



AMERICAN LEGION



Wilmore Richter Post 161

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AMERICAN LEGION ADVOCATE

EDDIE SHREEVE, COMMANDER



Another year is almost done. Holidays are soon approaching to enjoy with family and friends. Stay safe and have a good time.

We will be having Thanksgiving dinner at the Post on Thanksgiving Day for those without families. There is a sign-up sheet at the Post to bring a side dish.

We also have breakfast the second and fourth Sunday, 8:00 am to 11:00 am for \$11.00, all you can eat. Lunches are served at the Post Monday through Friday, 11:00 am to 2:30 pm with a different special every day. On the third Friday of the month, we have dinner from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Check the newsletter for the dinner and lunch menus.

Due to the fact I will not be running for Commander next term, everyone needs to be thinking about running for the Officer positions. It is a great opportunity to help keep the Post going. We still have Officer positions open to finish out this year. Open positions are 2nd Vice Commander, Sgt-at-Arms, and Assistant Sgt-at-Arms. If you have not paid your 2023 dues, please do. You will need to have your dues paid up by the end of the year in order to get a new key card starting January 1, 2023.

Don't forget to check the newsletter for upcoming events and activities. Thank you again for your support. We all need to work together to have a great Post.

ARLENE YOUNG CLUB MANAGER



Welcome to November

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 so bring your favorite foods to share.

We are having Friday Night Dinners from 5-7 on the third Friday of the month,. We will be serving in the Lounge Dining Room for your enjoyment. 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. To make this a success we need your support that means coming to dinner or placing an order to Take Out. You can make suggestions at any time, just let us know. Your support of all the activities is greatly appreciated.

See you at the Legion



REGINA MONTGOMERY - AUXILIARY PRESIDENT



We are still looking for volunteers. We have some things coming up we can use your help with. We are planning a kids Christmas party and if you want to help I will put up a flyer of when we will be meeting. Come if you want to help. There are other events coming too we would love to have you volunteer.

ROBERT TINSLEY - SAL 1ST VICE COMMANDER



Happy November Legion members. Hope your October was a festive month for everybody.

Thanksgiving is coming up so everybody enjoy the upcoming holiday.

We would like to welcome our 6 new members to our Post 161. S.A.L. members, we do a volunteer breakfast now every 2 months. Please check in with Rich at 303-426-6960 and help us on our breakfast. We raise funds to help veterans and also our childrens organizations. Please give our Rich a call and join our mission. Our breakfast is 4 to 5 hours only and we of course have

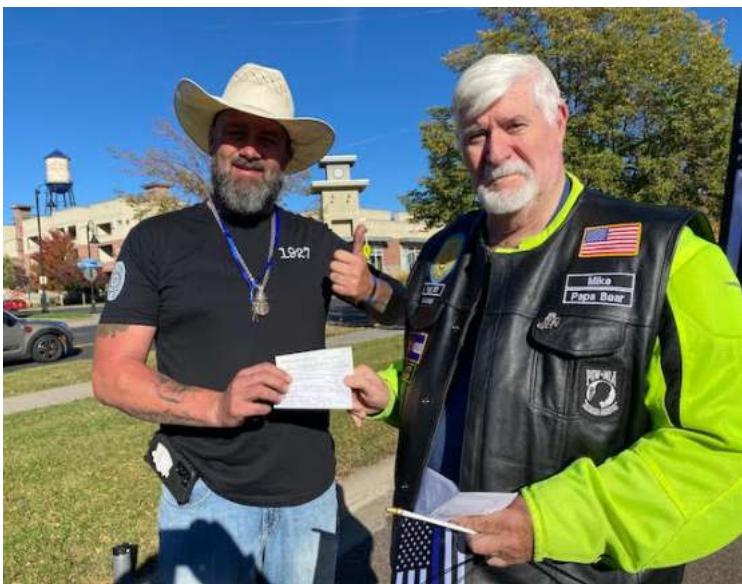
fun.

Hats off to our Legion Riders. The Riders have stepped up and they continue to amaze us with their volunteering week after week. Thank you Riders.

Check the upcoming calendar to see if any members could volunteer for any events that are planned.

Would like to have everybody pat Neil Walker (our Joker) on the shoulder. Joker does our newsletter, golf, breakfast, fill in bartender, S.A.L. financials, printing, banners, Facebook, announcements and the list goes on and on. Thank you Joker for all you do for our Post 161.

Happy Thanksgiving to all members. Troops stay safe and hurry home.



Checks given by American Legion Riders 161 and Marine Corps League, for Officer Dillon Vakoff on Saturday October 15th 2022. Pictured is Legion Rider Mike Bobb

DINNER!

Friday, November 18
5 pm - 7 pm

Special: Prime Rib. Also
Ribeye Steaks and Crispy
Chicken Salads.



