

# The Centennial



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## From the Desk and Mind of the Commander

Jay Bowen

Is it just me or is the Christmas season starting sooner every year? Even before Halloween, I heard Christmas music, saw a few Christmas commercials on TV, and have seen a ton of Christmas trees, ornaments, yard figurines, etc. in stores and I'm not even a shopper!

I realize the retail industry is trying hard to get us in the "Christmas Spirit" so we can start shopping for our loved ones, as well as those we feel obligated to give a gift at Christmas. Contrary to some of my buds, I have absolutely no problem with that. After all, we are a capitalist society and our economy is directly linked to retailers making money. We all reap the benefits when they do. The stock market goes up and our investments do too.

But what bothers me is when we allow the "Christmas Spirit" to replace the "Spirit of Christmas." In our house, there is only one reason to celebrate 25 December; the birth of Jesus. We do love to decorate, exchange gifts, eat until we can't hardly walk, and spend time with friends and family during this season. None of that takes priority over the real reason we are celebrating this very holy day. Unlike some, I believe we can do both; we can enjoy the commercialism of Christmas, as long as we don't lose sight of the "Spirit." While I don't need Christmas music (which I love) or lighted houses to get me excited about the coming holiday, it is very cool to soak it all in and see everyone bustling around and making preparations. It also seems that people are a little more friendly and courteous during this time of year (Black Friday aside). Makes me wonder



why they only act this way between Thanksgiving and Christmas instead of year 'round.

And if you've read these articles for some time, you know I am not insulted when someone wishes me a Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, or any other pleasant greeting. Heck, I'm just glad people are willing to speak to me at all most of the time. So if you are insulted when I wish you a Merry Christmas, you better stay away from me for the entire month of December because most people I encounter, whether I know them or not, will typically get that greeting and/or signoff from me.

So don't feel guilty about humming along with "Frosty the Snowman" or watching "It's A Wonderful Life." Just remember the gifts you are giving (and receiving) represent the gifts brought by the Wise Men for Jesus. The Angel or Star on top of the tree is for the Angels that watched the wondrous birth or the Star that acted as a beacon for all to come and witness. And if you don't believe in Christ, I still want you to celebrate Christmas in whatever way makes you happy. I'll pray for you and ask that you do the same for me.

If you are the type of person who is easily upset over the religiousness of this holiday, stop reading the article right now because you're not going to feel any better as I close for this month.

Okay, I warned you. Merry Christmas to all reading this! By the way, if anyone is curious, I wear a size large shirt and XL sweatshirt. Please try to keep my gift under \$250 if possible. If not, that's okay too (see the second paragraph above).

For God and Country,  
Jay



## **Auxiliary President Jackie Bowen**

I wish you all could have been there for the Veterans Day Parade. You couldn't have asked for a more beautiful day to honor our Nation's heroes. We had our leaders of the future, Scout troops, helping to decorate the grandstands for our past and present heroes. It was a very rewarding day. I also want to thank Richard Ausmusand for donating his truck for our members to ride on and the folks that came to help decorate the truck. We had a full trailer this year. (clap clap) One year we had only two ladies sitting atop this 18 wheeler trailer.

Thanks to all of those that supported the Butter Braid sales. We had another successful fundraiser with your help. Just an FYI for future sales, you can get an order form so that you can offer them up to your neighbors, friends, co-workers and church members. Bill and Mimi Weeks are probably our top sellers by doing this.

We will be holding another silent auction at our Christmas party this year. If you have anything you would like to donate please let me know and I can meet you at the Post to collect the items. I would like to have them by the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Remember to look at the calendar and mark the date for the Christmas party. Please, please let me know if you will be bringing your children or grandchildren, ages 12 and under. If so, please bring a wrapped gift with their name on it for Santa to pass out to them. They will also receive a small gift from the Legion family. All ages are welcome.

Merry Christmas!

