



*CENTENNIAL POST 209  
THE AMERICAN LEGION*



*"A LITTLE POST GOING PLACES AND DOING BIG THINGS"*

*MARCH 1993*

*COMMANDER FLOYD BUFKIN*

Inside this newsletter you will find the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws which will be voted on at the next general membership meeting. We have worked very hard to write these proposed changes. I would really like to see a good turnout at the meeting to discuss them before they are enacted. This is your chance to affect how this organization will be run!

The nominating committee is considering its recommendations for a slate of candidates for the upcoming election. If you are interested in running for office, let the Adjutant know and she will inform the committee.

See you at the meeting!

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*CLUB NEWS*

The taco bar is coming up on Friday, February 26, and we hope to have a good attendance. We serve from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. The following family night will be March 12, 1993. We will be serving spaghetti, salad and garlic bread, all you can eat for only \$2.25. The first spaghetti night was very successful. We served 32. The food was very good, the price is right. What more can you ask. Bring the family and enjoy a good meal.

The American Legion Birthday Party is March 20. We encourage everyone to come and enjoy the fellowship. The whole Post 209 family is invited to this function. The dinner menu is roast beef, potatoes, mixed vegetables and the Auxiliary will provide the birthday cake. We will serve at 7:00 P.M.

April 10 is the Easter Parade Party. We ask the ladies to design and construct their own Easter Bonnets for the Parade. The best will be awarded a prize. Starter hats are available at Hobby Lobby for .99 and material to decorate is also available. Use your own ideas for a theme. We will start about 7:00 P.M. and dessert will be served.

May 15 is the date of the Tex-Mex dinner and square dance. The caller will be Vick Fast. If you don't know how to square dance, don't worry, Vick will teach us and you'll be a pro in no time at all. You'll be swinging your partner with the best of them. If you enjoy this event, we can arrange to have a monthly dance. The price for the dinner and dance is \$5.00 per person. What a deal! We will serve at 6:30 P.M., dance starting at 7:30 P.M. Make your reservation early (sign up sheet on bulletin board at Post Home.)

- Harry Johnson  
Club Committee

POST OFFICERS

COMMANDER	FLOYD BUFKIN
SR VICE COMMANDER	AL CYRIAQUE
JR VICE COMMANDER	GEORGE CARNES
ADJUTANT	ANN FOSTER
FINANCE OFFICER	HARRY JOHNSON
HISTORIAN	
SGT-AT-ARMS	AL LENDER
CHAPLAIN	TOM HABAN
JUDGE ADVOCATE	LARRY JOHNSON
SERVICE OFFICER	TED RIDDLE
EXEC COMMITTEEMAN	NEAL THOMAS

DUES \$20.00

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

World War I  
Apr 6, 1917 - Nov 11, 1918  
World War II  
Dec 7, 1941 - Dec 31, 1946  
Korean War  
June 25, 1950 - Jan 31, 1955  
Vietnam War  
Dec 22, 1961 - May 7, 1975  
Granada & Lebanon  
Aug 24, 1982 - July 31, 1984  
Panama  
Dec 20, 1989 - Jan 31, 1990  
Persian Gulf  
Aug 2, 1990 till end of hostilities

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	BARBARA JOHNSON
1ST VICE PRESIDENT	DOROTHY DASSERO
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	LOIS EGNOR
SECRETARY	NANCY HART
CORR SECRETARY	ALICE HART
TREASURER	IREANA CAMPBELL
HISTORIAN	HILDA PIFER
CHAPLAIN	MARCIA SHELLHAMMER
SGT-AT-ARMS	COLLETTE PRICE

DUES \$12.00

MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY - 7:00 p.m.  
POTLUCK DINNER - 6:00 p.m.

EDITORS

DOROTHY DASSERO  
LARRY JOHNSON

*ADJUTANT ANNOTATIONS - Ann Foster*

Many thanks to all who have worked so hard this year to increase our membership. We now have 467 members and are at 115% of our goal. However, we don't want to let up as Department is 2nd in the nation. We need to keep on so that we can do our part to help put COLORADO ON TOP! Also, our efforts can help District 7 reach 100%.

On Thursday, 18 February 1993, I had the pleasure of observing the annual National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans at our local VA Satellite Clinic. Even though all the veterans using this clinic are not hospitalized, they are veterans under the care of the VA Medical Center in Denver. The program was important to them as some have been hospitalized in the past and could be in the future. The Senior Vice Commander of Post 38 in Security, Mary Posey, was the guest speaker. Mary is a recently retired US Army nurse and shared with us her personal experiences as a Desert Storm soldier. Her talk was very moving. Many of the attendees expressed their appreciation to her afterward. Auxiliary members from

expressed their appreciation to her afterward. Auxiliary members from The American Legion, VFW and DAV helped to stock gift bags for the patients and also provided cake, punch, ice cream, fruit, etc. for this celebration.

