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1	2	3	4	5 Post Meeting 7pm	6 Auxiliary Dinner 6 pm	7
8	9 Darts 6pm	10	11	12	13 Set up for Fun Run Karaoke by Randy 9-?	14 FUN RUN
15	16 Darts 6pm	17	18 Newsletter deadline	19	20 S.A.L Dinner 6pm	21 Legion Picnic noon
22	23 Darts 6pm	24	25	26 E- Board Meeting 7pm	27 Legionnaires dinner 6pm DARTS	28
29	30 Darts 6pm					

## Post 1985 Happenings

We really need some help creating the newsletter each month. **ANY** volunteers or words of wisdom for the newsletter please forward to [abrueggeman@yahoo.com](mailto:abrueggeman@yahoo.com)

Make sure to get signed up for the **4th Sam DiPaolo Post Golf Classic On Sep. 11th 2010** See Andy Brueggeman or Cindy Daum.



**Sign on, Youngman, and sail with me, the stature of our homeland in no more than a measure of ourselves, our job is to keep her free. Our will is to keep the torch of freedom burning for all. To this solemn purpose we call on the young, the brave, and the free. Heed my call, come to the sea, come sail with me. J. Paul Jones**



During recent training events the question came up about the relationship of the SAL to the American Legion. The SAL is a "program" of the Legion and each individual post must agree to sponsor a charter at the post level. The charters are issued by the National Organization and are called "Squadrons." The SAL has a state level program called the "Detachment" sponsored by the Department Headquarters.

While the squadrons can operate independently of the Legion they are still the responsibility of the Legion Post leadership. The post leadership should be used only as an advisor to the SAL and should not try to run or dictate the SAL activities and events. They do an excellent job of supporting our Legion programs. At the Department level the SAL keeps their own checking and savings accounts with signatures of their officers and with the Department Finance Officer as signatory on those accounts also. Their financials are submitted to the Department annually and are filled with the Department's 990 income tax form as income and expenses to the Department. This should work the same way at the post level. The SAL has no district organization.

A smooth operating SAL is a real asset to a Post. The question arose as to the legality of SAL members serving on a Executive Committee of the Post. There are two parts to the answer. First an Executive Committee of the Post should be organized solely for the operation and management of the American Legion programs. The post constitution and by-laws should designate the members of this committee but it should include the Commander, Adjutant, Finance Officer and Judge Advocate and other officers of the post as determined by the membership. This committee should conduct American Legion business only. Only paid up, bona fide, members of the Legion can sit on the Post Executive Committee. As to the SAL's participation in this post executive committee, the SAL cannot be a voting member of this committee, since they are charged with determining the policies of the American Legion and policy decisions made at the post executive committee could be passed on to the department and national levels by resolution.

Second, if the post operates a club or bar facility, an entirely separate board of directors should be designated to operate and manage that business. The Commander, Adjutant and Finance Officers should be a member of this board of directors, with other members as designated and elected by the post membership. If the post membership desires, both the SAL and Auxiliary can occupy voting seats on the Club Board of Directors (call it what you want, Executive Committee for the club, Board of Directors for the club, Trustees, Club Operation Committee, etc.). The decisions made there can only affect the operation of the bar and club business, not of the Legion since the American Legion does not legally recognize a club or bar operation.

In any case both the Auxiliary and SAL should be welcome editions to the Legion and should be welcomed to attend all meetings with the understanding that at Legion meetings their voices can be heard at the discretion of the Commander, but they cannot vote. The Legion has open meetings with the exception of personnel matters or matters involving legal confidential agreements. Please review your post operation when it comes to the SAL to see if it fits in these guidelines. If you have any questions please give me a call. Remember, we are all in this together, for the benefit of the veterans we serve and their extended families. Thanks

Charles Pat Smith  
 The American Legion  
 Department Adjutant  
 7465 E 1st Ave, Ste D  
 Denver, CO 80230



## Welcome New Members!

**Please make sure to take time to get to know the new members:**

### Membership Renewal!

Renew at any time by mailing your dues in to the Post.

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Or see your membership representatives!

**Legion** – Barb Day  
**Auxiliary** – Cindy Daum  
**S.A.L.** – Steve Kidd

### Chaplains Corner John Boysen - Chaplain

► Sincere condolences to Bob Williams and his wife Antoinette on the passing of Bob's mother, At the age of 83. May she sleep in the arms of the lord forever.

