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Post Members and Auxiliary

JULY/AUGUST 2017

Good afternoon members and Auxiliary as we get into July and August the weather is starting to heat up. Be sure and stay hydrated and I hope the weather won't be as warm as last year.

Memorial Day was celebrated on Monday, May 29th at Highland Cemetery and it was a wonderful morning. VFW Post 7945 and Auxiliary hosted along with American Legion Post 22 and Auxiliary. Music by Chuck Stevenson and group and the Thornton Police Department Honor Gard (Randy Nelson) Chief of Police and also we had the American eagle from Hawk Quest. We had a wonderful flyover and then lunch at the Post. It was a beautiful day to spend with family and friends. It was the 57th annual Memorial Day service.

VFW Post and Auxiliary welcomed the National Auxiliary President, Colette Bishop, hosting a dinner for her on May 24th. We welcomed many of the state officers.

The Department Convention was held June 14th thru the 17th at the Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs.

We had the Post and Auxiliary installation of officers on May 10th and had quite a few members and Auxiliary in attendance. It was a nice evening and the Auxiliary had a nice meal for all who were there.

Your officers for year 2017-18 for VFW Post 7945 are:

- Commander Dave Garcia
- Sr. Vice Commander Bruce Dolan
- Jr. Vice Commander George Sandoval
- Quartermaster Scott Evans
- Chaplin Phil Garcia

On a sad note, Marc Alvarado passed away and he will be missed. He was a good VFW member and I, as well as everyone enjoyed his company. Many condolences to Loyda and his family. Rest in peace, Marc.

Also, don't forget the VFW Post 7945 monthly meetings start again on July, 12th. Meeting night at the Post begins at 7pm and I look forward to seeing you all there.

David Garcia

Commander VFW Post 7945

AMERICANISM

Brandi Dolan, Chairman

Our Auxiliary Americanism Chairman, Brandi Dolan, took first place, for the third year in a row, in group 7, for her work on Americanism at the Department Convention. We thank her for her continued work in this important National program. She is our Americanism Chairman for this year and watch for her articles and tips on ways to promote this program.

CHAPLAINS Phil Garcia 303-655-9115

Shirley Colvin 303-427-2982

Please call our Chaplains, Phil or Shirley 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.

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Marc Alvarado

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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 myfwpost7945.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.

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Lennie Dolan, Treasurer

It is, once again, time to send in your continuous dues for the 2017-2018 year. The annual dues are \$25.00 and if you would like to convert to a life membership see the website, myfwpost7945.org for the application form which has the life membership rates, or call me and I will give them to you. Again, at our December meeting, we will have a drawing for two life memberships for the 2018-19 year for all who have paid their 2017-18 dues by the December meeting date. Also, life members, your \$6.40 cancer grants are also due. Please send to me, at 1170 Fulton Street, Aurora CO 80010. If you have any questions about this, please call me at 303-341-7488.

MINUTES OF THE CANCER RELIEF COMMITTEE
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A meeting of the Cancer Relief Committee was held on May 10, 2017 at VFW Post 7945. In attendance were President Brigitte Dolan, Trustees Sally Adam and Brandi Dolan, Treasurer Lennie Dolan, and Auxiliary Cancer Chairman Shirley Colvin along with several members of the Auxiliary. The members present at the meeting reviewed the program from the previous year and following are the guidelines for the 2017-2018 year.

CANCER PROGRAM GUIDELINES

1. Our program is modeled after the National VFW Auxiliary Cancer Grant Program.
2. A member of our Auxiliary diagnosed with cancer will be eligible for a lifetime maximum amount of \$1,000, payable in two \$500 grants, with not less than six months between each grant application. All types of cancer are included.
3. A signed statement from the Auxiliary member's physician is required to be filled in at the time the application is made by the member. Application forms are available at Post 7945 and can also be downloaded from our website at www.myvfwpost7945.org under the Auxiliary heading. The completed application should be mailed to the Auxiliary Cancer Chairman, Shirley Colvin, 8381 Delaware Street, Denver, CO 80221.
 - a. Applicant must be a member of the Auxiliary to VFW Post 7945 at least one full year before making application. Applicant must be current in his or her dues before making application.
 - b. If twelve months have passed from the date of the last surgery or cancer treatment, no application will be accepted.
 - c. Applications will not be accepted for deceased members.
 - d. Any grant application "in process" (postmarked) prior to the death of a member will be completed.
4. The Auxiliary shall maintain a separate savings account, preferably an interest-bearing account, for the cancer relief fund.
5. The Cancer Relief Committee shall be comprised of the Auxiliary President, Auxiliary Treasurer, Auxiliary One-Year Trustee, and the Auxiliary Cancer Committee Chairman. The Committee shall call meetings as it deems necessary and will reevaluate the Cancer Relief Program Guidelines each year during the month of May. All interested Auxiliary members are invited to attend the annual meeting.
6. Each Auxiliary member can review the Cancer Relief Program Guidelines as adopted each year by going to Post 7945's website.
7. Life members must pay their cancer premiums of \$6.40 each year in order to make a claim. Our year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. The premiums are to be mailed to Auxiliary Treasurer Arline Dolan, 1170 Fulton Street, Aurora, CO 80010.
8. All applications for grant funds will be kept strictly confidential. Applicants can also apply for National VFW Auxiliary grant funds. Applications for these grants are available at the Post.

These Guidelines were presented to the Auxiliary membership for approval at the July meeting. Remember our website: www.myvfwpost7945.org for information, contacts, and forms.

JULY AND AUGUST

We will be continuing our Patio Steak Fries every Friday through July and August. Steaks are \$10, cook your own on our patio grill, and burgers are \$7, we will cook for you. Included are salad bar, baked or fries, garlic toast and dessert.

Post and Auxiliary Meetings: July 12 and August 9 beginning at 7pm.

Texas Holdem: July 13, 27th and August 10 and 24 starting at 6:30.

Bands: July 15th Young at Heart 7-11, \$5.00 cover. August 5th Dooly Noose 7-11, \$5.00 cover. August 19th Danny G's 7-11, \$5.00 cover.

American Eagle at our Memorial Day Service, May 29, 2017



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POST HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 12:00-8:00 Friday and Sat. 11:00-2:00am Sunday 11:00 -9:00pm