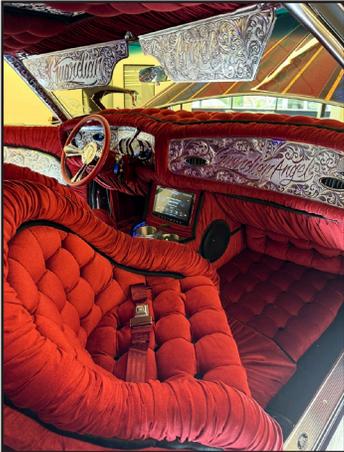
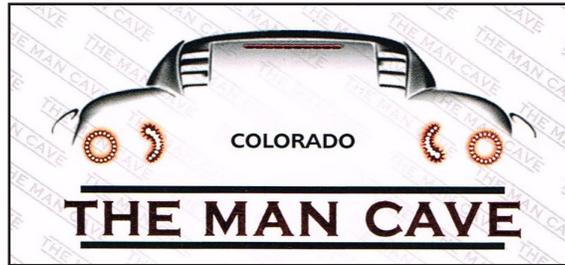




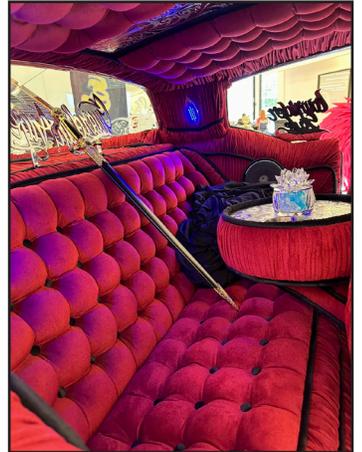
Johnny Cruz, Best of Show, 1971 Buick Rivera



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LEGION CHAPLAIN
Mary Johnson

Heavenly Father, we are so thankful for the continued beautiful weather as we anticipate the harvest and the autumn season. We recognize the contributions of the U.S. Navy, founded on October 13th and ask for your continued blessing to all members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength to protect all Americans during this period of war and unrest in the world. In your name we pray, Amen

“But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first pure and full of gentleness. Then it is peace-loving and courteous. It allows discussion and is willing to yield to others; it is full of mercy and good deeds. It is whole-hearted and straightforward and sincere.” James 3:17

COMMANDER'S REPORT
Russ Scott

This is the third part of the American Legion Preamble.

To Maintain Law and Order

Without law and order, liberty would become license. Law and order protect our pursuit of happiness, one of our God-given rights. Members of The American Legion served in wars to uphold law and order among nations. It is just as important to maintain the due processes of law in our domestic affairs. It binds Legionnaires to obey the laws of the land and to support the constituted authorities in enforcing those laws. It means the citizens must never take the law into their own hands!

The **Early Bird Dinner** is Friday, the 31st of October. Hope everyone has paid their dues that plan to attend. Dinner will be served beginning at 6:00 p.m. Guests are \$15 and must be on the sign-up sheet, so we can plan on the number of people attending.

Please, if you drive an SUV or larger, don't park out front along Simms Street. Those spaces are designated for compact cars only. Larger vehicles block the view of members exiting our north and south lots attempting to turn onto Simms. You will be required to move if you park in those spaces.

Please attend our October General Membership Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 7th.

We are losing our **Finance Officer** for the next fiscal year. If anyone is interested, please contact me so we can discuss the position. I have not determined whether to take the position of Commander for the fiscal year of 2026. Nominations are due by the May General Membership meeting. Volunteering to serve our members in a leadership position is very rewarding.

AUXILIARY REPORT
Kay Scott

A HUGE Thank You to everyone who donated treats to the **Car Show Bake Sale!!** And another THANK YOU to **Crystal Jones, Lisa Mull, and Dee Yurko**, for working the tables. Extra thanks to **Shari Davis** and **Dita Alexander** for taking the bake sale 'on the road.'

Fran Bowers continues to collect food and non-food coupons and is very appreciative of all who continue to clip coupons. Please place your coupon sheets or clipped coupons in the container at the **“Coupon Corner”** in the Game Room by the Bread Store. These coupons are shipped to deployed troops around the world and are good for 6 months past their expiration date. Please mark your volunteer time doing this activity on your **Volunteer Hour Log** under National Security.

A deep clean of surfaces in the kitchen was completed by a family-owned business on September 23rd and funded by the Legion, SAL, and Auxiliary. New shelving in the pantry will also be installed this Fall. Please keep in mind almost all maintenance and care of the Post is completed by volunteers.

Another HUGE 'Thank You' to all volunteers maintaining, and cleaning, and cooking. An extra 'Thank You' to those taking the extra time to clean and put items back where they were found, leaving the area tidy for the next volunteers to come along to use.

Our October meeting will be Wednesday the 7th at 6:00 p.m. At the beginning of our meeting we will conduct the **New Member Initiation Ceremony**. If you are a new member, or have not participated in this brief patriotic ceremony, please attend our meeting. We have a packet to give you and a brief tour of the Post after the meeting. We will discuss Fall activities, opportunities to volunteer, possible craft fair in November, and Christmas gatherings.