There is a pamphlet published by The American Legion entitled "Why You Should Belong to The American Legion." There are a few thoughts in it that I would like to share with you as we continue into the second half of our Legion year. "Get involved. It's the motto of The American Legion. It's also the primary reason why more and more dedicated veterans continue to devote their lives to their country. It's the background of involvement that creates and supports the feeling of camaraderie which makes The American Legion the nation's largest and fastest growing organization of wartime veterans. It's people helping people. It's Americans taking care of America. As a Legion member, you will open an unending catalog of opportunities to expand your life and utilize your unique talents."

Now you may say you don't have time or talents to share at this time in your life. That may well be true for those who are still working full-time but, your membership in The American Legion and Post 209 enables those members who do have some time to volunteer to Legion programs to do so. Thus, your membership contribution, teamed up with volunteers, can touch the lives of fellow veterans, their families and all of the nation's children. To those who are able to volunteer and have not done so, I would ask you to seriously consider helping wherever you are able as there are many opportunities available in our Post. We need to work together to insure the continuation of the benefits which are deserved as a result of past service and sacrifice

to preserve freedom. Please give us a call at 591-1952 or 591-2272 or talk with any member of the Executive Committee if you can "Get Involved!"

RECRUITING RESULTS: As of 18 February 1993, the following individuals have recruited one new member: Mel Cooper, Marty Davis, LeRoy DeBaca, Richard Fikani, Harlan Gatiss, Joshua Joiner, Al Lender, Larry North, Terry Sanger, Bob Stenberg, John Stewart, Ben Stutheit, Jim Trent, Bob Wibstad and Lee Wilson. Two new members have been recruited by Paige Lanier and Sid Terry. Larry Johnson has signed up three. Floyd Bufkin, Bob Morris and Neal Thomas are responsible for four new members each. Bill Weeks at five, Hal Lasco at eight and Jocko Marketto at nine have all earned Care Bear T-shirts. Ann Foster at 18 and June Thomas at 21 are on the hunt for a Silver Brigade jacket. We only have until the end of March for these particular awards as Department will have to obtain sizes and order the shirts and jackets in order to have them in time for presentation at Department Convention in June. Several of you are very close to a shirt so why not get what you need and make us the Post with the most awards across the board!

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Commander Bufkin has received a letter from Gordon Donnelly who resides at 5465 Lions Gate Lane. Mr. Donnelly has a problem getting to the DAV bus for his trip to the VA Hospital and home on his return. He needs transportation to the VA Satellite Clinic and occasionally to the grocery store. Mr. Donnelly is retired on Social Security disability. The Ambo Cab takes a 14 day reservation and taxis are expensive. If you can help, call him at 599-3330. He would appreciate your assistance.

## AUXILIARY NEWS

### **BARBARA JOHNSON - PRESIDENT**

Here it is March already and time to elect officers for the coming year. At our February meeting, the following members were elected to the Nominating Committee: Florence Spiewak, Hilda Pifer and Collette Price. If one of these ladies asks you to be an officer, please say yes. We need you! Election of officers will be April 15, 1993.

During March, we will be joining Auxiliary units all over the country in a food drive for the homeless. Food we collect will be donated to local agencies. A barrel has been set up at the Post for donations. Donations of canned goods, pasta, sugar, coffee, etc. will be gratefully accepted until March 28.

There were several fun things going on at the Post during February. Hope you enjoyed them. There are more to come at our March 18 meeting. We will have initiation of new members. Any member not initiated is invited to attend. Come on you new ladies. We want to meet you and have you join in the work for our Veterans.

March 3 - Exec Meeting - rehearsal for initiation  
March 7 - District Meeting Post 13 Canon City  
March 12 - Family Dinner 5:00 - 7:00 P.M. - \$2.25  
March 18 - Meeting - Initiation  
March 20 - Legion Birthday Dinner  
March 26 - Family Dinner 5:00 - 7:00 P.M. \$2.25  
March 27 - Florence Nursing Home Birthday Party 2:00 P.M.  
March 28 - End of Food Drive  
April 4 - Bake Sale at Post 8:30 A.M.  
April 7 - Exec Meeting - Year End Reports

April 10 - Easter Parade (Make a Bonnet)  
April 15 - Reg Meeting - Election of Officers

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### **MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN - DOT DASSERO**

Congratulations to the Post for its 467 members...but where are the wives, daughters and granddaughters, sisters and moms of these 467 guys? The Auxiliary currently has 76 members and not all of our members have paid 1993 dues. Election is next month and if you have not renewed your membership, you are not eligible to vote for the officers of your choice. You are delinquent. Mail or bring your renewal in.

