



THE AMERICAN LEGION

"The Friendly Word" from "The Friendly Post"

1655 Simms Street

Post 178

Lakewood, CO



1957 Chevy Bel-Air
Ken Sayers



1939 Ford Pickup
KC VanNeiman



1955 Chevy Sedan
Howard Hall



1961 Thunderbird
Hank Bender



1957 Chevy Nomad
Danny & Patti VonFeldt

CAR SHOW WINNERS



Garage Art Winner
Jack & Gayle Hayden



Best of Show
1937 Ford Deluxe
Octaviano Jojola Jr.

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THANK YOU CAR SHOW VOLUNTEERS

Greg Belvill
Mark Duffey
Dave Clinger
Ed McKenna
Ted Martindale
Brian Conway
Keith Sanders
Steve Tomlinson
Sheryl Funakoshi
Wayne McClimans
Jody & Michelle Marcotte

Sarah Merr
Jackie Boyer
Frank Spano
Kathy Schwab
Nancy Marshall
Jerry Stauter Jr.
Jerry Stauter Sr.
Brad & Beth Hall
Angie & Mike Bell
Mackenzie Nelson
Cindy & Eric Parker



1958 Corvette
Marty Smyth



1967 Chevy Nova
John Backes



1915 Ford Model T
Lynn Hunter



Mushrat Dragster
Dick Surratt



1954 Pontiac Chieftan
Vern & Debbie McLeland

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT
Mickey West

Have you ever stopped to wonder as you gazed up in the sky what keeps the stars from falling,

what makes the clouds roll by?

What makes the moon replace the sun, and night replace the day? What brings sweet peace when day is done, as you homeward wend your way?

Have you ever stopped to wonder how from a tiny seed springs forth a fragrant flower, with beauty rare indeed? What brings the leaves back on the trees, after a winter of ice and snow? Do you wonder about these things, or skip it and let it go?

So stop and think from day-to-day as on through life you trod, of the many blessings sent your way through the mighty hand of God.

COMMANDER'S REPORT
Bill Radunz

Fall is here and lots happening.

Our next meeting is October 6th at 7:00 p.m. Important things need to be discussed including a proposed increase to annual dues.

This year's **Veterans Day Parade** is Sunday, November 8 in downtown Denver. Contact **Wayne McClimans** or **me** if you can participate. The Post's **Early Bird Dinner** is at 6:00 p.m. October 24th. Social hour starts an hour before. The dinner of pork loin, scalloped potatoes, veggie, and salad is **FREE** to members with paid 2016 dues by October 15th. Sign up at the Post.

The **Colorado Country Music Hall of Fame** will be at the Post Sunday, October 25 from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. The music is **FREE**. Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwiches will be available for purchase.

Starting November 6th we've scheduled bands every for Friday night from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. This is a trial period over 7 weeks to see if our members are interested. If you like having live music at the Post you need to support these events. To kick things off, November 6th will be **Ladies Night** with a first drink **FREE** after 7:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Dinner will be served at the Post from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Bring a side dish to share and please sign up by November 15th so we'll have enough food.

Last but not least thanks to **Karen Black** and **Dave Dupree** for a great **Car Show** in September.

Yours in service, Commander Bill Radunz

AUXILIARY REPORT
Carol Conway

September found the Ladies of the Auxiliary stuffing 91 back packs with school supplies for the children of active duty families at Fort Carson! Over \$1,200 in supplies and packs were donated by **Redistribution Center Inc. (RCI)** and **The Dollar Store** for this worthy cause. *Thank you Ladies for all your help!*

The **Bake Sale** during the Car Show was a great success! Thank you to all those that helped and brought yummy things to sell...and eat!!!

If you have a birthday in October please join us at the monthly meeting for a treat. We'd love to see you on the first Tuesday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m. We can always use your help on **Burger Nights** every Wednesday. Please sign up or just show up!

Remember to pay your 2016 dues! And if you paid early please join us for the **Early Bird Dinner** on October 24th. Dinner is **FREE** to members who have paid by **October 15th**.

Please pray for members and families.

Sick Bay

None Reported

Final Roll Call

Melvin Bryant—Vietnam—9/19/15

We have been notified that AL National annual dues will increase by \$5 and Department of Colorado dues will increase \$2 for 2016. At our October 6th meeting we'll be considering an increase of \$8 for our Post from \$45 to \$53 effective January 20, 2016. We will need to follow their lead to keep our Legion programs going. Your opinion is important so please attend.

Welcome

NEW MEMBERS & TRANSFERS

Robert S. Peacher—Vietnam—Army
George M. McCarty—Vietnam—Army
Thomas Ramsey—Vietnam—Air Force

Edgar E. Dickens—SAL
Thomas K. Tanner—SAL
Charles L. Washington—SAL
J.D. Dupree Schmechel—SAL

BUSINESS REPORT

Bob Heer

Our last member picnic of the season on Labor Day brought out 308 members and their guests, and our door volunteers collected \$593. As I have previously reported, it is these door volunteers that make our picnics cost effective. Door volunteers were: **Brian Conway, Nancy Marshall, Vern Schmitt, Dick Moore, Joe Bowers, Fran Bowers, Karen Black, Bruce Wandrey, Faye Okeneske, Tina Montoya, Dee Yurko, Mark Ward, Sue Clinger, Sue Mountain, Steve Peterson** and, **Barbara Bunting**. *Thank you all for your help.*

Thanks also to **Joe and Fran Bowers, SAL, the Auxiliary, and the Post** for donations of beer, soda, water, and hot dogs. *Your generosity is appreciated.* Not to be overlooked in thanking volunteers were our two grill masters, **Randy Baria** and **Steve Tomlinson** as well as **Jim Gibson** for slicing tomatoes, onions, etc. *You all did a fantastic job.* I also want to thank **Rocky Mountain** for doing electrical repairs when one of our coolers shorted out. Rocky donated both his time and the parts. *Thanks Rocky.*



Working together the Auxiliary filled backpacks with school supplies and the Riders loaded them into RCI's truck for delivery to Fort Carson children.

