



THE AMERICAN LEGION

"The Friendly Word" from "The Friendly Post"

1655 Simms Street

Post 178

Lakewood, CO



Post Honors Departed Vets, Members on Memorial Day

Post 178 Final Roll Call 2018—2019

LEGION

David Baker
Jim Ekstrom
Larry Gallagher
Roy Gurule
Lavern Knutson
James Lobban
Ronald Pearce
Rick Ricketts
David Roberts
Ken Steggs
Larry Tomlinson
William Westland
Leonard Wilson
James Yamane
James Dolan
David Ellis
Ernie Gill
Daryl Harris
Jim Kunst
Bill Myers

David Proski
Frank Rios
Raymond Sealman
W Gordon Stigall
William Westland
Fred Wilkins
Don Wirth

SAL

Steve Stroud

AUXILIARY

Ilene Basquez
Sherry Braun
Rose Davis
Gerry Klenda
Lana Lauth
Patricia Miller
Sue Mountain
Brenda Oswald
Mary Willson
Jeni Wheatley-Bentz



Nancy Chandler May Volunteer of the Month

Nancy Chandler has served as Auxiliary Historian for the past two years. Recently she created two beautiful quilts and raised over \$1,800 in raffle sales for the Auxiliary. Her embroidered healing hankies are being sent to military families who have lost a member, and she creates lap quilts and quilted journals for the VA.

Nancy loves to play poker, but we won't let her in the kitchen (at her request) because we might be sorry.

Nancy keeps us laughing and has instituted the Blarney Joke Contest on St. Patty's Day (which she also won). She also inspired us to wear fancy hats on Derby Day. We're happy to have this joyous lady as a member.



CHAPLAIN'S REPORT
Patti Wagner

Dear Lord, at our Memorial Day Service we honored those who died so that we may live in freedom. Help us remember them throughout the year, that they may be a part of our lives forever. Amen.

COMMANDER'S REPORT
Mark Ward

Our **Memorial Day Ceremony and Picnic** were a success again this year. And again, the **JFK High School Honor Platoon** was the gem of the day. The weather could have been more cooperative. There were times of clouds, wind, and a few rain drops. But they did not dampen our remembrance of our Fallen Comrades. A couple of WW II vets came by, and it's always a pleasure to welcome them.

We have an active schedule to finish spring and start summer. The **Installation of Officers Ceremony** is June 4th at 7:00 p.m. The **SAL Golf Tournament** is June 14th. After the tournament there is a players bar-becue in the back yard. June 14th is also **Flag Day**. There is a Ceremony in the back yard following the SAL barbecue.

The **Department of Colorado Convention** is June 20-23 in Colorado Springs. The **Independence Day Picnic** is just around the corner, so if you haven't signed up to volunteer we'll need your HELP.

In closing, there were no nominations accepted for Sgt. at Arms at the last Legion meeting, and no one has shown interest in appointment as Post Historian. We need to fill these positions ASAP. If you are interested, or know anyone who may be, please contact any member of the Executive Committee.

BUSINESS REPORT
Bob Heer

Thanks to the successful **Derby Day**, hosted by the Legion, Sons, and Auxiliary, our Insurance fund is now at \$12,748. An awesome accomplishment! Thanks again to all who have donated.

Ranya Kelly of **Redistribution Center Inc. (RCI)** again delivered in excess of 200 plants for our back yard. When you see here please thank her for this awesome donation. **Dee Yurko** took the lead this year in securing the volunteers who got them all planted. Great job DeeDee. Here's hoping the recent snow storm did not obliterate too many of them.

As we move into summer, please do not ask the bartenders to shut off the swamp coolers. On days when the forecast is for very warm temperatures the coolers will be turned on in the mornings and need to remain on to keep the building comfortable for everyone. Bring a sweater.

SAL REPORT
Brad Hall

Not much to report from May. Thankfully the **Memorial Day Ceremony and Picnic** were not rained out.

The **12th Annual SAL Golf Tournament** is June 14th, so if there are stragglers who wish to play or sponsor a hole, we can still get it in at the last minute. Please come to the Post, fill out an entry form, and leave a check.

We are still tweaking the **Sunday Breakfast** menu to try and eliminate some costs and help simplify life for the kitchen volunteers. Any suggestions, let us know.

Hopefully **Dave McBrien** has a speedy recovery as a hammer got the best of his toes and he is hobbled up pretty good. Thanks to **Shannon** and **Robert** for their help in the kitchen, especially when Dave is not up to snuff.

Please pray for members and families.

Sick Bay

Dave McBrien—broken toes
Ed McKenna—prostate cancer
(Past Post Historian)
Brookdale Green Mountain, Room 168
(visitors welcome)

Auxiliary Dinner Night

Every 4th and 5th Wednesday 5-7 PM

Always a Special Entree

(something besides burgers)

Remember to thank a Veteran whenever you get a chance. Seems we all have a lot to gripe about these days but this is still the best country in the world, and it is because of our Veterans have kept it that way.

