



THE AMERICAN LEGION



"The Friendly Word" from "The Friendly Post"

1655 Simms Street

Post 178

Lakewood, CO

Legion and Auxiliary Officers Installed



LEGION

COMMANDER	RUSS SCOTT
FIRST VICE	NICK TRUJILLO
SECOND VICE	SHAWN BLOOMER
ADJUTANT	NICK TRUJILLO
FINANCE OFFICER	BOB PALMER
SERGEANT AT ARMS	CHRIS JAMES (CJ)
CHAPLAIN	MARY JOHNSON
HISTORIAN	CHUCK ELSÉN
JUDGE ADVOCATE	RANDY BARIA

AUXILIARY

PRESIDENT	KAY SCOTT
1ST VICE	DEE YURKO
2ND VICE	SHEREE EVANS-METCALF
SECRETARY	LESLIE MOORE
TREASURER	JUDY MYERS
CHAPLAIN	BONNIE STOCKER
HISTORIAN	SHANNON SANCHEZ

LEGION CHAPLAIN
Mary Johnson

As we celebrate July and the United States' Independence Day, I offer the following prayer and verse: *Almighty God, with gratitude we remember our heritage and our history. With admiration we salute our flag and cherish the values it represents. With respect we honor our constitution which proclaims the dignity of all persons. With reverence we hold dear the memory of all who gave their lives to make these things possible. With joy we celebrate this occasion and ask you to bless our veterans, their families, and our lives. Amen.*

And from 2 Corinthians 3:17: *Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.*

Note: If you know of anyone on the sick call list, anyone who has died, or anyone in need of a "**Buddy Check**," please contact **Mary Johnson** at mary.johnson2@dhha.org. Thanks so much.

COMMANDER'S REPORT
Russ Scott

I attended the **Colorado Department Convention** in Ignacio, CO June 20th through June 22nd. One of the topics discussed was what is being done to reinstate the State Charter. We were assured that National is working hard to get the charter reinstated. Another topic was the use of software to ensure our roster is correct and current. **Nick Trujillo**, Post 178 Adjutant, can now edit and run reports using the correct software.

Another interesting topic discussed was the need to incorporate the Post, which we currently are. We also discussed the various duties of the post officers. I believe we have a great group of people filling those positions at this time. Thanks to all of them.

Our dues to National are going up by \$5.00 for the upcoming year. We will discuss options for handling this increase at the July 13th meeting and vote on the outcome.

The Executive Committee meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. in July and continue at that time going forward.

AUXILIARY REPORT
Kay Scott

Our **Father's Day Breakfast** was a huge success, and we know we will need to fix more of the delicious casseroles to accommodate the crowd next year! THANK YOU SO MUCH to **Judy Myers, Shari Davis, Cheryl Osterhaus, Lori Kipp, Dee Yurko, Carol Conway, Sheree Evans-Metcalf, Russ Scott, and Wayne McClimans** for all your help making, baking, serving, and cleaning-up!!

Welcome to our new members **Josie Hughes, Tracy Garner, Cindy Peterson** and **Susan Lipsky!**

No Auxiliary meeting in July! Our next meeting will be Tuesday evening August 6th at 6:00 p.m.

I have just returned from the **Colorado Department Convention** where our Unit received **1st Place in the Children and Youth Division**, which includes our support to the **RCI Christmas Party, Angel Tree, School Supply Drive, and Keep the Kids Warm Hats/Scarves Project!**

We also received an award for the most new members in the state! We could not achieve this award without the help of **Dee Yurko** and **Judy Myers**. Thank you both for all you do!

Please attend our August meeting to see our awards and more highlights from Convention.



Thank you Father's Day volunteers.

RIDERS REPORT
Steve Petersen

Hello from the road. Thank you to everyone who helps out on taco-burrito night. Welcome to **Shane Taylor**, one of our new Riders. Don't forget the Riders pot luck **4th of July Picnic** on July 4th. Bring a side dish or desert in a disposable pan and enjoy burgers, brats, and beer compliments of the Post.

We had another dignified escort for four Vietnam veterans on the 25th. Take care of yourselves and each other. Enjoy the summertime.

SAL REPORT
Brad Hall

Next up is the **Son's Annual Horseshoe Tournament** scheduled for Saturday, August 31st. The event will kickoff the **Labor Day Weekend**. The blind draw/double elimination format will pay 50/50 to the tournament winners and SAL. A free BBQ lunch is included with your \$15 entry fee. Contact **Tom Davies** for information at 720-297-9507.

One more **SAL Golf Tournament** is in the books and it was the most successful ever, with 36 foursomes playing at **Applewood Golf Course**. Their participation plus the support of all our event sponsors made it all possible. Thanks to everyone associated with the tourney.

During our time off we will continue to fulfill standing orders for the **Army Special Operators** and **SOWWcharity.com Group**.

We've been working every week for more than two years to send over 50 boxes of jerky to deployed troops. That equals more than 1 ton of meet in over 1,750 individual bags of jerky. Additionally, over 25 care packag-



es have been sent all over the world to all military branches. More than 700 troops have been served by the "Just Like Dad's and "Hearts of Love" Programs.

We thank all the Post 178 members who have supported us so far, and humbly request that you continue with your much appreciated donations.

—Randy and Lori Kipp

BUSINESS REPORT

Bob Heer

I want to say thank you to the following volunteers who checked membership cards at the Post doors on **Memorial Day: Charlie Casper, Vern and Sherry Schmitt, Dee Yurko, Shari Davis, Hershhal Orndoff, and Bob Palmer**. Thanks to them \$1,010 was collected from non-member guests.

