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**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER**

*"The World's Largest Veteran's Organization"*

Leadership is the art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it.  
(Dwight Eisenhower)

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			1	2 Post Meeting 7pm	3 Memorial Service for Mark Lewis 5pm	4
5	6 LABOR DAY Darts 6pm	7 Poker	8	9 Poker	10 Shuffle Board / Darts Legion Dinner 6pm	11 GOLF TOURNY 8am JoAnn Kidd BD
12 BRONCOS Tailgate starts at 10:30am Jerry Portz HB	13 Darts 6pm	14 Poker	15 Bobby Daum HB	16 Poker Kip Taylor, Teresa Anderson HB	17 KARAOKE Auxiliary Dinner	18 Tyler Daum HB
19 HOA GO BRONCOS Newsletter Deadline	20 Darts 6pm	21 Poker	22	23 Poker	24	25
26 GO BRONCOS	27 Darts 6pm	28 Poker	29	30 Poker		

● Indicates hall rented for an event



Memorial Services will be held for Mark Lewis on Friday September the 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm.

Sincere thoughts and prayers to Jim Burbank, Carl Schriener, Deryl Collier and Mary Wolff, Our prayers are with you.

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

John Boysen, Chaplain

Looking back  
The Little beggar  
Genoa, Italy – 1955

“Excuse me, Excuse Me,” I turned around and there stood a small man in the dress of a monk. We are in Genoa, Italy. I was standing at the foot of the gang plank of the destroyer U.S.S. Bordelon DDR-881, inspecting a water hose connection. I looked the little guy over, his monk haircut, his shabby brown robe and his dust covered sandaled shod feet. In broken English he said” Pleasa excusa me,” I am brother Geovanic. He handed me a card with the name of an Orphanage on it. “Please Senior sailor we needa soap.” I thought to myself if this guy is a phony he deserves an award for acting.

I said to him “uno momento!” I went up the gangway to my birthing area and retrieved a pillow case. I started at the stern and made my way forward to the bow of the ship collecting new bars of soap from all the hands, soap was five cents a bar in the ships store. I collected about 55 or 60 bars of soap in the pillow case. Lifebouy, Ivory and Palmolive. I thought to myself, how ironic, red, white and green, the colors of the Italian flag. When I returned to where I had left him, he was sitting patiently on the deck waiting for me. I handed the pillow case to him, he looked down into it and began praying in either Latin or Italian. I remembered some of the Latin from my school days as an alter boy. When he lifted his head and looked at me, tears were streaming freely down his cheeks, tears of gratitude. That was all I needed to lift my spirits and give me a good feeling of knowing I had done something decent and kind.

That night, as I lay in my rack I thought of him and could see his face and the happiness in his eyes. I had a good feeling and had no trouble drifting off in peaceful sleep.

Another Tale, Another Time  
John Boysen, Tin-can Sailor

**Newsletter Questionnaire**

We are looking at sending the Newsletter to **some** folks electronically. We would like to get some input from all of you. We would appreciate all thoughts and we will not make any changes without all of you involved.

**Please PRINT legibly! Or email [abrueggeman@yahoo.com](mailto:abrueggeman@yahoo.com)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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**Looks like we had some membership cards get lost in the mail. If you have paid and not received your card within a week please let a legion officer know so we can reorder your card. Thank you for your patience in this matter!!!**

**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 Les White on the loss of his mother "may she rest in peace"

Sincere condolences to Larry Dowdell on the loss of his sister-in-law, Hazel Dowdell, wife of charter member, Norman Dowdell. "May she rest in peace"

Sincere Condolences to Bob, Gary and Larry Ulmer and JoAnn Kidd on the loss of their step mother Sissy and Dad Clarence Ulmer of Florida. "May he rest in peace"

Sincere condolences to Heather Swindt and Jason Lewis on the loss of their dad, Mark Lewis. "May he rest in peace"



**LEGION NOTES**

Commander-Andy Brueggeman

Hello American Legion Post 1985 family. Another month has passed and we are headed into the winter within a couple months. I want to thank all the volunteers we have had in the past few months and again ask for more. As always the more the merrier. We all need to be looking for new members in all the corners of our Tri-town and beyond. We are looking for any ideas on building membership. Without a membership drive we will dwindle.

