

# CENTENNIAL POST 209 THE AMERICAN LEGION

OCTOBER 1997

LEGION NEWS  
HARRY MCFADDEN  
COMMANDER

Next month we will be halfway through the year of 1997-98.

At 2:00 PM., at Post 38 in Security, our Department Commander Doug Woodell will be visiting. This will be the occasion of our Fall Conference so let's have a large delegation from our Post.

On Saturday, October 11, there is a picnic scheduled at the Florence Nursing Home and we've been asked to assist Legion Post 38 and the District American Legion Riders Association with the picnic.

We're not finished yet as on Saturday, November 8, the Veterans Day Parade will be held in downtown Colorado Springs. The theme for the parade is "In Their Honor." Parade begins at 10:00 A.M. and we'll need to be there by 9:00. Hopefully we will have a marching unit plus the Post's stationwagon. You may either march in the parade or ride. If you are interested, please contact the Post, 599-8624, or call Mac at

591-7606. Your Commander will appreciate your support for Post 209 and The American Legion.

We, meaning our Post, were represented at the 79th National American Legion Convention in Orlando, Florida by your Post Commander, Adjutant Ann Foster and Executive Committeeman Neal Thomas.

The word of wisdom for October is: We tap into God's power through prayer.

#### Teamwork

Coming together is a beginning but working together is then a success.



### OFFICERS

COMMANDER	HARRY MCFADDEN
SR VICE COMMANDER	FLOYD BUTKIN
JR VICE COMMANDER	FRANCIS REDINGTON
ADJUTANT	ANN FOSTER
FINANCE OFFICER	HARRY JOHNSON
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SGT AT ARMS	NORM HARPOLE
CHAPLAIN	HOWARD HORNIK
JUDGE ADVOCATE	WALLY LONSINGER
SERVICE OFFICER	
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  
JUN 25, 1950 - JAN 31, 1956  
VIETNAM WAR  
DEC 22, 1961 - MAY 7, 1975  
GRENADA & LEBANON  
AUG 24, 1982 - JUL 31, 1984  
PANAMA  
DEC 20, 1989 - JAN 31, 1990  
PERSIAN GULF  
AUG 2, 1990 UNTIL THE  
END OF HOSTILITIES

### AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	DOROTHY DASSERO
1ST VICE PRESIDENT	
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	
SECRETARY	RUTH HORNIK
TREASURER	BARBARA JOHNSON
HISTORIAN	
CHAPLAIN	JUDITH MCFADDEN
SGT AT ARMS	MARCIA SHELLHAMMER

DUES \$15.00

### ADJUTANT'S ANNOTATIONS ANN FOSTER

Membership is coming along steadily. We now have 181 which puts us well over 55%, just 8 away from 60%. We need to continue this effort as the need for 75% for Department is not far away.

National Convention at Orlando was a busy time but very well run. The Orlando Convention Center is huge but our activities were pretty much confined to one end. Orlando is beautiful but very warm. Shorts were definitely the thing to wear when not occupied with Legion business. There were two pools at our hotel and they saw a lot of use.

Newt Gingrich, General Shalikhvili and Secretary of Defense William Cohen were key speakers. Robert Dole received an American Legion award for his contributions to the nation. Many

### MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY - 7:00 P.M.  
DAV POST #26 PALMER PARK & PETERSON RD.

### EDITOR

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resolutions were submitted and will be covered in upcoming American Legion publications.

I attended the VA & R committee meetings. We had briefings from many who work for VA and the main thing that was apparent was how VA is working to do a good job with less money and fewer people. We need to support the GI Bill of Health which The American Legion presented to Congress. It would allow VA to take care of all veterans, not just those who pass a Means test.

The District 7 Fall Conference on 5 October at 2:00 p.m. is more than information from the convention. There will also be training available about Legion programs, meetings, etc. If you have an interest in what goes on in Legion, this is the time to come and find out. Light refreshments will be available afterwards.

Commander McFadden and Jr Vice Commander Redington will be attending Oratorical Training, Sunday, 12 October. This would be a good opportunity for those of you looking for your niche in a Legion program. National is very pleased that the Department of Colorado presents training for those working with the Oratorical program as it enhances the experience of the high school students participating. If you would like to attend, please contact the Commander at 591-7606.

