

THE AMERICAN LEGION – CENTENNIAL POST 209
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September 2005 – NEWSLETTER

Membership Meeting

Saturday September 10, 2005

TREA, Breakfast 9:00 AM, Meeting 10:00 AM

Speaker: Colorado Veterans Employment Services

Officers' Comments

COMMANDER – Bill Marshall

National Convention

Yes, Tom Bock of Colorado is the new National Commander for 2005-2006. His acceptance speech was very straightforward and to the point. We as Legionnaires need to do a better job of membership, especially renewals, and new members. They are going out the back door faster than they are coming in the front, and as you would expect, we are not getting any younger. We all need to work harder on membership and the Legion programs. On September 20, 2005, the National Commander will appear before a joint session of the Veterans Affairs Committee with a strong message on veterans' needs. We cannot afford another \$1.5B shortfall in the 2006 VA budget. With all the young men and women returning from overseas, The American Legion needs your support now more than ever. Wouldn't be great to have a membership of 2.9 million and send a resounding message to Congress on veterans' needs?



Personal Identification Number (PIN) 6021

Ace Hardware has contacted Post 209 with the attached offer for us to make some money. The Barnes family owns two stores in Colorado Springs: one at Galley and Circle by Cheers, and one in the Bohn Shopping Center. They want to be involved in the community and are offering service organizations the opportunity to make some money and publicize their organization.

I have selected September and October as our months to shop 'til we drop and all you need to do is go in and buy, give the PIN to the checker, and you will receive a 10% discount on your purchase. You, your family, neighbors and friends can use the number for the discount, and at the end of each month we will receive a check for the total of the discounts. How easy can that be? Purchase what you need to prepare your yard for winter, buy the paint to do the inside of your home this winter, or anything else you need for fix-up. Also, they will give us space to set up a table on a Saturday and Sunday to tell the public about The American Legion. There is the possibility that the new store on Centennial Blvd. in the former McKinzey-White Bookstore will be open by October, and it can be used as well... more on that in the October newsletter. WOW, WHAT A DEAL! THANK YOU, ACE HARDWARE.

The American Legion and "Soldiers for Soldiers" Program: Unlimited Potential for Legion Charities

This is another great opportunity for the Post to make some money and all you have to do is turn in your old ink jet cartridges and cellular phones. No purchase is required, only the collection of items that might otherwise be disposed of. Post 209 is partnering with a local company, A BYTE ABOVE. They are members of the Legion and Auxiliary and have agreed to be the collection point. They have two locations: **2376 Academy Place, 570-1984** and **4585 N. Chestnut Street, 268-0584**. You can email them at jen@abyteabove.com or check out their website at www.abyteabove.com. The attached list provides those cartridges that are accepted by the program. **Thank all of you for your support.**

All Patients Day: Pueblo Nursing Home

On September 17, 2005, Post 209 will participate in the All Patients Day. This is a time for the veterans to get out and have some fun and win some nice prizes, in this event **everybody is a winner**. The Post will purchase the prizes as prescribed in the letter from the nursing home and those that are not given away will be left for future use by the patients. It is a fun day for all. For more information on time and directions, please call the office and come join us.

Navy Ball

The attached flyers are going out this week for the Ball on October 14, 2005, and no you do not have to be Navy to attend. It is just a good time. If you have any questions call me at 495-0088.

SR. VICE COMMANDER – W.W. Bandler

As was brought out in our last general meeting, recruitment of new members is all the way from National Headquarters down to the Post level. To state it briefly, we need new recruits for the American Legion, and even more so for the survival of Post 209. If each active member were to recruit one new member, we would make Post 209 a stronger post in which to perpetuate those programs we are dedicated to participate in. There are a lot of veterans in our region, both in service and out of service. We have a lot of new prospects to get our message to about The American Legion. Let's go after them with our message.

FINANCE OFFICER – Norm Moyer

I mentioned in the August newsletter that I had received a shipment of 100 American Legion Auto Magnets. With the approval of the Executive Committee, we have received more than \$75 in donations from the American Legion Auto Magnets. Donations have been received at the General Membership and Executive Committee Meetings, the annual picnic, and by mail.

MEMBERSHIP COST IS ONLY \$5.00 (minimum donation)

Please submit your check payable to American Legion Post 209 to:

American Legion Post 209
P. O. Box 25334
Attn: Norm Moyer, Finance Officer
Colorado Springs, CO 80935-5334

I will immediately mail the magnet to you. You can proudly display it on your vehicle trunk or door. The American Legion Auto Magnet is a very colorful red and white stripe with blue stars and the words "HONOR, LOYALTY, SERVICE, AMERICANISM." The American Legion insignia is proudly displayed in the center. These magnets symbolize the American Legion's continuous outstanding contributions, and support to our country and servicemen and women.

