



AMERICAN LEGION



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AMERICAN LEGION ADVOCATE

ARLENE YOUNG CLUB MANAGER



A Little This & That

Welcome to March

Lunch is Monday - Friday from 11 - 2:30

Stop by and say Hello!!!! The Daily lunch Specials are posted on the bulletin board in the lounge. The next season will be here before we know it.

We will be playing Bar Bingo Sunday starting at 1:00 It's a potluck, bring your favorite foods to share.

We are having Friday Night Dinners from 5-7. We will be serving in the Lounge & Dining Room for your enjoyment. The third Friday of the month, please come enjoy some good food and friends at the Legion. If you are still concerned about Covid you can call us, place an order and we will make a Takeout container for you to pick up. We are looking forward to the days ahead and hope everyone can enjoy them.

To make this a success we need your support and that means coming to dinner or placing an order to Take Out. You can make suggestion at any time, just let us know.

Your support of all the activities is greatly appreciated.

REGINA MONTGOMERY - AUXILIARY PRESIDENT



Just a reminder that elections are coming up soon, If you are interested in running for a position please see one of our current officers. We will need to know by our next meeting March 10. You are able to run for any position that interests you.

We are hosting a kids Easter party and lunch. This is for kids ages 10 and under. Please sign up any kids that want to come one the door by the bar. If you do not sign up we will not have stuff for them. The party is April 1 at 11 to 1 pm Easter egg hunt starts at 11 am please be on time if you plan on hunting for eggs it goes pretty fast. **Sign up cut off is March 25th**

Thank You!

Joe Carey made a donation to the Post in the amount of \$2,000 in appreciation of the Post hosting the funeral reception for his Dad. Thank you Joe.



ROBERT TINSLEY - SAL 1ST VICE COMMANDER



Happy March to all Legion members. Hope we get lots of sunshine in March. We need the sunshine to warm all of us up.

The S.A.L. was able to raise some funds to donate to the Child Welfare Foundation and Ginny's Kids last month from our breakfast in February. Thank you Legion Members for supporting the S.A.L.

The S.A.L. serves breakfast on the 4th Sunday of every other month, alternating with the Legion Riders and you will see some of us at every breakfast since we all help one another. If you haven't come to a Post 161 breakfast you are missing out. We serve fresh scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hot biscuits and country gravy, hot green chile, hash browns, freshly made waffles with your choice of toppings, toast, fruit and pastries. We also offer coffee, tea and orange juice. Sometimes we have specialty dishes as well. All you can eat buffet from 9am until 11 am every second and fourth Sunday. The bar is open during breakfast for Bloody Mary's, Mimosas or your favorite Sunday morning beverage. Come and join us!

We are in the beginning stages of planning for our annual S.A.L. Golf Tournament in September. Our Tournament benefits three local children's charities; Ginny's Kids, Child Welfare Foundation and Colorado Veterans Kids Fund. Last year we donated more than \$4,500 from the proceeds. There is still time plenty of time to plan, and we are always looking for volunteers to help with the cooking, photography, games and fun. Please consider volunteering a Saturday morning to help us have another successful tournament. Of course, we also need golfers, prize donations for our raffles and silent auctions. We will have regular updates on the golf tournament throughout the summer.

Please call Robert at 720-810-4933 or Joker at 303-519-8968 if you have any early donations for the tournament. We plan on breaking another record this year so please join us to complete this goal for our kids.

The Sons of the American Legion membership is open to men and boys of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and are or were eligible for American Legion membership. If you or a family member is interested in joining the S.A.L. please email broncorobert@gmail.com

Get those seeds planted and lawn mowers tuned up due to summer is around the corner. Troops please stay safe and hurry home.

ST PATRICK'S DAY



Lunch Special Corn Beef & Cabbage

FRIDAY MARCH 17 11AM UNTIL GONE

Departed Members

Paul Erickson
 Paul England
 James Bates
 Larry Smith

Transfers

Dennis Thompson - Army - GWT
 Tom Bross - Army - Vietnam
 Nelson Palen - USMC - Vietnam
 Fred Hatden Navy - Vietnam

New Members

Raymond Christensen - Army - Vietnam
 Phyllis Stewart - Air Force - Panama
 Anthony Caspas - USMC - Vietnam

