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FROM THE COMMANDER:

SAFETY!! That is my wish for the month of September. We start the month with a three day holiday in which everyone seems to take very hard.

It is sort of a celebration for some as the end of summer and others celebrate it as the beginning of school.

How and why you celebrate is really up to you but I would love to see everyone at the September meetings and functions.

Also next month marks the start of the school year. As we all know, children do not always exercise caution in their activities. I would ask that we exercise that caution for the students and watch where and how we drive. I would remind everyone that children of our community are the future leaders of our great community. Let's give them a chance to lead us in the future.

Have a safe Holiday and we will see you in the future.

The month of August has been a very busy time and we Legionnaires and Auxiliary have been busy representing the Post and the Unit.

I would like to thank Neal and June Thomas and Bill and Anna Henson for representing the Post and the Unit at the Gamenois Open House on the fifth of August. I would also like to thank Howard and Ruth Hornik for their participation in the Fike's Peak or Bust Rodeo. They were able to help out with five of the six sessions.

As has been the case for many months now, we have a Legionnaire who donates his time towards insuring that our Post home is open and ready to serve our members. He doesn't get many thanks for his efforts and I would like to take a few moments and express my gratitude and thanks to Louis Mikulecky for his time and effort. I would also ask that as you go to the Post Home that you also say thank you and that all of his work is appreciated.

I would also like to thank the following Legionnaires and Auxiliary members for their time and participation in our weekly fund raising project "BINGO".

John and Helen Heitz, Max Hoyer, Bill and Hilda Pifer Howard and Ruth Hornik, Robert Morris, Louis, Betty, and Becky Mikulecky, Robin Gilbreath, Florence Spiewah, Irena Campbell, Neal and June Thomas, Tom Morant, Wanda McCoy and Dave Thomas.

It is only through the dedication of these folks that we can accomplish such things as sponsoring a summer Baseball team for some of the children of the community, Veterans Assistance at Fort Lyon VA Medical Center, Florence Nursing Home, as well as veterans in the local community, children's Christmas Parties, and family assistance at Christmas time to name a few.

I would also like to thank Harry and Barbara Johnson for work that they expended in making the Post Picnic the success that it was. I would be remiss if I did not thank all of those wonderful Auxiliary members who brought their favorite dishes in for the July meeting and the August meeting.

On September the 8th the Post will once again undertake the support of the Fort Lyon VA Medical Hospital's ALL PATIENT DAY ACTIVITIES. We will once again take a bus down to Fort Lyon and back. We will leave about 7:00 AM from the Post Home and return around 8:00 PM Saturday night. Why not come and join us for the day? Sign up now at the Post Home.

On the 25th of September the Department Commander Tom Green will be visiting District Seven at 1:00 PM. He will visit Florence Nursing Home and at 7:00 PM the District Seven Fall Conference will be held. This will be a great chance to meet the District and Department Commanders and their staff. If there is enough of us wanting to go, I will look into alternative transportation.

LARRY L. JOHNSON
COMMANDER

FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER
Hi Legionnaires:

Memberships are rolling in and I want to thank you for an early return. We are looking forward to a 100% membership by 11/11/90. Our District has led the state in memberships turned in for the last few years, so we must maintain our "STATUS".

As I mentioned in my first article as Sr. Vice Commander, retaining membership is one of the most important things we are working on this year. There are several programs out for retention and for new members at National. Department and even Post 209 has a special program to encourage early renewals. The National American Legion level has cruises and Hawaiian Holidays and automobiles to win. Department of Colorado level has free Permanent Memberships for both the new member and the recruiter. Commander Johnson has given me \$100.00 to be given to one of the "EARLY-BIRD" members on October 27th. This is a post incentive for all to be signed up before that evening, so get those memberships in so your name can be drawn.

The awards information has been placed on the Post bulletin board for your review. Come join us on the bus ride to Fort Lyons All Veterans/Patient Day. There is a big picnic, dunking booth, hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream cones and more at no cost to you. Just come with us and show some Veteran patients that you care. The date is SEPTEMBER 8TH, 1990. See you There.....