Sincere thoughts and prayers to all comrades and loved ones in distress.

Pray for Peace



## Legion Notes

Andy Brueggeman- Commander

Hello everyone,

Thanks for a great July. I know everyone had a great time over the 4<sup>th</sup> as usual. What a wonderful Trophy we earned for the float. GREAT JOB S.A.L and all that helped out on the float. I would also like to thank all the volunteers that have helped the Legion in all the tasks we had in July

Now is the time to get involved. We need to get find more Legionnaires, S.A.L members and Auxiliary members. We all need to make it a priority to help find these new members. There are plenty of people in the Tri-Town area that would love to be a part of something as good as what we have. We just need to help them find the way. If anyone has ideas about membership drives or ways to bring these people to the post please let someone know.

I would also like to officially welcome the VFW to our post. We will be working closely with the VFW to get some more things happening. I think we have found a good match. When you see a VFW member make sure to say hello and introduce yourselves. They are a great group of Veteran's and make sure you thank them for their service as well.

Please contact me anytime.

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Andy Brueggeman



**Legion** - Commander, Andrew J. Brueggeman ■ Sr. Vice Cmdr, Rob Chamley ■ Jr. Vice Cmdr, Arlene Martin ■ Adjutant, Barb Day ■ Finance Officer, Al Hernandez ■ Chaplain, John Boysen ■ Sgt-at-Arms, Nick Martinez ■ Historian, Tim Sons ■ Service Officer, Tony Cervantes



## Auxiliary Notes

JoAnn Kidd - President

I would like to thank every one that helped make the 4th at Firestone a success

What a day it was, starting of with the breakfast thank you, Donna, Karen, Nancy, Maude, Cindy, Dorothy, Bobbie, Jackie what a great turn out, Than there was the parade. Thank you Judy Burbach for driving the extra float for other members family & friends, thank you to all the kids that helped pass out candy & flags along the route. Yes it was a long walk but fun. What an awesome job the S.A.L. did with there float thank you Teresa Anderson for driving there float buy the way the S.A.L. took 1st place and was presented with a BIG TROPHEY! Thank You Gary & Bob Ulmer, Steve Kidd, Joel Long, John Boysen, Kat, Lee Allen, & Uncle Leroy. A lot of hours spent on building the float. Thank you, Theo & The Town of Firestone. Naomi I know that you took a lot of time out for the back drop it just did not fit they did try. I would like to thank my son Jason for all the help you have given to help the Auxiliary, Legion & the Son's of the American Legion. Jason is now in Montana working but he plans on being back when ever he can to support the post. You know we need more support at the post volunteering & giving time for the good of the home post not just to pat ourselves on the back. & with out your support we will not succeed in any of our activities.

Once again I would like to thank every one that helps in any way they can, and if you do chose to stay away for your own reasons that is your choice. Live for today for tomorrow may never come.

Auxiliary notes: Don't forget ladies, we have a drawing every month with all members in the hat. Starting this meeting we will be having 2 other drawings for gifts but this drawing you have to attend the meeting and your name will go into the hat for this. We will also have our Executive Board meeting at 6:30 on August 5th prior to the Auxiliary General Meeting.

It is membership renewal time so try to get your dues in as soon as possible for 2011.

We have a lot of things on the calendar already but could always add more. On August 14th there will be a fun run and casino night at the Post with all proceeds going to the Santa Cops program. See attached flyer or check out the web site American Legion Post 1985. September 11, the Post will be hosting the Golf Tournament. If you are not a golfer, we can use your help with other things that need to be done.

