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## THE POST OBSERVER

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### POST COMMANDER

Greeting Post and Auxiliary members,

Congratulation to our new and returning offices. I attended COA the weekend of August 17<sup>th</sup> changes in reporting are coming down for the both groups.

Congratulations to Ron Schlieman for being presented with the award "All State Quartermaster".

You know our Post is really active in holding office outside of our Post, and you should be very proud of that, and our individuals. Our Post was represented extremely well last year. Listed below are those individuals:

Bruce Dolan State Quartermaster

Leroy Chavez District Commander

Ron Schlieman District Quartermaster

Phil Garcia District Chaplin

Shelly Schlieman Auxiliary State President

Bridget Dolan District President

Lenny Dolan District Treasurer / State Media and Historian Chairman

Brandi Dolan District Secretary / Americanism Chairman

Big thanks to you all!

Now looking back into our Post, we are always in need of Volunteers. We still have steak fry's going on the end of the month and we have the USO show coming up in October. If you volunteer for the USO show you might get the job of handing out ear plugs, if they force me to sing! This year the USO show is coming up on Saturday October 5th at 7pm. Dinner is serving from 5:30 to 7 pm. 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.

Over the summer we the Post completed a major landscaping project that ROCKED the place! LOL Our property is looking pretty nice now.

Congratulations Doug! Dougie G's was presented with the "Venue of The Year" award by the Colorado Country Hall of Fame!!!! Always look at the schedule behind the bar. Dougie G's has always got great bands performing and would appreciate our patronage.

Scott Evans

Commander VFW Post 7945

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### **AUXILIARY PRESIDENT**

Auxiliary members, another summer has come and gone. It seemed to get a late start this year, with the rainy weather in June. Coincidentally, the steak fries also got a slow start for the same reason, I think. But, they have been a big success overall. I especially want to thank all those Post and Auxiliary members who stepped up to help in the kitchen and on the patio for those Friday nights. It seems to get busier every week.

I am looking forward to working with the Auxiliary this Fall and Winter. September is "Veterans and Military Suicide Awareness" month. We need to focus on what we can do to give our Vets a reason to live and the resources they need to achieve that goal. The VA Veterans Crisis line is: 1-800-273-8255 (press # 1). For a confidential chat:

veteranscrisisline.net. Or contact Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home at: 1-800-313-4200.

The USO Show is October 5th at 5:00 P.M. The theme is: "An Evening With Elvis and Friends". Rehearsals have already begun.

Come to the meetings this Fall and join the fun. I am open to any suggestions you may have for promoting our sister/brotherhood, fundraising, or any other projects you may have in mind.

We'll have more fun with you there!

Kathy Trickler

Auxiliary President

303-450-9280, rktrickler@centurylink.org

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**CHAPLAINS     Bill Nicolson 720-837-3616                     Shirley Colvin 303-427-2982**

Please call our Chaplains, Phil (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.

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**TAPS:**

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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.



**MEMBERSHIP**

**Lennie Dolan, Chairman**

Now is the time you can help our veterans, by paying your continuous member dues for the 2019-2020 year. The annual dues are \$25.00 and if you would like to convert to a life membership go to the website: [myvfwpost7945.org](http://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 2020-2021 year for all who have paid their 2019-2020 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. I will be sending out dues notices shortly, so if you could get that payment to me, we can get to our 100% membership in record time.

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.



**AMERICANISM**

**Brandi Dolan, Chairman**

Happy Fall everyone! As our thoughts turn to the cooler weather and everything pumpkin, please remember to acknowledge and support the patriotic days that we have coming up. A few examples for September and October are Patriot Day on 9/11; POW/MIA recognition day on 9/20; Gold Star Mothers/Families Day on 9/29,

Navy birthday on 10/13 and National Day of the Deployed on 10/16. Please attend or sponsor ceremonies on these or be creative in recognizing these days. Even getting the word out by posting something on social media helps. And please remember to report this. You can contact me or any of the officers and let us know what you did so we get credit for it at the end of the year. Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions. My email is [purpleseals@comcast.net](mailto:purpleseals@comcast.net).

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**VFW SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Sally Adams, Chairman**

The VFW for many years has offered several scholarships. There is the **Young American Creative Patriotic Art** competition open to high school students not older than 18 years of age at the time of entry. The art is due to the Post by March 31—judged on patriotic theme and technique. Also, the **Continuing Education Scholarship** is open to any Auxiliary member (member for at least one year) with financial need who wishes to further his/her education. The **Voice of Democracy** essay competition is for high school students; this year's theme is "What Makes America Great." Entries due to the Post no later than October 31. For middle school students, grades 6-8, the essay competition is called **Patriot's Pen**. The theme this year is the same as the Voice of Democracy competition, "What Makes American Great." Entries due to the Post by October 31. Don't forget we also honor teachers with the **Teacher of the Year** nomination and **Scout of the Year**. If you, someone in your family, or someone you know, qualifies for any of these scholarships, please contact Sally Adam, 303-452-0474 for details.