We have the American Legion golf tournament on September 11<sup>th</sup>. We need to get as many teams as possible. So if you are interested please call Cindy Daum or myself.

Just a quick reminder about forgiveness. If you do not give you will not receive. I hope to see this family come together in the coming months and make this post the best that it can possibly be. I really do believe that OUR glory days at Post 1985 are yet to come.

I want to personally thank John Boysen for his contribution to the post and all that he does for us. "Thank you John"



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



**Auxiliary Notes**

JoAnn Kidd – President

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Santa Cop Fun Run. Fun was had by all and a lot of prizes were won

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. & without your support we will not succeed in any of our activities.

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.

We are trying to up date our calendar at the post please let us know when your birthday is so we can include your name. If your Birthday is in September and it is not on the calendar than we do not have it. Please let us know when it is also for the future months  
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. For those who attended last months meeting we will have last months drawing this month. I had to go out of town & in the confusion the prizes were not given out. We will also have our Executive Board meeting at 6:30 on September 2nd prior to the Auxiliary General Meeting. District Visitation will be October 7

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. 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. Contact Cindy Daum There will be a Memorial Service / Celebration of Life for Mark E Lewis Sept 3 at 5:00 pm Mark is Heather & Jason's Dad they are both members of our American Legion Family.

Please bring a covered dish for family & friends  
Auxiliary President  
JoAnn Kidd  
Phone: 303-667-8745 Email: jokidd@q.com

**S.A.L.** – Commander, Gary Ulmer ■ Sr. Vice Comdr, Gary Cope ■ Jr. Vice Comdr, 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



**S.A.L. Notes**

Gary Ulmer—commander  
S.A.L. NOTE

I would like to thank everyone who helped with Friday night dinners.  
FOOTBALL SEASON IS BACK!!! TAILGATE PARTY'S STARTING: September 12  
Broncos at Jacksonville game starts at 11:00a.m.  
half time with good food so let's start this season with a blast.  
Canteen will be open at 10:30  
S.A.L Meeting September, 2nd 7:00 p.m. ALL S.A.L. MEMBERS INVITED  
Hope every one had a great summer.  
Gary Ulmer



**Legion Riders Notes**

Jerry Hedke - President

The Legion Riders District 4 made the trip to Cripple Creek for the annual Salute to Veterans event August 21. There was an estimated 30,000 motorcycles at this event. The weather was great as was the ride. Guest speakers at the event were Brigadier General Jim Pasquarette, Colonel Tamera L. Rank, Colonel Patrick Lee Fetterman and former Division Commander Terrance McWilliams and several EX-POW veterans. This event included fly-overs and many displays of military items.

August 29 we visited the Cheyenne Veterans Hospital. We gave the veterans blankets, phone cards, fresh fruit, personal items such as nail files, combs, brushes and books. Three boxes of books were donated by Danielle Wood. We also gave several cases of soda pop which the root beer was used to make root beer floats for all the veterans. Legion Rider Danny Horner is shown saluting Purple Heart Recipient Charles Loftus. Riders Guest Maggie Mclure visited with several veterans while Committeeman Roger Wingerberg helps two veterans with the wii video bowling game. Post 1985 received a request to do the colors presentation at the Eagle Valley home owners event September 11. This request was given to Barb Day, captain of the Legion rider color guard, who accepted the request for the legion and the riders.



**"Post Happenings"**

Reminders via email!

If you are interested in receiving weekly emails of upcoming Post 1985 events, please submit your email address to

**CanteenGirl1985@hotmail.com**

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

If you have any questions contact Karen Hicks at 303-828-3417

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

**Your Service Officer is always here for you!**

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

**New Canteen Hours**

Open Mon-Thurs

4pm-?

Fri-Sun 12-?

Phone 303-833-3878