Thank you and have a great summer  
Auxiliary President

JoAnn Kidd

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## S.A.L. Notes

Gary Ulmer - Commander

Notes from the SAL

Thanks for all the help on the 4th of July Float We won 1st in Old West Cowboy Way. Best use of theme, grand Champion. Looking forward to Next years float. Thanks to Wayne Keiter, Trailer Source Inc. for the Trailers. Also thanks to all that cooked burgers & Brats.

don't forget to check out American Legion Post 1985 web site

[Americanlegion1985.com](http://Americanlegion1985.com)

Gary Ulmer



## Legion Riders Notes

Jerry Hedke - President

The American Legion Riders District 4 Colorado worked the Air Display and Motorcycle show at the Loveland/ Fort Collins Air Port July 9, 10, and 11. This Air display was a big success as over 5,000 people went through the gates on Saturday alone. Friday evening there was a "USO" Dance in the hangar and the P-51 Mustang was parked in the west end of the hangar. Cindy Daum and freinds were our guests on Friday evening for the dinner and dance. The band was terrific. The Legion Riders presented the colors on Saturday and Sunday. Presenting the colors were Robb Smith and Tony Abbott both of Legion Post 15 Loveland, Barbara Day and Tim Sons both of Legion Post 1985 and Darla Ruiz from Legion post 10 Boulder. These members did the best presentation of colors you could imagine. The crowd showed their pride by a huge round of applause. The aircraft on display included the last flying B-24 Bomber in the world and a B-17 Bomber and a P-51 fighter plane. Barb Day, Tim Sons, Jim Stone and Joel Lane from Legion post 1985 did security and past commander Roger London entered his motorcycle in the show and was given honorable mention. The B-17 and B-24 Bombers and the P-51 fighter were giving rides early and after the show each day. The first place motorcycles in the vintage and custom each received a ride in the bombers on Sunday evening at 5:00pm. We had several members from posts 10, 15, 32, 111 and 1985 who all helped make this event a success. Security volunteer Glenn Goyer from post 10 won a ride in a B-17 on Monday from Loveland to Salina Kansas. Teresa Anderson and Jim Vanderpool were among the many volunteers who drove carts giving rides to people from their cars to the gate and back. I received a ride on the B-24 on Monday from Loveland to Salina Kansas. For publicity purposes the Bombers flew only 1,000 feet above ground the entire way so people on the ground could see the planes. The weather and scenery was perfect. This was a ride of a lifetime. I want to thank all the volunteers who made this event the success it was.

Jerry Hedke

President American Legion Riders



**Auxiliary** - President, Jo Ann Kidd ■ 1<sup>st</sup> V.P., Jackie London ■ 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P., Bobbi Reh ■ Secretary, Cindy Daum ■ Treasurer, Donna Lane ■ Chaplain, Dorothy Ulmer ■ Sgt-at-Arms, Mary Kelly ■ Historian, Cheryl Sears

**S.A.L.** - Commander, Gary Ulmer ■ Sr. Vice Cmdr, Gary Cope ■ Jr. Vice Cmdr, Jason Lewis

Adjutant, Steven R. Kidd ■ Chaplain, Steven R. Kidd ■ Historian, Jason Lewis ■ Sgt-at-Arms, Larry Dowdell & Joel Long

**Riders** - President, Jerry Hedke ■ V.P., Tim Cornett ■ Secretary, Elise Cornett ■ Treasurer, Crystal Hedke ■ Chaplain, Bill Thompson ■ Sgt-at-Arms, Larry Cleapor ■ Asst. Sgt-at-Arms, Crystal Hedke ■ Committee Man, Roger Wingerberg ■ Historian, Barb Day ■ Road Captain, Tony Abbott

## "Post Happenings" Reminders via email!

If you are interested in receiving weekly emails of upcoming Post 1985 events, please submit your email address to [abrueggeman@yahoo.com](mailto:abrueggeman@yahoo.com)

Please put "Post Happenings" in the subject line, and your first and last name in the body of the email.

Privacy: Your provided email address will be used solely for the purpose of "Post Happenings" reminder announcements and will not be shared with anyone.

**NEWSLETTER** - Are you moving? Know someone who has? Do you spend the winter at a different address? Please be sure to inform us to ensure our records are accurate and we can make sure you get your newsletter! Thank you!

**Please contact our Chaplain's and the Post if you know of someone who is ill or has lost a family member.**

Legion Chaplain- John Boysen  
303-833-2575

Aux. Chaplain- Dorothy Ulmer  
303-833-3379

S.A.L. Chaplain - Herb Turner  
303-833-7310

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If you need any help please call me.  
Tony Cervantes  
303-800-6078

## New Canteen Hours

Open Mon-Thurs

4:00pm - ?

Fri-Sun 12-?

Phone 303-833-3878

Bar Manager - Bobbi Reh