Post Everlasting

Mike Lynam—USAF
August 16, 2025

Bill Nelson
Post 178 Past Commander

BUSINESS REPORT

Bob Heer

Our annual **Legion Car Show** was a huge success thanks to all the volunteers who made it happen, including everyone who helped show cars that began arriving as early as 6:00 a.m. Thanks to **Dave Dupree's** marketing efforts we had the most vehicles we have ever had. **Keith Sanders** and **Nancy Marshall** handled the registration, **Rob Dynes** the music, **Aiden Meyers** did the slide show, **Mary Johnson** conducted the opening ceremony, **Dave Dupree** the award presentations, and volunteers **Ron Fiedler, Jan and Charlie Casper, Terry Osterhaus, Eddie O'Mara, Chris (CJ) James, Dave Mull,** and **Shari Davis** served 180 breakfasts to hungry show participants. **Judy Eberley** and **Carol Doehier** sold items for their **Bazaar Bazaar** during the show and have reportedly taken in over \$900 with their efforts so far.

We still have a few 2025 car show t-shirts available for \$20 each.

A big thank you to **Rob Ostrander** for cleaning the gutters around the building. Over the summer months **Chuck Washington, Wayne McClimans, Sherri Mitchel,** and **Kathy Schwab** have done an awesome job of weeding and caring for the many plants in the front.

RIDERS REPORT

Steve Peterson

Fall brings beautiful scenery and opportunities for great rides. Many of the rides support "**Vets 4 Vets**" organization. As Riders in Post 178, we have aligned ourselves with this group which consists of **Special Forces, Combat Vets, Veterans MC, Eagle Riders,** and of course, **American Legion Riders.** The entire group works together to support all of our collective charities. Labor of love, really. Great bunch of people. And we have a great time serving those in need.

So don't forget to spread good cheer. It makes for a better life, better children, and a more peaceful world. Fly your flag! God bless our vets.

SAL REPORT

Brad Hall

It's been a busy September. The Sons Horseshoe Tourney was a pretty big success. Fun had, food consumed, and money raised. I'd like to thank **Mike Velasquez** and his crew **Kathy Velasquez, Rich Molina, Al and Lachelle Torrez, Tanya Kiger** and **Dave McBrien.** It was great seeing new faces working a fundraiser and handling it well. Thanks a bunch everyone.

Speaking of doing an event, **Mike and Kathy Velasquez** did a dinner with their "Sloppers" on the menu with the help of **Morgan Green** and **Amanda Guajardo.** Good food and good folks. Thanks All!

We also did the rib dinner for the **Car Show.** The help for that event was fantastic. Thanking **Randy Baria, Dave McBrien, Mike Velasquez, Steve Peterson, Rodney Jones, Brad Rivard,** and **Karla Scott.** It was a sell out day which a lot of people helped achieve. Thanks everyone!

Thank You Volunteer Gardeners



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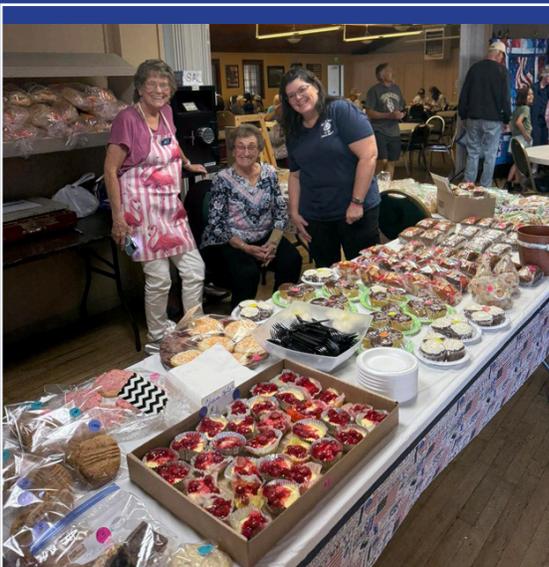


Wayne McClimans

2025 Post 178 Car Show



Top Left: Best Original Winner, 1931 Model A owned by Jay Applegate. During WWII gasoline was rationed. Trucks received a larger fuel allotment than passenger cars, so some resourceful people removed the rumble seat in their car and installed a wood bed in it's place, thus qualifying for more fuel. Jay's Model A is a survivor car, completely original including the wood bed, and the engine purrs like a kitten.
Top Right: Best Engineered Winner, 1932 Ford Coupe owned by Steve Sanelli. Yeah, it's a blown Hemi.
Bottom Right: Best of Show Runner Up, 1948 Ford Anglia owned by Mike Pippin.
Bottom Left: Best Paint Winner, 1952 Ford F-1 Pickup owned by Stanley Anderson.



Below: Post 178 member Ken Lawrence was a 10 Best Winner with his perfectly restored 1957 Corvette. It's one of 713 fuel injected high-horsepower 283ci/283hp cars ever made. Ken's Vette is a perennial winner at Post 178 car shows and received the NCRA Top Flight Award in 2012.