Donations

\$150 - VA
 \$150 - CO Veterans Kids Fund
 \$100 - Community Rable
 \$150 - RCI

Total Membership

Quota: 674 - 2023: 408 - % of Goal: 60.53%

DAILY DRAWING

1/20	Ruben Marquez	\$84.75
1/21	Leonard Radel	\$96.50
1/22	Floyd Ulm	\$107.50
1/23	Larry Smith	\$119.75
1/24	Sharon Stone	\$127.50
1/25	JoAnn McBain	\$136.50
1/26	Charles Seipp	\$148.50
1/27	Albert Sach	\$160.25
1/28	Larry Smith	\$174.25
1/29	Alicia Tighe	\$177.75
2/1	Dave Chapman	\$201.00
2/2	Joseph Hebda JR	\$213.00
2 /3	David Rea	\$223.75
2/4	Douglas Zink	\$233.75
2/5	Barbara Anderson	\$245.00
2/6	Thomas Lane	\$255.50
2/7	Lanney Marshall	\$266.75
2/8	Stanley Buck	\$278.00
2/9	Janice Adams	\$298.00
2/10	John Kriegbaum	\$300.75
2/11	Jack Emery	\$315.00
2/12	Timoteo Valdez	\$328.00
2/13	Thomas Mackey	\$338.00
2/14	Jeffrey Dunlap	\$348.25
2/15	Daniel Konicer	\$352.00
2/16	Debbie Grinstead	\$360.75*

*WINNER

Post 161 Officers 2022-2023

Legionnaires

Commander - Ed Shreeve
 Sr. Vice - Greg Fuller
 Finance Officer - Dave Edwards
 Adjutant - Rick Cody
 Exec Com Member - Bill Pollack
 Exec Com Member - Brian Messer
 Asst. Sgt-At-Arms - Vacant
 Historian - Vacant
 Veteran Svc Officer - Vacant
 Past Commander - Bill Pollack

Board of Governors

Bill Schoeninger
 Tom Moermond
 Don Smith
 Roger Divis
 Phil Saba
 Automatic BOG: Ed Shreeve
 Automatic BOG: Dave Edwards

Sons of the American Legion

Commander - Roger Divis
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 2nd Vice - Dale Crow
 Finance Officer - Neil Walker
 Sgt at Arms - Mike Blimling
 Chaplain - Rich Liberato
 Adjutant - Don Rodlin
 Historian - Jim Clark

American Legion Auxiliary

President- Regina Montgomery
 Vice President- Char Orr
 Treasurer- Janice Marie King
 Secretary- Jeannette Scott
 Chaplain- Robin Ayers
 Historian- Mary August
 Sgt-at-Arms- Robin Reposa



BREAKFAST

March 12 and March 26

8-11 am



B A R
BINGO! 1 pm



**American Legion
Post 161 Honor
Guard and wives
enjoyed a
Valentine's Day
lunch at the Post.**

Photos by Gina Fantini

Easter Party!

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Our kid's Easter Party this year will be on Saturday, April 1 (not a joke!) from 11 am until 1 pm. Egg Hunt will begin at 11 am and a fun kid's lunch will be served afterward. Please sign up your kids by March 25 to make sure we have the appropriate age categories and prizes. There is a sign up sheet in the Lobby or you can email me at alp161-newsletter@outlook.com



**PLEASE SIGN
UP BY MARCH 25**

March 2023

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

	<p>1</p>  <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Rocky Flats Breakfast 9am</p>	<p>3</p>  <p>Navy Reserve Birthday 1915</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>		
<p>5 BINGO AND POT LUCK 1 PM</p>  <p>CAN DO!</p> <p>Seabees Birthday 1942</p> <p>Lounge open 12 pm</p>	<p>6</p>  <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Retired Peace Officers 12 pm</p> <p>BOG 6:30 pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Sub Vets 7:00 pm</p>  <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Membership Meeting 7:00 pm</p> <p>Friendship Lunch 11:00 am</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Bingo Volunteers Luncheon 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>11</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
<p>12 8-11am BREAKFAST!</p>  <p>BINGO! 1 pm</p> <p>Lounge open 9am</p>	<p>13 K-9 Veterans Day</p>  <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>14</p>  <p>VISIT THE POST!</p>	<p>15</p>  <p>CAKE SERVED BEGINNING AT 11 AM</p> <p>AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY MARCH 15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Coopers Troopers 11 am</p>	<p>17</p>  <p>Corn Beef and Cabbage - 11 am</p>	<p>18</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
<p>19 POT LUCK SUNDAYS 1 PM</p>  <p>Coast Guard Reserve Birthday</p> <p>BINGO! 1 pm</p> <p>Lounge open 12 pm</p>	<p>20</p>  <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Marine Corps League 6:30 pm</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Colorado E-9ers 11 am</p> <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	<p>23</p>  <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	<p>24</p>  <p>Dinner 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.</p>	<p>25</p>  <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
<p>26 8-11am BREAKFAST!</p>  <p>BINGO! 1 pm</p> <p>Lounge open 9am</p>	<p>27</p>  <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Legion Riders 6pm</p>	<p>29 VIETNAM VETERANS DAY</p> 	<p>30</p>  <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	<p>31</p>  <p>REMEMBER TO SIGN IN!</p>	

