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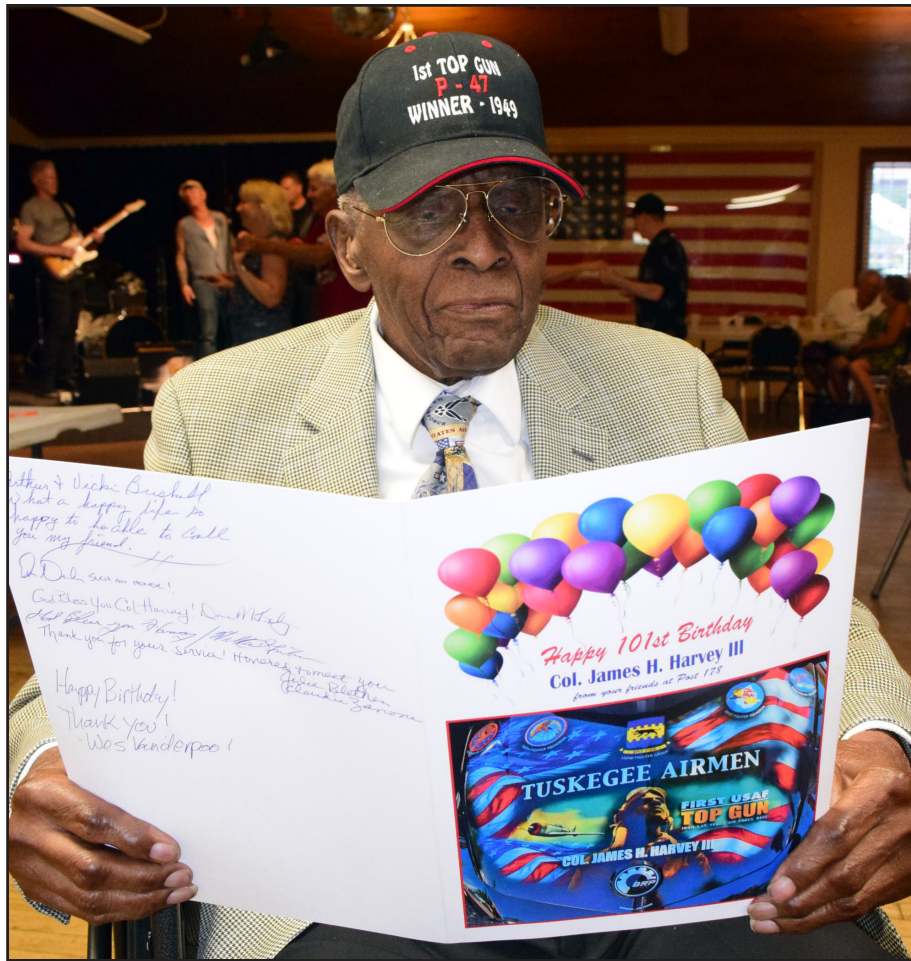
Post 178

Lakewood, CO

Col. James H. Harvey III Celebrates 101st Birthday

Post 178 hosted a birthday party July 12th for Col. James Harvey, *America's first Top Gun*, in honor of his 101st birthday the following day. **Bobby Black's** BBQ ribs were on the menu followed by a huge chocolate cake made by **Jack Phillips of Masterpiece Cakeshop**. Live music by *The Closers* kept the Post jumping.

Harvey was accompanied by daughters **Kathy and Alysyn**. Post member **Alan Lockheed Jr.** delivered an eloquent speech to the large crowd filling both



ceremony at the Air Force vs. Army football game in Denver's Empower Field at Mile High, Harvey was honorarily promoted to full Colonel. He proudly wore a crisp new dress uniform while standing alongside the **Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Charles Q. Brown Jr.**, and **Air Force Secretary, Frank Kendall**. During the year travels took him to many locations around the country as a representative of Tuskegee. Weeks before his 101st birthday he served as the *Grand*



halls highlighting Harvey's illustrious career as a *Tuskegee Airman* and his life-long determination to overcome obstacles by always striving for perfection.