The Sewing Committee, under Rosalie Frickie and Maria Sandoval, turned out quite a number of lap robes and bibs in February. It was a fun afternoon as well as productive.

The Children and Youth Chairman, Patti Haban, has asked for toys and games for the Red Cross Shelter. Perhaps you could bring something in with your donation for the food drive. Clean your closets and see what you can find.

Speaker at our last meeting was Sid Terry, a member of Task Force Omega and Post 209. The objective of Task Force Omega is to keep the pressure on government to account for all those still missing in action. This volunteer organization has 22 chapters nationwide. TFO works with several other POW/MIA organizations in the US and Canada.  
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### **SALON 422 - 8 ET 40**

The March meeting of Salon 422, 8 et 40 will be on the 15th, 7:00 P.M. at Post 209.

PROPOSED ADDITIONS to the By-Laws of The American Legion Centennial Post 209, to be considered at the General Membership meeting on March 18th, 1993.

ADD TO ARTICLE V: Appointments: Standing Committees to be appointed by the Commander immediately upon taking office: Club Committee.

ADD TO ARTICLE VI: Duties of Standing Committees:

Section 8 - The Club Committee shall be the governing body of The American Legion Post 209 - Post Club, with the concurrence of activities approved by the Post Executive Committee. The Commander will appoint three post members to the Club Committee. These appointments must be approved by the Executive Committee. The three-person committee will elect one member to be the Chairman and overall Club Manager.

Responsibilities of the Club Committee are:

1. Overall operation of the post club:
  - a. Establish operating hours;
  - b. Determine personnel needs for operation and hiring staff;
  - c. Formulate general operating procedures and guidelines;
  - d. Provide monthly status reports to the Executive Committee.
2. Establish and maintain fiscal and stock controls:
  - a. Prepare weekly payroll;
  - b. Maintain inventory and replenish stock items as required;
  - c. Submit invoices, statements and bills to the accountant on a timely basis.
3. Meet weekly to review club operations and evaluate employee performance:
  - a. Initiate changes as required;
  - b. Dispense disciplinary action as required;
  - c. Insure compliance with all operating procedures and policies.

PROPOSED CHANGE to the Constitution of The American Legion Centennial Post 209, Department of Colorado, to be considered at the March 18th, 1993 General Membership meeting:

TO BE CHANGED, ARTICLE III, Membership, Section 3.

As reads: Applications for membership in this Post shall be made in writing in such form and under such regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by the Post Executive Committee.

Should read: Applications for membership in this Post shall be made on an official American Legion Membership Application Form. Proposed addition to the Constitution of American Legion Centennial Post 209, to be considered at the General Membership meeting on March 18th, 1993.

TO BE CHANGED: ARTICLE V, Finance, Section 3.

Now reads: This Post shall forward the National and Department per capita dues for all members who have renewed their membership.

Should read: This Post shall forward the National and Department per capita dues for all members of the Post in accordance with ARTICLE X of The American Legion National Constitution.

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#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES






The Board of Trustees shall be incorporated as the official body representing The American Legion Centennial Post 209, Department of Colorado, in all legal and binding agreements. The Board is empowered to enter into contracts, mortgages, and other fiscal instrumentalities as the official authority of the Post. The board derives its power to act on behalf of the Post by approval of resolutions authorizing the pertinent activity. The authority may be limited only to the action to be taken, the best method of action to be determined by the board.

All members of the Board of Trustees shall be bonded and governed by State and Federal regulations pertaining to the administration of sound business practices. It shall further be the responsibility of all members of the Board of Trustees to act judiciously in the execution of all duties to enhance the image of The American Legion.

Selection for membership to the Board of Trustees and conduct of meetings of the Board of Trustees will be governed by the By-Laws of The American Legion Centennial Post 209.