ADJUTANT – Ann Foster

Membership

We are at 155 members for 47%; our 2006 goal is 325. With everyone's help we can make it.

Programs Supported by Post 209

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|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| -Service to Veterans | -Pikes Peak Veterans Council |
| -Veterans Day Parade | -Scouting |
| -Boy's State | -Jr. ROTC |
| -Crawford House for Homeless Veterans | -Jr. Shooting Program |
| - Stand-Down for Homeless Veterans | -Oratorical Contest |

Coming Events

8 Sept---Exec. Comm/Board.Trustees mtg.
10 Sept---Breakfast/membership mtg.
17 Sept---All Patients Day, Pueblo Nursing Home
28 Sept---Pikes Peak Veteran Council

2004-2005 Ad Hoc Committees

Constitution and Bylaws – Neal Thomas, 719-392-1510

Property Inventory

-Office – Ann Foster, 719-599-8624

-Storage Unit – Larry Johnson, 719-622-0344

Auxiliary Liaison – Bill Marshall, 719-495-0088

Sons of the American Legion – Larry Johnson, 719-622-0344

2005-2006 Board of Trustees

Chairman – Neal Thomas
 Secretary – Alton Cyriaque
 Finance Officer – Norm Moyer
 Commander – Bill Marshall
 Member (3yr) – Alton Cyriaque
 Member (3yr) – Chuck Zeitvogel
 Member (2yr) – Ann Foster
 Member (1yr) – Neal Thomas
 Member (1yr) – Larry Johnson

2005-2006 Meetings

Post Executive Committee meets 1st
 Thursday of the month at 4291 Austin
 Bluffs Pkwy., Ste. 104, at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Trustees meets 1st Thursday of the
 month at 4291 Austin Bluffs Pkwy., Ste.
 104 immediately following Post Executive
 Committee Meeting.

| 2005-2006 Post 209 Officers/Executive Committee | |
|--|-----------------|
| Commander | Bill Marshall |
| Sr. Vice Commander | W. W. Bandler |
| Jr. Vice Commander | Open |
| Adjutant | Ann Foster |
| Finance Officer | Norm Moyer |
| Historian | Curtis Wash |
| Sergeant-at-Arms | Robert Rydell |
| Chaplain | Mario Taracena |
| Judge Advocate | Larry Johnson |
| Service Officer | Tom Morant |
| Post Ex. Committeeman | Neal Thomas |
| Past Commander | Chuck Zeitvogel |
| 2004-2005 Auxiliary Unit | |
| President | Dot Dassero |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Barbara Johnson |
| Chaplain | Open |
| Sergeant-at-Arms | Open |

Calendar

| September 2005 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 EC Mtg. 6:30 PM | 9 | 10 Membership Mtg. Breakfast, 9 AM Meeting 10 AM |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 All Patients Day, Pueblo Nursing Home |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 PPVC | 29 | 30 | |

NAVY BALL, OCTOBER 14, 2005

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NAVY 230TH BIRTHDAY BALL

WHEN: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 2005

6:00 PM COCKTAIL HOUR

7:00 PM DINNER AND CEREMONIES

GUEST SPEAKER: ADM TIMOTHY KEATING

COMMANDER, NORAD-USNORTHCOM

9:30 PM DANCING AND ENTERTAINMENT

WHERE: SHERATON HOTEL, 2886 SOUTH CIRCLE DR., COLORADO SPRINGS

ATTIRE: SERVICE DRESS MESS OR EQUIVALENT FOR MILITARY

SUIT AND TIE/TUX, COCKTAIL DRESS OR GOWN FOR CIVILIAN

COST: E6 & BELOW AND GUESTS \$20 EACH

E7 - O3 AND GUESTS \$40 EACH

O4 - O6 AND GUESTS \$50 EACH

O7 & ABOVE AND GUESTS \$60 EACH

SPECIAL NOTES:

- FREE CHILD CARE WILL BE PROVIDED AT PAFB FROM 1700-2400 AT THE BASE CDC
- FREE TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM PAFB, SCHRIEVER AFB, AND USAFA
- MENU IS ALL INCLUSIVE, FILET MIGNON OR SALMON, WINE WITH DINNER AND A CHAMPAGNE TOAST
- PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER WILL BE AVAILABLE
- SPECIAL ROOM RATES AT THE SHERATON, SET ASIDE "UNITED STATES NAVY BALL". CALL THE HOTEL DIRECTLY AT 576-5900, AND THEN ASK FOR EXTENSION 1171 TO GET MARIA WITH IN-HOUSE RESERVATIONS. SHE WORKS FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM ON MON-FRI. SHE CAN ALSO TAKE RESERVATIONS BY E-MAIL AT: MARIA.OLLOM@IHRCO.COM. ROOM RATE THROUGH SEPT 10TH IS \$69 BEFORE TAX. AFTER THAT, IT INCREASES TO \$79 PER NIGHT UNTIL OCT 1ST. THEN, THE PRICE WILL GO TO REGULAR AMOUNT FOR ROOMS.

INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS:

- LCDR WILLIAM CLARKE, (719) 554-5855, WILLIAM.CLARKE@NORTHCOM.MIL
- LCDR AQUILLA CAUSEY, (719) 554-7778, AQUILLA.CAUSEY@NORTHCOM.MIL
- SKCM KELLY BAINES, (719) 554-6967, KELLY.BAINES@NORTHCOM.MIL
- YN1 SHERRI MCCAULLEY, (719) 554-3711, SHERRI.MCCAULLEY@NORTHCOM.MIL



Rocky Mountain Navy 230th Birthday Ball

2005 Invitation and Reservation Form

NAME: _____
Rank, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr First "Go by" Last

Circle Applicable USN USA USAF USMC USCG ACTIVE RESERVE RETIRED

Filet Mignon Baked Salmon

SPOUSE/GUEST NAME: _____
Rank, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr First "Go by" Last

Circle Applicable USN USA USAF USMC USCG ACTIVE RESERVE RETIRED

Filet Mignon Baked Salmon

Address: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Work Phone:** _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Menu Includes: *Mixed Greens with Roasted Almonds, Pear Tomatoes, and Asparagus w/ Ranch or Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing (on the side); Choice of Filet Mignon with Bourbon Sauce or Baked Salmon w/ Herb Butter; Anna Potatoes; Broccoli Florets and Carrot Medallions; Assorted Dinner Rolls; Chocolate Torte w/ Fresh Berries; Coffee, Tea and Hot Tea. A bottle of Cabernet and Chardonnay wine will be on each table.*

Name(s) of people who prefer Vegetarian Wellington entrée: _____

ATTENDEES/GROUP YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIT WITH: _____

Child Care at PAFB? YES NO If yes, how many: _____
 Transportation to Ball? YES NO If yes, for how many: _____

| <u>STATUS</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | x | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|------------------------|---------------|---------|--------------|
| E6 & Below and Guests: | _____ | \$20.00 | = _____ |
| E7 – 03 and Guests: | _____ | \$40.00 | = _____ |
| 04 & Above and Guests: | _____ | \$50.00 | = _____ |
| 07 & Above and Guests: | _____ | \$60.00 | = _____ |
| GRAND TOTAL: | | | _____ |

Make Checks payable to "Navy Ball Committee" and mail this form with your check to:

Navy Ball Colorado Springs 2005
 PO Box 14125
 Colorado Springs, CO 80914-0125

Uniform: Service Mess Dress or equivalent.
Civilian: Formal – Suit and Tie/Tux, cocktail dress or gown

Or...return this form with your check to a command representative. Reservation forms with checks should be received no later than 3 October 2005.

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| LCDR William Clarke | Bldg 2, Rm 231, PAFB | Ph: 719-554-5855 |
| LCDR Aquilla Causey | Bldg 2, PAFB | Ph: 719-554-7778 |
| YN1 Sherri McCaulley | Bldg 2, Rm 231, PAFB | Ph: 719-554-3711 |

- * Reserve a room at the Sheraton for the special Rate of \$69.00 per night plus tax. Call (719) 576-5900 local, not nationwide reservations. Mention you are attending the Navy Ball. Rate increases to \$79 on Sept 11th, and special rate expires on Oct 1st.
- * A professional photographer will be available until approximately 2300.
- * Industry guests contact our corporate liaison, LCDR William Clarke, Work (719) 554-5855, Cell (719) 660-0735.

2005 ACE 'HELPFUL HARDWARE' FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR YOUR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Specials for your members:

For a two month period of your choice, your Organization Supporters will be **saving 10% on every purchase at our stores.** (Excluding only vendor sponsored and Ace Best Buy promotions as well as Special Orders.)

Financial Support for your Organization:

In addition, we will match their savings, Dollar For Dollar, with Monthly Financial Support checks sent directly to your Organization.

Use the money in any way you wish... There are absolutely no limits to the amount of money your organization could receive.

Example: 100 members each purchase \$175.00 saving \$17.50 each. Your support check for that month will be \$1,750.00!!!

As an added benefit to your organization, **\$100.00 Free Equipment Rental Credits**



Your organization may apply these credits at any time during your selected fundraising period toward the rental of any piece of equipment from our fine rental inventory.

To take advantage of this great opportunity, contact me personally at 231-3035, fax 638-3500 and email to mvanwyk@circleace.com. We will set up a meeting to review the program details and answer any questions you might have.

