

Joseph J. Jacques Jr. Post 7945

## THE POST OBSERVER

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MARCH/APRIL

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[www.myvfwpost7945.org](http://www.myvfwpost7945.org)

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Thornton VFW 7945 Joseph J. Jacques Jr.

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**POST COMMANDER**

Greetings Comrades and Auxiliary members,

Welcome to March and another snow storm. Not much snow received in this last storm, but it is cold out. As many of you know on the 26<sup>th</sup> of February, I had back surgery on my lower back. Surgery went very well and I did meet my goal, which was to beat the surgeon out of the hospital. I am extremely stiff and I am walking upright once again. I am ahead of schedule on recovery, but cannot do much for the next month or so. We have our St Patrick's day dinner coming up, and we will need help. Please join us for a great meal and help us prep and serve too. This is all taking place on March 14<sup>th</sup>. More on time at our next meeting. At the end of April our Post is also hosting the Salute to Service Banquet we might need volunteers for that event. I am sorry this letter is so short, but my time in this has expired sitting in this chair, and my back says: I'm done for the day. I will see you all at the next meeting. Last month the non-winner for missing the Post monthly meeting was Louis Zutman of Northglenn.

See you at the Post

Scott Evans

Commander

## **AUXILIARY PRESIDENT**

Auxiliary members,

We had a very successful Sweetheart's Dinner/Dance on Valentines's Day. I want to recognize and thank those volunteers who made our success possible. Sherry Netteland and her crew sold balloons and prepared the boxes for the raffle tickets. Tina Jacobsen went all over and gathered donations for our raffle as well as sold raffle tickets at the dinner. Kristi and Mike Wood helped to prepare the meal, and Kristi sold raffle tickets, too. Ron Schlieman also helped cook. Lennie Dolan sold tickets at the door while Bruce and Russ helped serve the meal, along with Ron and Mike. William Jacobsen washed a lot of dishes and pots and pans (no easy task!) and whatever else was asked of him. Sally Adam crocheted a beautiful pink blanket for the raffle. I also want to thank my decorating crew: Jo, Dee, Tina, and Lennie. I have tried to name each volunteer. But, if I've missed anyone, know that you are appreciated, too. We couldn't put on such a dinner without all of our volunteers!

On a more solemn note. We said good-bye to Warren Anderson and Debbie Semmen this past month with individual Celebrations of Life. Quite a turnout!

We now look forward to celebrating St. Patrick's Day on March 14th and Salute to Service on April 25th. We will be asking for your help, again.

As Spring approaches, we will need a cleanup day to get ready for May-October steak fries.

We have an active Post and want to keep it that way,

Kathy Trickler

Auxiliary President

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**CHAPLAINS Bill Nicolson 720-837-3616**

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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.

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**TAPS: DEBBIE SEMMEN WARREN ANDERSON SYLVESTER VAN VANDEVAN**

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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](http://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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**AMERICANISM**

**BRANDI DOLAN, CHAIRMAN**

Happy Spring everyone! I am definitely ready for this snow to be done and for warmer weather and all the pretty flowers to start blooming. We are now in the home stretch for the current reporting year, which just as a reminder ends March 31<sup>st</sup>. So, if you have American flags you haven't given out or flag flying certificates still sitting on your desk, make the time now to get out and do that. Another way

promote patriotism, which is what Americanism is all about, is to recognize patriotic days. You can either host or attend a ceremony recognizing the day, or you can do something as simple as posting an acknowledgment on your social media accounts. One in particular that is coming up soon is National Vietnam War Veterans Day on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Get out there and recognize all of our Vietnam Veterans who gave so much for us. Not only do you still have some time to participate in activities through March 31<sup>st</sup>, but also think back on the past year to see if maybe there are things you've done that you haven't reported. Some other items that count under Americanism are flag education for kids and missing man table and POW/MIA ceremonies (hosting or attending), and again one that many of us are involved with in some way – social media. If you acknowledged Veteran's Day, Memorial Day, Pearl Harbor Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Patriots Day or even Presidents Day recently, that counts! If you find that you have done things that would count, please contact reporting chairman Brigitte Dolan at [bmdolan@live.com](mailto:bmdolan@live.com) so she can get those reported. Last thought – please remember that just because the reporting year ends, our patriotic duties do not. Don't stop after March 31<sup>st</sup> – just get them onto the new year's reporting! As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at [purpleseals@comcast.net](mailto:purpleseals@comcast.net).

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**MARCH:** 8<sup>TH</sup> Day Light Savings, Spring forward. 11<sup>th</sup> Post/Aux meeting 7:00, nominations of Post Officers. 14<sup>th</sup> St. Pats Dinner \$10, Corned beef, cabbage, new potatoes, buttered carrots, rolls, dessert, 5:00 till gone. 22<sup>nd</sup> District 10 Memorial Service at Post 9644, 11:00. **FRIDAYS** Karaoke 7:00, **SATURDAY** Bands.

**APRIL:** 1<sup>ST</sup> April Fools Day. 8<sup>th</sup> Post Auxiliary Election of Officers 7:00. 25<sup>th</sup> Post Patio Clean up day 10:00, lunch for helpers. 25<sup>th</sup>, Department of Colorado Salute to Service Dinner, 4:30 social hour, 6:00 Dinner. **FRIDAYS** Karaoke, **SATURDAYS** Bands.

Keep your March and April Calendars in a convenient location so you don't miss any of our events. If you have questions, call the Post at 303-438-6700 or any of the Officers in the directory.

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