



A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION
CENTENNIAL POST 209
JUNE THOMAS, COMMANDER

'A LITTLE POST GOING PLACES AND DOING BIG THINGS'

PLEASE DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO THE POST HOME
1337 N ACAD BLVD, CO SPGS, CO 80909 TEL 591-2272

JANUARY 1992

OFFICERS

COMMANDER JUNE THOMAS
SR VICE CDR LOUIS MIKULECKY
JR VICE CDR QUINN MCNEIL
ADJUTANT LARRY L. JOHNSON
590-1369
FINANCE OFFICER HARRY JOHNSON
SGT AT ARMS ALTON CYRIAQUE
CHAPLAIN TOM HABAN
HISTORIAN GLENN HART
SERVICE OFFICER HOWARD HORNIK
JUDGE ADVOCATE FLOYD BUFKIN
POST EXEC COMMITTEEMAN
NEAL THOMAS

FROM THE
COMMANDER

Happy New Year to each of you. May you prosper and grow with good health, and may the dream of your choice become a reality!

I would like to thank all of our committees, officers and members for an excellent job last year. I've learned to count my blessings,

realizing NOTHING just happens! it takes the effort and "Love of the Legion" which each of you have and give to this organization.

The combined effort of so many is what makes Post, Unit and SAL Sqn 209 so great!

Our "little" Post truly gave from the heart this year. The joy is ours when we help others. We donated two gifts of \$500.00 to needy veterans, delivered 18 food baskets, gave \$150 to the V.A. Satellite Clinic and \$50 to the veterans at Colorado State Hospital this year. Harry Johnson, your Christmas party was better than last year. Of course, you had a worthy "sing-a-long" expert in Chaplain Haban! Millicent Young, Gina and Floyd Bufkin were busy getting those Christmas baskets together and out to needy recipients! Lou and crew, the Auxiliary, wives, etc made a great dinner for us all. Santa came and made every heart glad, right, John?.

The exciting raffle of the camcorder held every breath a-panting until Chairman of the Building Committee, Neal Thomas, announced the winner, Dick Hanson, from Security Post 38.

Thanks to the hard-working Bingo crew, we were able to have this money to give out at Christmas. I take my hat off to each of you who give up your Friday nights to make these things possible! Won't you who are available to help, call Bingo Chairman Larry Johnson at 590-1369 or our Administrative Assistant, Anne Foster, at 591-2272 or 591-1952 and leave your name and number if you are able to support your Post Bingo at least once a month.

A salute to all those who worked membership this year...Sr Vice Commander Lou's membership board shows 100% + for Post, Unit and SAL Sqdn 209. YOU DONE GOOD! Thanks for the TEAMWORK. You have that AMERICAN LEGION PRIDE!

My New Year's wish for you is to work together in harmony and peace. Let us help one another and make Centennial Post 209 (the little Post going places and doing big things) the most successful Post in the state of Colorado!

THERE'S STRENGTH IN UNITY AND TOGETHER WE ARE WINNERS!

JUNE THOMAS
COMMANDER

FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER:

Legionnaires, we have done it again this year. As of 14 December, we have reached the goal of 305 members assigned by the Department of Colorado.

We still have a number of Legionnaires who have not renewed their membership for the upcoming Legion year of 1991-1992. I would like to remind all of these members that come 31 December 1991, you will become delinquent. This is especially bad if you have opted to partake of the free \$1000.00 accidental death and dismemberment insurance through the American Legion. If you have not renewed by 31 December and you renew later, you will have to resubmit your application for this insurance. The other problem is that the magazine comes to you for 12 issues only and if there is a lapse between 31 December and the time you renew, you will lose the issues between 31 December and the date that National receives your renewal.

I would like to thank Max Cramer for building the membership board and Becky Mikulecky for adding the lettering and lines. So, thanks to everyone for all the help during the past year.

LOUIS MIKULECKY
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

FROM THE JUNIOR
VICE COMMANDER

I would like to thank Harry and Barbara Johnson for the work put into making our Christmas Party the huge success it was. In addition, a special thanks to Tom and Patti Haban who put together the music sheets we used.

We have nothing special planned for the upcoming months but will keep everyone informed in later issues of the newsletter.

QUINN MCNEIL
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

FROM THE
AGITATOR

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and a happy beginning of the New Year.

We have accomplished a lot during the past year and, as always with the beginning of the New Year, we have a lot to look forward to.

The National American Legion High School Oratorical contest will be beginning very shortly with a competition being arranged. The ever important reporting of what we have done in programs and committees of the American Legion, who we have helped, what we have done in the community to help veterans and their families, what we have

in regards to retaining the membership of the year before and the gain we have made in the new year is upcoming.

The dates of membership have been changed to include Desert Storm Troops. When this change was approved, a statement was made that the American Legion supported Desert Storm troops and their families and it was now time to make them part of the American Legion family. I would like to ask everyone to invite a veteran to become a member of our family and to keep asking until all veterans are members of the American Legion Family.

As the family grows, so does our support of veterans and their families, as well as widows and orphans of veterans.

For those who have not renewed their 1992 membership this will be the last newsletter unless you renew your membership before 31 January 1992. Please renew now and continue your membership with us. You are very important to us.

