

CENTENNIAL POST 209

THE AMERICAN LEGION

APRIL 2000



Almost 10 years ago June Thomas, Commander and Past Commanders Neal Thomas and Larry Johnson, with Charter Member/Broker Bill Weeks, closed on 7,379 acres of land, purchased for building a new Post Home. In these past years, much has been said about what we should do about erecting a Post Home for members to meet, socialize and conduct business. We have continually asked our membership to step forward and help determine what WE are eventually going to do.

At our March General Membership Meeting there were 11 or 12 of US putting together a slate of officers for 2000-2001. You will read more about it later in this letter. If you would like to run for office, be at our General Meeting on April 20. We need your input. Nominations can be made from the floor.

So vote now, it will be a practice run for the elections in November. We need veterans in Congress to

look out for us. This year is winding down and it has been a learning experience for me. Thanks for your trust and confidence in the Post Officers serving for the benefit of the membership. PLEASE plan to attend.

Boys State is just around the corner which means it is time to start the annual search for the BEST candidates to take on a very challenging obligation by submitting applications to attend. Countless numbers of young men have taken up the challenge and made their marks count for whatever goal they set.

After the election in April, your Post Officers will take up the challenge and move toward the year 2001. It has been my pleasure to serve you this past year. For the next slate of officers to be elected, put your support behind them and let's get the job done. If anyone needs assistance getting to and from the meetings, call 471-3925. Meeting with members individually is very important as it helps each of us to understand more about each other.

In closing, keep Vivian Harpole in your prayers that her injured hand will be restored to its natural state. God bless you, Vivian, we wish you a speedy recovery.

OFFICERS

COMMANDER	FRANCIS REDINGTON
SR VICE COMMANDER	
JR VICE COMMANDER	HARRY JOHNSON
ADJUTANT	ANN FOSTER
FINANCE OFFICER	AL CYRIAGUE
HISTORIAN	NORM MOYER
SGT-AT-ARMS	NORM HARPOLE
CHAPLAIN	HOWARD HORNIK
JUDGE ADVOCATE	WALLY LONSINGER
SERVICE OFFICER	TOM MORANT

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
JUN 25, 1950 - JAN 31, 1956
VIETNAM WAR
DEC 22, 1961 - MAY 7, 1975
GRENADA & LEBANON
AUG 24, 1982 - JUL 31 1984
PANAMA
DEC 20, 1989 - JAN 31, 1990
PERSIAN GULF
AUG 2, 1990 UNTIL THE
END OF HOSTILITIES

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	DOROTHY DASSERO
SECRETARY	ANITA MCFADDEN
TREASURER	BARBARA JOHNSON
CHAPLAIN	JUDITH MCFADDEN
SGT-AT-ARM	RUTH HORNIK

DUES \$15.00

**NORM MOYER
HISTORIAN**

MEETINGS

3RD THURSDAY - 7:00 P.M.
VFW POST #4051, 430 E PIKES PEAK AVE.
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO

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SPRING HAS ARRIVED. Plans have already started for our annual Post Picnic and Sky Sox outing. The picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 20. From 11:00 to 3:00 PM at Palmer Park - Meadowlands facility (one block west of Academy Blvd and Maizeland Road). The Post has confirmed the facility including the pavilion table area, barbeque pits, children's play area, volleyball court and plenty of grass area. Menu will be similar to last year (ribs, hamburgers, hotdogs and brats with members bringing salads or desserts). More specific details forthcoming.

Immediately after the picnic, the second half of our family fun afternoon is a late afternoon baseball game at Sky Sox Stadium (east of Powers Blvd at Barnes Road). The game is at 4:05 PM. The Colorado Rockies AAA team, the Colorado Springs Sky Sox, host the Omaha Golden Spikes, the Kansas City Royals AAA team.

Post 209 has purchased at least 25 tickets, upper-reserved (first base side) for Post and Auxiliary members and their families.

So plan NOW for our summer doubleheader of fun on Sunday, July 20. Any questions or confirmation contact Norm Moyer, Picnic Chairman at 392-3725.

**THE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, 20
MAY 2000**

We are going someplace new this year. We going to hold it at Chop's Wood Grill (the old Dublin House). We are offering a choice of prime rib or chicken, with baked potato, salad and veggies. The price for the meal is being set and will be announced in the next newsletter. We are trying to get the cost under \$15.00. The evening will begin with a social hour beginning at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Installation of Officers will follow dinner beginning with installation of Auxiliary Officers, followed by the Legion Officers. Following installation, the Commander and President will present awards.

Please plan to attend. This is the one function we hold each year that is in a semi-formal format. Call Larry Johnson at 590-1369 and let him know how many will be in your party and which dish you would like.

**NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS FOR
THE LEGION YEAR 2000-2001**

The following Legionnaires have expressed a desire to lead in the upcoming year:

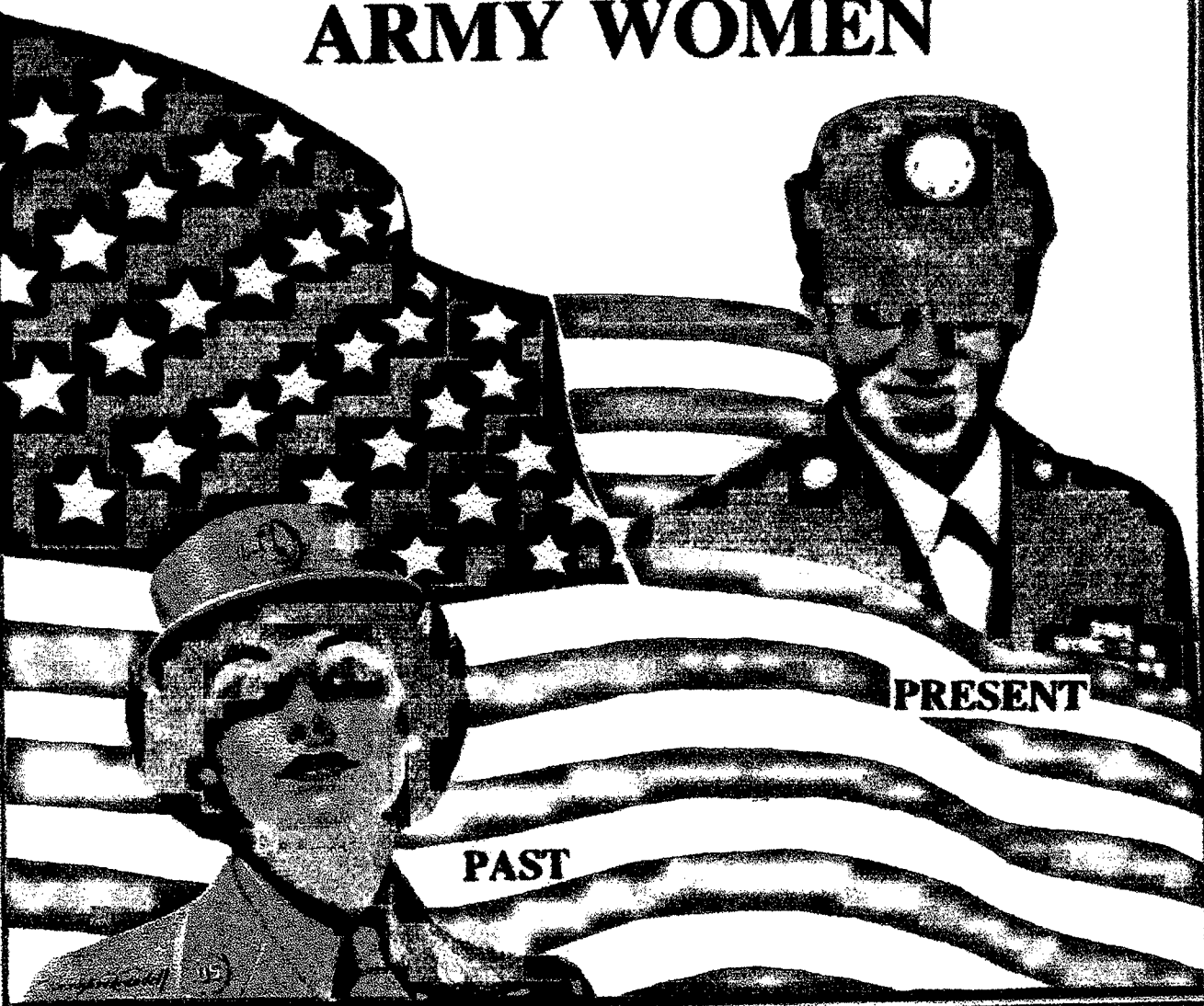
Commander	Francis Redington
Sr Vice Commander	
Jr. Vice Commander	Norm Moyer
Adjutant	Ann Foster
Finance Officer	Alton Cyriaque
Historian	Greg Andries
Chaplain	Howard Hornik
Sgt at Arms	Robert Rydell
Judge Advocate	
Service Officer	Tom Morant
Post Executive	Neal Thomas

As you can see there are several positions open. If you would like to be a part of leading this Post into another year, please contact Larry Johnson at 590-1369, Neal Thomas 392-1510 or Alton Cyriaque at 495-4032.

Although people are nominated, that does not mean you cannot run for that office. Nominations will be accepted from the floor for each position prior to the election. Come out and meet the candidates and make your wishes known.

Hope to see you at the next meeting on 20 April at the VFW Post 4051 so Pikes Peak and Wahsatch, 7:00 p.m.

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