A new sign-up sheet is in the lounge soliciting volunteers to cover the Post doors on the 4th of July. Our member picnic will kick off at noon on the 4th and everyone is encouraged to bring a dish in a disposable pan to share. We will be opening the lounge at 11:00 a.m. The Post will provide burgers, brats, beans, and beer. Everyone will need to enter the building through the South lounge door and show their membership card to secure a wrist band. All non-member guests will be charged \$10 and non-member children under age 12 will pay \$5.

Tom Peterson, with the help of **Rob Ostrander**, are in the process of changing out two of our old swamp coolers. **Rocky Mountain** is providing Tom with the electrical support work. Thank you to all three of you.



Congratulations to Jim and Marilyn Beamer on their 55th Wedding Anniversary.

Deadline Approaching for Riders Scholarships

DEADLINE: July 26th. Applications are available at Post 178. Winners will be announced in August.

ELIGIBILITY: For children of veterans or active duty military, and members of The American Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion, and Legion Riders

REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must submit a written essay on Military Appreciation/Veterans' Sacrifice and Service accompanied by two letters of recommendation and a resume (school/work experience, community service, awards, and recognitions).

Emotional Ceremony Marks Flag Day



SAL Charities Win Big at 2024 Golf Tournament



Tournament Winners

***Jeff Rodell
Sean D.
Jeff McPride
Mike Jacobs***

*The winning foursome
from LONG Building
Technologies donated
100% of their winnings
back to SAL.*



Special Thanks To The Contributors Who Made This Year's SAL Golf Tournament Possible

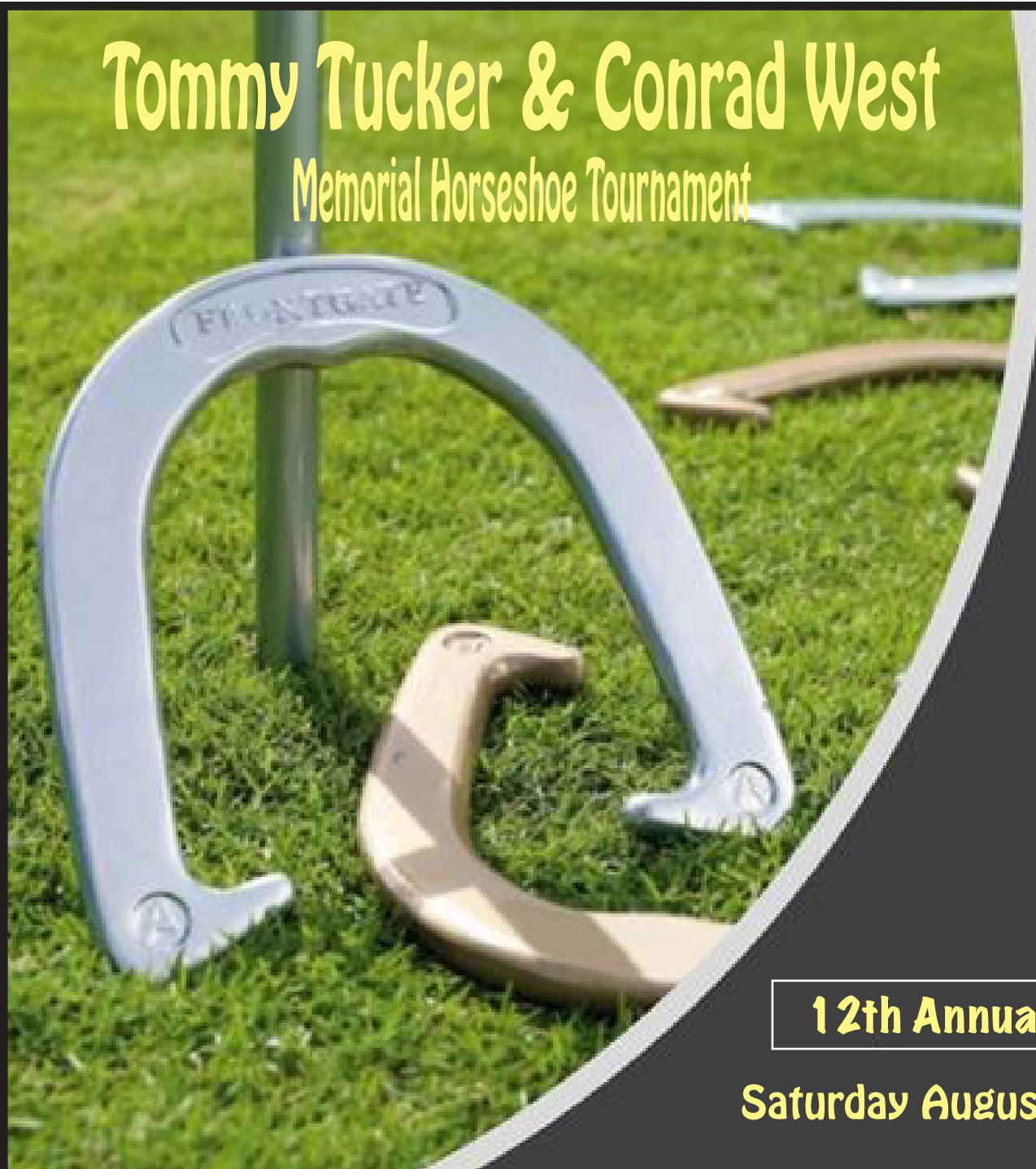
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Mary Johnson
Stonebridge Builders
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Mountain Tap Bar and Grill
Cherokee Trail HS Football***

***Mike Black and Bechy McGeeney
Keys on the Green Restaurant at Evergreen Golf Course***

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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1 PM Awards Presentation

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