



V.F.W. POST #2841
SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2008

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V.F.W. POST #2841

Post Meets 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	
Commander	Jim Anderson
Sr. Vice Commander	Wayne Motter
Jr. Vice Commander	J.B. Terrell
Chaplin	Tamsen Thistlehawk
Quartermaster	Dick Larson
Adjutant	Dean Weaver
Trustees	Gary Lathrop Gary Raley Ray Malm
Guard	J.B. Terrell
Officer of the Day	Wayne Motter
Surgeon	Frank Stephan
Historian	Dick Larson
Color Guard Captain	Wayne Motter

American Legion Meets 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	
Commander	Scott Lawson
Sr. Vice	Ray Leonard
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	Gerry Larson
1st Vice President	Scott Bremkamp
2nd Vice President	Bob Medina
Chaplin	Kelvin Larson
Treasurer	Mike Krueger
Secretary	Rick Korbe

Ladies Auxiliary Meets 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	
President	Connie Motter
Sr. Vice President	Sheila Humphrey
Jr. Vice President	Tamara Anderson
Treasurer	Rhonda Bremkamp
Secretary	Carrol Long
Chaplin	Janice Wilkin
Guard	Jeanette Walker
Conductress	Jenny Weaver
Patriotic Instructor	
Trustees	Sheila Humphrey Sharon Stephen Audrey Larson

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 Pusher
Tightwad 1 Year	Gary Lathrop
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	J.B. Terrell
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	Barbara Retshauer
Sr. Vice	Debbie King
Jr. Vice	Dorothy Bagley
Treasurer/Secretary	Rhonda Bremkamp
Chaplin	Norma Timmerman
Guard	Sharon Stephan
Conductress	Sheila Humphrey
Trustees	Sheila Humphrey Audrey Larson Alberta Souders

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,

I would like to start off by offering my condolences to Dick Larson, Gary Lathrop and their families for the loss of Audrey and Darlene this year, my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Secondly, I would like to thank everyone for their support of me in my new position as Commander. I'm hoping for great things to happen over the course of the next few months.

At this point, I would like to say that I would love to see more of our members become more active in our post. We are in need of help with our ongoing activities, breakfast, continuing building maintenance, etc. Our Post is only as strong as our members, please start showing some effort and pride and come in to help us out.

Our meetings are still on the second Tuesday of each month, starting at 7:00 p.m. We make every attempt to keep them short and to the point. It would be great to see more of you there.

The Post Breakfast is held the third Sunday of each month. We are always happy to have more volunteers come in and lend a hand.

Mark your calendars for November 1. We will be hosting a dinner to recognize our Past Commanders and Presidents, Volunteers, Members and those in our community who have donated to the Post for some events. Invitations will be coming in the mail in the near future.

I hope to see a lot more of my Comrades soon!

Jim Anderson
Commander

From the Quartermaster's Desk:

Once again it is time to pay your annual dues. There is an easy way to not having to do this anymore—buy a life membership. Contact me for information on cost.

It has been really busy for me lately. My wife, Audrey, had been laid up for quite some time. She passed away on August 21. Thank you to everyone for your heartfelt prayers and condolences. Gary L has been laid up, in and out of the hospital for the past few months, I am embarking on a District #3 Commander year — needless to say, my plate still runneth over.

I am in desperate need of help to keep the doors open. I just cannot keep up this pace much longer. Come on, Comrades, step up to the pump if you want your post to survive. I just simply cannot be everything. We need more people to be certified for Bingo. The pickle machines help pay our bills, but if we don't keep up the machines full and maintained, and complete timely reports, the Secretary of State will revoke our license. Gary L. and I are the only two certified for Bingo and Gary has expressed his desire to resign as Bingo Chairman due to health issues. We will be happy to help get those interested headed in the right direction for instructions for this task. Again, I reiterate, I can't be everything.

I attended the District Commanders Flying Squadron in Denver last July. There were 5 states represented. It was really an informative meeting given by our national representatives.

Until next time,
Quartermaster
Dick Larson

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**Dear Post Members, Auxiliary Members and Friends,**

**I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your continued support in assisting me in my time of need.**

**This includes my trips to the VA Hospital, providing rides back and forth from home to the Post or wherever else I may need to go.**

**I do know I am going to need your assistance for a longer period than I had anticipated.**

**Once again, thanks to all of you, I appreciated everything you do**

**J.B. Terrel**

Ladies, Post & Men's Auxiliary Members,

I'd like to take a moment to express my heartfelt sympathy to all who have lost loved ones this year and to express our best wishes for all who have been ill or hospitalized and wish all a speedy recovery.

Please note that we have started a recipe corner in the newsletter. Please feel free to send submissions to the post or via e-mail to the editor.

Summer is almost over and it's been hot and fun. Now it's time to start going on our fall and winter programs.

Our calendar is starting to get full, be sure to plan your fundraiser for our committees soon.

September:

- 9th—Our regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 13th—Blood Drive, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Please call the club at 303-659-9902 for an appointment. Lunch provided for donors.
- 14th—Our first District meeting of the year to be held at Post #1771 in Lafayette. Hope to see lots of us there. Lunch served at 12:00 p.m. with the meeting commencing at 1:00 p.m.
- 16th—V.A. Hospital Fall Fling Bake Sale. We need your support to help keep programs at the hospital going for our veterans. Please bring your baked goods to the Post by Monday, September 15th at 3:00 p.m. Frank and Sharon have offered to deliver everything to the V.A.
- 18th—Sloppy Joe Night, 5:00—7:00 p.m.

