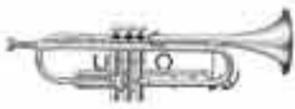


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Post 1 Shows Support For Project Sanctuary

On September 13, 2016, LCW Post 1 was honored to have as a guest speaker Ms. Heather Ehle, founder and CEO of Project Sanctuary. Ms. Ehle talked about the work being done by Project Sanctuary and the organization's appreciation for the support it is receiving from The American Legion.

As a civilian nurse, Ms. Ehle saw a need for help for families that had

Veterans Day At Post 1

On Veterans Day at 11 a.m. there will be at least one piper from the Emerald Society Band to play. At 4 p.m. more of the band will be here to perform. This will be followed by a pig roast for \$7 per person. Our Commander and Color Guard will be at Holly Hills Elementary from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Come to the Post and enjoy the program and the day with Legion Family members. THANK YOU, VETERANS!

been affected by 9/11 and by two subsequent wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, so she started Project Sanctuary. She has worked on this endeavor for nine years and shared with the Legionnaires some of the accomplishments and future plans.

Project Sanctuary provides support to military families by providing a retreat for them in a place where the family can come together for counseling, healing, and support. Over 100 retreats have been held in Colorado and other states, and 1,800 families are on the wait list to attend one of the retreats. There is an active peer mentor program for the families who complete the retreat program, and the Project Sanctuary Team stays in contact with the families to provide additional support and counseling for two years after the retreat.

Funding is used to provide all retreat services for the families as well as the two years of follow-up services, which may include providing

gift cards for food to families, administrative help with the Veterans Administration, counseling, housing assistance, and other services the veteran family may need. The average cost for a full retreat of 10-12 military families plus the two years of follow-up services is \$30,000. From the funding received, 87 percent of the money goes directly to supporting the mission and programs of Project Sanctuary while overhead and other administrative expenses are kept to a minimum.

Commander Tony Jones presented a check from LCW Post 1 to Ms. Ehle for \$2,000 and thanked Ms. Ehle for her hard work and support of veterans.

75th Anniversary of Pearl Harbor December 7 • 10 a.m. At LCW Post 1

Program presented by
Pearl Harbor Survivors
Association:

Introduction of Survivors
Guest Speaker – Music
Ringing of Ceremonial Bell

Presentation of
Roses & Wreath

Five Hat Ceremony —
LCW Post 1 Color Guard

Plan to attend
this special event.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Leyden-Chiles-Wickersham Post 1 will again host a special Thanksgiving Day dinner for members who might be alone on Thanksgiving Day. The dinner will include all of the traditional foods, such as turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, pies, etc.

This year we will be asking for volunteers to bring dishes to share and we also hope the businesses that have supported us over the years will continue to support us this year. There will be a sign up sheet for those planning to bring food; those who plan to attend; and those who are willing to be part of the clean-up crew. This information will be used for planning and estimating the amount of food that needs to be prepared. Additional details will be forthcoming as Thanksgiving Day approaches.

— In Memoriam —

John Marich Perich

February 19, 1929 – August 27, 2016

John was born in Leadville, Colorado, and grew up in the mining area of Leadville and Oak Creek. He joined the Army in 1950 at the age of 21, and served in Korea, as a radio specialist. John married his wife, Audrey Irene Hurley, in Evergreen, Colorado, on June 14, 1956.

In addition to serving as the Commander of the American Legion Post 1, from 1973 to 1974, John held many other positions during his service to the American Legion, and he was a member for over 40 years. John was instrumental in establishing Veterans Park in Denver, which is located at Iowa and Gaylord Streets. Through his steadfast determination and hard work, he was successful in obtaining the necessary signatures from voters and the approval of the Denver branches of government for the Veterans Park. This was the first park in the city of Denver to honor veterans.



John Perich at Veterans Park.

In the park, a 30-foot flagpole and lights were placed with plaques on two large rocks at the base of the flagpole. One plaque honors all of the veterans who have served this country and the other plaque is inscribed with the poem "In Flanders Fields."

For over two decades, John maintained the flag, lowering it when appropriate, washing it, and replacing it when necessary. In Veterans Park, the Stars and Stripes flies 24 hours a day, illuminated at night, and in honor of all veterans who have served their county. Through his work at the American Legion and his dedication to creating and maintaining Veterans Park, John Perich served as an inspiration to other Legionnaires, family and friends.

