



A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION

CENTENNIAL POST 209

JUNE THOMAS, COMMANDER

'A LITTLE POST GOING PLACES AND DOING BIG THINGS'

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NEAL THOMAS

FROM THE COMMANDER

I am so excited about our District 7 Ball. This is the first time in about 18 years that we have taken time to honor our past District Presidents and Commanders. We have a Past Department President and Commander from this District also. We are also honoring a very special

person, Ralph "DOC" Cristy, Commander for seventeen years at the Florence Nursing Home. We have chosen him, "Post Commander of the Year" in District Seven. He has been a patient at the nursing home for many years, and I am pleased that his son will be bringing him to this function. Our Department Commander Tom Bock and his family will also be in attendance. Please plan to join the American Legion Family, at American Legion Post 38, in Security, Colorado, at 6:30 p.m. on November 9th. The cost is \$7.50 per person, for dinner and dance, and the dress is semi-formal. Come out and meet your fellow Legionnaires.

I appreciate all the work that each Committee is doing on behalf of this Post. We are here to serve Veterans and the programs of the American Legion, and I am proud to say ,...YOU DID GOOD!

The building Committee has tickets available to win a beautiful Camcorder which is on display in the Post. If everyone purchased at least one book of 6 for \$5.00, we could really be on our way to building our New Post Home. Let us support the efforts of our Committees, after all we will all benefit.

Last month I thanked Past Post Commander Wallace Lonsigner for his generous gift of \$1000.00 and Ann Foster, the Administrative Assistant for the Post for her monthly donations to the Building fund. Since then we have another donation of \$100.00 from a new member, Legionnaire Al Lender and \$1000.00 from Legionnaire Kenneth McClain. It matters not the size of the gift, we sincerely appreciate the Giver!! God bless each of you.

Welcome to all new Legionnaires. We need your support. Let us know how you would like to help. We have lost our Editor for the Newsletter. Legionnaire J. C. "Shelly" Shellhammer, due to illness in his family. Thank-you Shelly, for all your hard work, we appreciate you and your family and are praying for your family.

Remember our Post Meetings, and to support our #1 money-maker, Bingo every Friday !!

There is strength in Unity ...
and together ... WE ARE WINNERS!

JUNE THOMAS
COMMANDER

FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

The Early Bird is over for another year and I would like to thank all those Legionnaires who renewed early.

We have a goal this year of 325 Legionnaires for the American Legion year 1991-1992. As of 28 October 1991 we have 225 Legionnaires who have either joined our Post or have renewed their membership with us. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank-you to those new and renewed members of Centennial Post 209.

We still need a hundred Legionnaires to renew their membership so that we can attain our goal early and then be able to concentrate more on the Programs of the American Legion.

A reminder, there are a couple of programs that might of interest to all Legionnaires. The first is the PERMANENT MEMBERSHIP DRAWING that will conducted in January of 1992. The requirements for this is to sign up a new member and have the post Adjutant fill out the application and send it to Department before
31 December 1991.

The Second is the \$1000.00
DRAWING CONDUCTED BY NATIONAL,
All you have to do for this
one is have your membership
renewed by 31 December 1991
and turned into National.
Then around the 17th of
January 1992, National will
conduct the drawing and 25
Legionnaires will be awarded
\$1000.00.

We would like to be able to
turn in our full goal by the
31st of December 1991. I
would like to ask your support
in accomplishing this task.
See you at the next meeting.

LOUIS MIKULECKY
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

FROM THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER

On 26 October 1991 the Post
celebrated with the Annual
Halloween Party. Music was
provided by the "DUNNS" from
Calhan and those who attended
had a good time. Jose and
Jesse Romero (dressed as
George and Martha Washington)
took first place for the
couples. Neal Thomas (dressed
as a sultan) took the
top honors for the men and
Jennifer McNeil (dressed as a
mime) took the top honors for
the women. Our next function
will be on 23 November 1991 as
a NOTHING SPECIAL DANCE. I
invite all Legionnaires,
Auxiliary Members and SAL
members to come down and enjoy
this dance prior to the
Holidays. Cover Charge is
\$3.00.