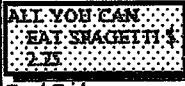


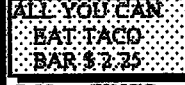

# CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

February 28 - April 10, 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 28 59/306	Mar 1 60/305	Mar 2 61/304	Mar 3 62/303  7:00pm EXEC MTG	Mar 4 63/302	Mar 5 64/301 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Mar 6 65/300
Mar 7 66/299 1:00pm DIST 7 MTG POST 13 CANON CITY	Mar 8 67/298 8:00pm 40/8 MTG	Mar 9 68/297	Mar 10 69/296 7:00pm GUN CLUB MTG	Mar 11 70/295	Mar 12 71/294 <b>ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGETTI \$ 2.25</b> 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Mar 13 72/293
Mar 14 73/292	Mar 15 74/291 7:00pm 8 & 40 MTG	Mar 16 75/290	Mar 17 76/289 	Mar 18 77/288  6:00pm GEN MTG AND LU- NCHION 7:00pm AUXILIARY INITIATION	Mar 19 78/287 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Mar 20 79/286 Spring begins 9:30am WAC MEETING <b>6:30pm AM LEG BIRTHDAY DINNER</b>
Mar 21 80/285	Mar 22 81/284	Mar 23 82/283 7:00pm GUN CLUB MTG 7:30pm AMVETS MTG	Mar 24 83/282	Mar 25 84/281	Mar 26 85/280 <b>ALL YOU CAN EAT TACO BAR \$ 2.25</b> 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Mar 27 86/279 FLORENCE NURSING HOME BIRTHDAY PARTY
Mar 28 87/278	Mar 29 88/277	Mar 30 89/276	Mar 31 90/275	Apr 1 91/274 April Fools Day	Apr 2 92/273 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Apr 3 93/272
Apr 4 94/271  Daylight Savings Palm Sunday 8:30am AUXILIARY BAKE SALE	Apr 5 95/270	Apr 6 96/269 Passover	Apr 7 97/268  7:00pm EXEC MTG	Apr 8 98/267	Apr 9 99/266 <b>ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGETTI \$ 2.25</b> Good Friday 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	Apr 10 100/265 7:00pm EASTER PARADE

# CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

March 28 - May 8, 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Mar 28</b> 87/278	<b>Mar 29</b> 88/277	<b>Mar 30</b> 89/276	<b>Mar 31</b> 90/275	<b>Apr 1</b> 91/274 April Fools Day	<b>Apr 2</b> 92/273 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	<b>Apr 3</b> 93/272
<b>Apr 4</b> 94/271 Daylight Savings  Palm Sunday 8:30am AUXILIARY BAKE SALE	<b>Apr 5</b> 95/270	<b>Apr 6</b> 96/269 Passover	<b>Apr 7</b> 97/268  7:00pm EXEC MTG	<b>Apr 8</b> 98/267	<b>Apr 9</b> 99/266  Good Friday 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	<b>Apr 10</b> 100/265 7:00pm EASTER PARADE
<b>Apr 11</b> 101/264 Easter 	<b>Apr 12</b> 102/263 8:00pm 40/8 MTG	<b>Apr 13</b> 103/262	<b>Apr 14</b> 104/261 7:00pm GUN CLUB MTG	<b>Apr 15</b> 105/260  6:00pm GEN MTG AND LU- Ncheon 7:00pm POST INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS	<b>Apr 16</b> 106/259 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	<b>Apr 17</b> 107/258 9:30am WAC MEETING
<b>Apr 18</b> 108/257	<b>Apr 19</b> 109/256 7:00pm 8 & 40 MTG	<b>Apr 20</b> 110/255	<b>Apr 21</b> 111/254	<b>Apr 22</b> 112/253	<b>Apr 23</b> 113/252  7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	<b>Apr 24</b> 114/251
<b>Apr 25</b> 115/250	<b>Apr 26</b> 116/249	<b>Apr 27</b> 117/248 7:00pm GUN CLUB MTG 7:30pm AMVETS MTG	<b>Apr 28</b> 118/247	<b>Apr 29</b> 119/246	<b>Apr 30</b> 120/245 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	<b>May 1</b> 121/244
<b>May 2</b> 122/243 1:00pm DIST 7 CONVENTION POST 38	<b>May 3</b> 123/242	<b>May 4</b> 124/241	<b>May 5</b> 125/240  7:00pm EXEC MTG	<b>May 6</b> 126/239	<b>May 7</b> 127/238 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	<b>May 8</b> 128/237



### The American Legion Membership Application

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(Mailing Address) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

(City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip) \_\_\_\_\_ (Post #) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check appropriate eligibility dates and branch of service below** (Dues)

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I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty during the dates marked above and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Name of recruiter \_\_\_\_\_

### Receipt of Dues

(Please Print)

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Recruiter's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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