

CENTENNIAL POST 209







JANUARY 1994

FROM THE COMMANDER - AL

I hope that everyone had a safe and Happy Holiday. I want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make our Christmas Programs a success, especially Floyd and Regina Bufkin for making and delivering food baskets to the needy and to Harry and Larry Johnson for the wonderful Christmas Party.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our first meeting of the New Year. Don't forget our new meeting place will be at the TREA (Retired Enlisted Association).





FROM THE PRESIDENT - DOT DASSERO

One hundred and one people enjoyed our annual Christmas Party over at VFW 4051. I concur with Harry's expressed opinions of the evening in an article below but let me say thanks go to Leigionnaires and Auxiliary Members Larry Johnson, Chuck, Arlene and Carol Clabber, Harry and Barbara Johnson, Howard and Ruth Hornik. Jim and Marcia Shellhammer for planning, cooking, tables, serving set-up of and generally making the evening I enjoyed it very much. success.

We will initiate new members at the January Meeting so any Auxiliary member who has not been initiated, please attend. Our new meeting place is the TREA Building at 834 Emory, directly behind Ent Federal Credit Union. As I understand it, the meeting area is at the north end of the building, past the Bingo Our By-laws state that we do Hall. allow smoking oralcoholic drinks during the meeting so all are suspended during vices meetings but we will be allowed to socialize afterward in the bar.

Executive Meeting will be Wednesday January 4 at the Post's office.

POST OFFICERS

COMMANDER ALTON CRYIAQUE SR VICE COMMANDER HARRY JOHNSON JR VICE COMMANDER ED MITTAGE ADJUTANT ANN FOSTER LARRY JOHNSON FINANCE OFFICER J. C. SHELLHAMMER HISTORIAN NORMAN HARPOLE SGT-AT-ARMS CHAPLAIN HOWARD HORNIK ERNEST KELLY JUDGE ADVOCATE HARRY MCFADDEN SERVICE OFFICER NEAL THOMAS EXEC COMMITTEEMAN

DUES \$25.00

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT DOROTHY DASSERO
1ST VICE PRESIDENT
2ND VICE PRESIDENT
SECRETARY MARCIA SHELLHAMMER
TREASURER BARBARA JOHNSON
HISTORIAN ROSALIE FRICKE
CHAPLAIN FLORENCE SPIEWAK
SGT-AT-ARMS RUTH HORNIK

DUES \$12.00

MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY - 7:00 P.M. 834 Emory - TREA BLDG

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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

MORE BY HARRY JOHNSON

1994 has come and gone and it hardly seems possible. We had our annual Charistmas Party on December 22nd with a total of one hundred one in attendance. The food was very good and everyone had plenty to eat, the dance floor was crowded, the band was lively and we all had a fine time.

I'm sure that there are times when it has been inconvenient without a post home, however we have been able to enjoy the social functions pretty much as before. The work of the American Legion has carried on...we had the Oratorical contest and Boys State, we went to Fort Lyon and helped our fellow veterans as before.

We have deposited \$10,000 into the building fund as planned and soon after January 1st, will make another deposit to the building fund.

We continue to get new members who want to help their fellow vets and enjoy a little social activity along the way. Our Bingo has done very well this year. The sky didn't fall and we're still here so make your New Year resolution now to get your dues in and be a part of American Legion Post 209. You may

need us to help you one day soon so don't put off sending your membership renewal in.

Our General Meeting will be on January 18, 1994 at 7:00 P.M. at the TREA Building. We will use the TREA's Auxiliary meeting room on the north end of the building, next to the Bingo game room. Plan to atend...you don't know what you will miss if you don't.

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people for their help and time by working Bingo for the last three Tom Morant, Howard and months: Ruth Florence Spiewak, Hornik, Ireana Campbell, Francis Redington, Robin Ewing, Floyd Bufkin, Wally Lonsinger, Harold Fricke, Bill and Hilda Pifer, Jeff and Janice New, Don Hampton, Harry Johnson, Dorrie and Bill Whitmer, Charles Zeitvogel, and Vi Herath.

GOOD NEWS

By the time that we have met in Jaunary I hope to have moved \$10,000 from the Bingo Checking Account into Treasury Bills for a period of one year. We can only do this when we have the support of Post Members in our only money-making venture. members who currently work Bingo have been doing so, in some cases, for seven years. We can always use some transfusions of personnel to Only through your help can fulfil our dream of buillding a Post Come on out...we would love Home. to see you.

LARRY L. JOHNSON BINGO MANAGER

ADJUTANT ANNOTATIONS - ANN FOSTER

As we head into the new year, I hope you had a Merry Christmas. I traveled to Maryland, a nice break from local routine.

Membership was just three away from 55% before I left...every little bit counts, but we are about the lowest in our District now, and definitely the lowest among larger posts. With a new Congress and another party in charge for the first time in 40 years, we can ill afford to slack off in membership. Now more than ever do we need strength in numbers.

If you have not signed up for 1995 yet, this will be your last newsletter until you do. We need your dues to help pay for this important communication too.

Mid-Year Conference will be 27-29 January at the Raintree Plaza in Longmont. There are many different workshops scheduled which might be just what you are looking for to be a more informed Legionnaire. Plan now to attend if you have not already made your reservation.

MEMBERSHIP - BARBARA JOHNSON

HAPPY NEW YEAR! As of now, our membership stands at 43 and our goal is 89. If you haven't renewed your membership, now is the time! After December 31, you will be delinquent.

PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY - RUTH HORNIK, CHAIRMAN

The Parley will have its annual meeting at the Home Town Buffet in the Mall of the Bluffs on February 7 at 1:00 P.M. All members of the Auxiliary are invited to meet with us, enjoy lunch and be aware of our commitment to Nurses Scholarship program.

FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES

I am enclosing a schedule of personnel who have volunteered their time for the month of January 1995. You will see that there are some spaces open, and we need your help. I am requesting you to please do some soul-searching and see if you can't give the Post a couple of hours at least ONCE A MONTH as that would help greatly. If you find that you can help, please call Larry Johnson at work 526-9093 or home 590-1369, and I will get back with you.

BINGO WORKERS SCHEDULE JANUARY 1995

	1ST WEEK JAN 6	2ND WEEK JAN 13	3RD WEEK JAN 20	4TH WEEK 5TH WEEK JAN 27
CHECK VERIFICATION		HARRY J.		HARRY J.
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FLOOR WALKER FLOOR WALKER			WALLY L.	WALLY L.
CALLER CALLER				
GAMES MANAGER	LARRY J.	FRANCIS R	. LARRY J.	FRANCIS R.

LARRY JOHNSON BINGO CHAIRMAN

January 1995 CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

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15	16 Martin Luther King, Jr. 7:30pm 8 & 40 MTG POST 5	17	18	6:00pm GENERAL ME- MBERSHIP MEETING REA	7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	21
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