Since his 100th birthday Harvey has been busy. Last November, before thousands of spectators during a halftime



Marshall in the **2024 Juneteenth Parade** in Philadelphia.

We are proud to have Harvey as a member of Post 178

and we stand in awe of his tremendous accomplishments. Col. Harvey is truly a national treasure.



LEGION CHAPLAIN*Mary Johnson*

The month of August brings us summer heat, smoke from Canada, and the joy of many recreation activities. It also brings us the establishment of the U.S. Coast Guard on August 4, 1790 and the National Purple Heart Day on August 7th. In honor of National Purple Heart Day, I offer the following:

Heavenly Father, on Purple Heart Day we celebrate the valor of our service members. We remember the ones who risked their lives—those who returned to us healed or healing as well as those who sacrificed all for freedom and democracy. Keep all in the light of your grace and grant further healing to those who are in need. Amen.

Psalm 71:20-21 Though you have made me see troubles, many and bitter, you will restore my life again; from the depths of the earth, you will again bring me up. You will increase my honor and comfort me once more.

COMMANDER'S REPORT*Russ Scott*

The new fiscal year is underway we are busy getting things handed over to the officers that are now in place. We look forward to a great year of serving Post 178 members and veterans. In addition to **Ranya Kelly's RCI** and **Just Like Dads**, we are looking for other local charities which serve veterans that we can support with our donations. If you have any ideas please let one of the current officers know.

Upcoming events for us include a **Bally's Casino Bus** going to Black Hawk on Friday, August 30th, the



Shawn Bloomer celebrated his recent birthday among friends at the Post with a cake baked by bartender, **Patty Bautista**.

0900hrs August 10th. Free breakfast will be provided for all members attending the meeting.

Any questions, comments or complaints can be directed to the Commander. Anything I have missed, or ideas to make the Post better, please let me know!

RIDERS REPORT*Steve Petersen*

Not much to report this month. There was a **Memorial Poker Run for Post 22** in honor of their departed Riders on Sunday, July 28th. When we support other posts it's always a great time, good camaraderie, and support for our charities. Just like in the field, we have each others backs

On Saturday, August 17th we will ride to Woodland Park/Cripple Creek for the annual **Salute To Veterans Rally**. Riders from Post 178 help to park hundreds of motorcycles, trikes, and side-cars. We will then caravan to Cripple Creek and back to Woodland Park where the festivities happen.

On a somber note, we see too many close calls and deadly situations out on the road. Too many distracted drivers. Don't be one. Watch out for motorcycles. There are many more bikes out there than there used to be. Take care of yourselves and each other.

SAL REPORT*Brad Hall*

Another month gone. Feel those days getting shorter? We had a **Rib Cook** July 12th in conjunction with **Col. James Harvey's 101st Birthday Party** and the evening turned out great. **Bob Black, Dave McBrien, Dan Wessels, and Judy Brown** did a bang-up job on the preparation and serving of the ribs. Thanks a bunch guys and gal.

The **12th Annual SAL Horseshoe Tourney** takes place on August 31. The entry fee includes pulled pork sandwiches, beans, and slaw. The food will be available for \$10 for non-participants.

If you move or your email address changes **PLEASE** update your information with us. We are getting too many "undeliverable" membership cards returned to us. Please make sure we have your current contact information including email address and phone number. Thank a Veteran when you see one.

Sons Horseshoe Tournament on Saturday, August 31st, our annual **Car Show and Bake Sale** on Saturday, September 21st, and the **Early Bird Dinner** on Saturday, October 19th.

The cost of the casino bus ride is \$20. A sign up sheet for the bus ride will be at the bar. Money will be expected at time of signing up and is not refundable.

The Legion general membership meeting will be

BUSINESS REPORT

Bob Heer

We now offer a variety of frozen microwavable sandwiches in the lounge for \$5 each. Customers will heat their own sandwiches in the microwave located on the counter top under the bulletin board TV. We are trying different sandwiches to determine which our customers prefer, so please let the bartenders know which ones you like or dislike.