QUINN MCNEIL
JR VICE COMMANDER

FROM THE AGITATOR

As you know, there has been a
proposal by the County of El Paso
to cut the El Paso County
Veterans Affairs Office.

On 22 October 1991, Legionnaires
from Centennial Post 209 joined
with other Veterans Organizations
at Centennial Hall to oppose the
cut of the El Paso County Affairs
Office.

During the year of 1990 the
Veterans Service Office received
over 24,854 calls for assistance.
The office seen 6,479 Veterans
and their Families in the office
and conducted 22 home visits to
veterans who were for some reason
unable to come down to the
office. They processed over 550
compensation claims as well as
over 1,000 misc. claims for
assistance.

If the office is forced to close
as a result of these budget cuts
by the County, the Veterans of El
Paso County will have no recourse
but to start involving the
Veterans Organization in their
quest for assistance.

One of the unique pieces of
information is that when the Post
Closures were being discussed The
City of Colorado Springs as well
as the County were against the
cut as it would be a loss of jobs
and income to the County and the
City they were against it, now
they want to cut the Veterans
support in order to ease money
problems.

LARRY L. JOHNSON
ADJUTANT

AUXILIARY CORNER

HI LADIES

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Our membership goal this year is 77 members. As of 25 October our membership stand at 46, we only need 31 members to reach our goal. Renew your membership now. We want and need everyone of you. Do it now!

Come and join us at our meetings. We are looking for new ideas and support.

Help us be the BEST Auxiliary Unit in the state.

BARBARA JOHNSON
MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

BAKE SALE

26 November 1991, The Unit is sponsoring a Bake Sale from 9 am to closing in the Rustic Hills Malls South main complex between the areas of Furr's Cafeteria and T J Max. Please bring your baked goods to the main entrance of the Rustic Hills Mall.

Our next meeting will be 21 November 1991. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM and the meeting at 7:00 PM. Come down early and enjoy the fellowship of your friends.

BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

If you have recently driven by the site of our newly acquired Post Home location, you probably wondered what was going on. Well, what you see happening there is progress. As it turns out the construction underway at the site is an added amenity that we accrued with the purchase of the property. It seems the previous owner had made the necessary arrangements, with the City, to place a Culvert along the western edge of our property. Due to the prior arrangement being made and the City appropriating the necessary funds; the project is now underway and at NO COST TO US. NICE, YEA!

As for the rest of the planning for our Post Home Construction, we are still in the infancy stages.

We are still asking for input from the membership as to what you would like to have in your new Post Home. We want this Post Home to be the results of YOUR efforts and desires. We recently acquired a sign to be posted on the Property attesting to our future home site location. However, due to the culvert construction currently taking place, we have placed the sign in the current Post Home pending the completion of the culvert works.

In the meantime we have begun the important and absolute necessary facet of securing a New Post Home --- Fund Raising. We recently purchased a "RCA VHS PRO/EDIT CAMCORDER" and we are currently selling raffle tickets. To ensure that this project is profitable, we are asking each member of the Post to purchase at least one \$5.00 book of tickets. We will even make this easy for you ---Simply mail in a check for \$5.00 and we will fill in the stub and mail you the stubs of six (6) tickets. Better yet, stop by the Post Home and purchase your tickets and take a few extra to sell. We need the help of each and every Post Member to be successful in this venture? We believe you are with us. Therefore, we will be successful! LET'S GO TEAM.

Below is a picture of the CAMCORDER that we are raffling.

NEAL THOMAS
CHAIRMAN

VETERANS DAYS PARADE

The Veterans day Parade will be on 11 November 1991. The Parade assembly time will be at 9:00 AM in the vicinity of St Vrain and Tejon Street in Colorado Springs. If you would like to represent the Post, Unit or the SAL in this Parade call or come down to the Post and put your name on the sign up sheet.