Departed Members

Michael Sellers
 Jerry Mabry
 Jeffrey Straach

New Members

David Butler - Air Force, Vietnam

Transfers

Krist Devenney - Air Force, Panama

Donations

Veterans Administration - \$150
 Colorado Veterans Kids Fund - \$150
 Community Table - \$100
 RCI - \$150

Total Membership

Quota: 674 - 2022: 648 - % of Goal: 96.14%

DAILY DRAWING

9/19	Addylyn Groen	\$212.25
9/20	Charles Moll	\$222.25
9/21	Judy Maathuis	\$232.50
9/22	Marilyn Young	\$244.25
9/23	Leandrea Pfluger	\$254.25
9/24	Rosemary Tichy	\$266.75
9/25	Pam Moran	\$277.75
9/26	John Weigel	\$288.75
9/27	Frank Pohs	\$297.75
9/28	Charles Moll	\$307.75
9/29	Claudia Curtis	\$318.00
9/30	Robert Turner	\$325.75
10/1	John Dougherty	\$340.75
10/2	Phyllis Bexley	\$350.00
10/3	Betty Perea	\$362.00*
10/4	Lysle Frey	\$11.00
10/5	Kathleen Wechsler	\$22.50
10/6	Joseph Hebola J.R.	\$34.50
10/7	Frank Raitz	\$44.50
10/8	Donna Chapman	\$60.00
10/9	James Molnar	\$74.50
10/10	Pearl Nelson	\$85.25
10/11	Michael Westin	\$94.25
10/12	Mary Cessar	\$105.00
10/13	Tomas Trujillo	\$115.00
10/14	Richard Meyers	\$125.00
10/15	Vernon Ophus	\$140.25
10/16	Tyler Ostrom	\$148.75

*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
 1st Vice - Robert Tinsley
 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- Leandra Pfluger
 Chaplain- Robin Ayers
 Historian- Mary August
 Sgt-at-Arms- Robin Reposa



Bernice is our latest Queen of Hearts winner!

Thank You

VETERANS

Veterans Day Lunch/ Dinner



November 11 - 11 a.m until gone

Homemade meatloaf with
mashed potatoes and gravy
and vegetable. **Free** for
veterans. One meal per veteran.

Sorry, no carry out. Non-vet guests of veterans \$6.

Chili Cookoff

November 6 - 11 am

Red and green



Sign up sheet in the Lounge

Red and green categories No cost to enter. Entry forms available in the Lounge. Need a good count by 11/4 Entries at post by 10:30 Crock pot size for entry - \$5 cost to taste. Official judges are Arvada Fire Dept. Each person tasting can cast a vote for the popular chili. Prizes for 1st place in each category

November 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>THANKSGIVING DAY</p>	1	2	3	4	5	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
 <p>CHILE COOKOFF 11 AM</p>	 <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>BOG 6:30 pm</p>	<p>Sub Vets 7:00 pm</p>  <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	 <p>Legion Riders Chile & Soup \$5</p> <p>Membership Meeting 7:00 pm</p> <p>Friendship Lunch 11:00 am</p>	<p>Veterans Day Lunch 11 am till gone</p> <p>Bingo Volunteers 11:30 a.m.</p>	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<p>8-11am BREAKFAST!</p>  <p>BINGO! 1 pm Lounge open 9am</p>	 <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>Marine Corps League 6:30 pm</p>	 <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>	<p>Coopers Troopers 11 am</p>	<p>DINNER! 5 pm - 7 pm</p> <p>Prime Rib</p> 	 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p>POT LUCK SUNDAYS 1 PM</p>  <p>BINGO! 1 pm Lounge open 12 pm</p>	 <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>	<p>Legion Riders 6pm</p>	 <p>Lunch served every weekday</p> <p>Colorado E-9ers 11 am</p>	 <p>Thanksgiving -Members without Families</p>		 <p>QUEEN OF HEARTS 7PM</p>
27	28	29	30			
<p>8-11am BREAKFAST!</p>  <p>Bake Sale</p> <p>BINGO! 1 pm Lounge open 9am</p>	 <p>Scouts 6:00pm</p>		 <p>Lunch served every weekday</p>			

Friday November 18

PRIME RIB!

ALSO RIBEYE STEAK & CRISPY CHICKEN SALAD

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



THANKSGIVING DINNER

For the past 15-20 years we have been having Thanksgiving Dinner at the Post for the Veterans and Members who do not have family nearby to share it with. We don't want anyone to be alone on a holiday.

Members stop by the night before or early Thanksgiving morning and drop off items that they feel those people might enjoy during their meal.

We plan on doing this again this Thanksgiving. The Post is NOT open normal hours on Thanksgiving Day. We open the doors from 11am-2pm only for our dinner service only. A volunteer works behind the bar to serve drinks during that time.

We will be posting a sign-up sheet on the lounge door for people who would like to drop an item off to be included. We would love side dishes, desserts, appetizers. Your items can be dropped off the night before, or before 11am on Thanksgiving morning before you go to your destinations.