The Leyden-Chiles-Wickersham Post 1 members express their sadness at his passing and we offer our deepest sympathy to his family. John will be forever remembered and Post 1 will be forever grateful for his service to our county and to the American Legion.

New Year's Eve at Post 1

Entertainment provided by
The Jim Hyatt Band

Doors open at 6:30pm for ticket holders
**Your Ticket includes VIP Entry, Dinner,
Music, Dancing, Party Favors &
Decorations, Midnight Champaign Toast,
and Breakfast!**

Tickets sales open November 1st
Get yours early! First Come-First Served. 100 limit

Visit LCWPost1.org for event and activity info.



Bicycle Collection Day representatives from the Second Chance Bicycle Shop include Calvin McCoy, Winnie the Wonder Dog, Marilyn Conner, and owner Ernie Clark. The collection day was a success and 23 bikes were given to the shop for repair and distribution to children and adults in need of a bike. Throughout the year, if you have a bike or know someone that wants to donate one (or more), please bring them to the Post and/or notify Will Webb for pickup and transfer to the bike shop. Thanks to all of you for helping make this a successful collection day and veterans in need of a bike for themselves or their family will have first dibs at the shop.

Commander's Corner

by Commander Tony Jones Sr.



Greetings,

I want to encourage each and every one of you to exercise your right to vote! Remember your vote does count.

The holiday season is fast approaching. Thanksgiving is right around the corner. This year my family and I will be hosting Thanksgiving Day at the Post. So if you or anyone you know is in need or will be alone, please come to the Post for a great dinner. Also, we are looking for side dishes and volunteers to assist.

We have recently finished stucco repairs to our building followed by a new coat of paint; looks great!

To all Post members and their families I hope you have a wonderful and safe holiday.

For God and Country, Commander Jones

House Committee Update

by Tom Yagley, Chairman

Always appreciate the support around the Post. Excellent effort by Jimmy the Grinder.

The Combat Vets Cowboy Up was a great success, thanks to Richard and John. A huge thank you everyone for your support and to the volunteers. Post 1 is sponsoring Cub Scout Pack 266; recent Burger Nights and popcorn sales were fun for the Scouts and successful. The Legion is looking forward to hosting Pack 266 events in 2017.

Congratulations Teri Mercill, Auxiliary Unit 1 President. Teri hit the ground running, way too much fun to be enjoyed in so little time. A very sincere appreciation of our LCW1 Color Guard for all they do: Veterans Services, Post events, Rockies Games. Thank you!

The Bar Staff, as always, continues to provide wonderful service. Truly appreciated by all. "Beer, Norm?" "Have I gotten that predictable? Good."

40/8 Greetings

by Tom Yagley, Chef de Gare

Voiture 97 was well represented at the August Grande Wreck in Colorado Springs. It was an excellent opportunity to meet fellow Voyageurs from around Colorado. Membership dues are due now; please see Dave Powers.

November events include Veterans Day the 11th. We are also looking forward to the always entertaining 40/8 Turkey Shoot on the 19th. It is a good time and supports a great cause, The Fisher House. We are accepting Turkey Donations for the "Shoot." several will be given to Fisher House. Please come out and support these events.

The various Meal Nights, etc., help all the Legion Families support our veterans programs.

Pearl Harbor Survivors will be observing the 75th anniversary on December 7 at LCW1.

Thank you, God Bless.

SAL News

by Commander Al Taylor

As we enter a busy time of year, a reminder to renew your membership, if you haven't done so already. New door cards will be issued after Jan. 1 to all showing current membership card with paid dues.

Our regular meetings are scheduled on Nov. 2 and Dec. 7 and we need each and every member to become involved. There is more to being a member than simply having a card with all of the rights and none of the responsibilities.

Any and all volunteers are encouraged to participate in events (Hamburger Nights Nov. 2 and 30, "Legion family" placing of flags on graves at Crown Hill Cemetery on Nov. 10 — leaving Post 9 a.m., Holiday Fair, New Year's Eve Party.) Even if you are not able to do kitchen duty, please come in and support those who are, for EACH of the member organization events. Get your favorite recipe ready for Chili Cook-off in January! Invite a friend or neighbor and see you at the Post soon.

