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POST COMMANDER

Greetings Post and Auxiliary Members,

The summer is slowly escaping us, and the temperatures will soon be cooling down. We are continuing steak fries through the month of September. We have had a great turnout with volunteers throughout the summer. Please help continue our successful steak fry summer and volunteer. Just think of the fun time seeing me 😊! Oh yeah! Karaoke is still going on. After a good steak or burger, you can get on stage and sing, so I don't have to.

Construction around our property continues at a fast pace. The wall is going up and looks to be pretty much completed. The hole for the retention pond is dug and is starting to be plumbed. We are getting closer to getting a new road installed, and finishing up some landscaping on the north side of the property.

The USO show is coming up in October, the show is scheduled for Saturday October 13th at 7pm. Dinner is served from 5:30 to 7pm. It will be a great show this year as always. Please come out and support the show and pack the house. We need to give our table and chairs a workout.

Every other Saturday Dougie G's is hosting local Country Western bands and would love to see Post and Auxiliary participation.

Scott Evans

Commander VFW Post 7945

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

As we return from our first Parade of Programs of the year, I have been thinking a lot about all of our programs. There are so many programs that have different and exciting ways that we as members can participate in and work on giving back to our veterans and their families. With programs such as Veterans and Family Support, Americanism, Hospital, Legislative, Membership, Scholarship, and Youth Activities there really is something for everyone. I would like to encourage you to come to our meetings and explore these programs to find something that interests you. And as always, please report everything that you are doing. Any of the chairmen are available to help you with any questions you might have. The chairmen for this year are: Americanism, Brigitte Dolan; Cancer Grants, Shirley Colvin; Hospital, Kathy Trickler; Legislative, Maggie Munoz; Membership, Lennie Dolan; Scholarships, Sally Adams; Veterans & Family Support, Brandi Dolan, Youth Activities, Kayla Reed, President's Special Project, Debbie Semmen.

October 31st marks the deadline for Teacher of the Year nominations as well and Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy entries. If you know of any teachers who promote citizen education, please contact our Americanism Chair Brigitte Dolan at 720-394-5494. Sally Adam, our Scholarship Chair, would be happy to discuss Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy entries with you if you should know anyone who student who may want to enter the contests.

Our annual USO Show will be October 13th this year. It looks like it's shaping up to be a great show, as always. We hope that you will consider attending this fantastic evening that helps us raise funds for our programs that support our veterans and their families.

Our Friday night steak fry's will continue through September. Please bring your family and friends and have a wonderful meal with us. Also mark your calendar for September 21st where we will be holding a POW/MIA ceremony to honor all those who were prisoners of war and those we are still missing in action.

Thank you all for everything that you do during the year. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need anything.

Brandi Dolan,

Auxiliary President

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: James (Jimmy) Shamy



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 is vfw@vfwco.org, the phone number is 303-421-1630, address is 1400 Carr Street, Lakewood, CO 80214



MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Lennie Dolan

Now is the time you can help our veterans, by paying your continuous member dues for the 2018-2019 year. The annual dues are \$25.00 and if you would like to convert to a life membership go to the website: myvfwpost7945.org for the application form which has the life membership fees, or you can call me, and I will give them to you. Once again at our December meeting we will have a drawing for two life memberships for the 2019-2020 year for all who have paid their 2018-2019 dues by the December meeting date. We have 43 continuous members so hope you can get your dues in and convert or be drawn and join our 213 life members.

Also, Life members, your \$6.40 Cancer grant dues are due by December 31, 2018. 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.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY / PATRIOT’S PEN SCHOLARSHIPS

The VOD theme this year is “Why my Vote Matters” and is open to high school students, 9-12, in public, private, parochial and home study settings. The entries are judged at the Post/District/Department levels and awarded prizes. The Department winner will receive \$1000 and an all expense trip to Washington D.C. where they will compete for the first-place prize of a \$30,000 scholarship.

The Patriot’s Pen theme this year is “Why I Honor the American Flag” and is open to middle school, 6-8, in public, private, parochial and home study settings. The entries are also judged at the Post/District/Department levels and awarded prizes. The National winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

All entries, for both VOD and PP must be to the Post by October 31st. You will find the descriptions and entry forms at www.vfw.org or you can contact our Scholarship Chairman, Sally Adams, at 303-452-0473 or sadam1937@centurylink.com.

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POW/MIA CEREMONY

Our "Prisoner of War, Missing in Action" ceremony will be held on September 21st at 6:00 at the Post. Please attend and give remembrance to those who have served. We will see the Post and Auxiliary continue our Friday night steak and burger baskets. We want to thank all of you who joined us the past five months and supported us. The money we raised will be used to help us with our activities on behalf of our Veterans, Active Duty, their families and our Community.

September 12 and October 10 are our monthly VFW/Auxiliary meetings at 7:00. We would love to see our new members and some old friends join us to show your support. We are always looking for new ideas, energy, hands, to bring our activities to our Veterans.

September 16 is the District 10 meeting at Post 322, 3800 Windermere, Englewood. There will be lunch served at noon with meetings to follow. Come and support the District 10 President, our own Brigitte Dolan, and take back some useful information, and meet other Auxiliary and Post members in our District.

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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER AND PRESIDENT'S HOMECOMING

We are inviting you to join our Department VFW Commander, Steve Kjonaas, and Department Auxiliary President, Shelley Schlieman, for their Homecoming on October 6th at the Post, beginning with social hour at 4 followed by dinner at 5. All Post and Auxiliary members are welcome.

USO SHOW, OCTOBER 13th \$15 includes dinner

Theme: Remote Control Wars **Dinner:** Green Acres, Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll and many farm house fresh desserts served

5:30-7:00. Show will begin at 7:00 with some very talented and enthusiastic performers, TV show reruns, Patriotic segments and fun for all. Open to everyone, Post will be closed at 7:00 to all except ticket holders. See you there! Bring you friends and family. Taking donations of canned goods for the Department Commander's Special Project, CABA.

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POST HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 12:00-8:00 pm

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

Sunday Closed