NOVEMBER MENU

Nov 4- 10
Hot Turkey Sandwich
w/French Fries \$ 2.50
Yellow Bird Drink Special
\$1.00

Nov 11-17
Fish Sticks W/Fries & Cole
Slaw \$2.50
Hot Buttered Rum Drink
Special \$1.00

Nov 18-24
Beef Stew W/Roll & Butter
\$2.00
Bloody Mary Drink Special
\$1.00

Nov 25 - Dec 1
Bacon lettuce & Tomato Club
w/C. Cheese or Potato Salad \$2.00
Irish Coffee Drink Special
\$1.00



ORATORICAL CONTEST

The American Legion High School Oratorical contest provides students who participate the opportunity to continue this College education.

All these students have to do is prepare (under their own power) a fifteen (15) minute oration that relates to the United States Constitution and a five (5) minute extemporaneous speech of one (1) out of six (6) subjects given to them during the contest. The range of competition is from students in 9th to 12th grades and currently enrolled in school and must be an American Citizens.

The purpose of this contest is make the student aware of the United States Constitution and what it stands for as well as to prepare the students in public speaking and presentation of their ideas.

The prizes range from Certificates and plaques to an \$18,000.00 scholarship for First place, \$16,000.00 scholarship for Second Place, \$16,000.00 scholarship for third place and \$12,000.00 scholarship for Fourth Place in the National Contest.

ALTON CYRIAQUE
CHAIRMAN

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual Post 209 Christmas Party will be December 14, 1991 at the Post Home. Cocktails will be available from 6:00 to 6:30 PM.. Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. The Post will provide Turkey and dressing, Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce and Condiments. We would like each family attending to bring their favorite salad, dessert, or other dish. We will also have a gift exchange for the adults. Please mark your gift male or female. Cost should be between \$4.00 and \$5.00. This year, when you enter the Post Home with a gift, you will be given a coupon, which will be exchanged for a gift. This way no one should be left out. Remember-- No Coupon--No Gift!! Santa will have gifts for the Children. All reservations will need to be in by December 6, 1991 so we can purchase the gifts and food. We would like everyone to come and enjoy this most festive time of the year.

HARRY JOHNSON
CHAIRMAN

I plan to attend. There will be a total of _____adults and children attending. The children are as follows:

NAME	AGE	SEX
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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THE FOLLOWING IS LISTING OF LEGINNAIRES WHO HAVE RENEWED THEIR MEMBERS OR JOINED CENTENNIAL POST 209 FOR THE AMERICNA LEGION YEAR 1991-1992.

DONALD O. ADKINS
JAMES W. ALLISON
JOHNNY L. ANDERSON
NORMAN M. AVERY
DOUGLAS BACHMAN
LEE B. BAKER
CHARLES BARNES
LEE J. BERLAGE
THOMAS A. BLACK
ARTHUR L. BRANDT
LESTER R. BROSSETT
ERNEST W. BRUMFIELD SR
EDWARD R. BUCKOLZ
FLOYD BUCKIN
ROBERT CANCELIERI
HARRY B. CASTERLIN JR.
GEORGE CHARLSON
JOSEPH T. CHAVEZ
GEORGE D. CHERVENY JR.
ROBERT CHRISTIAN
CHRISTOPHER COLLINS
MELVIN D. COOPER
MAX CRAMER
ALTON J. CYRIAQUE
JOHN E. DAVIES
ROBERT L. DAZEY
VICKY L. DEMASTUS
GIDEON DIANON
RALPH E. DOLAN JR.
HAROLD E. DOUGLASS
WILLIAM J. FANNING
RICHARD J. FIKANI
JOHN F. FORREST
ANNA M. FOSTER
KENNETH L. FOSTER
HAROLD FRICKE
CLIFF GAIDOSH
JAKE T. GALLEGOS
HAROLD G. GARBER
JEROME R. GARDELS
JOHN GRECO
JOSPEH GRECO
MOSES A. GREENE
ARNIE K. GRUENEWALL
CARL S. HANMER
ROBERT A. HARRIS

