



**CENTENNIAL POST 209
THE AMERICAN LEGION**



MARCH 1995

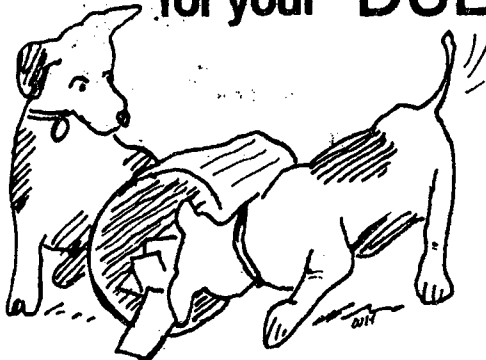
**FROM THE COMMANDER - AL
CYRIAQUE**

I want to thank all the members who were in attendance at last month's meeting. It gave, I'm sure, strong support to our Oratorical contestant, Ms Jessica Fisher. I also want to thank the Auxiliary for interrupting its meeting to listen to Ms. Fisher.

At this month's General Membership meeting, we will announce the names of candidates for office next year. We will also accept nominations from the floor at this meeting. The election of new officers will be held at our April General Membership meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at both meetings.

**WE'VE LOOKED EVERYWHERE
for your DUES**



**FROM THE PRESIDENT - DOT
DASSERO**

Auxiliary members appreciated being invited to hear the Post and District winner of the Oratorical Contest. We congratulate Miss Fisher and will keep our fingers crossed for her.

Please make your reservations for the American Legion Birthday Party. A fine dinner is planned and good music to follow. I know you will enjoy it. The Auxiliary will, as usual, provide the birthday cake.

The Auxiliary was also provided with tickets to sell for the District Ball. Please call Barbara Johnson for tickets.

With nicer weather, more people are showing up for Bingo games. The Legion appreciates the help that we, as Auxiliary members, give so if you can help on Friday nights at the TREA building, please do so. It's not hard work and will be appreciated.

A nominating committee, Barbara Johnson, Ruth Hornik and Hilda Pifer, was appointed. Please call one of these members if you will accept an office for 1995-96.

POST OFFICERS

COMMANDER	ALTON CRYIAQUE
SR VICE COMMANDER	HARRY JOHNSON
JR VICE COMMANDER	ED MITTAGE
ADJUTANT	ANN FOSTER
FINANCE OFFICER	LARRY JOHNSON
HISTORIAN	J. C. SHELLHAMMER
SGT-AT-ARMS	NORMAN HARPOLE
CHAPLAIN	HOWARD HORNIK
JUDGE ADVOCATE	ERNEST KELLY
SERVICE OFFICER	HARRY MCFADDEN
EXEC COMMITTEEMAN	NEAL THOMAS

DUES \$25.00

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	DOROTHY DASSERO
1ST VICE PRESIDENT	
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	
SECRETARY	MARCIA SHELLHAMMER
TREASURER	BARBARA JOHNSON
HISTORIAN	ROSALIE FRICKE
CHAPLAIN	FLORENCE SPIEWAK
SGT-AT-ARMS	RUTH HORNIK

DUES \$12.00

MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY - 7:00 P.M.
834 Emory - TREA BLDG

EDITOR

DOROTHY DASSERO, NALPA

MORE BY HARRY JOHNSON - SR VICE COMMANDER

At this writing, we have 312 members who have renewed. Our goal is 501. If you have not paid your renewal fee of \$25.00 by this time, you are delinquent. You could lose your Legion life insurance benefit. I'm sure, for some, it is just an oversight; if so, now is the time.

We need to have all of you attend the meetings so we can begin to formulate plans for the new Post Home. We will have a new Home for our members and want you there for the Opening Ceremonies.

Post 209 will celebrate the birthday of The American Legion with a dinner March 25 at 430 E. Pikes Peak Avenue (VFW Post 4051).

We will have Attitude Adjustment from 6:30 to 7:00 P.M.; dinner will be served at 7:00 P.M. The menu will be roast beef with gravy, quartered red potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit salad and Birthday Cake for dessert.

The nominations for next year's officers will be this month at the general membership meeting on March 16. If you are interested in serving as an officer, be sure to contact me as soon as possible and attend the meeting on March 16. My

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phone number is 596-9261.

The Installation of Officers for next year will be May 13th at 430 East Pikes Peak Avenue (VFW Post 4051). Attitude Adjustment from 6:30 to 7:00 P.M. (cash bar) with dinner at 7:00, and installation to follow dinner. The menu will be herbed baked chicken, potatoes au gratin, cauliflower Polonaise and tossed salad. Cost will be \$6.50 per person. Plan now to attend this important dinner.

ADJUTANT ANNOTATIONS - ANN FOSTER

Slowly we climb in membership from 308 to 312. We need 14 more people to reach 65% of our goal. Just 189 more people would allow us to reach 100%. This may seem like too much but it is possible with a positive attitude. Please ask just one person who might be eligible to join! Surely there are 189 of you out there who could do that!

