

# The American Legion

"The Friendly Word" from "The Friendly Post"

1655 Simms Street

**Post 178** 

Lakewood, CO



### Cars, Confections, Cadets Show Off

#### **2019 Car Show Winners**

#### **Best of Show**

Jim Johnson ...... 1932 Ford Roadster

#### **2019 Car Show Honoree**

Larry Parenteau

#### **Special Exhibitor**

Scott Hannum 1972 Martin & Smith Top Fuel Dragster

#### 5 Best

Bill Edrich	1930 Pierce Arrow
Stan Anderson	1952 Ford Pickup
Roger Stark	. 1972 Chevy Pickup
Ken Lawrence	1957 Corvette
Jim Hungerford	1934 Ford Pickup

### Top 10

Patrick Notch 1935 Dodg	ge Gasser
Brad Ensign 1917 Mod	lel T Ford
Kenny Secord	1937 Ford
Karl Kupser 2017	'Corvette
Gary Higens1930 Fo	rd Coupe
Mike Black 1978 F	ord Truck
Steve Stines 1962 Chevy	Chevelle
Mike Russ1971	VW Baja
Linda Hanstrom 191	5 Model T
Chuck Garza 1965	Mustang

### **Artwork, Awards, Plaques by**

Jerry Potts, Steel Tattoos

### **Car Show Sponsors**

Windish RV Center Perry & Terry Auto Body



A 1932 Ford Roadster owned by Jim Johnson was judged "Best of Show" at this year's annual Car Show. Jim's winner is powered by a supercharged flathead V-8 topped with three carburetors. It rides



on white wall tires mounted on red wire wheels. The red interior is contrasted by a brilliant black body.

The JFK High School Honor Platoon opened the show with another spectacular performance. Show Honoree Larry Parenteau gave the awards presentation audience a primer on building race winning dragsters. The Auxiliary's Bake Sale was well stocked and sales were brisk.

The Honor Platoon received contributions from the **Legion** and **Sons**, and a 50/50 raffle. Together with a generous contribution from **Carolyn Windish**, the team took home over \$2,800.

Thanks to volunteers, sponsors, and the many participants who made the show possible.



Visit facebook for pictures of the 2019 Car Show AL Post 178 and Sheryl's AL Pictures.



### **Thank You Car Show Volunteers**

Karen Black	Mike Watson	Crystal Jones
Ron Remy	Keith Sanders	Brad Hall
Galad Potvin	Shawn Bloomer	Mark Ward
Randy Baria	Nancy Marshall	Nick Trujillo
Jim Gibson	Steve Peterson	JD Bromolini
Judy Myers	Wayne McClimans	Dave Dupree
Russ Scott	Chrissie Garritano	Dave McBrien
Frank Spano	Allan Lockheed Jr.	Bob Heer
Patti Wagner	Sheryl Funakoshi	Nancy Chandler
Glad Potvin	Dave Dupree	Chris Schneider

CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER
Trans Henson

Dear Lord we pray that you bless American Legion Post 178 as we prepare for a

busy fall. Bless our efforts to serve You with the love You give to us. We pray that, in our need to serve our fellow Veterans and loved ones, that You help us see Your wishes. Help us find those with needs. Also Lord, please help us as indi-

Please pray for members and families.

#### **Final Roll Call**

None Reported

viduals to find the time for ourselves because sometimes we forget that we are the ones that need the help. We ask that you watch over deployed military and bring them home safely to their loved ones. Help us to be strong to do these things for You God and our great country. We ask this through Jesus Christ Your Son and our Lord. Amen.

Commander's Report
Ward Ward

Fall is officially upon us. We had a busy and successful end of summer during September. The *Labor Day Picnic* had a decent turn-out, and thanks to **Dave Dupree** the *Car Show* brought in one of the largest crowds ever. A record 164 break-

fasts were served during the Breakfast Buffet. As always the **JFK High School Honor Platoon** shone brightly. **BlackOpsRescue** attended the Car Show to provide additional information regarding their free adoption of dogs to our Veterans including free veterinarian service, spay/neuter surgery, free vaccinations, and free service dog training.

We have a busy fall schedule of events to include the *Early Bird Dinner, Veteran's Day* and *Thanksgiving* meals to be served to members and guests.

As always, we need new volunteers to step up and help with the events of the Post. Please contact any Post Officer to let them know you would like to help.

Auxiliary Report

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A big thank you goes out to all the ladies who made goodies or worked the **Bake Sale** table

during the *Car Show.* In addition, I want to thank **Patti Wagner** for selling hot dogs for lunch. These were very successful events for us.

We'll be boxing up the goodies for the troops very soon. Thank you for all your donations.

We had the honor of a surprise visit from the new **National Auxiliary President**, **Nicole Clapp** on Wednesday night after our dinner. We gave her the grand tour, had a glass of wine, and chatted for a while.

There is an event planned for November 2nd to cele-

# Welcome

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Paul L. Harris—USMC—Vietnam
John R. Donley—USMC—Legion Act
Davis C. Avra—USA—Legion Act
John M. Jackson—USMC—Legion Act
Cliff Fejfar—USN—Vietnam
Robert M. Gordan—USA—Legion Act
Patrick R. Lee—USAF—Gulf
Frank J. Wilson—USCG—Legion Act
Robert R. Wood—USN—Legion Act

#### TRANSFERS

Jillian R. Cardona—USA—Gulf

brate the *Centennial Anniversary of the Auxiliary*. Watch the email blast for more information later in October.

