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As I complete my first term as your Post Commander, I reflect upon the many accomplishments of the past year. Especially noteworthy are our wonderful achievements in membership. AIl of those who contributed to this outstanding effort are to be congratulated.

Another major achievement of the past year was the updating of the Constitution and By-Laws and the approval of forming a Board of Trustees. Due to this, we can now begin to move forward towards our goal of having our own Post Home.

But, of all of my wonderful memories of the past year, I think the one that stands out the most is the Flag Disposal Ceremony put together by our Sergeant-at-Arms, Al Lender.

I am looking forward to serving another year as your Post Commander, and $I$ know that this next year will be every bit as exciting and fulfilling. We have a lot of work to do and I hope more of you will get involved in the activities necessary to support the post and the many programs of the American Legion.

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The upcoming events at the club are as following:

TEX-MEX DINNER AND SQUARE DANCE WIII
be May 15. Cost is $\$ 5.00$ per person. Cocktails at 6:30 with dinner at 7:00 P.m. and the square dance at 8:00 P.im. This is going to be a fun event so mark your calendar and don"t miss it.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS for 19931994 will be May 22. 1993. Cocktails at 6:30, dinner at 7:00. The installation will take place following dinner. The menu will be Rock Cornish hen or ham. The cost will be $\$ 7.50$. There will be a signmup sheet in the post Home so we can plan for food. The cut-off date for reservations is May 20 . Your reservation must be made by that date.

The ANNUAL STEAK FRY AND DANCE Will be on June 5. We will serve the steak of your choice (you cook it), baked potato. salad and dessert. The band will be Bill Boyt, a fourpiece combo. This band played at the District Ball and they are really danceable. The charcoal will be ready to start cooking at 6:00 P.M. With the dance beginning at 8:00. Cost will be $\$ 8.00$ per person advance sale, $\$ 9.00$ if you pay at the door. A sign-up sheet will be in the post Home for your reservation.

The daily drawings will be made during Happy Hour each day. If you sign up after that time, it will make you eligible for the next day"s drawing.

## POST OFFICERS

COMMANDER
SR VICE COMMANDER
JR VICE COMMANDER
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FINANCE OFFICER
HISTORIAN
SGT-AT-ARMS
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EXEC COMMTTEEMAN

FLOYD BUFKIN
al CYRIAquE george carnes ANN FOSTER HARRY JOHNSON

Al lender
tom haban
LARRY JOHNSON
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DUES $\$ 20.00$

## AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT IST VICE PRESIDENT DOROTHY DASSERO 2ND YICE PRESIDENT LOIS EGNOR secretary CORR SECRETARY TREASURER HISTORIAN CHAPLAIN SGT-AT-ARMS

MARCIA SHELLHAMMER collette price

DUES $\$ 12.00$

## MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY - 7:00 p.m.
POTLUCK DINNER - 6:00 p.m.

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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
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Dec 22. 1961-May 7, 1975 Granada \& Lebanon
Aug 24, 1982 - July 31, 1984
Panama
Dec 20, 1989-Jam 31, 1990 Persian Gulf
Aug 2: 1990 till end of hostilities
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Last month I mentioned that The Department of Colorado would likely have reached the $100 \%$ goal for membership by the time the Newsletter went out. I am very glad to report they did indeed and have gone on to $102.08 \%$. Idaho is currently in first place so we would naturally like to get ahead of them. Therefore, we want to encourage everyone to keep on recruiting. Our post membership stands at 508 and 124.81\% of our goal. Many thanks to our hardworking recruiters. Since the deadline for recruiting awards has passed, there will be no more reports of recruiting results until after the new membership drive starts up.

The election of officers for our coming Legion year was held at the 15 April General Meeting and the results are as follows: Commander, Floyd Bufkin; Sr. Vice Commander, Al Cyriaque, Jr.; Jr. Vice Commander. Harry Johnson: Adjutant, Ann Foster: Finance Officer, Larry Johnson: Sgt-at-Arms, Al Lender; Chaplain, Howard Hornik; Historian, Kenneth "Andy" Anderson; and post Executive Committeeman, Neal Thomas. Commander Bufkin made the following appointments: Service Officer, Ted Riddle and Judge Advocate, George Carnes. The election of the Board
of Trustees was also held and its members are: Wallace Lonsinger, 1 year: William Pifer, 1 year; Howard Hornik, 2 years; June Thomas, 2 years; and Neal Thomas, 3 years.

At the Arthritis Telethon held on 18 April on Channel 21, telephones were manned by Neal Thomas, Floyd Bufkin, Norm Harpole, June Thomas, Al Cyriaque, Al Lender, Sue Farrell and Don McGruder. Neal Thomas, Chairman for our local area, presented a check for $\$ 500.00$ from the Department of Colorado and Commander Bufkin presented a check for $\$ 50.00$ from Post 209. A $\$ 628.00$ check was presented by Megt James $p$. Woehl and AlC Robert Chesiic representing the Soth Security police Squadron, Falcon AFB who held a Bowl-awthon. We thank them for participating.

