



# THE AMERICAN LEGION

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1655 Simms Street

Post 178

Lakewood, CO



## And The Winners Are



Stanley Anderson's 1951 Ford F-1 Pickup took top honors at Post's annual Car Show.

The Post 178 team of "BOS" Bob Farrell (l.) and Joe Calabro (r.) added their names to the SAL Horseshoe Trophy presented by Tourney organizer Tom Davies.



### James Clarion Gibson II

9/24/1941 — 9/9/2023

Jim served in the U.S. Navy as a Petty Officer Third Class from 1961 to '64 assigned duty in the kitchen as a Commissaryman aboard the destroyer USS Mansfield. He was a longtime member of Post 178 and a tireless volunteer in our kitchen for many years.

He worked at Vern Hagestad Volkswagen and was a crew member on Bruce Hagestad's Top Fuel Dragster before embarking on a construction career.

Jim is survived by his son, James III.



### David Marc McCarl

12/10/1951 — 9/12/2023

Post 178 SAL member Dave "Golden Arm" McCarl had a zest for life and adventure. He enjoyed the outdoors and loved being on the water, especially at Lake Powell where he could be found water skiing, swimming, or fishing. He also had a love for cars and playing cards with his many friends at our Post.

Dave is survived by wife Diana, children Sara Thompson and Kevin McCarl, grandchildren Tristan and Hunter Thompson, brother Tom McCarl, nieces Alicia McClure and Tami Smith, and nephew Landon McCarl.

Post 178 will host Dave's Celebration of Life Friday, November 3rd at 12:00 p.m.



**LEGION CHAPLAIN**  
*Mary Johnson*

*Heavenly Father, we are so thankful for the beauty of autumn and the rich blessings from the earth that nourish us after harvest. We celebrated the formation of the U.S. Air Force on September 18th and we will also celebrate the U.S. Navy, founded on October 13th. We ask for your continued blessing to all members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope, and strength. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. Amen.*

**COMMANDER'S REPORT**  
*Wes Vanderpool*

Happy Fall Post 178! The changing seasons and cooler weather have arrived. Goodbye 90 degree days!

This year's **Car Show** looked to be one of the best yet, with many beautiful cars driving away with wins! A huge thanks goes out to **Dave Dupree** as well as all of the judges who picked cars and the volunteers who helped make the show happen. Great event by all.

The 45 racks of ribs served at the **Car Show** brought to you by the SAL were fall off the bone good. Way to go **Brad, Beth, Bob, Randy, and Ed!** Breakfast during the show couldn't have happened without all of our



volunteers! The steady hands of **Judy Myers** and **Mark Ward** led the way serving 144 breakfasts during the show.

Speaking of breakfast, there has been confusion on when we are having breakfast and when we aren't. To remedy that, starting in November, Saturday breakfast will be on the first and third Saturday of the month. Please plan for those two Saturdays accordingly. October breakfast will be the first and third Saturdays, and also on the fourth Saturday to accommodate the RFTW group. The reason for the change is to provide a consistent schedule you can plan around and to not burn out our volunteers.

We are always looking for additional volunteers, especially those that haven't volunteered before. Thanks to **Auxiliary President Kay Scott**, there is now a Volunteer Wall where all four Post units' sign-up sheets are located. Signing up to volunteer is easier than ever! The volunteer wall is on the north side of the pickle cage.

A huge thanks to **Judy Myers** and **Bob Heer** for filling out some new forms the Secretary of State has released for our pickle reporting. Thanks to **Bill Groves** and **Randy Baria** for keeping our pickle machines well organized and the numbers very accurate.

Another thank you to **Judy Myers** for the wonderful Friday dinner on September 29th. She has worked tirelessly at keeping our Post full with events and helping it look fantastic!

A humongous thank you to **Mark Ward** for his hard work designing and coordinating the concrete replacement work around the cannon and flag pole. The weight of the cannon had caused many cracks and, thanks to Mark, we have new concrete that should be much easier to walk on without tripping.

I also want to thank **Chuck Elsen** for painting our door frames. Great job by our Post interior decorator.

Finally, our **Early Bird Dinner** is scheduled for October 21st with a Prime Rib entree prepared by world renowned chef **Bob Black**. Sides and dessert will be provided by our wonderful Auxiliary.

Thanks again for allowing me to be commander of the best Post in the state. It is an honor! Ever forward.

**SAL REPORT**  
*Brad Hall*

Please watch the blasts and web pages for special SAL dinners in coming months. We will try and have some different menu items since we can only do dinner once a month until more volunteers step up to help.

The **11th Annual SAL Horseshoe Tournament** was a great success thanks to volunteers **Tanya Kiger, Beth Hall, Randy Baria, Steve Peterson, and Wayne McClimans**. The **Car Show** was also a success and the ribs made for lunch by SAL sold out quickly. A big thank you to **Ed Roehre, Bob Black, Randy Baria and Beth Hall** for their help on preparation and serving the ribs.

While I am thinking of it, if you have moved or your contact information has changed please contact me or **Ed Roehre**. We have membership cards bouncing back to us like bad checks. And please get your 2024 dues paid as soon as you can by mailing them to the Post or dropping them off in our safe at the Post.