Serving Our Veterans Proudly,  
Jackie Bowen

## **Sons of The American Legion Squadron 209**



I am happy to report that through the efforts of all SAL members in Squadron 209, we walked out of the annual Detachment (state-wide) SAL Awards Banquet with 7 squadron awards and 2 personal awards. Chaplain Chet Dean received the 2012-2013 award for Volunteer of the Year, and Ken Taylor received the 2012-2013 SAL Member of the Year.

Squadron 209 also received the Jo D. Roe Americanism Award as well as the Joseph Bokan Award for largest membership increase. We had a 226.09% increase last year and I would love to see the Squadron win it again next year. With your help we can.

The other awards the Squadron received were for achieving 100% membership, Veterans Assistance and Rehabilitation (VA&R) recognition, for participation in Children and Youth Programs, A second Americanism certificate, as well as a Citation of Achievement for membership.

None of these awards would have been possible without all of the members of Squadron 209. It was my great pleasure to be there to receive these awards for the Squadron.

We also have had our first graduating class of the Young Guns Junior Shooting Sports. Congratulations to all the kids. Our next class will be starting in late January or early February, we will be sure to let everyone know as soon as we set the date.

Again thanks, and congratulations to all for a job well done.

For God and Country  
Rick Kettering, Commander



## Win a Can-Am Spyder RS Motorcycle!



For the price of a \$20 Raffle Ticket, you have a chance to win a \$23,000 motorcycle. The Department of Colorado will be giving away this beautiful 3-wheel machine during the Mid-Year Conference on 18 January in Longmont. You don't have to be present to win (although you should be there anyway). According to the website, the description for this fundraiser states: "Embrace the open road with this Can-Am Spyder RS motorcycle. The American Legion is the world's largest Veterans service organization. Our primary function is to see that veterans and their families receive all of the benefits they deserve because of their honorable service to their country. We believe in America. We love our freedoms, thanks to our Veterans. Many of our Veterans coming back from the latest wars are in desperate need of assistance. Proceeds from this raffle will be used to continue the programs of the Legion for all of our Veterans, their families and our communities. Drawing will be January 18, 2014 at the American Legion conference. Good luck to all."

The raffle is not restricted to the Legion family. Matter of fact, it is not restricted to Colorado. Anyone, anywhere in the US with an Internet browser can purchase a raffle ticket. But they will only sell 10,000. You can only buy the ticket online. Access to the raffle page can be found on the homepage of our Department website at [www.coloradolegion.org](http://www.coloradolegion.org)

While the grand prize is obviously the motorcycle, if you buy a raffle ticket prior to 7 December, you also become eligible for two "Early Bird" drawings of \$100 (20 winners on 7 December) and \$50 (25 winners on 3 January 2014) respectively. And did you know your ticket will get discounts/deals at some of our supporting retailers? See the site for a list that is constantly growing.

Speaking of supporters, we need your help to get more retail support for this fundraiser. If you know of a Restaurant, store, or any other business who may be willing to help, let us know. The more support we get, the more attractive it will be for some folks to participate.



## The American Legion High School Oratorical Contest

The American Legion High School Oratorical Contest is geared toward those students in grades 9 through 12. The subject of the contest is always the Constitution of The United States and as such, the students must prepare a 12 minute oration that relates to a specific subject of the Constitution.

In addition, they have to prepare 5 speeches on a list provided by National each year. At the contest, a topic is drawn and all contestants have to speak on that topic.

The contestants cannot use any notes, do not have a podium to lean on and do not have a microphone to amplify their voice. They are judged on how well they know the Constitution, the Amendments and how well they can relate the Constitution to today's world. They are also judged on their dress, their mannerisms, how well they project their voice and few other things.

This year the Department Contest will be held on 4 January 2014. The top prizes at National are scholarships to continue their education and range from \$12,000 to \$18,000 for the top 4 winners.

If you know of someone who is interested in this program please contact the Post at 719-599-8624 for further information.