October

- 14th—Our regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 14th, 15th & 16th—National President Dixie Hild will be in Colorado. Auxiliary #9644 will be hosting dinner on the 15th. Cost is \$8.00 per plate. Dixie's theme is western style. So let's show off your style at dinner. We'll get more information as the time nears, please contact me if you have any questions.
- 16th—Sloppy Joe Night, 5:00—7:00 p.m.
- 25th—Annual Halloween party for the Kids. Please contact Sissie or Tammy about donations.

Our annual Christmas party for the kids will be on Saturday, December 20th, 1:00—3:00 p.m. More information will be available in the next newsletter.

In closing, stay well and be happy!

Thank you  
Connie Motter  
President, Ladies Auxiliary

Ladies,

Your 2009 dues are now due. Please see dues notice that you should have received in the mail for information. (see sample below) Also, Life Members, your cancer insurance payment of \$5.00 is also due at this time. We have had several members that did NOT pay their 2008 cancer insurance, please make arrangements to get this paid up to date to ensure that you are eligible for benefits if necessary.

Please contact me if you have any questions. The Auxiliary owes this whether or not a member pays as we are billed by membership numbers.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Rhonda Bremkamp  
Auxiliary Treasurer

Now is the time you can help America's Veterans. By paying your 2009 dues, you will remain a member of this great organization and you will help our veterans through our legislative voice. Our membership numbers count when we go before our legislators in Washington, D.C. Thank you for helping America's heroes by paying your dues today.

Send to: Rhonda Bremkamp  
115 North 8th Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

Make Checks Payable to: Ladies Auxiliary  
#2841

Amount: \$25.00

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Newsletter Due Dates:

- October 19, 2008
- December 21, 2008

Ladies,

It's time again to get things going. We have All Patients Day in Pueblo on Saturday, September 13th starting at 11:00 a.m.

The next Council of Administration meeting will be Sunday, September 14th in Colorado Springs, Post #11. Please note that meeting starts at **9:00 a.m.** (**not 10:00 a.m. as usual**).

We are looking for some ideas for fundraising. Please contact us with your thoughts and ideas!

Please also refer any member who you feel worthy of becoming MOCA members to us. We would love to see our numbers increase.

Our meetings are held the 3rd Saturday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Please attend a meeting or two. We usually have a good time.

I would like to send my condolences to the Larson family. Audrey was very much loved and will be very much missed.

Get well wishes and prayers for those who are ill and those who have lost loved ones.

Barbara Retschauer  
MOCA President

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Ladies,

I would like to remind everyone that it is time to pay dues. If you are NOT a Life Member, please remember that you need to pay your VFW Auxiliary dues FIRST!! Please send your \$15.00 to me at 115 North 8th Avenue or you may drop them off at the Post.

We would like to see more members at our meetings, please try to join us soon!

Rhonda Bremkamp
MOCA Treasurer

RECIPE CORNER

Chicken Enchilada Casserole Connie Motter

1 cooked chicken	7oz can chopped green chili
2 cans cream chicken soup	1 cup milk
8 oz sour cream	1 lb cheddar cheese
8 oz tortilla chips	Dash of pepper

Cook chicken in boiling water and de-bone. Cut into cubes. Heat milk, add chilies, sour cream and soup. Prepare in casserole dish as follows: layer chips, chicken, cheese, and soup mixture. Repeat layers. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-35 minutes.

Served with rice: Serves 10 people

Cowboy Cookies Janice Wilkin

2 c sifted flour	1 c white sugar
1 tsp vanilla	1 c brown sugar
1 tsp soda	1 c shortening
1/2 tsp salt	2 eggs
1/2 tsp baking powder	6 oz semi-sweet chocolate chips
2 c rolled oats	

Sift together and set aside the flour, soda, salt and baking powder. Blend together shortening and sugars; add eggs and beat until light and fluffy. Add flour mixture; mix well. Add rolled oats, vanilla and chocolate chips (dough should be crumbly). Drop by teaspoonfuls and bake at 350 degrees for about 15 minutes.

This has been a busy year for Service Officers all over Colorado. If you have questions about medical, burial, pensions or replacement of your medals and ribbons, please contact Scott at 303-654-6014. The Veteran's Services Officers are here to help you.

Gary L. Lathrop
Service Officer

I would like to thank everyone for all of your support last year!!! I did enjoy my year as Grand President, lots of work, but well worth it. Rhonda Bremkamp is our new Grand President for 2008-2009. Let's all support her and help her as much as possible.

Remember the Cooties motto: "Keep them Smiling in Beds of White".

Thanks!
Shelia Humphrey
Past Grand MOCA President

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

September 20, 2008

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

October 19, 2008

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

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

Post Calendar of Events

September 2008

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	Aug	1	Sep	2	3	4	5	6
		Labor Day			Meeting 6:00pm Homeboard			
7		8		9	10	11	12	13
Dining 7:00am - 11:00am American Legion Breakfast				Meeting 7:00pm Ladies Aux Meeting 7:00pm Post Meeting				
14		15		16	17	18	19	20
Dining 7:00am - 11:00am Men's Aux Breakfast				Meeting 7:00pm American Legion		Air Force Birthday	Meeting 7:00pm Men's Auxiliary	Meeting 1:30pm MOC Meeting 1:30pm MOCA
21		22		23	24	25	26	27
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28		29		30	1	Oct	2	3
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October 2008

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12		13	14	15		16	17	18	
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19		20	21	22		23	24	25	
Newsletter submissions due Dining 7:00am - 11:00am Post Breakfast			Meeting 7:00pm American Legion					Event 1:00pm - 3:00pm Halloween Party for Kids	
26		27	28	29		30	31	1 Nov	
							Halloween	Dining Membership, Past President and Commander, Volunteers and Donators Dinner	