Thank you for your fine work in our community,

Michael Van Wyk
Colorado Springs ACE Hardware

SOLDIERS 4 SOLDIERS RECYCLING PROGRAM - QUALIFYING INK JET
CARTRIDGES:

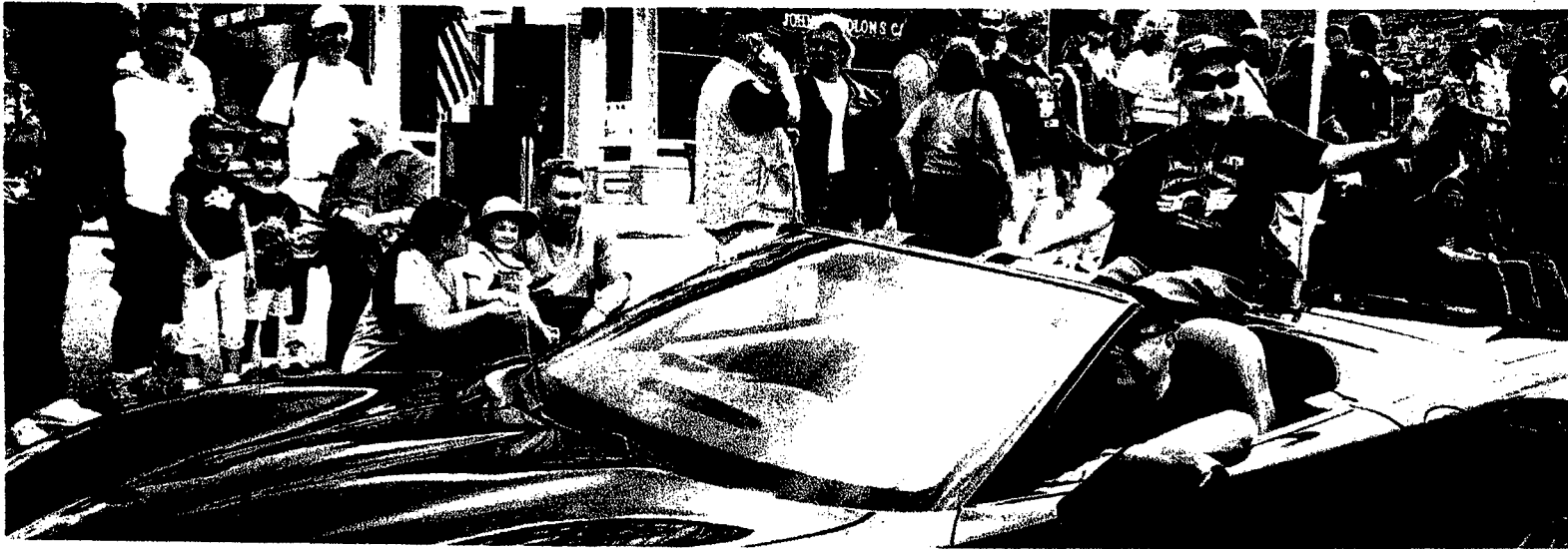
| <u>CANON</u> | <u>HP</u> | <u>LEXMARK</u> |
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| BC-01 | 51626A | 10N0016 |
| BC-02 | 51626D | 10N0017 |
| BC-05 | 51629A | 10N0026 |
| BC-20 | 51633M | 10N0217 |
| BX-2 | 51640A | 12A1970 |
| BX-20 | 51641A | 12A1975 |
| BX-3 | 51645A | 12A1980 |
| | 51645G | 12A1985 |
| | 51649A | 12A1990 |
| <u>COMPAQ</u> | 51649G | 12A1995 |
| 337709-001 | C1816A | 13400HC |
| 337711-001 | C1823A | 1341400 |
| 337714-001 | C1823G | 1380619 |
| 337715-001 | C6578A | 15M0120 |
| | C6578D | 17G0050 |
| <u>DELL</u> | C6614A | 17G0060 |
| A920BLACK | C6615A | 18L0032 |
| A920COLOR | C6615D | 18L0042 |
| 7Y743BLACK | C6625A | |
| 7Y745COLOR | C6656AN | <u>XEROX</u> |
| J740B | C6657AN | 8R-7880 |
| J740C | C6658AN | 8R12591 |
| T0529 | C8727AN | 8R7881 |
| T0530 | C8728AN | |

POW-MIA RALLY, CRIPPLE CREEK, COLORADO, AUGUST 20, 2005

OUR OWN POST 209 VETERAN HELEN RYDELL, WWII WAC VET,
WAS HONORED WITH A FREE RIDE IN THE PARADE.

SHE IS THE MOTHER OF OUR SGT-AT-ARMS ROBERT RYDELL.

LOOKING GREAT HELEN!



OVER 100,000 PEOPLE WERE IN ATTENDANCE.