



V.F.W. POST #2841
JULY – AUGUST 2009

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Post Meets 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	
Commander	Gary Raley
Sr. Vice Commander	John Riley
Jr. Vice Commander	Michael Bergman
Chaplin	Robin Mason
Quartermaster	Wayne Motter
Adjutant	Dean Weaver
Trustees	Dick Larson Jim Anderson Larry Tholen
Guard	
Officer of the Day	
Surgeon	Patrick Mason
Historian	
Color Guard Captain	

American Legion Meets 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	
Commander	Ray Leonard
Sr. Vice	
Jr. Vice	Ober Herndon
Secretary	Jim Otto
Finance Officer	Dean Weaver
Chaplin	Kelvin Larson
Sergeant at Arms	Gary Raley

Men's Auxiliary Meets 3rd Friday at 7:00 p.m.	
President	Mike Krueger
1st Vice President	Jeff Ocker
2nd Vice President	Gerry Larson
Chaplin	Kal Larson
Treasurer	Jerry Carmichael
Secretary	Bobby Medina

Ladies Auxiliary Meets 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	
President	Sharon Raley
Sr. Vice President	Sheila Humphrey
Jr. Vice President	Jessie Ludwick
Treasurer	Connie Motter
Secretary	Diane Finley
Chaplin	Myranda Straface
Guard	
Conductress	Ginney Weaver
Patriotic Instructor	Yolanda Sandoval
Trustees	Sharon Stephan Delores Orozco Brenda Petrie

Any submissions or name/address changes for the newsletter can be dropped off at the canteen in the mailbox next to the back door or e-mailed to me at jessieludwick@aol.com.

Suggestions and submissions welcome!

V.F.W. POST #2841 (Officers Cont.)

Pup Tent #23 Meets 3rd Saturday at 1:30 p.m.	
Elected Officers:	
Seam Squirrel	Gary Raley
Blanket Bum	Richard Larson
Hide Gimblet	Larry Tholen
CCDB	Keith Harber
Shyster	CH "Corky" Randall
Sky Pilot	Wayne Motter
Keeper of the Lousy Records	Dean Weaver
Pill Pusher	Roger Garcia
Tightwad 1 Year	Frank Stephan
Tightwad 2 year	Harry Latta
Tightwad 3 year	Victor Madonna

Pup Tent #23 Meets 3rd Saturday at 1:30 p.m.	
Appointed Officers:	
Hungry Cootie	Dean Weaver
Hospital Chairman	Keith Harber
Blood Chairman	Richard Larson
Provost Marshall	Harry Latta
Shirt Reader	Frank Stephan
Jimmy Legs	James R. Terrel
VFW Booster Chairman	Richard Larson
National Home Special Projects Chairman	Keith Harber
Life Membership Chairman	Keith Harber

MOCA PT #23 Meets 3rd Saturday at 1:30 p.m.	
President	Shelia Humphrey
Sr. Vice	Connie Motter
Jr. Vice	Dorothy Bagley
Treasurer/Secretary	Barbara Petshauer
Chaplin	Norma Timmerman
Guard	
Conductress	
Trustees	

The Post website is:
www.vfw2841.org.

Suggestions or comments regarding the site can be sent to :Barry Ludwick at webmaster@vfw2841.org

From the Commander:

Here I am back again as your Commander. I want to take this opportunity to welcome the new officers. Let's make this a great year by donating some of your time at special events. As always, my motto has been, "treat others as you want to be treated", and I plan to make this happen on my part. Unity within the club is the total of its existence, and if we remember that, we will be successful.

We had a wonderful start with the amount of members who attended the special meeting held recently. It was great to have all of your ideas and suggestions. I look forward to another meeting as we progress through the year, please let me know if you would like another meeting of that nature. If you do not voice your opinion, we do not hear you. Please keep in mind, those who attend their scheduled meetings have every opportunity to speak up with suggestions for improvement and/or complaints.

Please be sure to check the calendar in the newsletter and/or stop by the post for upcoming events. We have been hosting a dinner every Friday night with the money being used for much needed improvements. We would love to see more of you there! We are still serving breakfast the 3rd Sunday of each month, come down and join us sometime soon!

I want to thank Jim Anderson and his officers for all the fine work they did last year.

God Bless all.

Thank you
Gary Raley, Commander

Attention Cooties!

Where are you? Where are the members of the Cooties? The attendance last year was very low. Have you lost interest? If that is the case, we should consider closing the charter. For us to be able to do any activities, we need active members. The Cooties meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars to attend and voice your opinion on where we will go from here.

**God Bless all
Gary Raley, Seam Squirrel**

From the President of the Ladies Auxiliary:

It's hard to believe we are beginning yet another year. I would like to thank Connie Motter and her officers for all of the great work that was done last year, and look forward to another successful year at Post 2841.

I would like to take a few moments to recognize the unity of the members and non-members for the great effort that was put into raising funds for the new carpet. It says when we want to pull together to make things happen, it does.

I look forward continuing the Friday night dinners, it's very nice to have dinner and visit with friends and meet new people.

I would also like to welcome our new members. I look forward to seeing everyone at the meetings and various events.

To all those who are sick we wish a speedy recovery.

Thank you,
Sharon Raley, Ladies Auxiliary President

Calling all Cooties Auxiliary Ladies!!!

We still hold our meetings on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

We have fun and get our work done!! We haven't seen a lot of you ladies for some time, please join us for our monthly meetings so that we do not lose our charter. All of us need to work together to be an active Pup Tent.

