

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

"The Friendly Wood" from "The Friendly Post"

1655 Simms Street

Post 178

Lakewood, CO



## Awards Bestowed at Installation Banquet



Mark Ward Legion Member of the Year



Lee Ware-Bachman SAL Mother of the Year



Marilynn Anderson AUX Member of the Year

Mickey West AUX Service Award



Chip Reidmiller SAL Son of the Year Award



Jim Gibson Dual Member of the Year



Marilynn Anderson Lisa Matzke



POW/MIA Table Never Forget

Photos by Sheryl Funakoshi and Dave Dupree

#### Dave McBrien

June's *Volunteer of the Month* at Post 178 is **Dave McBrien.** 

Dave is as important a fixture in our kitchen as are the stove and dish washing machine. He plans the menus and heads up the *Son's Friday Night Dinners*. He regularly volunteers to cook for *Sunday Breakfasts* and always lends a hand for pancake breakfasts to benefit the *Junior Shooters* and *Girl Scouts*.

Over many years Dave has volunteered his assistance to the **Duck Races** and **Annual SAL Golf Tournament.** 

Dave also served for three consecutive years (2014—2017) as President of the Post's SAL Squadron.



# CHAPLAIN'S REPORT Witchen West

Almighty God, we ask that You help us to have faith in You and

in our country. As we celebrate our independence, may we turn to Thee in gratitude and thanksgiving for allowing us to continue to live in a free land. Help us, O God, to keep in mind the ideals for which lives were offered in time of war, and our obligations to our community, state, and nation. May we always live and serve side by side, under the stars and stripes forever. Amen

Please pray for members and families.

#### **Sick Bay**

Rose Davis—recovering from stroke Steve Stroud—recovering from surgery

#### **Final Roll Call**

Larry Gallagher—Vietnam—Navy—06/12/2018

Commander's Report

David Clinger

Awards and Installation were received with appreciation and enthusiasm at the annual banquet. Outgoing and incoming officers for Post, SAL, Auxiliary, and Legion Riders were joined by recipients of awards and were applauded by everyone in at-

tendance. Congratulations to all who were recognized for the tireless volunteer hours to members of our Post. It was a very productive and fun year, although challenging on occasions. All the newly elected officers are looking forward to new challenges and engaging our members and the local community. If you have any suggestions to improve our Post and its membership, please don't hesitate to submit it in writing and place it in the Post membership box in the game room.

Post membership stands at 739, or 97%. The Sons report their membership is 232, or 105%. Please check the Post calendar for upcoming events. Thank you for your support and enjoy the Summer but be safe! Our next scheduled post meeting is August 7th at 7:00 p.m.

#### Flag Day Ceremony













Auxiliary Report

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The Auxiliary was proud

to serve 54 member Dads at our *Father's Day Breakfast* and 140 total breakfasts. We are grateful to our many volunteers who helped in the kitchen.

We will NOT have a meeting in July and will resume in August.

The *Girls and Boys State* attendees have been invited to join us at the *4th of July Picnic* and recount the experiences they had.

Over the past several months the Auxiliary has welcomed several new members. They are: Rose Roberts, Marsha McKee-Rupp, Sue Pound, Virginia Johnson, Karen Nelson, Mary Willson, Bertha Moreno, Norma Selbe, Wendy Biesemeier, DeAnna Casanova, Christine Hyman, Sofia Korona, Angie Atencio, Judy Eberley, Kathy Greaser, Chery Lettin, Gwen Powell, and Linda Wimsett.

**No Burger Night on July 4th.**The 4th Wednesday dinner in July will be our famous **Enchirritos.** 



We had a good turnout for our Memorial Day member's pic-

nic. Our **door monitor volunteers** distributed 377 wristbands. Words cannot express my continued appreciation for the members who gave of their time to check member cards. I apologize for not thanking them individually, but someone threw the master signup sheet away.

Members who made financial contributions to offset the cost of our beer include **Connie and Ken Stark**, **Joe and Fran Bowers**, **Shawn and Julie Bloomer**, and **Faye Okeneske**. Thank you all for your generosity.

I also want to thank the **Auxiliary** for providing the pop and bottled water. Our cooks for the day were **Randy Baria**, **Brad Hall**, and **Dan Wessels**. Thanks to **Jim Gibson** for slicing the lettuce, tomatoes etc. Excellent team work serving so many people in a very timely manner.

I have a sign-up sheet in the lounge for volunteers to cover the doors for our *4th of July Picnic* beginning at noon.

We are in the process of doing a test to determine if accepting credit cards in the lounge is financially sound. At this time only the items sold in the lounge will be permitted to be charged to a credit card. There will be a minimum purchase of \$10 and there will be no cash back option. Membership dues, food sales, etc. will continue to be cash or check only.

### Thank You Volunteers for Our New Sign







The electronic sign placed above our old Post sign is up and working. Huge thanks go to the following volunteers that gave a tremendous amount of their time and effort in getting it operational: **Mark Ward, Shawn Bloomer, Frank Spano. Rocky Mountain,** and **Dave Clinger.** What they did as volunteers saved the Post a significant amount of money. Fund raising efforts are in the works to cover the cost of erecting the South side of the sign. Financial contributions are always appreciated and are tax deductible.

A new kitchen range has been purchased and thanks to the generosity of the entire Legion family we have it 100% paid for.



Since our July meeting would be the day after the 4th, we have cancelled it and will meet next in August. At our June meeting the Sons approved a \$500 donation to the Ride 22 Rally for Veterans, \$250 to the Post for repairs to the kitchen walk-in

floor, and \$1.250 to the Post for the new kitchen stove. We also set aside \$150 to have the kitchen oven professionally cleaned.

The *Memorial Day Picnic and Servic*e were a success as we refocused on what this holiday is about. We cannot ever forget those who sacrificed everything fighting for all that we have now.

# **SAL Horseshoe Tournament**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18 AT 12 NOON 2-Person Team \$40 (food included) Payout: 50% Winners / 50% SAL Contact Tom Pavies at 720-297-9507 State meetings were held June 22nd through the 24th. **Tom Davies** attended for Squadron 178 SAL. More on that next month.

Coming up July 28th, the Sons will be working with **Post 21** in Golden and cooking *Randy and Bob's Famous Baby Back Ribs* to be served at Post 21 starting at 3:00 p.m. Cost is 10 bucks per meal.

The *Annual SAL Horseshoe Tournament* will be on August 18th, and we will be roasting a pig as well.

### **LAKEWOOD AMERICAN LEGION POST 178**

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Mon.—Thurs. 11:00 AM to 12:00 Midnight Fri. 11:00 AM to 2:00 AM Sat.—Sun. 9:00 AM to 12:00 Midnight \*Bartenders may close earlier on slow nights.



#### **SAL Golf Tournament Winners**

Dan Spencer Lee Brandt Cory Chelf Tadd Schlottman

Thanks to everyone who played, sponsored, and contributed for helping raise approximately \$3,000 this year. As always, funds will go to The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation and National Emergency Fund, Colorado Kids, and the State Veterans Center in Homelake, CO.





The Bailey Boys celebrated member Bill Myers' 99th Birthday at the Post recently. Bill, seated center, served in WWII, Korea, and Vietnam before retiring as an Air Force Colonel. With Bill are (I. to r.) Ray Wrigley, Kevin Bishop, Jim Martin, Darrel Miller, and Ken Kuld.