An alarm on the exit door to the parking lot in the back hall has been installed that will sound if someone attempts to exit. We did this because of our concerns for the safety of our employees as well as members. Prior to the alarm, anyone exiting through that door would cause it to become unlatched which would allow anyone to use it to enter the building undetected.

On August 21st we will be hosting **Life Line Screening**. Appointments are required in advance by calling **888-814-0466** and mention code **HSCA001**.

One of our bartenders, **Karen Scholefield**, will be leaving us this month to relocate to the Lake of the Ozarks with her husband **Tom**. Karen's last day will be August 4. Best wishes to both Karen and Tom.

Another bartender, **Kathy Schwab**, will mark the start of her 25th year as an employee of our Post on Wednesday, August 28th. What would we ever do without her? Thanks for your loyal service, Kathy.

AUXILIARY REPORT

Kay Scott

Here we are already moving into the month where we start thinking about our children, Grands, and Greats returning to school and their needs for new clothes and supplies, outdoor activities when cooler, and maybe a vacation or day trip to the mountains!

The Auxiliary meeting in August is Tuesday the 6th at 6:00 p.m. Please attend and help us help our Vets and Military families.

A school supply drive is in place right now to help our own **Ranya Kelly of RCI** deliver supplies to the military children at Ft. Carson. The deadline for supplies or cash donations is Saturday, August 10th. A donations tub and receptacle for cash donations is located just inside the east door at the Post on the 'Bingo' table.

Our **Wednesday Dinners** in August will be **Burgers & Brats on the Grill with 'summer-y' sides** unless our wonderful volunteer cooks decide on a different meal. Come on in between 5:00 and 7:00

p.m to cool off and enjoy a great meal at a great value. We look forward to serving you!

SAVE THE DATE!! **Bally's in Black Hawk Casino Bus** is reserved for Friday, August 30th. Board the bus at Post 178. It departs at 10:00 a.m. giving you 4 hours of fun in Black Hawk. Re-board at 3:00 p.m. and return to the Post right around 4:00 p.m. Reserve your seat on the bus for \$20 per person. A sign-up sheet is at the bar and non-refundable payment is required.



August 28th marks **Kathy Schwab's** 25th year as Post 178 bartender.



Mark Ward and Kathy Schwab (above) in costumes made by **Shari Davis** for Huli-Huli Hawaiian Chicken lunch on July 18th.

Just Like Dad's Needs Troops



Please give us the name and APO address of someone you know who we can send Just Like Dad's/Hearts of Love packages to.

—Randy and Lori Kipp

Backyard Colors Explode at Independence Day Picnic





American Legion Auxiliary Presents

BACK

to

School

SUPPLY DRIVE

ITEMS NEEDED

PENCILS, PAPER, PENS, CRAYONS,
MARKERS, COLORED PENCILS,
NOTEBOOKS, FOLDERS, BINDERS,
TAPE, GLUE, ERASERS,
CALCULATORS, BOXES OF TISSUE,
CLOROX WIPES, DRY ERASE
MARKERS, HIGHLIGHTERS, ETC.