**Veteran's Day** is November 11th and we will be serving spaghetti & meatballs all day. Volunteers will be needed to serve and clean up. A sign-up sheet will be in the hall very soon.

Our *4th Wednesday Dinner* will be enchiladas and Mexican rice. The *5th Wednesday Dinner* will be Zuppa Toscana (like Olive Garden) with salad and bread.

SAL REPORT

Brad Class

Fall has already fell. Who snapped their fingers and made Summer disappear? We had the *Walleye Fry* and it seems very few people were in town or just didn't show at the Post.

I would like to thank the usual cast of characters for the help; Randy Baria, Bob Black, Randy Rehbein, Shawn Bloomer, Beth Hall, Julie Bloomer, and Jenny. It's fun when we get a good bunch helping out. Bob Black is planning a rib cook but this is in it's infancy as far as dates etc.

SAL members, please pay your dues when you think of it. It is a lot easier to do the memberships a little at a time rather than have a stack of them in November and December. The dues are \$20 for 2020.

Thank a Vet when you see one.

# RIDERS REPORT Wills Watton

Well summer continues to shine here, but autumn is coming on strong. We

continue to ride with purpose, joining our fellow Riders in providing *Dignified Honors and Transfers* for our fallen service members, and supporting our ongoing efforts. We have also ridden in support of the *MC-1 Honor Run* supporting our local law enforcement officers and their families who have been injured or killed in the line of duty.

We are embracing the changes to the Riders here in Colorado. As a number of the other Posts grow their membership we support their local efforts as well. Given this, **Joe Calabro** has stepped away from his duties as the **District 5 Area Coordinator**, though he will still be coordinating the **Veterans Day Parade** and the **Riders ROMP** activities. That said, we are busy planning our annual winter activities such as the **Veterans Day Parade**, serving **Thanksgiving Dinner at Heather Grove**, Christmas activities at the Post and at Heather Grove, as well as planning for a "**Flower on Every Grave**" **next Memorial Day**.

We also want to welcome a few new members;



The new National President of the Auxiliary paid a surprise visit September 25th. Pictured I. to r. are Pat Steranka, Dee Yurko, Tracy Trujillo, National Auxiliary President Nicole Clapp, Chris Harvey, and Judy Myers.

Josh and Jessica Haas, Crystal Jones, Shirley Bralish, and Paul Logan. All have jumped right in and are getting very engaged in activities across the Post and with the Riders. With their addition, the Riders are definitely becoming more and more a family centric group.



AAF Cadet Chuck Morgan, 1943.

Business Report

On the 13th of October at 2:00 p.m. there will be a party here at the Post for **Chuck Morgan** who is celebrating his

100th birthday. Please come by and share your birthday wishes with him.

Getting ready for our changing fall weather, **Kathy Schwab**, **Dee Yurko** and **Chrissie Garritano** cleaned out the planters and flower gardens in the back yard. Awesome job ladies! Thanks also to **Doug Schwab** for his help enclosing the back patio for our fall and winter months. Couldn't have done it without you.

The **Sons of Italy** are doing a poker run on October 12 to raise funds for **Project Sanctuary**. Flyers are posted in the lounge if you want more information.

Last but not least I want to thank our volunteer staff for cooking breakfast the day of the car show; **Jim Gibson, Mark Ward, Judy** 

Myers, Galad Potvin, and

**Crystal Jones.** They prepared and served 160 meals that morning. What a great team effort.

# Labor Day Horseshoe Tournament Winners

First: Steve Rogowski and Boston Rob Second: Shannon Chandler and Randy Barker



SARLY BIRD DINNER
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
SOCIAL HOUR AT 5 PM
DINNER AT 6 PM

Sign up Sheet by the Pickle Cage FREE with Paid Dues / Others §10

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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.

### BULLETIN BOARD

# EARLY BIRD DINNER

OCTOBER 19 FREE WITH PAID DUES Social Hour at 5, Dinner at 6 pm



**Auxiliary Dinner Night** Enchiladas & Mexican Rice October 23

**Auxiliary Dinner Night** Zuppa Toscana October 30



# Chuck Morgan is 100

**Chuck Morgan** together with dozens of friends and family will celebrate his 100th birthday at the Post on October 13th beginning at 2:00 p.m..

Chuck was born into a large Scot-Irish family in Herrin, IL in 1919 and married Angelyn, the pretty Italian girl who

Chuck flew 35 missions with the 8th Air Force in England piloting a B-24 on bombing runs over Germany between May and August of 1944. Called up during Korea, he flew a B-29 and C-119 before settling into a 27-year career with



lived down the street, immediately after she pinned on his wings in 1943.

He was an A-student who played football, basketball, excelled at baseball, but became a track star throughout high school, college, and in the Army Air Corps. The 440-yard dash record he set on an old cinder track in 1937 still stood in 1998 when he was inducted into the Herrin High School Hall of Fame.



Pet Milk Company as a sales and medical specialist to hospitals and doctors. Eventually he took over Pet's largest territory in Denver. He finished his career by working 12 more years at two brokerage companies.

Chuck and Angie have four children; Lynn Ann, Charles, Maribeth, and Patricia. Angie passed away in 2005 after 63 years of marriage. Post 178 has been Chuck's Legion-home since 1970.