

Joseph J. Jacques Jr. Post 7945

THE POST OBSERVER

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Thornton VFW 7945 Joseph J. Jacques Jr.

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POST COMMANDER

Greetings Comrades and Auxiliary members,

Another holiday season has past us and now we find ourselves in cusp of another year 2020.

I want to thank the volunteers that contributed to a successful Senior Thanksgiving meal that was put on at the post in November. We had a good turnout of folks over 200. For the USO Thanksgiving dinner our Post and the American Legion Post 322 we deep fat fried 10 turkeys and fixings. December 21st, we fried up an additional 10 birds and delivered the meal on the 23rd.

In November we lost a long-time member and my Senior Vice commander Terry Timberlake. Terry was very passionate about our Post and bar, plus all of the functions that we participated in. Terry you will be missed.

On December 11th The Auxiliary hosted the VOD / Patriots Pin banquet with another great turnout. Our winners move on to the next stage and we wish them all the successes they deserve. The Department VOD banquet will take place on the 25th of January.

January 12th our Post will be hosting the Dist. 10 meeting starting at 11:00am. We would love to have you attend the meeting. Show up the other Posts within the District with our Post representation. Hey, you even get a free meal for showing up.

Dougie G's has been hosting bands every Saturday this past year. I have made an appearance at the Post almost every Saturday night. I'm surprised there hasn't been a restraining order issued on me yet. There is a lot fun, and a lot of dancing going on. It's always a good time. COME ON UP!!!!

We have been working on ways to get more members to attend our monthly meeting. Forever begin, we have had two drawing at the meeting. Here is the list winners if present would have won the large pot:

- Delbert Allbee
- Fred Carillo
- Jeff Turk Jr.
- Anthony Wazny
- Elisco Rybal Jr.

So, come out for the monthly meeting for a chance to win, and see your comrades! Our next meeting is January 11th starting at 7:00pm.

The Sweetheart Ball will be coming up in February mark it on your calendar, February 14!!! like always it will be a fun time. So, find yourself a date (I won't tell your husband or wife) get dressed up and head over for a great meal and dancing. I hear they're serving prime rib this year.

Have a great holiday season
See you at the Post
Scott Evans
Commander

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Now that the holidays are behind us, and the New Year is here, I want to wish all of you a year full of exciting moments, quiet moments, and moments of caring while continue to give whatever we can to make the lives of our Veterans more complete. Let these moments fill our hearts!

We will begin the new year by hosting the District 10 meeting at our Post on January 12th. We will have a potato bar at noon. The meeting will follow at 1:00 P.M. Come and see what we do and represent our Post with big numbers, and show our support of the VFW.

In February, our Sweetheart's Dinner/Dance will be on Valentine's Day, Friday night, February 14. What better way to celebrate with your sweetheart than with a wonderful meal, raffles, and dancing. We will again have a dessert raffle. We have excellent cooks in our Post. So, put on your thinking caps and create those special yummy desserts that everyone likes to bid on. Make a basket of interesting items, a baby blanket, or any other raffle item (new, please) to make this a spectacular event. This is the main fund raiser for the Auxiliary every year. Let's make it a bonified success!!

If you know someone who may live alone, and would like a ride to the VFW to attend a meeting or just hang out with our friendly members, offer them a ride. Or, contact me, and I will see about arranging a ride.

As always, we'll have more fun with you there. You are the core of our Auxiliary.

God Bless America,

Kathy Trickler

Auxiliary President

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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: TERRY TIMBERLAKE DORETTA CAIN JANE BERBE

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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 for all VFW and Auxiliary members. Contact the Department of Colorado for information and forms.

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MEMBERSHIP Lennie Dolan, Chairman

Thank you to the annual members who got their 2019-2020 dues paid. As of December 31, if you have not paid your dues, you are no longer considered a member in good standing. You cannot hold an office, vote at meetings or apply for a cancer grant. Send your dues in as soon as possible to again have these benefits. At our December meeting we drew two annual members names, who had paid their dues. Congratulations to Micheal Lassman and Brittany Filter for winning life memberships. Also, Life members, your \$6.40 Cancer grant dues are due by December 31, 2019. Please make checks payable to VFW Auxiliary 7945 and send to: Lennie Dolan, 1170 Fulton St., Aurora, CO 80010.

If you have any questions, please call me at 303-341-7488.

SCHOLARSHIPS

We held our Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen pizza party on December 11th and were so happy to have our winners present to accept their awards and read their winning essays. We would like to thank the family members and teachers who attended to show their support for this National Scholarship program. Again a big thank you to our Auxiliary Chairman, Sally Adams, for her outstanding work in getting the information to our students, arranging for judging, and the dinner.



We had a busy November and December. On Veterans day, we served a free dinner to honor our Veterans for their service. We also, again, hosted our annual free Senior Thanksgiving dinner and, with the help of the Commerce City Adams High ROTC, we had a wonderful turnout. Thanks to all who helped with these two events. We also took cookies and goodies to the Denver VA and the Golden clinic in December to share the Christmas spirit with all who attended clinics.

FEBRUARY SWEETHEART DINNER/DANCE

Each year the Joseph J Jacques Jr. 7945 Auxiliary hosts it big February fundraiser. This event helps the Auxiliary fund our National Programs. Our programs are National Home and Buddy Poppies, Legislative, Hospital, Scholarships, Youth Activities, Americanism, Membership.

The Post will be cooking and serving dinner of Prime Rib, baked potato, salad, roll, dessert from 5:00 to 7:00. We will have raffle items and our famous Dessert Table of delectable goodies for you to purchase tickets and try your luck. The Dessert Table raffle will be held at 7:00 so we can clear the floor to prepare for our band, DJ and Young At Heart, to bring us to the dance floor. This event will be held on February 14th so don't try to book a fancy restaurant because we have room for everyone. The Prime Rib dinner and band is \$20.00, I will bet you that you can't match that price anywhere in Denver on Valentine's Day!!!!

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JANUARY:

8th Post/Auxiliary Meeting. 12th District 10 meeting, lunch noon, meetings 1:00.
11th Sunsetters Band, 18th Lee Simms Band, 25th Danny G Band. Friday's Karaoke 7

FEBRUARY:

12TH Post/Auxiliary Meeting 7:00. 14th Sweetheart Dinner/Dance. 15th Sunsetters Band, 22nd Danny G Band. 29th Lee Simms Band. Karaoke every Friday 7:00.

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Monday thru Thursday 12:00-8:00 Friday and Sat. 11:00-2:00am Sunday Closed