EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, The First Wednesday of every month, 7:00 P.M. at the Post Home, 1337 North Academy Blvd.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, The Third Thursday of every month, 7:00 P.M. at the Post Home, 1337 North Academy Blvd.

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FROM THE COMMANDER:

## BEWARE



31 October, HALLOWEEN, is quickly approaching. This is an evening where the CHILDREN and YOUTH of OUR COMMUNITY go out with parents and grandparents for trick or treating. It is an evening when the children and some of the adults will be wearing masks or other items that could and will impair their vision while walking through the community. In addition, the children will be full of enthusiasm and WILL NOT be thinking about SAFETY. I encourage everyone who will be out driving in our community to please pay special attention to the roads and conditions pertinent to this holiday. I am asking this, in behalf of the children and future leaders of our great nation. A special reminder to be sure to inspect the candy and goodies that our children receive as not all the WEIRDO'S wear Costumes.

Some safety tips for our children:

- a) Wear makeup instead of masks
- b) Wear light colored clothes
- e) Observe all traffic warnings

LET'S HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

"THE LITTLE POST, GOING PLACES AND DOING BIG THINGS"

This is the motto that we used for more than a few years. At that time we were SMALL and we were GOING PLACES and DOING BIG THINGS.

Today, we are <u>larger</u>, and we are going <u>somewhere</u>, WHERE, I can't tell you, but we are going somewhere. As for the BIG THINGS, I will let you judge that for yourself. I think that we can do better than we have done. However, here is some food for thought.

In September, we, the Post, rented a forty seven passenger bus and loaded up eighteen Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, their families and guests, and took a trip to Fort Lyon Veterans Hospital and did something BIG! The involvement by these volunteers brought a little life and excitement to those patients that we visited. In addition, we also are providing a very much needed service in our community, in that we are actively repairing wheelchairs, walkers, and other small items for SILVER KEY. The money that Silver Key saves by our labor; repairing, cannibalizing broken, worn, or unusable wheelchairs and making good ones for use by the more mature citizens of our community is allowing Silver Key to funnel that money into much more worthwhile projects and needs of the community.

What are we going to do in the future to exceed these accomplishments? The other question that comes to some of the members' minds is, can we exceed these accomplishments? I think we can. Expecially if all members, Legionnaires and Auxiliary members will band together presenting a united front and participate in the various programs.

During the months of OCTOBER, NOVEMBER and PART OF DECEMBER, we can open our hearts to the less fortunate of our community. I have asked that boxes, or at least a place be set aside for those who would like, to bring in cans of food, toys, and clothing. I fully intend to utilize these assets to help the needy in our community have a MERRY CHRISTMAS on behalf of our Post. I am asking all members to please bring in cans of food, new toys, good clothing that can be used to provide gifts. In addition, I am asking the Post to adopt three or four families for the Christmas Holidays. By this, I mean to provide a Christmas dinner, presents and some good holiday spirit to those who could use some.

#### NEW HOURS:

We are once again changing the hours that we are open in hope that we can stimulate some more participation. The new hours are:

MONDAY	4 PM -	10	PM
TUESDAY thru THURSDAY	11 AM -	10	PM
FRIDAY and SATURDAY	11 AM -	11	PM
SUNDAY	10 AM -	6	PM

NOTE: The Club will stay open whenever there is a crowd in the Club.

Beginning 22 October 1989, starting with the Denver Bronco Game, the Post will have a large screen T.V. available for those quarter-backs who would like to feel they are a part of the game.

COME ON DOWN AND ENJOY OUR QUIET AND FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE!

#### DART TOURNEMENT:

On Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM, a dart tournement has been instituted for those who would like to shoot a friendly game of darts. The last two weeks of shooting has given Legionnaire John Kovar a slight headstart; however, I am sure that we will be changing that in the future. I urge everyone who would like to participate in the game of darts or if you would like to learn the basics of the game, to come on out for the evening and enjoy!

