THE POST OBSERVER

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POST WEBSITE: www.myvfwpost7945.org Check for updates and Taps

POST FACEBOOK: Thornton VFW 7945 Joseph J. Jacques Jr.

POST COMMANDER

Thanks to all our annual members who renewed their membership. Our Post is now at 100%. If you know someone who is looking for a home Post, please direct them to us as we would love to grow our numbers.

Thanks to the members who came and supported our Ladies Auxiliary with their February fundraiser. A Post and Auxiliary who work together can do so much in supporting the National programs and helping our Veterans.

We are in the process of retiling the back ladies and men's bathrooms. When that is completed, we will have finished the major renovations inside the Post. The next order of business will be to complete the landscaping on the North and South side of the building. We will be opening our patio, again in May, for our Friday night steak cookouts. We invite you all to come and enjoy the horseshoe pits while you cook a great steak to your liking. This is a joint effort of the Post and Auxiliary and we can always use volunteers to man the kitchen. Funds will be used to support our good works for our Veteran, Active Duty, their families and our Community. Remember, our doors are open to the public.

At our March meeting on March 13th we will have nominations for Post Officers for the 2019-2020 year and at our April meeting on April 10 we will again have nominations and elections. Consider stepping up and running for an office.

Thanks for all you do!

Scott Evans, Commander

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Hello everyone!

Brandi

It's March and we all know what that means -besides it almost being Spring. Is anyone else as sick of this cold weather as I am? It means that we are nearing the end of our reporting year. I want to thank all of our chairman this year who have done a great job with their programs, and also every single member who participates in any or all of these programs in various ways. None of the chairman can do it alone, so as always, your thoughts, ideas, and participation are welcome. There is also enough time left in this year if you want to plan additional programs, events, etc. for any of the chairs.

A nice banquet at the end of January marked the end of the Patriots Pen and Voice of Democracy season. A big thank you goes out to Sally Adam and Leroy Chavez who do a great job with these competitions every year.

I also want to give a huge thank you to everyone who helped with making the annual Sweetheart Dance a success and to all those who enjoyed a wonderful evening. This is the main fundraiser for the auxiliary for the year, and it is quite a large undertaking. It would not be successful without everyone's help, and again it is very much appreciated.

The final Council of Administration meeting for this reporting year will be March 23^{rd} and 24^{th} in Greeley. Saturday is the Parade of Programs which is always a fun time with lots of useful information regarding the different programs. Sunday is the Council of Administration meeting. Please plan on attending if you can.

St. Patrick's Dinner will be served on Saturday, March 16th. The kitchen will be putting out some awesome corned beef, new potatoes, carrots and cabbage with roll and dessert. This will be served from 5-7 pm for the mere cost of \$10. At 7:00 pm Danny G's band will play from 7-11 with a \$5 cover. Put on the green and let's celebrate (Doug Gohr's birthday!)



Remember our Veterans and thank them for their service

CHAPLAINS Bill Nicolson 720-837-3616

Shirley Colvin 303-427-2982

Please call our Chaplains, Bill (Post) or Shirley (Auxiliary) with any card requests due to illness, hospitalization or deaths. Funeral luncheons will only be provided for deceased members of our Post or Auxiliary, upon request of the family. If the

deceased was not a member of our Post or Auxiliary, the family may contact Doug
Gohr, (303-438-6700) about use of the Post for a funeral luncheon.

TAPS:

CANCER GRANT CHAIRMAN

Shirley Colvin 303-427-2982

Both the 7945 Auxiliary and the National Cancer grant applications are available at the Post and they are now both also available on our website. Go to myvfwpost7945.org and on the left side of the Home page there is a "Helpful Resources" link. Click on the link and then click on the PDF file which will bring up the applications. Fill them out and send the National application to National Headquarters in Kansas City, address is on form and send our Auxiliary grant to me, Shirley Colvin, 8381 Delaware, Denver, 80221. There is also cancer grant money available at the Ralph Emerson/Jack Gulden Cancer Grants. Contact the Department of Colorado for information and forms. The website for Department f

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MEMBERSHIP

TREASURER LENNIE DOLAN

A big shout out to all our Annual members who have renewed their 2018-2019 dues and remain members in good standing. Because of you, our Auxiliary has reached 100 + % and we have received \$25.00 from National which will help us with our work for Veterans. There are still a few members who haven't renewed their dues and we would like to remind you that if you don't renew by June 30th you will no longer be a member, will lose your cancer grant, and will have to reapply to become an active member again. Once you reapply you need to be a member for one year to entitle you to both our Auxiliary and National Cancer Grants.

Lennie Dolan, 1170 Fulton St., Aurora, CO 80010.

Events for March and April

March 13th Post and Auxiliary meeting at 7:00. Nominations for Post officers.

March 17th District Ten Memorial Service at Post 9644, 2680 W Hampden Avenue, Englewood. Memorial Service begins at 11:00 followed by lunch and separate VFW and Auxiliary meetings. Everyone invited.

March 23-24th will be the Department COA. The Parade of Programs for Auxiliaries is Saturday, beginning at 10:00. The VFW Workshops begin at 8:00. The Council of Administration meeting is Sunday beginning at 8:30. The schedules, hotels, meals are in the Colorado Veteran.

April 10th Post and Auxiliary meeting at 7:00. Election of officers for the 2019-2020 year will be held.

April 16 -17th. Sandi Kriebel, the Auxiliary National President will be visiting Colorado. Our Post will host a dinner for her on April 17th, cocktail hour at 5, dinner at 6. Beef Stroganoff, salad, roll and dessert will be served for \$10. Sandi would love to meet our Auxiliary and Post members and children are welcome. Come and attend the dinner. Reservations can be made to Shelley at 303-550-7689 or sshelbell@aol.com.

April 27th Post cleanup day at 10:00. Help is needed cleaning up the yard and patio and getting ready for our summer steak fries. Pizza will be served for workers at noon.

FEBRUARY 9, 2019

Sweetheart Dinner Dance Auxiliary Fundraiser

We had another successful fundraiser on February 9 and the Auxiliary must give a big "Thank You" to the Post for hosting this event. Mike Wood, the prime rib dinner was superb, thank you. To all the ladies who contributed the wonderful array of desserts for the raffle table, thank you. To Sherry Netteland and Skip for providing the balloons, thank you. To Kathy and Russ Trickler and others for the many raffle items from the community, thank you. To the businesses who donated items, thank you. To Lennie Dolan for working the door, Kristi Wood and Debbie Semmen for selling tickets, to Luke and Tyler Wood for delivering prizes, thank you. And last but not less, to all the people who came and supported us, your caring for our mission enabled us to raise over \$2000 for our Programs, Veterans, Active Duty and Families. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. Look what we can do when we "Join Hands to Support Veterans."

VFW Department 303-421-1630

1400 Carr Street, Lakewood 80217 Hours: 7:30-4:00

VFW State Veterans Service Office 303-914-5595

155 Van Gordon Street, Room 360, Lakewood, 80228 Hours: 7:00- 3:30

MARCH 10TH WE WILL SPRING FORWARD

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5 Yr Homeboard		
4 Yr Homeboard		
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2 Yr Homeboard	Terry Timberlake	303-920-1853
1 Yr Homeboard	Bruce Dolan	303-421-1630

AUXILARY DIRECTORY

President	Brandi Dolan		720-495-7733
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POST HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 12:00-8:00

Friday and Sat. 11:00-2:00am

Sunday Closed