## BUSINESS REPORT

*Bob Heen*

Thanks to **Dave Dupree** and many volunteers we enjoyed another successful **Car Show** last month. In addition to Dave's coordination, our volunteers in the kitchen, **Judy Myers, Mark Ward, Bob Palmer, Jan Casper, Sue Vacilek** and **David Mull**, served 144 breakfasts in a two-hour period. Awesome job guys!

If we had a volunteer of the month for September it would be **Mark Ward**. In addition to coordinating the ordering of kitchen supplies, Mark replaced our leaking mop sink which required him to crawl on his stomach three different times under the kitchen floor to attach the drain pipes. Mark also coordinated the securing of bids and overseeing the concrete replacement in front of the Post. Your initiative is greatly appreciated, Mark.

I also want to thank **Edward and Kristin Kolczynski** for donating a 65 inch TV for our game room. Your generosity is appreciated.



## AUXILIARY REPORT

*Kay Scott*

The Auxiliary had a very successful **Bake Sale** during the **Car Show**. Thank you everyone who shopped, created, baked, and spent time and money on the vast variety of treats we offered! And THANK YOU **Carol Conway, Shari Davis**, and **Crystal Jones** for working the tables. Another BIG thank you to **Elene Miles** for helping our Juniors, **Daisi and Ruby Vanderpool**, with their Lemonade Stand! Special thanks to **Larry Posner** for providing the wonderful car show tote bags.

At our October meeting on the 3rd, we will be making plans for our contribution to the **Early Bird Dinner** on October 21st, discussing **Veteran's Day Dinner** on Saturday, November 11th, and other events happening before the end of the year.

**Wednesday Night Dinners** for October will continue with the full menu of Burgers, Fish, Shrimp, Fries, and Onion Rings. Come on out and let us cook for you. The meals are delicious and at a great value, and all the proceeds help Veterans, their families, and active duty military.



## RIDERS REPORT

*Steve Petersen*

The Riders hope you are happy and doing well. We thank you for your friendship, support, and the opportunities to participate in many of the events you sponsor.

September brought Riders from all around Colorado for a respite in Buena Vista. Riding, games, competition, beautiful scenery, plus support from the Fairplay Legion and VFW in Johnson Village and the Legion in Buena Vista made this a memorable event.

A few of our Riders took a trip to Arkansas last month. They reported enjoying beautiful country and roads!

Finally, I'd like to share some thoughts from our indigenous brothers and sisters. "Treat the earth and all that dwell thereon with respect. Remain close to the great spirit. Show great respect for your fellow beings. Work together for the benefit of all humankind. Give assistance and kindness whenever needed. Do what you know to be right. Look after the well-being of mind and body. Dedicate a share of your efforts to the greater good. Be truthful and honest at all times. Take full responsibility for your actions."



*Car Show Bake Sale volunteers  
Kay Scott, Carol Conway, and Shari Davis.*

## Car Show Winners



**Stanley Anderson**  
1951 Ford F-1  
Best Of Show  
Judges Choice



**Chuck & Fabb Garza**  
1965 Ford Mustang  
Best Paint  
Judge: Les Metcalf



**Dennis Giullian**  
1933 Ford  
Best Engineered  
Judge: Rob Peterson



**Thom Hamrock**  
1932 Ford  
Best Interior  
Judge: John Backes

### BEST 5



**Jim Hungerford**  
1931 Model A Pickup  
Judges Choice



**Ron Hanstrom**  
1932 Chevrolet  
Judges Choice



**Chet Mason**  
1929 Ford Roadster  
Judges Choice



**Kelvin Bogle**  
1932 Desoto  
Judges Choice



**John Manik**  
2013 Camaro  
Judges Choice

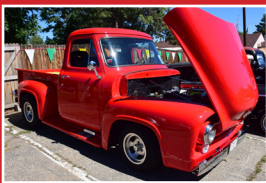
### TOP 10



**Mark & Deborah Andersen**  
1957 T-Bird  
Riders Pick



**Bob Becker**  
1933 Ford  
Judges Pick



**Jay & Barbara Applegate**  
1955 Ford F-100  
Judges Pick



**Larry LaPole**  
1957 Corvette  
Auxiliary Pick



**Gary Higns**  
1930 Ford Model A  
SAL Pick



**Vicki & Art Buschell**  
1930 Buick  
Lakewood Mfg. Pick



**Bob Mauzanares**  
1939 Oldsmobile  
Junior Kaiser Pick



**Aunt Jeannie**  
1956 T-Bird  
Jerry Kaiser Pick



**Terry & Sharon Miller**  
1928 Model T Delivery  
Legion Pick



**Forest Rossetter**  
2014 Corvette  
TJ HS JROTC Pick

**Nancy Marshall**  
**Keith Sanders**  
**Bob Heer**  
**Les Metcalf**  
**Bob Palmer**  
**Jan Casper**  
**Sue Vacilek**

### Car Show Volunteers

**Dave Mull**  
**Kay Scott**  
**Judy Myers**  
**Mark Ward**  
**Carol Conway**  
**Stephanie Vanerpool**

**Sheri Davis**  
**Elene Miles**  
**Crystal Jones**  
**Daisi Vanerpool**  
**Randy Baria**  
**Beth Hall**

**Ed Roehre**  
**Bob Black**  
**Wayne McClimans**  
**Ruby Vanerpool**  
**Chris CJ James**  
**Larry Posner**  
**Dave (Music)**

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