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**HOSPITAL**

**Kathy Trickler, Chairman**

The "VFW Auxiliary establishes relationships with hospitals, nursing homes, veterans' homes, VA facilities and other facilities where veterans are served." We can all share in this by participating in Auxiliary-voted projects, donating handmade items, and fundraising for the Department Hospital Fund. Any member in good standing can volunteer at a facility in the name of our VFW Auxiliary if that member has been approved by the Auxiliary to do so. Members can volunteer alone or with a group of members or non-members (who have also

been approved by the Auxiliary). It's a good way to do something positive for our veterans. And, believe me, you get as much out of it as you put into it.

September is Veterans/Military Suicide Awareness Month. As a VFW auxiliary we need to do our part to see that our veterans have the information they need to get help when they find themselves in crisis. I have several fliers called "Veterans Crisis Line Public Fact Sheet" that has the information that veterans or their families can use to get the help they need. I am looking for volunteers who can either help me or go on their own to distribute these fliers. I have chosen the King Soopers on 120th Colorado Blvd on September 21st from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. to distribute these fliers. We won't be asking for donations, just giving out vital information. I chose this day because it is after our meeting, so that I can distribute the fliers to my volunteers.

Please give this your serious consideration. It is a small thing that we can do to help our Vets when they need it most.

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August 18<sup>th</sup> the Country Music Hall of Fame held its award program and we must give a big shout out to our very own Doug Gohr, as Dougy G's was named the Country Music Hall of Fame Venue of the Year. Check the calendar for upcoming bands for September and October and see why Dougy G's is so deserving of this honor.

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**SEPTEMBER:**

BANDS: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunsetters, 14<sup>th</sup> Danny G's, 28<sup>th</sup> Sunsetters. 7-11 \$5 cover.  
5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Texas Holdem 6:30.  
11<sup>th</sup> Post/Auxiliary meeting 7:00. 15<sup>th</sup>.  
15<sup>th</sup> District 10 meeting 12:00 Post 322 at 3800 S Windemere St. Englewood.  
20<sup>th</sup> POW/MIA Ceremony 6:00.

**OCTOBER:**

3<sup>RD</sup>, 17<sup>TH</sup>, 31<sup>ST</sup>, Texas Holdem, 6:30.  
9<sup>th</sup> Post/Auxiliary Meeting 7:00.  
BANDS: 19<sup>TH</sup> Twisted Heart, 26<sup>th</sup> Young at Heart - their Halloween show (feel free to dress up)

## OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, USO DINNER AND SHOW

Dinner 5:30 to 7:00, Show begins at 7:15. Flyers will be available with menu and price. Post will be closed at 7:00 to everyone but ticketholders.

**THEME: AN EVENING WITH ELVIS AND FRIENDS**

### POST DIRECTORY

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| Commander      | Scott Evans      | <a href="mailto:scott1181@comcast.net">scott1181@comcast.net</a> | 303-655-0115 |
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| Jr. Vice       | George Sandoval  |  | 303-948-4920 |
| Quartermaster  | Ron Schlieman    | <a href="mailto:sshelbell@aol.com">sshelbell@aol.com</a>         | 303-349-5615 |
| Chaplin        | Bill Nicolson    |  | 720-837-3616 |
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| 3 Yr Trustee   | Chris Stillman   |  | 720-209-1502 |
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| 1 Yr Trustee   | Leroy Chavez     |  | 720-724-6773 |
| 5 Yr Homeboard | Ron Newlander    |  | 303-905-6969 |
| 4 Yr Homeboard |                  |  |              |
| 3 Yr Homeboard |                  |  |              |
| 2 Yr Homeboard | Bill Bingham     |  | 303-880-8620 |
| 1 Yr Homeboard | Terry Timberlake |  | 303-920-1853 |

### AUXILIARY DIRECTORY

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|----------------------|-------------------|--|---------------|
| President            | Kathy Trickler    |  | 303-450-9280  |
| Sr. Vice President   | Jackie Newlander  |  | 303-358-1669  |
| Jr. Vice President   | Cindy Anderson    |  | 303-522-5626  |
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| Chaplin              | Shirley Colvin    |  | 303- 427-2982 |
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| Guard                | Alix Reed         |  | 303-815-6749  |
| 3 Yr Trustee         | Brandi Dolan      |  | 720-495-7773  |
| 2 Yr Trustee         | Debbie Semen      |  | 303-918-4538  |
| 1 Yr Trustee         | Brigitte Dolan    |  | 720-394-5494  |
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| Web Master           | Kristi Wood       | <a href="mailto:kmltwood10@msn.com">kmltwood10@msn.com</a> | 720-201-4062  |

**POST HOURS**

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