## Christmas Party

HO! HO! HO! It's that time again. Our annual Christmas party will be December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1600. It will be pot luck and it is for the entire family. If you are bringing your children or grandchildren ages 1-12 please RSVP for them and bring a wrapped gift with their name for Santa to give the kids. We will have a small gift for each child ages 1-12, from the Legion family. This is the reason we ask you to RSVP by December 12<sup>th</sup> for the children you are bringing so that no child gets left out. Hope to see everyone there.



## SHH! Silent Auction

During the Christmas party we will also be holding a Silent Auction. It will run from 4:00-5:30 and at 5:35 we will begin announcing winners of the prizes. If you have items you would like to donate please contact Jackie Bowen. Her contact info can be found throughout the newsletter. The deadline for the donations is Dec 12<sup>th</sup>.



## Grandma Nell's Thoughts



*This is a new column written by our very own Luella. We welcome her wisdom.*

Hello dear readers. As an auxiliary member I am privileged to be granted this space in the newsletter to convey meaningful thoughts. I shall try. Many folks call me Grandma Nell. This pleases me. I feel privileged to be so thought of. Luella is my given name. I respond to both. Your choice. I represent the very elderly generation having lived a rather productive life full of the normal ups and downs of family life. We were blessed with a long stable marriage, many grandchildren and great grandchildren. My eldest granddaughter is presently a member of this American Legion Post after serving twenty years in the Air Force.

As the years pass on into my nineties I often reflect back! Yes it helps me to do that. I find the most binding measures of comfort and encouragement came from family unity! We were inclined as a family unit to help each other, supporting the other in the good and bad times. The most cohesive binding profound factor was and still is our faith in God and our beloved country!! We cherish our American heritage. We respect our liberties. We uphold our Constitution; we continue to join Americans in the traditional celebrations of the seasonal holidays. At the time of this writing we are thanking God for all our blessings and looking forward to the long held tradition of a day of Thanksgiving held the last Thursday in November.

November was the month we seriously considered numerous reasons for giving thanks. We are blessed with many known and unknown reasons to be thankful. The freedoms we enjoy are a major consideration. We must never take these blessings for granted. We are pleased to thank God for the security our Veterans have provided. Hug a Veteran when you see one!!

It is fitting we set aside a particular day to acknowledge our blessings. We convey our gratitude in our traditional manner of Thanksgiving, remembering to ask God to bless America and all the inhabitants thereof.

I pray November was full of many blessings and achievements for my readers!! Hopefully Grandma Nell shall return next month.

## Club News!

Last month, we reported we had enough volunteers to open the Post 1530-2130 Monday-Thursday. It was actually a volunteer instead of the plural. The good news is she has recently found a job. The potentially bad news is we may not be able to continue opening the Post Mon-Thurs. We need volunteers to keep the doors open, so if you have some time to devote let us know.

Keep in mind if the weather is bad the Post may not be open. Consider calling first during these periods.

### **Colorado Veterans Day Parade 2013** **The Spirit of the Warrior – Honoring our Wounded Warriors**

While New York City hosts the biggest Veterans Day parade, our small corner of America participates year after year in one of the biggest home town style Veterans Day parades in the nation. Our local population's enthusiasm about Veterans Day almost goes without saying with five military installations in close proximity to the Springs and thousands of Veterans who have called this town home since retiring or separating from the military. Before I go much further, I would like to add a little history on this event. Veteran's Day originally began as Armistice Day when it was proclaimed in 1919 as a holiday by our 28<sup>th</sup> President, Woodrow Wilson. It was a day to mark the end of *the war to end all wars*. It is recognized on 11 November (11/11/1918) because it was the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour that marked the cessation of the hostilities associated with WWI.

