyone in your party. There will be a port-o-let at the site.

If you wish to bring horseshoes, badminton, volleyball, baseball or softball equipment, Frisbees, or other outdoor games, please feel free to do so. The Post has some of this for everyone's use.

**A General Membership Meeting will be held at 2:00 P.M. in conjunction with the picnic. This meeting will take the place of the General Membership meeting that was previously scheduled for 21 August.**

If weather does not permit, we will reschedule.

#### KETCHUP

A woman was trying hard to get the ketchup to come out of the jar. During her struggle the phone rang so she asked her 4-year-old daughter to answer the phone.

"It's the minister, Mommy," the child said to her mother. Then she added, "Mommy can't come to the phone to talk to you right now. She's hitting the bottle."

## Something to Pique your Interest

10 Aug	Executive Committee Meeting - 1:00 P.M. Call Commander if you have questions: 531-0546.
17 Aug	209 Annual Picnic – Post property corner of Austin Bluffs Pkwy and Old Farm Dr – start 9:00 A.M. Lunch served at 12:00 P.M. <b>General Meeting to follow the picnic</b> Come on out and enjoy a family picnic - children are encouraged
4 Sep	Board of Trustees Meeting – 4291 Austin Bluffs Pkwy Ste 104 6:30 P.M. Executive meeting to follow
1 Sep	Labor Day – Last day of summer – Party Hardy but please be safe
18 Sep	General Meeting – VFW 4051 – 430 E. Pikes Peak Ave – 7:00 P.M. Subject to Change
2 Oct	Board of Trustees Meeting – 4291 Austin Bluffs Pkwy Ste 104 6:30 P.M. Executive meeting to follow
16 Oct	General Meeting – VFW 4051 – 430 E. Pikes Peak Ave – 7:00 P.M
Nov	Watch for Information on Early Bird Dinner
6 Nov	Board of Trustees Meeting – 4291 Austin Bluffs Pkwy Ste 104 6:30 P.M. Executive meeting to follow
8 Nov	Veterans Day Parade – 9:00 A.M. – Tejon Street
20 Nov	General Meeting – VFW 4051 – 430 E. Pikes Peak Ave – 7:00 P.M
27 Nov	Thanksgiving Day – A time to remember family and friends

**Membership 2004**  
**Senior Vice Commander Greg Andries**

On behalf of the Officers of Centennial Post 209 I would like to express my thanks to those who have renewed their memberships within Centennial 209 and The American Legion for the year 2004. As of 1 August the following Legionnaires have renewed their membership.

Greg Andries	Dennis Edmundson	Herman Hoggenmiller	Lewis Ireland
William Jacobs	Ben Miller	Walter Redington	Glenn Setser
John Siran	Charles Ulmer	Hal Williams	Roy Wytzka
Richard Ausmus	Paul Bailey	John Barbera	George Bassett
Clotilde Brown	Lester Brosset	Christopher Collins	Al Cyriaque
Clifford dufrain	Ann Foster	Ladyhawk Freeman	Harold Fricke
Harold Garber	Armie Gruenewald	John Gutierrez	Michael Henebry
Donald Hyde	Sigurd Jensen	Allen Johnson	Harry Johnson
Janice Johnson	Larry Johnson	John Kneuer	Herman Lauck
Wally Lonsinger	Bill Mahar	Jerry May	William McClinton
William Mook	Luther Moore	Chris Mueller	James Mundt
Fred Niles	Bart Obra	Stanley Palmer	Thomas Paradise
Lynn Porter	George Proeller	Francis Redington	Robert Rydell
June Swearingin	Dave Thomas	Neal Thomas	Bill Weeks
Millicent Young	Stephen Zakaluk	Chuck Zeitvogel	Vernon Amrine
W.W. Bandler	Charles Barnes	Frank Blanchard	John Bode
Arthur Borer	Ernest Brumfield	Edward Buckolz	Robert Cancellieri
James Chester	Charles Clark	Harry Daniels	William Dougherty
Glen DeCarlo	Dennis Dreiling	Ronald Erickson	Mark Gilding
Victor Green	Harvey Grubb	Robert Harrison	Glen Hart
Carl Hatton	Jack Heath	Robert Herbert	Howard Hornik
Henry Kortemeyer	Paige Lanier	Penny Marshall	Bill Marshall
Guy Marzari	William Mc Cullough	George Miller	Dorothy Meyers
George Patterson	Frans Pauli	Kenneth Pierson	David Plenge
David Potter	David Robertson	Helen Rydell	Nelson Sherrard
Ann Sitiko	Lindy Stone	Robert Stryker	Stephen sutton
Jim Thomason	Randy Treet	William Triche	Lester Watson
Richard White	Randy Gulley	James Jones	John Sentena
Eric Sensek	John Snider	William Thurman	Floyd Campbell
D R Harvey	Mario Karson	Arthur Kimbrel	Bennie Torres
David Winarski	James Barker	Mark Davis	Freeman Gibson
Dam McLaughlin	Joseph Ondrejik	Charles Mc Collum	Michael Sawyer
John Stitler	Douglas Bachman	Jimmy Blankenship	Robert Unruh
Ronald Bennett	Carl Elliott	Robert King	Lyle Laabs
Edgar Mills	Daniel Ogan	Peter Sartino	

I would also like to express my thanks to our only Transfer this month, **WILLIAM BROWN.**