CENTENNIAL POST 209 THE AMERICAN LEGION

SEPTEMBER 1997

LEGION NEWS HARRY MCFADDEN COMMANDER

We are now five months into our Legion year of activities, and we have accomplished some goals but there are still others to be completed.

Our fellow Legionnaires need support at Bingo. Some of our help is getting burnt out, and we need more members to volunteer one or two nights a month. I must report that the smoking has lessened if that might be holding some back.

It all depends members...the pay may not be great your Post would highly appreciate it because the money would aid in getting a Post Home sooner. The people who have been working Bingo can surely use a They, and the activities organization, our appreciate if you would support the weekly Bingo.

We have two activities coming up this month. September 6th is Fort Lyon's All Patient Day and on September 20, we will be chaperons for our Cub Pack 24 at the football game at the Air Force Academy. Their leader needs support.

We still have room on the bus to



Fort Lyon and you may contact the Commander 591-7606 or the office at 599-8624. Leave your name. Bring vour useable items Saturday, September 6. at 6:30. They will be appreciated.

Please do your Post Commander a favor while he is on vacation. Instead of contacting Ann Foster at work, use the office phone number (599-8624) if someone is in need of aid. Thank you.

The word to be shared with our fellow Legionnaires is: We care for others because God cares for us.

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MEETINGS

SRD THURSDAY - 7:00 P.U. DAY POST #26 PALMER PARK & PETERSON RD.

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We have some good news about our membership. The Department Membership committee has met and our goal for 1998 is 316. We are right at 50% with a membership of 159. Many thanks to members who responded upon receipt of their renewal notices. You have already earned your place at the Early Bird Dinner. Now if the rest of you will do as well, we could really be proud.

Thanks to our members who worked the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo: Howard and Ruth Hornik, Ireana Campbell, Kelly, Ernie Rita Niewald, McFadden Harry and myself. This year's Rodeo quite interesting due to amount of rain, especially Wednesday. The participants in the wild horse race were soon mud from head The remaining days were a bit better with the rain coming more as showers off and on.

the Olympic Across town at Francis Training Center, Esther Redington were helping to successful American Jr Shooting National Legion Finals. Norm Harpole, Chuck Zeitvogel and June Thomas came to Norm said add their assistance. there were seven records broken and that these young people were definitely at the top of their field. We hope more of you will be able to participate next year in both the Rodeo and the Jr Both of these Shooting Finals. events are a lot of fun and support The American Legion and our community.

The Post needs an Americanism Chairman. Many of the Americanism programs are Children and Youth-oriented activities, Boy and Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls State, the Jr Shooting Program, etc. Call Commander McFadden after his return from the National Convention. Neal Thomas and I will be attending so if you need assistance during that time, contact Francis Redington at 471-3925 or leave a message at 599-8624.



Membership renewal is still at a dribble. Let's get them in early this year. Some Past Presidents have paid their dues but those of you who haven't, send yours in the check with your renewal dues. Be an Early Bird and qualify for the Early Bird dinner.

Still getting a few responses to our Poppy letter. The Auxiliary

wants to thank all of you who responded with a donation. We will be able to meet our commitments to Children and Youth and VA&R with that money.

The plans for All Patients Day are taking shape. The patients really look forward to having all the Veterans' organizations show up to assist them on their day of fun. I suspect that not many of the men and women have many visitors and having so many people show up makes their day. The Legion provides prizes at its penny toss booth and the Auxiliary gives away canteen books which patients use to buy items in the canteen. all enjoy the meal served at noon and the barbecue put on by the local Legion Post in the evening before taking the sleepy selfsatisfied ride home. Come try it, it's fun.

ACTIVITIES AND OTHER SIMILAR STUFF

Coming up:

September 1: Labor Day - Drive

carefully

September 6: All Patients Day,

Fort Lyon

September 20: Cub Pack 24 at AFA

Come help.

September 10 Executive Committee

Meetina

September 18: Regular Meeting at

DAV Post

TO POST EVERLASTING: Bernal O. Brooks, July 27 and Johnny I. Anderson August 1.