This year, November 9<sup>th</sup> turned out to be one of the most beautiful fall days in Southern Colorado and the local population turned out en masse to honor their Veterans. The theme for this year's Veterans Day Parade was "The Spirit of the Warrior – Honoring Our Wounded Warriors." The parade route started at Tejon Street and St. Vrain Street, and stretched seven city blocks to Vermijo Avenue. This doesn't sound all that big until you consider that almost each cross street was filled with participants a block deep on both sides of the parade route, making the combined length of the procession nearly 19 blocks. The past, present, and future were on display as retired organizations, active duty military, ROTC, JROTC, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Cub Scouts marched or participated in one of the many moving displays.

There were 96 singular and combined participating organizations in this year's line-up. The local American Legion organizations were participants 74 through 80 and were combined into one large contingency led by District Seven (and Post 209) Commander Jay Bowen. Arranged from the earliest to the latest chartered Posts, the American Legion was represented in a manner that reflected a smaller scale of our national size. The procession started with members of Cub Scout troops 24 and 386, and the American Legion Honor Guard displaying the American Flag and American Legion banner, and ended with the Honor Flight of Southern Colorado and American Legion Riders. As a whole, the procession of American Legion and Cub Scout participants stretched over a block in length.

While I had a great time being a part of last year's parade, it was incredible to move through the streets to get my pictures (see our Facebook page for photos) and hear people in the crowd thank those participating for their service. There was a true sense of camaraderie as I watched strangers exchange stories of their military background and thank those in uniform in the crowd. Organizations often refer to themselves as a family. This was one of those moments where I witnessed a town as a family. They could have been anywhere on this warm sunny weekend, but they chose to gather up the family and make the effort to find scarce parking so they could honor those of the past and present who have served this country.

*Robert C. Johnson*  
*Post 209 Historian*

## Veterans Day Week – A Time to Salute America and for America to Salute Veterans

by Jay Bowen

I wanted to take a little space in this month's *Centennial* to say thank you to the folks who supported D11 and D49 schools in the Colorado Springs area during Veterans Day week and the "Saluting America" project. These folks visited Elementary and Middle Schools and presented our Nation's Colors, spoke with the kids about Americanism, being a Veteran, the Flag, and their time in Service. I'm still receiving feedback from the schools, but so far everything I've heard has been nothing short of amazing! As the District Commander, I also engaged other Posts in the area on a volunteer basis, but as usual, Post 209 stepped up and led the way providing more support than all other Posts combined. I send my heartfelt thanks to Bill and Patty Baxter, Bill Marshall, Aaron Koenigs-eker, Eric Testorff, Chet Dean, Ken Taylor, Marv Weaver, Jr., Bill Dawson, and Marty Robinson.

Thanks to you all for making us look good and helping to educate our youth on America and what it takes to keep our Nation free. We will have more opportunities in the coming year to continue growing this great program. Maybe next time we can get others involved.



Twelve members of the Young Guns of Centennial Post 209 have completed the nine week course in gun safety and basic marksmanship. This American Legion course, gave them a well-rounded education in three position competitive shooting as well as Safety, Safety and more Safety. They received their certificate of completion at an awards ceremony, combined with a pizza party on November 14, 2013 at the Post. Top Shot awards were also given to the best shooters in the class.

Students who wish to participate, will be given the opportunity to compete in The American Legion 2013-14 Postal Match. This National Championship Match will culminate at the Olympic Training Center - July 29 – August 2, 2014.

**The Individual Tournament** has three phases of competition: 1) Preliminary Round - State/Regional Championships; 2) Qualification Round; and 3) National Championships.

**The Team Tournament** has two phases of competition: 1) Preliminary Round - State/Regional Championships and 2) National Championships.

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## FROM THE ADJUTANT Larry Johnson

The holidays are upon us and I would like to wish everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS and hope that you get everything you wished for and more importantly I hope everyone has a safe holiday season.

About this time I begin to receive notes and phone calls because you have renewed and are still getting renewal notices. Please understand that the Post does not send these notices out, they are sent out by National. The reason you get these notices is that your membership for 2014 had not been received and posted at National when they pull the records for printing and mailing. If you have received your new 2014 membership, please disregard the notice.