CASH DONATIONS ALSO
ACCEPTED

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR DONATION!**

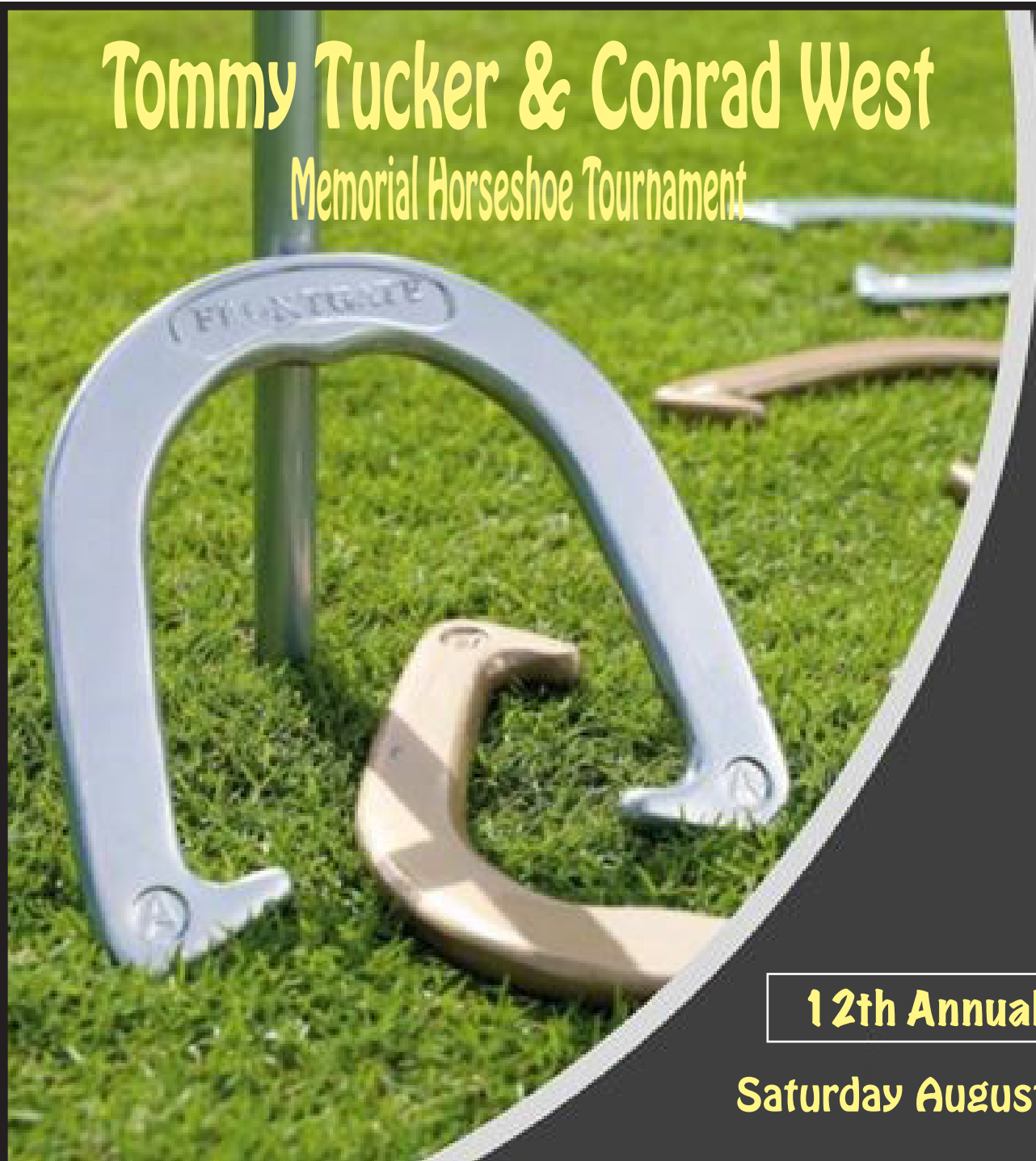
COLLECTING UNTIL
August 10th 2024

DROP-OFF LOCATION
**American Legion
Post 178**

**1655 Simms St.
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For Military Children at
Ft. Carson

Tommy Tucker & Conrad West Memorial Horseshoe Tournament



12th Annual

Saturday August 31

Sign-up Starts 11:00 a.m.
Tourney Starts 12:00 noon
\$15 Buy-in
Blind Draw (Double Elimination Format)

Pulled Pork, Slaw, Randy's Famous Baked Beans
\$8 per plate
FREE for Tourney Players

Sponsored by Post 178 SAL

Fundraiser for SAL Beneficiaries

Info: Tom Davies, 720-297-9507

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BBQ LUNCH

1 PM Awards Presentation

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