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LCWPost1.org**

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Sr. Vice Commander

by Chris Nepute

Wow! Where has the time gone? We're nearly halfway through the Post's operating year, it's almost Election Day, and this is the last issue of *The Reveille* for 2016. We've worked hard to make our Post a financially sound organization that lives up to our promise to help veterans and their families, in a safe and enjoyable setting. That said... it's time for some fun!! We're finalizing plans for an extra special New Year's Eve celebration at the Post!

In preparation for this event, the Post will close at 5 p.m. on Saturday, December 31, and will reopen for ticket holders at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., with a brief half-hour social time while we clean up and make things ready for a night of music, dancing, and all around fun! On that note, we've scheduled The Jim

Hyatt Band for the evening's entertainment. The band will start at 8 p.m. and continue into the New Year. We'll have decorations, party favors, and a champagne toast at midnight. We'll round out the evening with a breakfast that'll be available after the band's performance.

Tickets sales will open — for the Post 1 Family — on November 1 and will be limited to the first 100 on a first-come, first-served basis. We plan to open ticket sales to our comrades at other Posts and veterans' organizations after Thanksgiving. Be sure to get yours early so you don't miss out on this holiday extravaganza. Lori and I look forward to spending a great night with our Post Family.

Don't forget to vote — it's a right you earned, and a right you preserved for all Americans.

Interested In Playing Texas Hold'em At The Post?

If so, there is a sign-up sheet to indicate your interest in playing and the day that works best for you.

Or call the office and we will put you on the sign-up sheet.

Combat Veterans Cowboy Up



Pablo in jail, waiting to be bailed out.



Sharon and Jerry Osgood in jail together — looks like they don't care if they get bailed out!



Hands Down was the band for the event.

Adjutant News

by Patrick Burch

Hello to all The American Legion family members! I'm back.

As many of you already know I was in the Denver County Jail for my third DUI arrest. The moral to this story is: DON'T DRINK & DRIVE! I urge you to use Uber or alternate transportation if you have something to drink. I assure you Uber, taxi fare or public transportation is a great deal less expensive than what an arrest costs.

Now, having made that embarrassing confession let me tell you that we have a full schedule of events coming thru the rest of the year. We are going to have a Halloween party, Thanksgiving and Christmas meals and a New Year's celebration. Please watch the bulletin board/TV in the bar for further details. Things are going well for the Post and I look forward to the New Year. Happy Halloween, Thanksgiving, Chanukah, New Year's and Merry Christmas!

As part of the fund raising, people had an option to have their photo taken with a live Eagle.



Don and Doris Petersen



Glen and Margaret Stenson



Dave Powers



Heather Mulqueen

President's Report

by Teri Mercill



When I was elected Auxiliary Vice President last May, no one told me that if the President steps down, I automatically become President! That's what happened at the beginning of our first meeting in September. As I realized that I was now Auxiliary President, the first words out of my mouth were, "Please bear with me, because I don't know what in the hell I'm doing." Fortunately, LCW Post 1 Auxiliary has a well-seasoned group of past presidents who have proven themselves invaluable as I learn the ropes. My sincere thanks to Sue, Georgia, Donna, Diane, Margaret, Doris, LueAnne, Joanne and many others!

The Auxiliary's first event was Saturday, October 1, Salmon Dinner and a Movie. With thanks to the Post's members and guests, it was an unqualified success! Legion member Danny Minehane donated the salmon, and Auxiliary member Joanne Carpenter was our chef. The event raised over \$300 for the Unit 1 President's Fund 2016/2017: The Veterans Community Living Center at Fitzsimons. *Blazing Saddles* won the vote for the movie to be shown.

Upcoming events for the Auxiliary will include the Craft Fair the Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 26), and the chili cook-off sometime after the first of the year. This year, the cook-off will be a joint effort between the SAL and the Auxiliary. Initial talks are underway to plan all-Post Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.

The Auxiliary will also be handing out poppies the weeks before and after Veterans Day (November 11). The poppy has become a symbol of the sacrifice of lives in war, and represented the hope that none had died in vain. This distribution of the bright red memorial flower to the public is one of the oldest and most widely recognized programs of the American Legion Auxiliary.