The Budget for the coming year for our Post, and a balance sheet are included in this Newsletter. If you have questions, please contact the Finance Officer Harry Johnson at 596-9261.

AUXILIARY NEWS  
DOT DASSERO, PRESIDENT

Membership is coming now. Please lets get it in as soon as possible.

The budget was voted on at our last meeting and the treasurer, Barbara, was directed to begin paying our yearly obligations, such as District dues, the District 7 assessment, the Past President's Parley Scholarship, to name a few. Money was allocated for the Chaplain, Americanism chairman, sewing for veterans in the Florence Nursing Home and Fort Lyon which some of our member do, and many other items.

Initiation was postponed to the October meeting one so if you have not been initiated, please call me at 598-2377 and let me know so we can plan on a number.

The bus trip to Fort Lyon was a fun one as usual. A storm prevented us from attending the barbeque after the event and heading for home instead. We stopped at a drive-in in Pueblo as SOME of us were expiring from hunger. All in all, it was a good day; the patients gained from it and that was the whole thing. Ruth Hornik and Judy McFadden distributed canteen books to patients in the hospital who were unable to go outside. We left hot and tired but with a feeling of self-satisfaction.

## ACTIVITIES AND OTHER SIMILAR STUFF

October 1 - Executive Meeting  
October 5 - Fall Conference, Post  
38 Security, 2:00 p.m.  
October 11 - Picnic at Florence  
Nursing Home  
October 16 - Regular Meeting

## Fundraising Activities Larry Johnson, Chairman

Our fundraising activities for the Post are going very well. We keep having crowds of over 170 players per night, and seem to have some of the pulltab players back as well.

The problem we are experiencing is that we don't have enough workers to support the players on any given night. I have expounded upon this quite often and realize that there are a number of you that have compelling reasons for not assisting with Bingo. However, I do know that there are a number of you who, when you read the newsletters, say to yourself that one of these days I will have to see what it's all about. Well, one of these days has arrived. In the past few months, we have lost a few really good and faithful workers, workers whom we could count every Friday night, and it is really beginning to hurt our fundraising activities. We need you. Please come out and give us a chance. Thank you.

I know that it is nice to know that you are wanted and more importantly, needed. There are many times in life that people feel that they have no purpose, and they give up and live from day to day. Make a change, come out to the bingo hall located behind Ent Federal Credit Union on Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. We sure can make you feel welcome and needed.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES Larry Johnson, President

The Board of Trustees meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (just before the Post Executive meeting at 7:00 p.m).

At the last general membership meeting, a question was asked about what are we doing with the post property sale.

The committee has decided that we will be listing with three (3) realtors for the sale of the property. Before that could be accomplished, we needed to have answers to some questions, such as just how much our property is worth, and some other technical problems before doing the official letter and agreement.

If you have questions concerning this, or have other questions, please feel free to come to the general membership meeting, at the DAV Post 26 on the corner of Palmer Park and Peterson Road, 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The Board of Trustees will gladly discuss this with you.