GLENN G. HART
WILLIAM HARTSELL
D. R. HARVEY
JACK HEATH
CLIFTON O. HOLLAND
HOWARD HORNIK
MAX HOYER
KENNETH R. HUBER
ELWOOD JACKSON
PAUL W. JACKSON
DONALD J. JARVIS
LARRY L. JOHNSON
JOSHUA JOINER
EDDIE JONES
EDWARD M. KAFEL
DON B. KEETON
KENNETH M. KIRCHHOFER
MATHEW E. KNIRRIEM
JOHN A. KOVAR
HENRY S. KRZYZGNOWSKI
LYLE L. LAABS
FRANCIS M. LANDRY
JAMES G. LENNOX
ROY W. LINDBLADE JR
SAMUEL S LINDY
WALLACE LONSIGNER
WILLIAM MAHAR
JAMES H. MALMQUIST
ELLIS MARTIN JR.
LLOYD W. MATHEWS JR
KENNETH D. MCCLAIN
LOUIS P. MCGINNIS
JACK L. MCKINNEY
RICHARD A. MEAGHER
SHIRLEY MELVIN
VICTOR MERCER
THERESE M MIGLIORE
LOUIS MIKULCZY
DONALD E. MILLER JR.
EDGAR J. MILLS
ARTHUR E. MILNER
JOHN W. MITCHEL
FRANCIS A. MOHR
WILLIAM A. MOOK
JOHN M. MOORE
WILLIAM G. MORGAN

HARPER C. MURRAY
LARRY J. NELSON
RONALD W. NELSEN
ROBERT J. NOVOTNY
CLARE A. PACKARD
STANLEY L. PALMER
THOMAS A. PARADISE JR.
PAUL W. PERKINS
OLIVER W. PERRIN
WILLIAM E. PIFER
OTIS PIGGIE
LYNN D. PORTER
MARVIN H. PRICE
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GEORGE A. REIN
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EARL L. STOKES
ELMER E. SWIFT
ROBERT W. SWIFT
DEAN J. TERREBONNE
DAVID H. THOMAS
JUNE T. THOMAS
NEAL L. THOMAS
MARTIN TIMMERWILKE
ANTHONY E. TRZECIAK
CHARLES W. TURNER
CLIFFORD O. UPTON
WILLIAM A. WEEKS
MARTIN WENDLING JR.
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IRIA L. WILKS
DAVID B. WINNETT
HAROLD B. WRIGHT
MILLICENT A. YOUNG
MARK T. ZISSOFF

JOSEPH H. ZEDACK JR.
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*ROBERT A COMBS
*MILTON R. BROWN
*RONALD T. SANGER
*SHERRY BURGESS
*DASVID R. HULSLANDER
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*ALLAN W. JOHNSON
*JEAROLD HARPER JR.
*DONALD R. WILKINSON JR.
*TERRY DISHMAN
*ORVAL O. BERNARD
*CRAIG A McGRATH
*DON A. MILLER
*ROBBIE J. BOYER
*WARREN BREWER
*JAMES ANDERSON
*GLEN T. JUMPER
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*GARY HECKER
*TERRY MORRISSEY
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*KENNETH E. McLAUGHLIN
*ROBERT WHITENACK
*F. E. INZER
*RONALD COMPTON
*TOM KNUTSON
*LOGAN R. McKINSEY
*MILLARD LAWRENCE
*C. DONALD FISCHER
*PAUL G. KELLEY
**ALBERT LENDER
*KENNETH LAIRD
*FRED GARBERDIEL
*GREG CHARFAUROS
*WILLIAM BARBEE
*MARIA E. RYAN
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*ED H. MAYER
**DAVID F. FREY
**HENRY A. KORTMEYER
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*JOHN H. WILSON
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WAYNE I. ENGLAND
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ROSS VIGIL
HORST ADAM
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*NORMANN NELSON
*JOHN B. NELSON

November 1991

CENTENNIAL POST 209 EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 11:00 AM POST OPEN	4 11:00 AM POST OPEN	5 11:00 AM POST OPEN	6 11:00 AM POST OPEN 5:45 PM CIVITANS MEETING 7:00 PM POST EXEC MTG	7 11:00 AM POST OPEN	1 11:00 AM POST OPEN 6:00 PM BINGO REA #1 834 EMORY CIR	2 11:00 AM POST OPEN
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