SAL REPORT

Steve Stroud

Another summer has come and gone and we are beginning fall with anticipation. Remember to invite family and friends to join the Post. Each of us can bring new members and that can make our Post more vibrant.

SAL is growing and that's because of outreach by our members. Please attend a meeting and see what you can do. Our meetings are the first Wednesday of every month starting at 6:30 p.m. Come for **Auxiliary Burger Night** and stay for the Sons meeting.

RIDERS REPORT

Nick Trujillo

The Riders held our last Poker Run for the year in September. We didn't have much participation, but everyone had a good ride. The weather was perfect for our **Fall Color Ride**. As usual **Joe Calabro** planned a great route. **Gary and Alynn Huffman** hosted the Riders at their home as a rest stop. We also posted the colors for **Emilie's Parade** and rendered honors during the singing of the National Anthem. Posts 1 and 22 assisted. Coming up is our **Annual Chili Cook-Off and Lasagna Dinner**. Watch for details.

Riders Educational Scholarships available now. See a member for details.

Important Messages from Post 178 Members

A few years ago I called **Past Commander Wayne McClimans** to find a Color Guard for a Veterans Day concert. He responded and also recruited me to join Post 178. This year, using great brass band music, the **Post 178 Color Guard**, the **El Jabel Shrine Pipe Band**, picture projection, military humor and wisdom, and a well researched script, we will tell the story of the American Military from WWI to today. For a great celebration of your service to our country and a fun history lesson, bring your family—especially kids and grand kids—to **A Brass Band Salute to Our Veterans** on **Friday, November 6, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.** at the **Lakewood Cultural Center**, 470 S. Allison Pkwy (Civic Center North Bldg.).

The **Rocky Mountain Brassworks** is a 33-player brass and percussion ensemble with over 40 years of history in the Denver area. Tickets for the show may be purchased at the Lakewood Cultural Center Box Office, in person, or on-line. However, **I would like to personally buy tickets for all Post 178 members and their family members!** Please contact Wayne McClimans or email me. Pick up your complimentary tickets at Will Call the evening of the concert. — Larry Miller trumpet3@comcast.net

I need some help!! The bread and pastries in the **Post's Bread Store** are mostly provided courtesy of **RCI** and **Costco**. Three times a week items are picked up at Costco. RCI takes non-perishables to the **Warriors Warehouse** in Fort Carson where active military families can use them. I take the perishables to assisted living facilities for Veterans, National Guard sites, and Post 178.

I'm looking for one or two people to take over my Monday and Friday schedule. The time involved is minimal; no more than 1 to 1 1/2 hours each day. I will be glad to accompany you until you are comfortable with the routine. Please call me to get started with this great opportunity to personally serve many Veterans. — Les Hayes 720-436-7751

Posts all over the world are submitting stories about their history in preparation for **The American Legion's 100th Anniversary Celebration**. I am requesting anyone with stories, photos, news clippings, or other information about our Post to contact me. I also welcome any stories of your military service you care to share. Thank you. — Ed McKenna Post 178 Historian mckenna.ed@comcast.net

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Lounge Hours*

- 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.

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BULLETIN BOARD

COMING SOON

SAL Horseshoe Tournament

October 3 at 1 PM

Early Bird Dinner

October 24 at 6 PM, Social at 5 PM

Rky Mtn Brass Works Concert

November 6 at 7:30 PM

Veterans Day Parade

November 8 at 8 AM

Veterans Day

November 11 from 11 AM to 7 PM

Veterans Pistol Challenge

November 14 at 12:30 PM

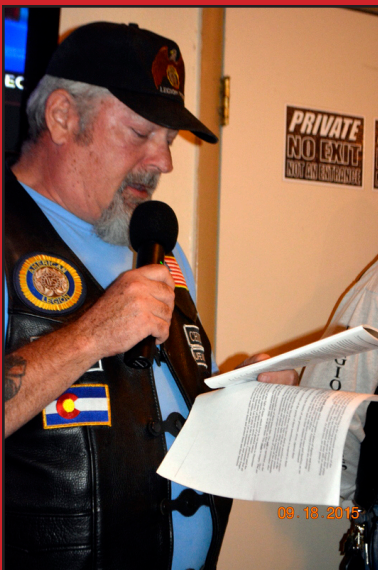
Colo. Country Music HOF

2 – 5 PM
GRILLED HAM & CHEESE
2 – 4 PM



POW/MIA Ceremony

Photos by Sue Clinger



Veterans Pistol Shoot

November 14 — 12:30 PM

Bristlecone Shooting and Training Center

12105 W. Cedar Ave.

Lakewood, CO

To Join a Post 178 Team

call Jerry Kajcienski

303-956-6470

Early Bird Dinner

Saturday, October 24 — 6 PM



*Photos by Tedd Martindale,
Jody Nickerson, and Dave Dupree*



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