JUNE THOMAS
SR. VICE COMMANDER

FROM THE JR. VICE COMMANDER

For the September 8, 1990 Fort Lyon Patients Day trip we have a sign up sheet in the Club for anyone who wants to go down. We have a bus that is going to leave at 7:00 AM.

On September 15th, we have a TEX-MEX dinner and dance. The dinner is at 6:00 PM and the dance at 8:00 until --- ?. Price is \$5.00 per person. On October 6th is OCTOBERFEST. We are trying to have the FEST next door to the Post Home. I'll have more next time. Also, the ladies are planning a Halloween party in October so come on down to the post and have some fun

LOU MIKULECKY
JR. VICE COMMANDER

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1. 5 p.m. ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT
2. 6 p.m. DINNER
3. 8 p.m. DANCE
4. \$5.00 PER PERSON

T I C K E T S A V A I L A B L E A T P O S T H O M E

(GET THEM WHILE THEY'RE HOT)

FROM THE ADJUTANT

We had twenty-four members at the General Membership meeting of August 16th, 1990. All who attended enjoyed the great spaghetti dinner. I urge all of you to make an effort to attend the meetings. There are considerable important decisions being made at these meetings that will affect our Post for years to come. At this time, we are conducting business at the meetings that will, we hope, lead to the establishment of a permanent Post Home. If you don't attend the meetings and make your voice heard, you will have no right to complain in the future

If anyone has any post or Legion records at home, would you please return them. We have hired a temporary clerk to set up a complete filing system and we need those records. We hope to have all historically important documents which pertain to the Post on file. This will be very important in the future. We have a copy machine and will be glad to provide copies of anything what you would like to keep for your personal records.

Also, if you are unable to attend a meeting, but would like to see a copy of the minutes, let me know. I'll be happy to see that you get a copy.

FLOYD BUFKIN
ADJUTANT

FROM THE CLUB COMMITTEE

Our monthly balance in the Club Operating account is hanging in there around \$5800.00 so from that view point we are holding our own.

We have acquired a very nice stove and both Betty and Lois are much happier now. As we go along we will be better able to serve the membership hot food on our special occasions. The stove and installation cost about \$900.00 and that will draw down on our operating capital and should pay for itself in the long run.

To all of you members - Drop by and you will find a very comfortable and congenial atmosphere in which to relax and enjoy yourselves.

MAX, LOU, AND ROGER
CLUB COMMITTEE

FROM THE AUXILIARY

Hello Ladies:

The month of August was busy at Unit 209.

Some of the ladies worked at the Pike's Peak Rodeo selling programs. They said it was both fun and they saw the rodeo free.

If you missed out meeting on the 16th, you missed the best spaghetti dinner in town. Thanks to Lois Egnor for her time and her delicious meatballs and sauce.

Also we are having a Halloween Party on October 27th. The committee is planning a band and snacks. More on that later.

Florence Spiewak, Vi Harath, Irena Campbell, and Hilda Pifer delivered comfort items to the Florence Nursing Home and as always it was a very important and also fun time.

The budget was approved and we are hoping next year we will have more money to spend on our projects.

The picnic was fun. Thanks to Harry and Barbara Johnson for putting it all together. I took several rolls of film and as soon as I get them back they will be here at the Post Home for everyone to enjoy.

Barbara Johnson donated a beautiful Afghan, chances are \$1.00 each and the drawing will be at the Halloween Party on October 27, 1990. So come on down and buy some chances. The money will go for some of the things we were unable to include in our budget.

Thanks to all of you who have renewed your 1991 dues. We are close to our goal and to all of our new members, a big WELCOME and we are looking forward to meeting you and seeing you at our next meeting on September 20th. Ham hocks and beans with corn bread at 6:00 PM.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

SEPTEMBER	3	LABOR DAY	Post opens 12:00 Noon
	8	ALL PATIENTS DAY AT FORT LYONS	Leave Post by bus at 7:00 a.m.
	15	TEX-MEX DINNER AND DANCE	Dinner at 6:00 pm and Dance to RIDIN TOO HIGH 8:00-12:00 COST= \$5.00 Per person.
	25	DISTRICT FALL CONFERENCE	Florence at 7:00 p.m.
OCTOBER	6	OCTOBER-FEST	More details later

BETTY MIKULECKY
PRESIDENT UNIT 209

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