See you in July, or sooner at the Post!!

Sheila Humphrey, MOCA President

From the Quartermaster's Desk:

Taking on the task of Post Quartermaster has already had its challenges, but I am plugging my way through. Many thanks to Dick Larson for his time and patience in teaching me "the ropes" and thank you to all who have supported me so far.

There are lots of upcoming events, please be sure to check the calendar and join us when you can.

Best wishes to all.

Wayne Motter
Quartermaster

BREAKFAST WILL BE \$4.50 PER PERSON, \$4.00 FOR SENIORS AND CHILDREN UNDER 12. OMELETS AND SPECIALS WILL BE REPRICED ACCORDINGLY.

July 19, 2009

Eggs any style
Bacon, ham or sausage
Hash browns and toast

August 16, 2009

Eggs any style
Bacon, ham or sausage
Hash browns and toast

All meals served with fruit cocktail, orange or tomato juice and bottomless coffee.

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Newsletter Due Dates

August 16

December 20

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If you have questions about medical, burial, pensions or replacement of your medals and ribbons, please contact Scott Lawson at 303-654-6014. He is our local Veteran's Services Officer and he is here to help you.

4Q CCDB COOTIE ITCHES

I bet you've missed my Cootie bugging since my last input to this informative newsletter. Thought I'd better sound off before it goes the way of the RMN. There has been a lot of MOC related activities in Post 2841 this past three months. Just to let you know what happened—The 2nd Council of Administration was held on the last day of February and the Annual Visitation in Sterling was successfully held that month, too. The 3rd C of A was held in Security the 28th & 29th of March—a VA representative was present to address your concerns. And....April was the Grand Convention (with the last of C of A included) at Longmont's VFW Post—weather made for low attendance. Come to these and your Pup Tent Scratches and participate—they're fun and you get the chance to re-meet your fellow Cooties again! The Pup Tent needs you and remember, you were asked to join because you wanted to do the visits and work of this great organization!

The Pup Tent has two new members we're trying to get through the initiation process and hopefully, the first two degrees were performed on them in March. Remember, families are invited to attend and celebrate the great transition at the initiation place—usually one of the Pup Tent VFW posts. So plan on that!

As of March, membership is finally over 100% - 1 continuous member has not paid his 2009 dues. These 2009 4Q Pup Tent annual dues need to be paid **NOW**. To remain a continuous member of our Organization, you must maintain annual dues or become a Life Member—which has greatly increased rates for the different age groups since January. If you didn't pay dues in 2008, this is the last year to be reinstated without losing your tenure—that is, continuous membership years. It means starting over again. If you really want to stay in the Cooties, you should act now so I can get the paperwork through the pipeline to National on time.

“Keep 'em smiling in beds of white”

4Q PT #23 CCDB
Keith Harber

The Green Mile is some of Colorado's finest irrigated farmland flanks both sides of Sable Blvd. for a mile south of Brighton. The City's Comprehensive Plan has, for years, recognized the importance of this open space as a **gateway tribute** to Brighton's rich agricultural heritage.

After initially rejecting a request from Adams County, Brighton's City Council passed a Memo of Understanding that recognizes a scheme by the County to purchase thirty-six acres of open space on the west side of Sable immediately south of the Intertape factory. This parcel would be annexed to the city and later divided. **Twenty acres would be sold to the State of Colorado to construct and operate a regional residential incarceration facility (read youth prison) to house juvenile offenders, reportedly including violent sexual predators and hardened gang members.** The remaining sixteen acres would be sold to a local developer, apparently for commercial development.

Promoters of this scheme are counting on getting the parcel annexed and zoned before the public realizes what is happening. The Memo of Understanding was an ominous first step. What *must* happen is a public outcry aimed at Brighton's City Council and the Adams County Commissioners. These *elected*"public servants" need to be told that Brighton has no stomach for more prison beds. Further, it need to be clearly communicated that the **Green Mile** is a community open space treasure that must be preserved for generations to come.

Contact your City Council Members and tell them you are strongly opposed to the proposed annexation and prison project in Brighton's Green Mile.

<http://site.saveyourgreenmile.info/>

Brighton City Council

Jan Pawlowski, Mayor 303-655-2043

Dick McLean, Ward 1 303-655-2043

Terry Moore, Ward 1 303-655-2261

Cynthia Martinez, Ward 2 303-655-2264

David Gill, Ward 2 303-655-2268

Rob Farina, Ward 3 303-655-2263

Wayne Scott, Ward 3 303-655-2267

Daryl Meyers, Ward 4 303-659-2260

Wilma Rose, Ward 4 303-655-2269

VFW Post 2841

July 2009

Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	Jun	29	30	1 Jul	2	3	4
				Meeting 6:00pm Homeboard		Dining 5:00pm - 7:00pm Friday night dinner - menu announced weekly	Independence Day Dining 11:00am - 1:00pm Post Picnic - Burgers and dogs supplied; bring side dish to share
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Dining 7:00am - 11:00am American Legion Breakfast					Dining 5:00pm - 7:00pm Friday night dinner - menu announced weekly		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
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26	27	28	29	30	31	1	Aug
					Dining 5:00pm - 7:00pm Friday night dinner - menu announced weekly	Event 10:00am Adams County Parade	

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August 2009

Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
26	Jul	27	28	29	30	31	1	Aug
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