



A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION CENTENNIAL POST 209

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FROM THE COMMANDER

Hi Legionnaires:

This is an exciting month, especially since we are initiating new members into our Post. We are looking forward to putting faces to the many names we have acquired over the past year. Don't forget to call you name in to the Post (591-2272) by September 15th to let us know you plan to be initiated on September 19th!

There is a saying, "You have to catch a fish before you can scale him". Now that you are members of this great organization, I feel we must inform you of its many programs and that work that is being done within the American Legion. I encourage you to read your LEGIONNAIRE, which is our State American Legion Newspaper and THE AMERICAN LEGION MAGAZINE, the third best selling magazine in the nation. One of our Past Post and Past Department Commanders is on the commission of that magazine, Neal Thomas. This is the way we keep up with our benefits as veterans, nursing home openings, and what is going on throughout the state and nation. When we are informed, we are knowledgeable and participate, we become a viable part of the organization.

We have designed an eight by ten calendar of events to be placed somewhere in your home. It contains all Post activities, menus and scheduled meetings. This is to assist you in planning your time to join us as much as possible.

You will notice our BINGO Night, our largest money-making project which is held each Friday at the Retired Enlisted Association hall at 7:00 PM. Our Games Manager, Max Hoyer, puts a lot of time and effort into this project. His main concern each week is getting enough workers out (callers, cashiers, floor workers, and runners to present the prizes, etc.) to successfully carry out his mission. The BINGO Committee Chairman, Larry Johnson, has selected four Team Captains who will be calling on you for help. We would appreciate your calling the Post to volunteer your time and service. We have

purchased land and plan to build a post home in the coming year. Help us to raise these funds by calling our Post Home (591-2272) and leaving your name and number so that our Team Captains can contact you. There is strength in unity...and **TOGETHER, we are WINNERS!**

We also have a requirement for good used clothing to help those families in need of warm clothes for the upcoming season. If you have any "too small", "too large", or "just not me" items in your closet, please donate them to the Post Clothing drive. What you may not need might be just the thing for a family who is not as fortunate this year. We also accept jewelry that you may be tired of wearing. This should be brought to the Post Home no later than September 13th. Please help us help someone.

June Thomas
Commander

DID YOU KNOW

The American Legion was the architect of the landmark Bill currently awaiting sponsorship on Capitol Hill known as the Desert Storm Servicemember's Act of 1991? This Bill will provide the Desert Storm veterans with the same rightful benefits as our Government provided to veterans of earlier military engagements. The goal of this Bill is to re-establish the spirit of the original GI BILL and to provide the Gulf War veterans with an adequate educational initiative. The action is currently drawing interest in Congressional circles but could use some "grassroots" Legion involvement through your elected officials.

FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER:

Membership is moving right along. We have already accomplished our thirty percent goal and we are well on our way toward the fifty percent mark. If you have not renewed, we would appreciate it if you would do so at the earliest moment. You should not let your membership lapse and then start all over again. Keep your years intact. You might even know a veteran you would like to ask to join our Post and attend our meetings together as friends and members. We have a wide variety of veterans and your friend may really appreciate being an element of our organization and have something to offer in our progress in the American Legion.

FROM THE CLUB

Here is a list of some of the names that were drawn but did not sign in. You may just see your name here. Wanda McCoy, Larry L. Johnson, Gregg Anderson, Larry Nelson, Edward L. Curry, Thomas Haban, Kenneth M. Kerchhofer, and Max Cramer. These people could have won some money so be sure and come in and sign in and see if you could be drawn that night. See our new menu in the lower portion of the Post Calendar. Our specials are in deed mouthwatering selections and at a very good price. A lot of people have found out they can eat lunch at the Post a lot cheaper than most places around.

Club Manager.

FROM THE JR. VICE COMMANDER

This month's calendar lists the events for the month of September but just maybe you might be interested in what is planned so far into November.