We have plenty of volunteers already, as this does not take many of us to serve.

We also have plenty of Turkey already that has been donated by the Riders group. We would like to thank them for their donation.

If you prefer to offer a monetary donation to help with condiments, paper products and other items, please give it to Willie Schoeninger.



BAKE SALE!

NOVEMBER 27

**SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE POSTED AT LEGION
CANDIES - COOKIES - CAKES - PIES -
SIGN UP AHEAD OF TIME OR BRING YOUR
BAKED GOODS BY 8AM ON SUNDAY. MAKE
TWO THANKSGIVING PIES AND DONATE ONE!**





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United States Marine Corps

The **United States Marine Corps** was founded in Philadelphia on November 10, 1775, during the American Revolution. It was then known as the Continental Marines and originally consisted of two infantry battalions of men who were particularly capable of fighting both on land and at sea. During the Revolution, Continental Marines conducted numerous amphibious landings and raids upon British strongholds along the Atlantic coast and in the Caribbean. Marine sharpshooters were also stationed aboard warships, where during naval engagements they fired upon enemy personnel from high in the ship's rigging.

It has often been said that during WWI, the Americans arrived in Europe just in time to prevent an Allied loss. In 1918, the 5th and 6th Marine Regiments launched a counterattack against the German army at Belleau Wood in France. As they organized their attack position, they encountered French troops who were in retreat from the Germans after being overwhelmed in the battle. The French troops yelled at the U.S. Marines to retreat as well, but Marine Captain Lloyd Williams, demonstrating the intrepid spirit of the Marine Corps, is said to have yelled back, "Retreat? Hell, we just got here!" The Marines went on to defeat the German troops after a fierce battle in the woods that lasted for three weeks, and the Allies were on their way to eventual victory.



US Marine firing Colt M4 carbine

The Marines' unique ability to engage the enemy on both land and sea was instrumental in the success of the amphibious warfare of WWII in Europe, North Africa, and the Pacific. In the later stages of the war, U. S. Marines played a most imperative role in capturing and securing many of the Pacific islands occupied by Japanese troops, including (among numerous others) Guadalcanal, Iwo Jima, Saipan, and Okinawa. Mainland Japan would likely have been invaded as well, had the Japanese not surrendered to the United States in 1945.

Several years later, U.S. Marines made numerous amphibious landings in Korea and fought along with U.S. Army troops on the ground throughout the Korean War. In addition, fighter pilots from the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing flew more than 118,000 attack missions over North Korea.

Almost half a million Marines served during the Vietnam War, where they carried out large-scale search and destroy operations against the Viet Cong, while also providing air support with both helicopters and jet aircraft which attacked enemy targets throughout the war in both North and South Vietnam. The Marines were instrumental in repelling the North Vietnamese Tet Offensive in 1968, including a decisive victory after an intense and costly 26-day battle at Hue City. U.S. Marines accounted for nearly a third of the U.S. casualties during the Vietnam War.

From Marines.com - "Our Purpose: Marines are trained to improvise, adapt, and overcome any obstacle in whatever situation they are needed. They have the willingness to engage and the determination to defeat the enemy until victory is seized."

Fun Fact

Although Colonel Sanders served in the U.S. Army for several months before being honorably discharged, he was not an officer. The honorary title of "Kentucky Colonel" was later bestowed upon him in 1950 by his friend Lawrence Wetherby, Governor of Kentucky.



Marine Corps F-4 Phantom

FISH FRY!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

5 pm - 6:45

**Served by the
Post 161 Legion
Riders - \$8.00
Includes cole
slaw and fries**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our monthly Dinner will be on November 18 and our special this month will be **Prime Rib**. We will also be serving ribeye steaks and crispy chicken salad. Dinner will be served from 5 - 7 p.m.

The **Chili Cookoff** is on **November 6** with categories for red and green. There is a sign up sheet at the Post. Please sign up by November 4.

Our **Thank You Veterans Lunch** is on Veterans Day, November 11. We are serving meatloaf with mashed potatoes and vegetables from 11 am until we run out.

Our **Bake Sale** will be on November 27. Please consider donating baked goods. Details are on page 6.

The **Post 161 Legion Riders** will serve **Chile and Soup** on Thursday, November 10 before the Membership meeting. Also they are hosting a **Fish Fry** on Saturday, November 19 from 5 pm until 6:45 for Queen of Hearts.

On **Thanksgiving** we have a small dinner for those Veterans and Members who do not have family or places to go for holiday dinner. If you have an item you would like to donate, your special potatoes, stuffing or dessert, please mark it down on the sheet on the lounge door so we are prepared for what is coming.

As always, we serve **Breakfast** every 2nd and 4th Sunday - In November our **Breakfasts** will be on the 13th and the 27th.