Our next meeting will be January 16 at 7:00 PM. I hope to see each and everyone of you at the meeting.

LARRY L. JOHNSON
ADJUTANT.

FROM THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

We completed our first Building Fund Raffle and had the drawing for a camcorder on 14 December. The event was held in conjunction with our Annual Christmas Party at the Post Home. The winner of the Camcorder was Richard (Dick) Hanson of American Legion Post 38. This was the first of many anticipated fundraisers in the pursuit of securing a permanent Post Home facility.

I want to take this opportunity to especially thank and recognize some of those who really got involved in the raffle sale: Bill Weeks, Dave Thomas, Paige Lanier, Mel Cooper, Floyd Bufkin, Lou Mikulecky, Lois Egnor, Jose Romero, Larry Johnson, Millicent Young, Bob Novotny, Al Lender, Harry Johnson, Norm Avery, Tom Morant, Glen Hart, Howard Hornik, Nedra Marketto and June Thomas. If I missed your name, please let me know and I will include it in the next newsletter. But imagine what the results would have been if each member had bought at least one book of tickets, then sold five others. To be honest, we would have sold out. In any case, we will be having more fundraisers, so plan now to get involved.

The construction at the Post Home site is progressing normally and should be completed sometime around the

end of February, that is with weather permitting. With the completion of this project the drainage ditches and other washed out areas should all be gone. We can then post our sign depicting the "Future Homesite of Centennial Post 209".

Before the permanent Post Home actually becomes a reality, much work must be done. We are still seeking ways to raise revenue for this monumental project, and ideas as to what you want this facility to encompass. The point is WE NEED YOUR HELP in reaching this goal. It is amazing what can be accomplished if we all work together, not caring for who gets the credit or whose ideas were adopted. The next meeting of the Building Board is scheduled on 14 January 1992 at 7:00 PM. If you have ideas or suggestions, please feel free to either bring them to the committee or write them down and leave them at the Post Home. Let's all unite and have a "Happy and Prosperous New Year".

NEAL THOMAS
CHAIRMAN

FROM THE UNIT

To everyone who missed the Post Decorating Party and the Christmas Party, you really missed some good food and a lot of fun.

Special thanks to Nedra and "Jocko" Marketto for all their help and to Barbara and Harry Johnson for cooking the

roast beef again this year. The Christmas Party is a big project at the Post every year and without their help, it could not have been done. Also to all who brought salads and desserts, thank you.

Our two bake sales went well, thanks to everyone for their goodies and a very big thanks to the ladies who took time from their busy holiday season to sit at the mall and sell all the delicious food items.

Our December meeting was cancelled. Let's see all of you here on January 16..... 6:00 PM potluck dinner, 7:00 PM meeting.

Bess Franks was involved in a traffic accident. She is at home doing well. From all of us who know Bess, lots of love and get-well wishes.

If you haven't renewed for 1992, please do so now.

Hoping to see everyone on 16 Jan 92.

BETTY MIKULECKY
PRESIDENT

JANUARY 1992 MENU

JAN 1-5
HOT PORK W/FRIES & COLE SLAW 2.25
ANY BRANDY 1.00

JAN 6-12
FISH STICKS W/CHOICE OF
MACARONI SALAD, POTATO SALAD, OR
COLESLAW 2.00
ALL BICARDI 1.00

JAN 13-19
MEAT LOAF SAND HOT W/FRIES
OR COLD POTATO SALAD 2.35
SEAGRAM 7/VO 1.00

JAN 20-26
COLD PLATE HAM, TUNA OR
CHICKEN SALAD W/TOMATO WEDGE AND
HARD BOILED EGG 2.00
SMIRNOFF OR FRIS VODKA 1.00

JAN 27- 2 FEB
SMOTHERED BEEF & BEAN
BURRITO 2.25
TEQUILA SPECIALS 1.00

January 1992 CENTENNIAL 209 ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 2:00 PM 8 & 40 MTG	6 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	7 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM MOM'S MTG	1 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	2 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	3 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1834 EMORY CIRCLE	4 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN
12 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	13 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	14 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM MEETING MELALUCA	8 7:00 AM POST EXEC. MTG 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 5:45 PM CIVITANS MTG	9 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	10 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1834 EMORY CIRCLE	11 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN
19 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	20 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	21 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM MKOM'S MTG	15 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 5:45 PM CIVITANS	16 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM GEN MBSRSHP MTG	17 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1834 EMORY CIRCLE	18 9:00 AM WAG'S MEETING 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN
26 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	27 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	28 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM AMVETS 7:00 PM GUN CLUB	22 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	23 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	24 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1834 EMORY CIRCLE	25 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN
26 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	27 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	28 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM AMVETS 7:00 PM GUN CLUB	29 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	30 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN	31 11:00 AM CLUB OPEN 7:00 PM BINGO REA #1834 EMORY CIRCLE	

December 1991

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

February 1992

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

THE AMERICAN LEGION
CENTENNIAL POST 289
1337 N.ACADEMY BLVD.
COLO SPRGS, CO 80909
TEL: 591-2272

NON PROFIT
ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
COLORADO SPRGS CO
PERMIT NO. 192

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