It won't be too much longer before we will be making out the annual reports of our activities and the hours of service to the community and The American Legion. With that in mind, a form is included in this Newsletter to report what you are doing in these areas. Please use it and send it on. Examples of community service are working with Scouts, driving for Silver Key and other nonprofit service. Examples of service to The American Legion would be helping out at the VA Satellite Clinic or the State Veterans Nursing Home in Florence, participating in All Patients Day at the VA Medical Center in Fort Lyon, manning a booth at Retiree Day at Fort Carson or Peterson AFB, getting signatures for the Citizens Flag Alliance and conducting flag education in the schools, etc. Let us know what you are doing, and we will be able to send in a good report of our service at the end of this Legion year.

Please remember our monthly meetings are now at the Retired Enlisted Association building, 834 Emory Cricle at 7:00 P.M. District 7 officers will be making their Spring Visitation at the March 16 meeting. Come and hear updates on recent Department activities.

Commander Al Cyriaque has given the District 7 Ball tickets to Sr Vice Commander Harry Johnson to sell. Please contact Harry at 596-9261 if you are interested in purchasing tickets. They are \$10.00 each. The Ball will be at Post 38, 8 April 8:00 to 12:00.

Jeff Hillman of Post 38 is serving as point of contact for a planned trip to Post 1919 at the State Veterans Nursing Home in Florence. He thought it would be nice for a group to visit on Armed Forces Day, May 20. Post officers will be having to attend training on that date but all of the rest of you would be welcome. Leave a message for Jeff at Post 38, 392-9901.

The VFW Post 3917 in Security will be having its annual Loyalty Day Parade and Program on Saturday, April 29, in Fountain. Parade units will form at 9:00 A.M. and the parade will start at 10:00. The theme this year is "Today is a Holiday that Celebrates an Idea...and that Idea is America."

Post 209 is considering the possibility of participating in this event with the help of a trailer owned by Commander Cyriaque so we would not have to walk. Ed Mittage is the Chair for this event. If you would like to take part, call the Post, 599-8624, and leave a message. We will get the word to Ed.

WALK FOR CHILDREN

One of the programs mandated by The American Legion for support is

Children and Youth. We have many programs such as The American Legion High School Oratorical Contest, as well as Boys and Girls State to name a couple.

The Walk for Children (formerly Walk for Mankind) is a program which I believe members of Centennial Post 209 can and should get behind and support.

What is needed is for every member to make arrangements to get a pledge sheet and go to your neighbors, friends, co-workers, etc., and ask them to pledge money in support of the children in our community. We then need walkers to walk the 15 kilometers within the confines of Palmer Park.

There will be a kick-off sometime around the 21st of March, with the walk to take place on April 22.

Let's get together and make this a fun day and support the Children and Youth of our community.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Francis Redington, 471-3925.

FRANCIS REDINGTON

**FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES -
LARRY JOHNSON
BINGO CHAIRMAN**

At the present time the Post has only one fund-raising activity and that is the Bingo game which is conducted Friday evenings at TREA at 834 Emory Circle.

The Bingo game is doing fantastic. On Friday, February 17, we had a very pleasant surprise in that we had 197 people attend. We were very lucky that night as a couple of extra workers appeared to help out or we would have been in a bind to

support the players.

At the Bingo game, one of the workers asked me what the Bingo does for the Post. The best way to answer this is to give a small breakdown of what it has cost us to operate so far this year.

Bulk Postage	\$ 475.00
Children & Youth	50.00
Contributions	1600.00
Emblem Purchases	2565.50
Awards	27.99
Historian	9.69
Meeting Room Rent	110.00
Newsletter Printing	1115.30
Office Supplies	149.20
Oratorical Contest	69.91
P.O. Box Rental	35.00
Pikes Peak Vet Council	135.24
Presentation Flags	220.00
Post Rent	2832.31
Safe Deposit Box	25.00
Satellite Clinic	108.05
Stamps	247.00
Veterans Rehab	554.00
Vet Spt	150.00
Christmas Baskets	471.72
Kids Christmas Party	103.37

This is approximately \$11,500.00. Without the bingo game, we would not even be able to communicate with each member of the Post, Unit or Sons of The American Legion.

At this point, we need the Bingo game in order to perform the programs of The American Legion and the Veterans whom we ARE dedicated to support.

We can use your help, anytime you would like to give it. Give me a call at 590-1369 when you have some spare time on your hands.

LARRY JOHNSON
BINGO CHAIRMAN

**BINGO WORKERS SCHEDULE
MARCH 1995**

	1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK	5TH WEEK
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FLOOR WALKER FLOOR WALKER			WALLY L.	WALLY L.	
CALLER CALLER	DORRIE W. LARRY J.	FLOYD B. DORRIE W.	DORRIE W. LARRY L.	FLOYD B. DORRIE W.	FLOYD B. DORRIE W.
GAMES MANAGER	LARRY J.	LARRY J.	LARRY J.	LARRY J.	LARRY J.