As we prepare for the upcoming holiday season and spending time with family and friends, please think of those people in our Legion community who may not have anyone to celebrate with. Reach out to those that have served or are serving. Remember and honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.



A special thank you to Brandt Erickson and Donna Thompson for volunteering to help with many of the meals served at the Post. When paying for your meal, members can always expect a smile, wry response from either of them, or a sincere "glad to see you" greeting. Two great people that deserve a special thank you and recognition from all.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Tom Alberts
Clinton Allen
Jim Bartusch
Sherry Cook
Gerry Emrick
Dennis Fraker
Chase Franklin
Harold Graper
Rockey Hagan
Bryce Hedin
Mae Jacobson
Mike Jarboe
Robin Lamoureux
Carol McLaughlin
Nancy Meier
Chris Mulqueen
Kathi Nicolai
Robert Ochsner
Ron Olson
Normand Paradis
Jeff Ruiz
John Thornbloom
Kevin Truitt
Lawrence Varner
Lawrence Vignerot
Fran Wade
Tommy Wiles
Donald Wold

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jean Bauer
Jim Bisch
Bill Burns
Al Duran
Celeste Gamache
John Gilbert
Gary Grant
Ron Gutru
Bonnie Hahn
Gary Jantz
Kristin Jordal
Terry Mannlein
John Martinez
Roland Menk
Rodolfo Moreira
Jennifer Napoleon
Greg Nelson
Lori Nepute
Jerry Osgood
Scarlett Pastore
Jim Podracky
David Pople
Frank Rome
Glen Stenson
Margaret Stenson
Gerald (Ed) Walker
Waite Wilmore
Sherry Wing
Michael Winget
Nick Yagley

Check out the calendar on the back page for all the upcoming Post #1 events and activities!

Voiture 97 40/8

Annual Turkey Shoot

Saturday, November 19, 2016
2 p.m.

Air Rifle Shooting
with Richard Bridge & Pablo Palen

Turkey Raffles and 50/50 Drawings

Food will be available

The public is welcome to this Veterans event

Proceeds to benefit the Fisher House

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #1 Holiday Craft Fair

November 26, 2016
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Crafters offering such items as Handcrafted Jewelry, Greeting Cards, Wall Hangings, Soaps & Lotions, among others

Prize Drawings • Lunch Will Be Served

American Legion Post #1
5400 E. Yale Ave. (East of I-25)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS • November-December 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Lunch Is Served At The Post Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.</p>		1 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	2 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. SAL Hamburger Night 5-7 p.m. SAL MEETING 7 p.m.	3 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	4 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Karaoke 7-11 p.m.	5 District 6 Auxiliary Meeting 10:30 a.m.
	6 Attend The Church Of Your Choice	7 Bar Opens at 3 p.m. Art Class 7-9 p.m.	8 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. LEGION & AUXILIARY MEETINGS 7 p.m.	9 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Auxiliary Hamburger Night 5-7 p.m.	10 Flags at Crown Hill Cemetery Meet at Post 1 • 9 a.m. Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. PLANNING & HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETINGS 6:30 p.m.	 Veterans Day See Page ?? for program details. 11 a.m.
13 Attend The Church Of Your Choice Auxiliary Breakfast 10 a.m.-12 p.m.	14 Bar Opens at 3 p.m.  NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS Celebration • 6 p.m. Cake & \$10 Drawing Art Class • 7-9 p.m.	15 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	16 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. 40/8 Hamburger Night 5-7 p.m.	17 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 6:30 p.m.	18 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Karaoke 7-11 p.m.	19 District 6 DMS Call Center 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 40/8 Promenade 10 a.m. Turkey Shoot 2 p.m.
20 Attend The Church Of Your Choice District 6 DMS Call Center 9 a.m.-4 p.m.	21 Bar Opens at 3 p.m. Art Class 7-9 p.m. Omega Parliamentarians 7-9 p.m.	22 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	23 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. No Burger Night Tonight	 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	25 Lunch Served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Set Up For Auxiliary Holiday Fair 3 p.m.	26 Auxiliary Holiday Craft Fair 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
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