



THE AMERICAN LEGION



"The Friendly Word" from "The Friendly Post"

1655 Simms Street

Post 178

Lakewood, CO

10th Annual Car Show Shines For JFK Team

Cool cars lined the parking lot and spilled into the backyard where **John and Karen Pietsch** parked their "Best of Show"-winning 1964.5 Ford Mustang during the Post's 10th Annual Car Show on September 19th. It was a difficult pick considering all of this year's outstanding entries, including a large number of newcomers.

Kitchen volunteers **Mark Ward, Judy Myers, Rochelle Hart, Belinda Tessean, Jimmy Walker, Christina Zazueta and Bob Heer** scrambled to serve show participants 165 breakfasts, and donated their tips to the JFK Honor Platoon. **Bob Black and Randy Baria** then took over and BBQed another 80



lunches with help from **Brittany Ness**.

Nancy Marshall and Keith Sanders took care of registering cars and owners while **Rob Dynes, Les Metcalf and Wayne McClimans** directed parking. Perennial

volunteer **Karen Black** was also named the car show's "Special Honoree."

Record sales were recorded at the Women's Auxiliary Bake Sale tables. 50/50 Winner **Carolyn Reck** donated back the winnings to the JROTC girls. Combined with contributions from show sponsor **Carolyn Windish and Post 178 Legion, Sons, Auxiliary and Riders**, the **JFK JROTC Honor Platoon** took home close to \$3,000.



Photos: Pat Glenn, John Pietsch, Jimmy Walker, Dave Dupree.

AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN
Rosemary Young

Mighty God, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Hear our prayer of thanks for our veterans who made great sacrifices on our behalf. We ask that you would bless them and meet all their needs. We pray you would give them peace when they suffer from past trauma. We acknowledge the debt of gratitude that we owe them for the freedom of our country. Lord, bless them and keep them, make your face shine upon them. Turn your face towards them and give them peace. Amen.

Please pray for members and families.

Final Roll Call

Francis "Lou" Stauter—USA—Korea
09/14/2020

Gerry Stauter—SAL—09/21/2020

COMMANDER'S REPORT
Mark Ward

Activity has slowly increased since the Post reopened. We appreciate the members' compliance to health department rules, so we can continue to provide dinners and breakfasts safely under those restrictions. Thanks to the generous donations from our members we have been able to keep the doors open.

The car show on September 19th was a huge success. The Post extends our gratitude to donors and competitors that made the show possible with the finest cars in the country.

Monthly membership meetings were not held because of the COVID-19 risk, but we continued to hold the Executive Committee Meetings every month. The 2020-2021 donation budget was discussed, amended and approved.

During the summer, the faltering 70-year-old boiler was inspected and found to be inoperable and could not be repaired. A special thanks is given to the **Estate of Ray Rohlfing** for the generous donations that made the boiler replacement possible. The Executive Committee made many quick and astute decisions and the Post got the best boiler for the best price.

Unfortunately, the **Early Bird Dinner** needs to be postponed and scheduled later. We cannot bring 150 members into the Post for one event with the COVID-19 virus danger. All members that renew their membership before October 15th are eligible for Early Bird status.

SAL REPORT
Brad Hall

Almost an entire year gone by with the virus among us. Hopefully not much longer and we can get back to normal.

The **8th Annual Tommy Tucker and Conrad West Horseshoe Tournament** took place over Labor Day weekend and was a pretty good success because of the hard work of **Tom Davies** who put it together. It's a lot of work putting an event of any size together. Nice job Tom!

I would like to thank the volunteers for the event; **Randy Baria and Bob Black** who made their famous smoked pulled pork and baked beans. Awesome stuff. **Crystal Jones, Tanya Kiger, Beth Hall, Mikel Burroughs, Big Dan Jajczyk and Wayne McClimans**, who keeps the back yard in tip top shape all year long. Thanks also to donors **Alan Hall, Greg Shoeman, and Post 178 Women's Auxiliary, Riders and Legion**. Hopefully left no one out.

The Tourney was won by **Boston Bob and Steve Rogowski** who have been supporting the event since it's inception. Congrats and thanks guys.

Thank a Veteran when you see one.