The first three weekends of June will find more than 70,000 volunteers in nearly 12,000 supermarkets nationwide for the Fight Against blindness. Volunteers of The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion will be at the entrance to the stores, distributing high-value coupons for kellogg cereals.

Retinitis pigmentosa (RP) is a group of degenerative eye diseases which affect all age levels but usually starts very early in life. It can graduallly decrease vision in a tunnel effect as if you were looking through a telescope in which the circle gets smaller and smaller. It is estimated that one out of 80 people carries a recessive gene for RP. Presently, there is no cure and is an inherited disease. The National RP Foundation decided to request the assistance of The American Legion family in a massive fundraising and public awareness program. The Kellogg Company decided to help by associating its products to be used with this effort. Thus, the plan known as the

Fight Against Blindness could be put together by combining these resources to launch this largest volunteer-driven coupon distribution program in the nation.

Our Legion family will provide volunteers for June 4-5 and June 18 20 to distribute coupons at the king Soopers Woodmen Road store. A donation will be made by Kellogg"s to the Retinitis pigmentosa Foundation and to The American Legion Child Welfare foundation for every store that is covered. The Legion family volunteers do not solicit money! They only hand out money-saving Kellogg"s coupons.

Your help to hand out coupons is needed. There is a sign-up list near the telephone in the club or you could call 591-1952 or 591-227. If enough people volunteer, the times will be very short. volunteers will receive a distinctive lapel pin and the satisfaction that two foundations which help children will benefit! Helping others is what we do.... and we do it better than anyone.

 ramuly will hold its ceremonies honoring men from Colorado still missing in action from the Southeast Asia conflict on the date of each man"s birthday; 6:00 P.M. at the war Memorial, Memorial Park. Following is a list of those to be honored in May on his birthdate: Jon $E$. Swanson, May 1: James E. Hamm, May 4; Leo s. Boston, May 12: Roger D. Helwig, May 17; Claude A. Silva, May 12; Phillip R. Shafer, May 13; Gilliand W. Corbitt, May 26; Victor J. Apodaca, May 31.

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## AUXILIARY NEWS

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At our April meeting, officers were elected for 1993-1994. They are: President Barbara Johnson, 1st vice President Dorothy Dassero, 2nd Vice President Lois Egnor, Secretary Joy Feid, Corresponding Secretary, Marcia Shellhammer, Chaplain Maria Sandoval, Sgt-at-Arms Ireana Campbell.

District Convention will be May 2 at Security post 38 . May is poppy month. Wear a poppy and support our Veterans.

May 5-Exec Meeting 7:00 P.M.
May 15 - Tex-Mex Dinmer and Square Dance $\$ 5.00$ per person
May 20 - Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M.
May 22 - Installation - Dinner $\$ 7.50$ per person. Come and welcome your new officers.
June 2 - Exec Meeting
June 5 - Steak Fry $\$ 8.00$ Dinner at 6:00 P.M. Dance 8:00-12:00
June 24-28-Department Convention Estes Park

If you didn"t get cookies for $F t$. Lyon to us earlier, please bring them to the May regular meeting.

Officers, please return your pins by the next meeting.

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Our membership now stands at 85 with two applications in hand to be voted on at the May meeting. Our goal is 89 so hopefully we"ll make it. Perhaps you may have a daughter or granddaughter to submit as a prospective member. we would appreciate it but please do it before the next meeting as that will be the last date for accepting membership.
please volunteer to help with handing out coupons at the kings Soopers store. you can give an hour or two of your time to assist in this project. Then the Fight Against Blindness and the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation will benefit from the donation which will be made by the Kellogg Company.

Some good times are ahead of us in May and June. If you like square dancing or want to learn, come to the Tex-mex dinner.

The installation of officers is always an impressive ceremony and the band hired for the steak fry is really good. They played for the District Ball and all of us who were in attendance enjoyed them very much. They play everything.

Be sure you make your required reservations for the listed activities.

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Election of officers for the coming year was held at the April meeting of Pikes Peak Salon, 8 et 40.

Elected as La Petit Chapeau was Dot Dassero, Le demi Premier Chapeau, Ireana Campbell, Le demi Deuxieme, Ruth Hornik, L"Aumonier, Barbara Johnson, Le Concierge, Linda Watts.

Appointed were Betty Andrews, La Secretaire, Barbara Watts, La Cassiere and L'Avocate Katherine Jones. Mae Dillon is Chapeau Passe and Departmental Pouvoir.

Installation will be at 6:30 on May 17 at Furrs Cafeteria, in the Pikes Peak plaza.

## May 1993 <br> CENTENNIAL 209 EVENTS



## June 1993

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[^0]:    Our sympathies to Department Commander Joe Ross on the death of his mother.