I offer my thanks to all of you who have renewed your membership 2014 and have sent in your DD Form 214 or discharge papers. In August, the IRS made it mandatory for all American Legion Posts to maintain a database or a file that shows you are eligible to belong to the American Legion. I am asking that those of you who have not sent in your papers to please do so. We cannot afford to be fined \$1,000.00 a day (as done earlier this year in TX) when audited by the IRS.

As the Adjutant of Post 209, I often worry about the cost of printing and mailing of the monthly newsletters. The price of a 1st class letter is going to be increasing in January, how much I don't yet know, but you can help me by sending in a change of address either by letter or email.

If you are currently receiving *The Centennial* by mail and prefer to receive it electronically, please provide an email address so that we can send *The Centennial* and updated information quickly. Please send the email address to [centennialtwozeronine@yahoo.com](mailto:centennialtwozeronine@yahoo.com).

The Department of Colorado is giving away a .357 magnum at the Department Convention in June of next year. The only way that you can win this pistol is if you go out and recruit a new member. Your name and the name of the person you recruit will be entered into the drawing. The more members you recruit the more times your name gets entered.

How would you like to win a Can-Am motorcycle? You can win this by buying a raffle ticket online, coming down to the Post and scanning the "QR" code on your smart phone or you can go to <http://www.coloradolegion.org> and enter. The cost of the ticket is \$20.00 and only 10,000 tickets will be sold. You will receive a copy of your ticket by email. The drawing for this motorcycle will be held at the Department mid-year conference in Longmont on 18 January 2014.

Post 209 is recognized by the Department and Nationally as a Post who is growing and doing great things. This is because of members such as yourself and what you bring to our Post. Thank you for all that you do for us, our Veterans, and the community.

## **Ride Needed!**

We have a Post member who lives in the Quail Lake area. He would like to attend more events but doesn't have transportation. If anyone lives in that vicinity and would be willing to coordinate transportation for him, please let Jackie Bowen know (see contact below). We will connect you with him directly.

# AVON CALLING

AVON

the company for women

How many remember that commercial? The Auxiliary is having an Avon fundraiser. There are certain groups of items for \$10 that we get to keep a percentage of the profits. There are items we can purchase and send straight to the troops. Please contact Jackie Bowen for more information. If you would like to get some of these packages for Christmas presents, then the sooner you order the better. The deadline for all orders is 11 December.

\*\*Rusty Bower's new column to bring a little "salt" to the post.\*\*

## Origin of NAVY Terminology



### Carry On

In the days of sail, the officer of the deck kept a weather eye constantly on the slightest change in wind so sail could be reefed or added as necessary to ensure the fastest headway. Whenever a good breeze came along, the order to "carry on" would be given. It meant to hoist every bit of canvas the yards could carry. Pity the poor sailor whose weather eye failed him and the ship was caught partially reefed when a good breeze arrived.

Through the centuries the term's connotation has changed somewhat. Today, the *Bluejacket Manual* defines "carry on" as an order to resume work: work not so grueling as two centuries ago.

Rusty Bower  
NAVY Senior Chief (Retired)

## BOGO Blue 2014

The Post would like to thank all who helped with the BOGO Blue fundraising effort this year. We were able to make about \$400 for the Post and our local Veterans. Once again, we have the opportunity to participate in this program. We need your help to make it even more successful than last year. We have the cards and will sell them again for \$10 each, with the Post keeping \$5. Like last year, you can pick up a pack with 6 cards in it, sell five of them and keep the sixth one for yourself. We have some new Restaurants and Vendors added to the list from last year. Just one visit to most of the places offering discounts will more than pay for the \$10 purchase.

Please help! Either contact the Post and let us know you want a package, or better still visit us and pick one up.