**Budget Report**  
7/1/97 Through 6/30/98

9/16/97  
AMLEG98-All Accounts

Category Description	7/1/97 Actual	Budget	6/30/98 Diff
<b>INCOME/EXPENSE</b>			
<b>INCOME</b>			
BINGO	17,002.00	83,000.00	-65,998.00
DIVIDEND	596.82	2,500.00	-1,903.18
DONATION RODEO	0.00	200.00	-200.00
DUES	3,100.00	8,797.00	-5,697.00
EMBLEM RECEIPTS	0.00	250.00	-250.00
T-BILLS	0.00	500.00	-500.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>20,698.82</b>	<b>95,247.00</b>	<b>-74,548.18</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
ACCOUNTING	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
AUXILIARY	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
B-DAY DINNER	0.00	500.00	500.00
BASEBALL	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
BINGO HALL RENT	2,700.00	15,600.00	12,900.00
BINGO LIC RENEW	0.00	65.00	65.00
BINGO PACKETS	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
BINGO SUPPLIES	1,352.93	300.00	-1,052.93
BINGO TAXES	338.44	3,000.00	2,661.56
BOYS SCOUTS	0.00	100.00	100.00
BOYS STATE	0.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
BUS RENTAL	0.00	300.00	300.00
CAR EXPENSES	342.67	500.00	157.33
CDR TRAVEL EXP	50.00	250.00	200.00
CHAPLAIN	15.00	200.00	185.00
CHILD & YOUTH	0.00	500.00	500.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	0.00	500.00	500.00
COPIER RENTAL	124.18	750.00	625.82
CORP FILING	0.00	75.00	75.00
DELEGATE FEES	0.00	200.00	200.00
DIST 7 HOSP RM	0.00	100.00	100.00
DON FORT LYON	500.00	500.00	0.00
DUES & SUBSCRIP	0.00	200.00	200.00
EARLYBIRD DNR	0.00	500.00	500.00
EMBLEM ORDERS	50.50	200.00	149.50
EQUIP MAINT	0.00	500.00	500.00
FLAGS	0.00	600.00	600.00
GAS CARD	6.98	200.00	193.02
GIFTS & AWARDS	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
HISTORIAN EXPEN	0.00	100.00	100.00
INSTALLATION	0.00	500.00	500.00
INSURANCE EXP	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
INTERENT EXP	0.00	180.00	180.00
LAWYER EXP	37.50	500.00	462.50
MAIL PERMIT	0.00	85.00	85.00
MEMBERSHIP EXP	0.00	500.00	500.00
NAT'L EMER FUND	0.00	100.00	100.00
NEWSLETTER	185.25	2,000.00	1,814.75
OFFICE EQUIP	0.00	500.00	500.00
OFFICE RENT	950.00	6,000.00	5,050.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	21.10	1,000.00	978.90
ORATORICAL EXP	0.00	150.00	150.00
P.O. BOX RENT	0.00	50.00	50.00
PER CAPITA	2,634.00	7,000.00	4,366.00
PERM MBRSHP	0.00	350.00	350.00
PICNIC	269.35	500.00	230.65
POSTAGE	0.00	500.00	500.00
PP VETS FOOD	0.00	200.00	200.00

**Budget Report**  
7/1/97 Through 6/30/98

9/16/97  
AMLEG98-All Accounts

Category Description	7/1/97 Actual	- Budget	6/30/98 Diff
PRINTING	0.00	500.00	500.00
PROP MAINT	148.00	600.00	452.00
PROPERTY TAX	0.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
PULLTABS EXP	801.11	20,000.00	19,198.89
RETURN MAIL	0.00	200.00	200.00
SAFE DEPOSIT	0.00	25.00	25.00
SATELITE CLINIC	0.00	150.00	150.00
STAMPS	96.00	300.00	204.00
STORAGE EXP	0.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
SVC OFFCR EXP	0.00	200.00	200.00
T-SHIRTS	513.24	500.00	-13.24
TALLY SHEETS	0.00	200.00	200.00
TELEPHONE EXP	133.94	700.00	566.06
TRAINING EXP	0.00	250.00	250.00
VET REHAB	0.00	125.00	125.00
VET SPT P-1919	0.00	125.00	125.00
X-MAS BASKETS	0.00	500.00	500.00
X-MAS PARTY	0.00	500.00	500.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>11,270.19</b>	<b>87,430.00</b>	<b>76,159.81</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME/EXPENSE</b>	<b>9,428.63</b>	<b>7,817.00</b>	<b>1,611.63</b>

**Balance Sheet**  
As of 9/16/97

9/16/97  
AMLEG98-All Accounts

Acct	9/16/97 Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
BINGO ACCT CHK	33,971.81
BLDG PRIME	45.76
CLUB ACCT CHECK	33.79
CLUB ACCT SAV	7.24
DAILY CASH BLDG	32,833.79
GEN FND CHECK	11,228.86
GEN FUND SAV	1,146.72
<b>Total Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>79,267.97</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	
BLDG FUND CD	5,343.93
GEN FND CD 1	1,954.73
GEN FND CD 2	1,209.12
GEN FND CD 3	1,086.63
LAND	75,000.00
T-BILL ACCT	9,333.67
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<b>93,928.08</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>173,196.05</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>	<b>173,196.05</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>173,196.05</b>