- 7 SEPTEMBER - Fort Lyons trip. Contact the Post for more details on a worthwhile event.
- 14 SEPTEMBER - LIVE BAND AND DINNER: "DRIFTWOOD WILLY" will provide the music from 8 - 12 PM and Dinner will be served from 6 - 8 PM by the ladies of the Auxiliary. The menu is Sloppy Joes with Pot Luck salads. All this for only \$4.00 per person.
- 26 OCTOBER - HALLOWEEN DANCE: Entertainment by "THE DUNNS"
- 9 NOVEMBER - COWTOWN SWING returns

We are sorry for those members who did not make the "GONG SHOW". IT was a very successful event and we video taped it for those who did not attend so that it can be viewed by those who missed it. We are making plans to make this an annual event. I would like to thank all those who helped make the Gong Show and Mexican Dinner such a huge success.

Quinn McNeil
JR. VICE COMMANDER.

FROM THE ADJUTANT

By now all of you should have received your first membership renewal and seen the number in the upper right hand corner of the card which indicates that this is your PERMANENT number. I would ask that if you have a change of address or need to correct some piece of information that you always include this number. This will make it easier to update your file at National Headquarters.

National has asked all Post Commanders and Adjutants to make you aware of two programs for the upcoming membership year. The first is THE GOLD BRIGADE AWARD which is awarded to each recruiter who signs up fifty or more new members before March 31, 1992. This award consists of a gold jacket, a gold baseball cap with a Gold Brigade emblem sewn on, and a Certificate of Appreciation as well as a chance of a grand prize that will be drawn at the National Membership workshop in July of 1992. The second program is a new one and all you have to do for this drawing is to have renewed your 1992 dues by 31 December 1991 and have your dues reach National Headquarters by 10 January 1992. If so, your name will be automatically submitted for a chance toward winning \$1,000. There will be twenty-five winners drawn for one thousand dollars each.

We will have some type of award that will remain a mystery until next month when we will bring you up to date as to what the Post is going to do for its membership awards. Last year for a prize of one hundred dollars which was won by John Heitz.

We have some several important activities coming up in September. In addition to the Fort Lyons trip we will also be taking a trip to the Home Lake Veterans Facility and take some clothing and other goodies that can be used by the Veterans and their spouses there. The District Seven Fall Conference will be conducted on September 22nd at Post 38 on Southmoor Drive in Security. I would like to see as many of you as possible there to hear Department Commander Tom Brock and his staff present some information on the programs of the American Legion for the upcoming year.

Don't forget the new member initiation on 19 September 1991. We are leading the district in renewals and new memberships for the upcoming year. Let's keep up the good work.

Larry L. Johnson
ADJUTANT.

SEPTEMBER 14, 1991

DON'T FORGET OUR BIG EVENING WITH MUSIC BY "DRIFTWOOD WILLIE" AND THE
PREDANCE DINNER OF SLOPPY JOES AND POT LUCK SALADS. DINNER STARTS AT
6 PM AND THE DANCING WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM. ONLY \$4.00 PER PERSON FOR A
FABULOUS EVENING OF GOOD FOOD, FINE DANCING, AND A GOOD TIME FOR ALL.

September 1991

CENTENNIAL 209 EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 11:00 AM POST OPEN	2 11:00 AM POST OPEN	3 11:00 AM POST OPEN 7:00 PM MOM'S MEETING	4 11:00 AM POST OPEN 7:00 PM POST 209 EXEC	5 11:00 AM POST OPEN	6 11:00 AM POST OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIR	7 7:00 AM FT LYON ALL PATIENT DAY ACTIVITIES 11:00 AM POST OPEN
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22 11:00 AM POST OPEN 12:00 PM FALL CONFERENCE AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 38	23 11:00 AM POST OPEN	24 11:00 AM POST OPEN 7:30 PM AMVETS MEETING	25 11:00 AM POST OPEN	26 11:00 AM POST OPEN	27 11:00 AM POST OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIR	28 9:00 AM WAC'S MEETING 11:00 AM POST OPEN
29 11:00 AM POST OPEN	30 11:00 AM POST OPEN	MENU FIRST WEEK - Corned beef on rye w/potato salad SNOWY FLYING GRASSHO WEEK #2 - Beef stew with roll and butter velvet cloud Week #3 - Chicken breast pattie with FRIES OR ONION RINGS Peach Parfait Week #4 Sloppie Joes with potato salad , fries or rings and Tropical Dandy				

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