The Walk for Children Youth Council provides an ongoing investment in young people through leadership training, public speaking opportunities, community service and social growth.

Pikes Peak Area Optimists' Youth Foundation MISSION:

Encourage, enrich, enhance and educate our youth through Optimism.

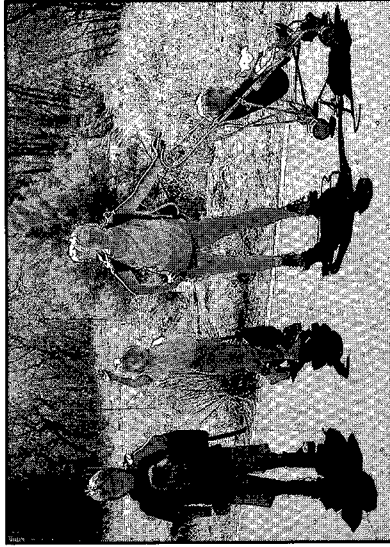
PURPOSE

- Enhance the Optimist way of Life
- Instill the spirit of Optimism in the community with an emphasis on the health education and welfare of youth in the Pikes Peak area.
- Impact the lives of the children and youth of our communities and to further the education and learning process through respect for law and government and other youth oriented activities and projects.
- Allow the Optimist Clubs of the area to work together in a common cause.
- Collectively impact the community in a positive way



Pikes Peak Walk for Children (formerly Walk for Mankind)

Started in 1973 as a Project Concern International Walk for the community. As of 1994, the Walk has become a complete local effort providing funds for our community's youth and children through the Pikes Peak Area Optimists' Youth Foundation. The Walk for Children remains the oldest Walk in Colorado as well as the largest youth and family oriented Walk. It also remains the largest Walk for Children in the country.



For you, the youth and children in our community and the world. Special donations will include the youth of Romania through Project Concern International.

A Walk for Everyone

Everyone can participate. Get your sponsorship and walk the 15 kilometer route in Palmer Park...all walking together.

Teams for Children Companies, clubs, schools, senior groups, churches, and organizations band together as Team Walkers.



Wee Walk
A shorter 5 kilometer route designed for children birth through 8 years accompanied by a parent or an adult. (Also a sponsored walk.)

Handicapable Walk

Now part of the larger 15 kilometer route. Escorts can be provided.

Volunteer!

Volunteers are the heart of the Walk for Children's enduring success. If you'd like to help with any aspect of this special event, call us at 576-0136.

WALK FOR CHILDREN



A Celebration of Life!

For you, our community, the children and youth of our community and the world.

Walk for Children is the "original" Walk sharing all proceeds of event income with this community's participating nonprofit organizations and schools.

Active participants make a positive contribution to our community and our world while enjoying a fun filled outdoor physical activity.

Pikes Peak Area Optimists' Youth Foundation presents

22nd Annual Pikes Peak

Walk for Children

Saturday, April 22, 1995

15 kilometer walk held in beautiful Palmer Park at Maizeland and Academy Boulevards for the benefit of youth in our local, state and worldwide community.

GET INVOLVED

- Participate as a walker.
- Sponsor a walker.
- Join the Walk planning committee.
- Recruit walkers.
- Schedule a presentation for your group.
- Help with Walk Day logistics and walker safety.
- Assist with Walk publicity.
- Assist with corporate outreach and sponsorship..

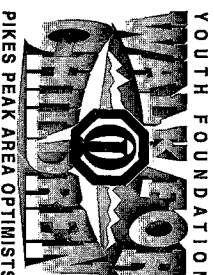
A very special walk in partnership with the Kennedy Center's Imagination Celebration!

For additional information, contact Carole A. McCarthy, Executive Director Pikes Peak Area Optimists' Youth Foundation

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WALK FOR CHILDREN









Pikes Peak Area Optimists' Youth Foundation



March 1995

CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Ash Wednesday  7:00pm EXEC MTG		3 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	
5	6	7	8	9	10 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	11
12	13  8:00pm 40/8 MTG	14	15	16  7:00pm GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING REA #1 7:00pm DIST 7 VISITATION	17 St. Patrick's 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE 	18
19	20 Spring begins  7:30pm 8 & 40 MTG POST 5	21	22	23	24 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	25  6:30pm AM LEG BIRTHDAY PARTY
26	27	28	29	30	31 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	

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WE NEED YOU AS MEMBERS OF OUR POST

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April 1995

CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

SUNDAY

MONDAY









TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

						1 April Fools Day
2  Daylight Savings	3	4	5  7:00pm EXEC MTG	6	7  95% TARGET DATE TO DEPT 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	8
9 Palm Sunday	10  8:00pm 40/8 MTG	11	12	13	14 Good Friday 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	15
16  Easter	17  7:30pm 8 & 40 MTG POST 5	18	19	20  7:00pm GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING REA #1 7:30pm ELECTION OF OFFICERS	21 7:00pm BINGO 834 EMORY CIRCLE	22 WALK FOR CHILDREN
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