DINNER!

Friday March 24

SPECIAL:
SHRIMP
TEMPURA

SERVED FROM 5 P.M. TILL 7 P.M.



BEST LUNCH IN TOWN!

Served every day

11 am - 2:30 pm





Our Saturday Shuffleboard League finished their season on February 18.



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



ALL YOU CAN EAT

\$5



SOUP AND CHILI NIGHT

March 9 - 5-7 pm

Your choice of Chili or Minestrone

TACO/ BURRITO BAR

Saturday, March 11

2023 5-6:45pm

Tacos and Smothered Burritos and all of the fixings, guacamole, chips & salsa & sour cream and dessert



ALL YOU CAN EAT

\$8



Coming next month!

Shelvis and the Roustabouts



DINNER & SHOW APRIL 14

Deep fried cod or salmon, french fries and cole slaw, dessert.

Dinner & show- \$20.00 ea

Per couple—\$35.00

Dinner only—\$10.00 ea

Show only —\$10.00 ea

Sign up sheet on bar door. Pick up and pay for tickets night of show at will call. Must RSVP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On **St Patrick's Day March 17**, we will serve our popular **Corn Beef and Cabbage** from 11 am until we run out.

Because of St. Patrick's Day, **our monthly Dinner will move to March 10.**

On **Meeting Night March 9**, the **Legion Riders** will be serving **Soup and Chili** from 5- 7 pm. All you can eat minestrone and chili con carne for \$5.

On **Saturday March 11** before Queen of Hearts the **Legion Riders** will prepare a **Taco & Burrito Bar**, featuring tacos and smothered burritos plus guacamole, chips & salsa & sour cream and dessert. All you can eat for \$8 from 5 pm - 6:45.

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Coming next month: Dinner and a Show featuring Shelvis and the Roustabouts sponsored by the American Legion Riders. Dinner will be deep fried cod or salmon, and will be served with fries, cole slaw and dessert. Event will be on April 14 and will be \$20 per person or \$35 per couple. **Must RSVP on the sign up sheet at the Post.** Look for more details on our Facebook page and on our website Special Events page.





American Legion Riders served breakfast on March 26. Post 161 serves breakfast on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month



K-9 Veteran's Day



K-9 warrior aboard a Bradley fighting vehicle in Iraq.

March 13 is K-9 Veterans Day to celebrate the sacrifices of generations of dogs who have served in the United States militaries.

The day of observance dates to 1942 when dogs were first recognized as enlisted personnel in the armed forces, although dogs have served in the militaries of many countries going back to the beginning of organized warfare. Because of their obedience, intelligence and keen senses of smell and hearing, large dogs are the ideal animal to use for reconnaissance, protection, guard duty, explosives

detection and many other important aspects of ground tactics and combat.

Although dogs serve in all branches of the US military, the Air Force is responsible for training them at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas and then then escorting them to stations all over the world.

Puppies are raised in civilian foster homes until they are eight weeks old, at which time they enter basic training at Lackland. About half of the dogs wash out before completing their training, due to physical and mental issues.

In order to insure that the dogs are treated kindly by their handlers, a military dog is always one rank higher than its handler. Dogs can reach the rank of NCO in order to prevent a handler from outranking his or her dog.

The most decorated K-9 in WW2 was a German Shepherd-Collie-Husky named Chips, and during the invasion of Sicily, he broke away from his handler and bounded into an Italian machine gun nest, causing all four soldiers to drop their weapons and run, to be captured later by US soldiers. Chips attacked the enemy soldiers so ferociously that he escaped the incident with only a small bayonet wound to his scalp and minor gunpowder burns.



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