



American Legion
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Monthly Bulletin
 August 2014

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Hours of operation

- Saturday and Sunday – 1pm to closing
- Monday, Thursday and Friday – 2pm to closing
- Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays



Post 39 News and Happenings

Commander's Corner

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

We are well into the summer season and I'm confident that everyone has enjoyed the sunny weather between rain storms. The Post Home has withstood the July flooding issues and I wanted to thank everyone who had a hand in cleaning up afterwards. Our last General Membership meeting was close to a record for being short in length, but Mother Nature had a say in that. I wouldn't be doing my job if I didn't encourage everyone to attend these meetings to let your voice be heard in regards to the direction we take the Post in.

The 2015 Membership Cards are in so I urge everyone to renew your membership early. Legion dues remain the same as last year at \$35.00. One of the best events we have at the Post is the Early Bird Dinner. It is traditionally held sometime in September. The Executive Board has not discussed a date but it will be brought up at our next E-Board meeting. The information will be displayed around the Post shortly after a date is set. It will also be published in next month's newsletter. Renew now and stake your claim to some of the excellent spread that is put out for this dinner.

I recently had a conversation with SAL member Dave Combs, who is the Post Liaison for the **Colorado Springs Down Syndrome Buddy Walk**. Dave stated that although the event is no longer held in Manitou, we have a long history of proudly supporting the Buddy Walk. The Buddy Walk itself is August 23rd. What they are really in need of is volunteers to help set up for the festivities.



Anyone interested in helping on the 22nd, please let me know. It would be great if we could get a group together to go to Penrose Event Center that Friday to show them the Legion Family still cares.

For God and Country

Alex Thornberry

Post Commander

The **Useful Public Service (UPS) Committee** for Post 39 is just over a year old now. The program has been very successful for Post 39 and it has received very positive feedback from the District Court, Front Range Community Services and finally from the clients participating in the program. Below is a list of accomplishments so far in the program.

- 104 applicants enrolled
- Thousands in financial contributions from participants for purchase of food, program supplies and donations to the post.
- 5,514 public service hours completed/committed to date
- 65 emergency food boxes distributed
- Projects participants completed work around the post such as plumbing, electrical repairs, painting, filling sandbags, maintenance and repairs around the post, boxing food for distribution.

The project has been very well received, and the utilization is increasing. Food distribution is lagging behind and we would welcome recommendations of needy veterans and families needing food. Thank you again to George V, Jess K and Terry S for their dedication to the management of this community service program. Next committee meeting is Saturday, August 2.

UPS Committee now has primary responsibility for cleanliness of the Post. For that reason, we ask that E-board approval be obtained prior to Post wide events, such as the wedding party reception last month, be conducted at the Post.



Auxiliary Angle

- Junior Auxiliary meeting will be on August 5th at 6:30pm at the Post. We're going to make key chains for our Veterans, so join us if you'd like.
- General Membership meeting will be on August 6th at 7:00pm at the Post.
- On Saturday, August 2nd, the Auxiliary and Jr. Members will be going to Bruce McCandless Veterans Home in Florence for our Annual Ice Cream Social with them. We have homemade ice cream with all of the fixings. It's a very special time. All Legion, SAL, and Auxiliary members are welcome to attend. The fun begins at 2:00pm. Y'all Come!!
- The annual Buddy Walk will be conducted at Penrose Stadium again this year on Saturday, August 23. Volunteers are needed to assist in setup for the event on August 22. Please contact Commander Thornberry if you can volunteer.



SAL News

- SAL meeting Saturday, August 2, at 11am.

Thank you to Anthony and Carolyn Jannuzzi, Onsite managers at **A Better Self Storage – West** for supporting Post 39 by providing storage space for the Post.

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This bulletin is also posted on the Post 39 website, www.manitoulegion.org. Comments or suggestions should be directed to Vice Commander Tom Coca, tecoca@msn.com or 719 -633-7519.



Monthly Planner

August 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2  UPS 10am SAL 11am Veterans ice cream social
3 Post opens 1pm	4 Monday night poker 6:30pm	5 Junior Aux meeting 6:30pm	6  Aux meeting 7pm	7 Texas hold 'em 6:30pm	8	9 Sat night poker 6:30pm
10 Post opens 1pm	11 Monday night poker 6:30pm	12 E board meeting 6:30pm	13 Post closed	14 Texas hold 'em 6:30pm	15	16 Sat night poker 6:30pm
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