RIDERS REPORT

Mike Watson

Well it does seem that our Colorado winter wanted to hang on a bit longer and now we are looking at a record snowmelt. At least our fire danger is down and the skies are crystal clear for enjoying sunsets and sunrises, rather than being filled with smoke haze. That being said, the Riders are waving so long to a number of our members who have decided to take a rest from our mission, but are welcoming a few new members.

The Riders have a number of activities coming up that require our diligence, especially our **"Victory For Veterans" Ride** on June 29th. As summer gets rolling, we will continue our dinner service and will see what changes we can make to bring more selection and value to our offerings.

AUXILIARY REPORT

Judy Myers

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the **Memorial Day Picnic**. We collected \$502 from non-members at the picnic, which was attended by 290 people.

Derby Day was a success with over \$2,000 being collected for the insurance fund. Many of you have also helped with our much-too-frequent bereavements. Thank you for your help.

On a brighter note, we look forward to serving a free breakfast to our Post fathers on their special day, June 16th. We will need volunteers to cook and clean up the kitchen. Sign-up sheet is in the hall.

We will once again be holding a drive to collect non-perishable food items and hygiene products to send to our military overseas including the children of some of our members who are currently serving our country.

We will have the **Installation of Officers and Awards Ceremony** jointly with the Legion on Tuesday, June 4th at 7:00 p.m. in place of our regular meeting. Light refreshments will be served.

Department of Colorado Convention will be held at Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs, June 20-23.

We desperately need a burger and fry cook for the 3rd Wednesday of each month. If you'd like to help, please let me know ASAP.

The Fourth Wednesday Auxiliary Dinner on June 26th will be 3 beef tacos with Spanish rice.

FYI-The July meeting will be moved to the 10th so it won't interfere with the Fourth of July celebration.

Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

Robert Browner—USMC—Vietnam

Jeremy Andrews—USA—Gulf

Edward J. Spritzer—USA—Vietnam

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

**Recognize Your
New Officers and
Appreciate Your
Volunteers**
Tuesday, June 4th
7:00 PM

**INSTALLATION
AND AWARDS
CEREMONY**
**Light Refreshments
Served Following**

SATURDAY LUNCH
NOW BEING SERVED
BEFORE BINGO FROM
12 NOON TO 1 PM

**JFK HIGH SCHOOL HONOR
PLATOON PERFORMANCE**
10:00 AM
AWARDS PRESENTATION
1:00 PM

WINDISH
RV CENTER



Saturday, September 21

ALL YOU CAN EAT
\$8 BUFFET BREAKFAST
9 AM to 12 PM

*"100% Fund Raiser to Benefit the
JFK High School Honor Platoon"*



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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.

BULLETIN BOARD

SAL Golf Tournament

FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH

Applewood Golf Course

Sponsorship and Volunteer Opportunities Available

Entry Form on Next Page



**FRIDAY
BANDS**



SCOTT HACKLER JUNE 21 5:00 — 8:00 PM

LOOSE CHANGE JUNE 28 6:00 — 9:00 PM

Flag Day Ceremony



**June
14**

Fly Your Flag

Father's Day

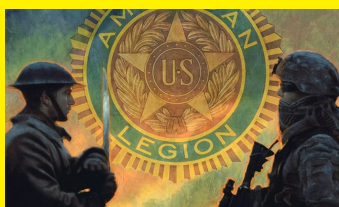
AUX Buffet Breakfast

9 — 11 AM

**POST 178 DADS DINE FREE
(OTHERS \$8)**



A wide variety of merchandise is available to celebrate (and promote) The American Legion's 100th Anniversary including shirts, hats, patches, decals, mugs, and the lithograph shown below. Go to: centennial.legion.org/headlines/23194/wearing-legion-history-sleeve-post-wall



Civil Air Patrol cadets volunteered to help the Sons serve complimentary Sunday breakfast to Post 178 moms on Mother's Day.

Lakewood American Legion Post 178 “Twelfth Annual SAL” Golf Tournament

Friday, June 14th, 2019 7:30 AM Shotgun Start
Applewood Golf Course, 14001 W. 32nd. Golden, CO
Four Person Scramble - 6:30 AM Check in



\$80 Entry fee per person includes: 18 Holes of Golf, Cart, Range Balls

- 1st Drink, Lunch and Prizes after tournament at Post 178, 1655 Simms St., Lakewood
- Team Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place
- Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin and Longest Putt
- Sponsor a Hole \$200 Prize Hole/\$150 Regular hole includes sign placed on Tee Box, Recognition at lunch and in Post newsletter. Must have by June 3rd, 2019

Please Direct Inquiries to
Brad Hall (303-210-4125) *Leave message and I will get back to you.*

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I cannot participate but would like to make a donation:

Name _____ Address _____ Telephone # _____

Proceeds to benefit **Sons of the American Legion Charities**

Entry fee must be received no later than Monday, June 8th at 6 PM. Mail to SAL,
1655 Simms St., Lakewood, CO 80215. **Make checks payable to “SAL Golf”.**

Team Captain

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Player # 2

Name: _____

Player # 3

Name: _____

Player # 4

Name: _____