



**CENTENNIAL POST 209
THE AMERICAN LEGION**



OCTOBER 1994

**FROM THE COMMANDER - AL
CYRIAQUE**

Just to let everyone know the Fort Lyon All Patients Activity Day was very successful. We donated \$500 toward the hospital operation. The weather was lovely and the veterans really had a great time.

At our General Membership Meeting Thursday, October 20, the District Officers will visit. Come on out and meet the new district officers.

Oh, by the way, we still need help for Bingo. If you can work a Friday evening, call the Post and leave a message for the Bingo chairman, Larry Johnson. I'm sure he'll be glad to have you. (Ed Note: A reminder that all of our Bingo workers must be a member of the Post or Auxiliary to work Bingo...a sneaky way to remind you to pay your dues.)

Don't forget Monday, October 10th, is Columbus Day...ENJOY!!

Monday, October 31st is Halloween...Be especially watchful for our little Goblins!

**FROM THE PRESIDENT - DOT
DASSERO**

Commander Al has noted in his column that the District Officers will be visiting our meetings in October. We will not have a potluck that night as many of the officers come in from out of town and could not get there that early. We will, however, serve cake and coffee after the meetings. Please plan to attend the meeting as we would like to show these District Officers that we are still a working Unit, albeit a small one, and do plan to stay for cake and socialize with our District people.

Barbara Johnson, Membership Chairman, informs me that our renewals stand at 28. That's 31%...Department has set our goal at 89 this year. We need your renewals to help finance our programs.

Ruth Hornick, Past President Parley Chairman, is asking the Past Presidents to remember to send their fifty cent dues along with their Auxiliary dues. She is scheduling a luncheon for the Past Presidents in February and all of our members will be invited to attend. Also, our Unit makes a donation each year to Department for the Past Presidents Scholarship. Anyone wishing to can make a donation to that fund, either a personal one, through the Parley or the Unit. It would be appreciated.



POST OFFICERS

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

DUES \$25.00

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

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.
DESSERT

EDITOR

DOROTHY DASSERO, NALPA

MORE BY HARRY JOHNSON

If you read your September copy of the Legion magazine, you could discover many more reasons for you to be a member of the American Legion, and more of the reasons why I am a member. I see no point in rewriting what someone else with more talent has already stated, so for my part, I will continue to be proud to be a Legionnaire and encourage each of you to renew your membership this year and each year to come. It is good for you, good for your comrades, and good for your country.

The trip to Cripple Creek was cancelled because we were unable to get 35 to sign up.

The Fort Lyon trip was very successful. This is one of the highlights of the post's activities each year. If you didn't go, make plans now to attend next year.

With the writing of this newsletter article, I will have completed my obligation in planning the social events. As Jr Vice Commander, Ed Mittage will be planning the social events for the balance of the year.

ADJUTANT ANNOTATIONS - Ann Foster

Membership now stands at 198. We just need three more for 40%. We certainly appreciate your renewals but they have slowed down a bit. The next Department goal date is 14 October for 50% which is another 50 members for us. Since the last goal date was 15 September, and we have not yet reached that goal, I am concerned about reaching the next goal. Please try to sign up one new member and/or encourage someone to renew if you know they have not.

Speaking of new members, our semi-annual initiation of these Legionnaires and those who have never been initiated has been set for the 17 November General Meeting. We have done this event in October before but it was felt that it might be easier to do this ceremony the month after the District visitation. This way we can do a better job of keeping the meetings from being too long while at the same time making initiation the priority it ought to be. If you might like to participate, please write or call us not later than 10 November. The number and address are listed on the inside page. Leave your name and a number where we can reach you regarding any last minute details.

I would also like to say how enjoyable the All Patient Activity Day at the VA Medical Center in Fort Lyon was for all who attended. Our Penny Pitch booth is enjoyed by the veterans playing as well as those of us who man it.

Enclosed in this issue is a copy of a letter to the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee petitioning for a POW/MIA postage stamp. We encourage you to fill this out and send it to the address shown in the letter. This is a very important issue for all Legionnaires and all veterans.

Our next Executive Committee Meeting will be 5 October at the Post's Office at 7:00 p.m. As Commander Al Cyriaque and President Dot Dassero have stated, the next General Meeting will be 20 October, and we will be visited by the officers of District 7. Join us while we hear about events planned for the coming year.

GULF SCREENINGS OFFERED

The Gazette Telegraph reports that the Pentagon has begun providing medical screenings for veterans of the 1991 Persian Gulf War who developed unexplained ailments during and after the conflict. Clinics at Fort Carson, Peterson Air Force Base and the Air Force Academy are scheduling appointments for active duty personnel, civilian employees and families who think their illnesses might be connected to gulf war duty. Initial examinations will be conducted at the local clinics. If a diagnosis can't be provided, patients will be sent to Fitzsimmons Army Regional Medical Center for more thorough exams. The screenings are provided as part of a military-wide program to assess the nature of gulf-related illnesses and provide treatment.

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:

- * Army personnel, retirees, civilian workers and families - 526-7197
- * Air Force Academy personnel, retirees, civilian workers and families - 472-5204
- * Peterson Air Force Base personnel, retirees, civilian workers and families - 556-1200
- * To seek an exam through Veteran Affairs - 303-399-8020 Ext 2807, 2330 or 2331
- * Service members not currently eligible for treatment at military clinics: Defense Manpower Data Center hotline - 1-800-796-9699



TO: Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW; Room 5800
Washington, DC 20260

SUBJECT: Perpetual Stamp for All POW/MIAs of All Wars

I, _____, am an American citizen and do hereby petition the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee, et al, to create and print a perpetual postage stamp in honor of the POW/MIAs from ALL wars, to be sold at first class rates for one ounce, at whatever current rates apply.

Said stamp should be made in the image of the universally recognized POW/MIA design which portrays a shield outlined in white with a black background. The letters POW/MIA are printed in white at the top of the shield with a five pointed star in between the POW and MIA. Underneath that is the white circle with the male silhouette of a bowed head and the silhouette of a guard tower in the background with a guard and weapon in place. Crossing in front of the male silhouette is a distinct piece of barbed wire and underneath is the symbolic roman olive-leaf open wreath which overrides the words "YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN" The symbol is pictured.

SIGNATURE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

SUNDAY

MONDAY






TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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9	10 Columbus Day (Observed)  8:00pm 40/8 MTG	11	12	13  50% TARGET DATE TO DEPT	14 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	15
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Halloween


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VOLUNTEERS ARE WONDERFUL CAN YOU HELP

9/27/1994