AUXILIARY REPORT
Judy Meyers

The Auxiliary resumed our Wednesday night dinners in June and participation has increased little by little. Starting in October we will return to our burger, fish and shrimp menu for the first and second Wednesdays of the month. We are still looking for a regular cook for the 3rd Wednesday.

As you may have noticed, **Nancy Chandler** is once again selling raffle tickets for her beautiful, new quilt representing the DoD and all the branches of service. Proceeds go to the Auxiliary to help support our causes.

Our bake sale at the **Annual Car Show** was very successful again. Thanks to all who brought their delicious baked goods for the sale. Thank you to **Bobby Black, Randy Baria and Brittany Ness** for making lunch for us at the car show.

Because of the virus, we have not made a decision yet about whether we will have the annual **Veteran's Day Spaghetti Dinner**.

Please pay your dues as soon as possible. Dues are \$40 and can be paid at the Post or online.

Menus for October: 10/7 and 10/14 Regular Menu, 10/21 Kathy's Chef Salad, 10/28 Mexican Lasagna.



Wayne McClimans deserves thanks for his tireless work grooming the Post's backyard. The kid's area, the horseshoe pits and the landscaping has never looked better.

Karen Black was named "Special Honoree" at this year's car show. She started the event 10 years ago and has been an integral part of every show since.



BUSINESS REPORT
Bob Heer

As of the date of this newsletter face coverings are required to enter the Post. Once seated the member may remove their mask but should they go to the bar for service, use a restroom, etc. they need to put their mask back on.

We have configured tables and stools to maintain social distancing and ask they not be moved. To avoid large gatherings we are not renting our back hall for any events or meetings. On Saturday mornings anyone coming in for breakfast must wear their mask when going through the serving line.

Other health safety precaution steps we have taken is removal of all self-service items like coffee, popcorn, and water and using only disposable serving containers. Water, coffee and snack items are still available at the bar but we have moved to bottled water only and now charge for it, coffee and popcorn.

There has been no change to our rule that outside drinks, containers and food may not be brought into the building. On bar bingo days we no longer offer community daubers and players need bring their own or purchase one from us.

Hopefully the aforementioned items will offer you some assurance that we are doing everything possible to provide a safe environment for our members. This is an extremely difficult period in all our lives but working together we can be responsible and keep everyone safe.

RIDERS REPORT
Rodney Jones

September was an excellent month. There was a bit of adverse weather for our annual romp. Thanks to Joe's quick planning we were able to alter the route to end quite a spectacular weekend.

With the month of October we are looking forward to cooler temperatures. We are planning on continuing some rides but are always cautious with the weather.

We're also planning to give Heather Grove residents gifts for the holidays. With COVID-19 this year we will not be able to do our annual dinner service.

Thanks to our friends in the Sons and Women's Auxiliary for helping with our events throughout this year. We couldn't have done it without your help.



Pork Prime Rib

BOB AND RANDY'S
SMOKED PORK
PRIME RIB

Friday, October 23 5 to 7 PM

Live Music by Kyle, Ryan & Friends 5 to 8 PM

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Post Hours

Mon. — Fri. 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 Sat. — Sun..... 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Bartenders may close earlier on slow nights.

BULLETIN BOARD

Early Bird Dinner Cancelled

Dinner Will Be Rescheduled Later

FREE to members who renew before October 15th

**Veteran's Day Spaghetti Dinner
 IS ON HOLD**



THANK YOU CAR SHOW SPONSOR



BINGO

2 PM

Thursdays & Saturdays

Horseshoe Players Pitch for SAL

The **Son's 8th Annual Tommy Tucker—Conrad West Memorial Horseshoe Tournament** raised over \$1,600 for SAL charities on September 5th.



Tournament organizer Tom Davies presents the winning team of Boston Bob and Steve Rogowski with the coveted SAL trophy.

**Thank You
 Tournament Volunteers**

- BOBBY BLACK**
- RANDY BARIA**
- CRYSTAL JONES**
- TANYA KIGER**
- BETH HALL**
- BRAD HALL**
- BIG DAN JAJCZYK**
- MIKEL BURROUGHS**
- WAYNE McCLIMENS**

In addition to a 50/50, players' fees and food sales, contributions were received from **Alan Hall, Greg Shoeman, Brad Hall and the Post 178 Legion, Auxiliary and Riders.**

Thanks to everyone who participated, contributed and volunteered.