### BINGO:

We have a new Bingo Chairman who begins 1 October 1989. Let's come out and help him get started right. He asures me that everyone who would like to work, even if it is only half of the evening, that he will gladly accept any and all help.

### MEMBERSHIP:

We started the year out really good; however, since then we have slowed down just a bit. As of Tuesday, 26 September 1989, we have 105 members that have renewed their membership for 1990. Again, I ask everyone who has not renewed their membership, to please do so. REMINDER: Those who have to renew their American Legion Insurance Policy in OCTOBER, you must have your new membership card number in order to do so. I have been told that those renewing their policy without the card will not be renewed. This is by the Insurance Agency.

# SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION:

During the Executive Committee meeting in September, the subject of starting s "Sons of the American Legion Squadron" was brought before the Committee. After discussion, it was decided that the Post would seek members for this program. As a result of this decision, membership applications are available. If you would like to bring your son into the family of the American Legion, please feel free to call me at 574-0646 or visit the Post and leave your name and address and I will mail you an application. In addition, I have enclosed a xeroxed copy of the application with this newsletter. The dues are \$10 per year.

## DISTRICT OFFICERS VISITATION:

During the meeting in October, we will have the District Officers visiting us and bringing forth the ideas of the District Commander and what his goals are for the upcoming year. I would like to urge everyone to come out for this meeting and meet the Commander and his officers for the American Legion District Seven.

Fellow Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, prospective Sons of the American Legion members, I need your ideas and help, if I am going to improve what we have. I am open for any and all suggestions that will be of benefit to the post and its membership.

## DEPARTMENT FALL CONFERENCE:

The first weekend in November, November 3 - 4- 5, The American Legion, Department of Colorado, will be hosting the Fall Conference. It is at this Conference that we hear from all of the Committees as to what their programs for the upcoming year require. They will also, present information on a wide variety of subjects that are of interest to us all. If you would like to go to this function, please notify me at 574-0646, and I will see if I can find a ride for you. I really would like to see a large number of our members go to this conference, to be able to gather all the information that is brought to the attention of the Legion/Auxiliary and then be able to bring it back for those who could not attend.

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The next General Membership meeting will be at 7:00 p.m., 19 October 1989, at the Post Home, 1337 N. Academy Blvd. This meeting is open to all those who are interested in what is happening with the Post.

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Ladies: We have certainly been busy last month. We had an early meeting in order to go to the District Seven Conference on September 21st at Post 38. The Department President, Virginia Green, and her officers were there and gave us some pertinent information on the goals and objectives for the American Legion Auxiliary year 1989-1990. Her theme is "Moo-ving On in Colorado". She is looking for 100% membership from each unit in District Seven.

Our next meeting, October 19, 1989, we will be visited by our District Officers. Please plan to be there. We are also needing donations; such as craft items, homemade jellies, jams, breads or desserts for our Mid-Winter Conference on November 3, 4, 5th. You may leave these things at the Post or call me at 574-0646.

Our thanks goes out to Florence Spiewak for obtaining a piano to be donated to the Post at a later date. We are looking forward to those sing-alongs and dances that our Legion Chaplain promised us!

Margery Johnson President

## FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

Well Ladies, as I am new to this Unit and a new Vice President, I would like to take some time in this newsletter to ask for some help. We hold our meetings the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. and we would like to see some new faces and get some ideas for some money making projects. Also, we would like to get to know you ladies who pay their dues every year and for one reason or another, have not attended any meetings.

As we now have a Post Home and it's a nice place, why not come join us? If time is tight for you on meeting nights and you don't have time to cook dinner, we serve sandwiches and pizza in our lounge. This is a family place and we should all take a few minutes to enjoy it. The coffee-pot is always on!!

So ladies, I am looking forward to meeting  $\underline{YOU}$  and hearing some new ideas.

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL THIS YEAR AND PAY YOUR 1990 DUES!!!!

Betty Mikulecky Vice President