Don Shuck  
Sergeant-at-Arms

**All tee shirts are on sale for \$15.00**



## Centennial 209 Family Calendar of Events

1 Jan 2014	Happy New Year!
2 Jan	Post Exec Mtg 6:30 pm
3 Jan	Hamdogger 6:00 pm
11 Jan	Breakfast 9:00 am Legion/Auxiliary Meetings 10:00 am SAL Mtg 11:30 am
17 Jan	Steak Night! 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
17-19 Jan	Department Mid-Year Conference, Longmont
24 Jan	Fish Fry 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
6 Feb	Post Exec Mtg 6:30 pm
8 Feb	Breakfast 9:00 am Legion/Auxiliary Meetings 10:00 am SAL Mtg 11:30 am
14 Feb	Valentines Day Dinner! 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
21 Feb	Steak Night! 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
28 Feb	Fish Fry 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
6 Mar	Post Exec Mtg 6:30 pm
8 Mar	Breakfast 9:00 am Legion/Auxiliary Meetings 10:00 am SAL Mtg 11:30 am
9 Mar	Daylight Savings Time Begins! Spring Forward!
14 Mar	Hamdogger 6:00 pm
17 Mar	St. Patrick's Day!
21 Mar	Steak Night! 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
28 Mar	Fish Fry 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
3 Apr	Post Exec Mtg 6:30 pm
4 Apr	Hamdogger 6:00 pm
12 Apr	Breakfast 9:00 am Legion/Auxiliary Meetings 10:00 am SAL Mtg 11:30 am
18 Apr	Steak Night! 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>
20 Apr	Easter Sunday!
25 Apr	Fish Fry 6:00 pm <b>RSVP REQUIRED</b>



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**HOW MANY NEW MEMBERS  
CAN YOU RECRUIT?**



## Recruit a Member Win a Gun Contest Official Rules 2013-2014



This contest is open to any current Colorado American Legion member, Colorado American Legion Auxiliary member and Colorado SAL member.

The first prize will be a **Rugar 357 Revolver, Double Action, Black Hogue Monogrip, 5" Heavy Barrell** The winner must be able to pass the required background check before taking possession of the revolver.

The contest will give members the opportunity to win this fabulous prize. In addition it is a great recruiting tool since the brand new member will also be eligible to win the 357.

To enter to win you must recruit a **brand new eligible** member for The American Legion Department of Colorado. The member can be recruited for any active post in Colorado. The new member **can be a reinstatement** but must have been out of The American Legion for a period of at least one membership year.

**Certification** - To certify your eligibility for entrance into the drawing you must submit one of the following:

1. A copy of the official application signed by the new member and the recruiter.
2. A copy of the official affidavit verifying the new member's information and signed by the recruiter. (Affidavit will be available on the Department website and will be a .PDF fillable form suitable for printing or emailing directly)

Documents must be submitted to The American Legion Department of Colorado at 7465 E 1st Ave Ste D, Denver, CO 80230 or by email to "[357contest@coloradolegion.org](mailto:357contest@coloradolegion.org)" All entries must be submitted by May 1st, 2014.

The department staff will verify that the member's dues have been posted in the computer and will then turn the application over to the membership team.

The membership team will then enter the name of the recruiter into the drawing. The new members name will also be entered. After the new member's information is verified, the new member will also be eligible to enter the contest.

You may enter as many times as you wish. For each new member you will get one chance in the drawing.

The drawing will take place on the May 2014 target date and will be conducted by the membership team.

No purchase necessary to enter. All entrants must be 18 years of age and must be able to pass the required firearms background check. The membership team reserves the right to eliminate any entries that do not conform to the official rules.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 HELP NEEDED! Gun Show - Rustic Hills Booth help needed 0900-1600	2	3	4	5 Executive Committee Meeting 1830 	6 Hamdogger CANCELLED! 	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Post Christmas Party 1600 
15					20 Steak Night 1800 	21
22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas! 	26	27 Fish Fry - CANCELLED 	28
29	30	31	Notes:			

Reservations and RSVP go to Jackie Bowen (574-1223) jackiebowen2005@yahoo.com, or Lynn Thomas at 439-6268