



Post 178 Welcomes Submarine Veterans

U.S. Submarine Veterans, Inc. Rocky Mountain Base held their first breakfast meeting at the Post on Saturday, February 28. Their monthly meetings will continue on the 4th Saturday of each month. Many are members of Post 178. The Sub Vets wish to extend an invitation to all Post 178 members to join them for breakfast.

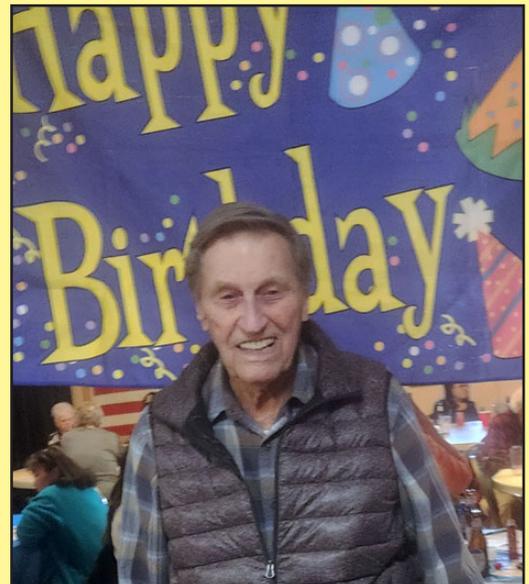
We welcome this very active and patriotic group to "The Friendly Post."



Milestones

Ada Dawn Pagliere, born February 12 (8lbs., 8.5oz.) to Post 178 member and former Marine Gabe Pagliere and mom Ive.

Ed Van Horn celebrated his 99th birthday at the Post on Saturday, February 21st.



LEGION CHAPLAIN*Mary Johnson*

It's March and Colorado is facing one of the worst snow packs in its history. Spring officially arrives on the 20th, but already many plants and flowers are starting to grow and the state is in need of nurturing water from rain or snow.

We have some dates to honor Veterans this month: Medal of Honor Day falls on March 25th and Vietnam Veterans Day is on the 29th. As always, let us keep all Veterans, active duty members, POWs and MIAs, and Veteran families in our thoughts and prayers.

I offer the following Bible verse for the Spring season and our need for measurable precipitation:

*As the rain and the snow
come down from heaven,
and do not return to it
without watering the earth
and making it bud and flourish,
so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,
so is my word that goes out from my mouth:
It will not return to me empty,
but will accomplish what I desire
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. — Isaiah 55:10-11:*

COMMANDER'S REPORT*Russ Scott*

As we approach the new fiscal year, we need to take care of the business of the Post. We need nominations for officers' positions. These nominations are due before April 1st as the ballots need to be processed and ready for the voting at the May general meeting so new officers can be installed in June.

All officer positions are open to be filled for the next fiscal year. Nominations, for yourself or others, can be emailed to me at: commanderpost178lk@gmail.com. You can also speak to any of the current officers to insure your name or someone you are nominating gets on the ballot. Remember candidates need to be in before April 1st. There are some positions that, unless filled, will cause a hardship on Post operations. Please step up and help our Post operate smoothly.

Latest installment on the meaning of The American Legion Preamble:

To Combat The Autocracy Of Classes And Masses.

This clause places the Legionnaire on the side of right in opposing autocracy by either class or mass when this threatens. In a democracy such as ours, composed as it is of all nationalities, races, creeds, and economic groups, there are bound to be both classes and masses. Indeed, the masses are composed of classes—but all groups within the mass must feel assured that in this nation, reason and fairness will prevail in all human activities and relations. There must be no hyphenated Americans—just Americans all.

AUXILIARY REPORT*Kay Scott*

With great thanks to **Shari Davis** and other dedicated members, our Post was decked out in red hearts for celebrating **Valentine's Day** during February. And thank you to everyone who donated to the hearts project that continues to help us help others, especially our Veterans.

Welcome March! Our Post will be transformed with green shamrocks leading up to our delicious **St. Patrick's Day Dinner** on Tuesday, March 17th. The traditional Corned Beef meal will be served from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The March Auxiliary member meeting is March 3rd beginning at 6:00 p.m. The District 5-wide 250-year Challenge will be discussed as well as our decision of what and where our 250 item donations will go.

Beginning March 1st and throughout the month, we are having a **Stuffed Animal Drive** on behalf of local Police and Fire Departments. The Stuffed Animals must be NEW AND WITH TAGS in place. A receptacle tub is ready for your donations. If successful, we will continue to have this drive twice a year.

Auxiliary Wednesday Dinner Night meals will continue with delicious offerings at a great value. Come on in and let us do the cooking for you!

BUSINESS REPORT
Bob Heer

Just a reminder that **Life Line Screening** will be at the Post Wednesday April 1st. You must register in advance for the offered health screenings. Three ways to register:
Call 1-800-324-9458 and mention promo code HABC001
On-line @ LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC
Text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607.

Cub Scout Troop 200 will be holding their annual **Blue and Gold Banquet** here at the Post on March 8th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Accordingly, there will be no Line Dance Class that evening.

As reported last month, all beer prices have been increased by twenty-five cents and liquor costs are currently being reviewed to determine if increases are also required.

SAL REPORT
Brad Hall

Another month slides by heading toward Spring and Summer. I personally love this time of year.

Our Rib Cook (aka, **Hillbilly Valentine's Dinner**) turned out pretty good. We sold out on all 56 racks. Thanks to all who helped in the kitchen that evening (knowing I'll forget someone but here we go). Shout out to **Randy, Ronnie, Ricky, Ed, Dave, Mike, Keefer, and Mike** on the prep.

It is already time for the **2026 SAL Golf Tournament**. Please look for flyers and sign-up sheets, as well as the website around the first week of March.

As always, we can use hole sponsors for the tournament, it's a great way to get the name of your company out there to like-minded people.

Thank a Veteran when you see one.



Birthday celebrant Ed Van Horn draws the Chili Cook-Off 50-50 raffle winner with Tanya Kiger.

Thank You Hillbilly Valentine's Dinner Volunteers and Participants



RIDERS REPORT
Steve Peterson

Not much to report lately other than the weather which has been great for riding all winter. We did an escort to Ft. Logan for **Charles Jaramillo's uncle** on the 20th of February. God rest his soul. Never too cold to do a good deed.

I would like to announce one of our newer Riders, John Fleck, who is our new chef. He has some new and tantalizing ideas to enhance our dinners from time to time so there will be some changes coming. As always, we look forward to your, (our friends at post 178), comments so we can do our best.

One last thought. Our country is in need of good people to stand up, stand together, and stop fighting amongst our selves. Quit pointing fingers. Bear an honest smile. Stand for peace and unity. Live and let live. Want to live a longer, happier life? Out of the goodness of your heart, serve others. It will change your life.

Hot Times at the Riders's Chili Cook-Off



Left: Rodney Jones, decisions—decisions—decisions.
Center: The Winners. McKenna Farley (red chili) and Brian Jenks (green chili).
Right: 50-50 Winner John Burkhardt shows us the money.



The Holland Club, part of the U.S. Submarine Veterans Rocky Mountain Base, is made up of members who have been "Submarine Qualified" for 50 years or more.