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American Legion Riders

President – Andy Werner
Vice President – Gerry Keblesh
Sgt. At Arms – Jay Lundblac
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Treasurer – Sue Wenrick
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COMDR - Gary Bishop
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Historian - Rhonda Brabits
Chaplain - George McCambridge
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AUXILIARY

PRESIDENT - Patty Bishop
1ST VICE - Sue Wenrick
2ND VICE - Sabra Lusher
Secretary - Beth Adric
Treasurer - Traci Gibbons
Chaplain - Marlis Lane
Historian - Sue Ziegler
Sgt. at Arms - Jan Listowski
Guard

WEB MASTER - Tim Jones

EDITOR - Gary Bishop (Please be nice to your interim editor!)

Pride of the Front Range



COMMANDERS NOTES

Great News: Starting June 17th, **Sue (Wilkes) Wenrick** will start as the new Club Manager. Sue has been a member of the Post Auxiliary (currently 1st VP) for many years and is now a member of the American Legion Riders and is the Treasurer. She's all about the Legion and shares the same vision as me to make this Post grow Greetings to all American Legion Post 4 members.

Commander: My name is Gary Bishop and I am proud to be serving as your Commander for the next year. I'm starting my 5th year as a member and the past 3 years, I have been the Sargent of Arms (2 years) and last year I was the finance officer. Now, the Commander.

Where is everyone? The survival of this Post depends on members. It is the responsibility of **ALL MEMBERS** of American Legion Post 4 to participate in activities and volunteer your time to have a healthy club. The board or I cannot do this alone and need all of you to participate and support this Post. If this doesn't happen, then there will be some tough decisions by the board during this year that will not be popular. So, please come and support your club.

I want to personally recognize **John Mercer** for his donation to purchase a brand-new **Craftsman 42" ZTR (Zero Turn Ratio) riding mower.**

Next Membership Meeting is **June 5, 2019.** See all of you there.

Gary Bishop - Commander



CHAPLAIN NOTES

I have been reading this book *The Art of Noticing*; it suggests that noticing incidental details sparks creativity and inspirational thinking. I went to thoughts like noticing coincidences... a dragon fly landing on a lady's ankle in direct alignment to her dragon fly tattoo, a bird landing on a page of a book opened up to a picture identifying the same bird or capturing a picture of lighting strike that looks like President Kennedy.

You know weird things like that. Then I realized really it is the everyday coincidences. Having someone make eye contact and say good morning as you pass by, finding a note on your windshield saying, "don't forget to close your gas cap", a phone call from someone you were just thinking about. You know, nice things like that...take notice!

Lord,

From George Beach Post 4, don't let us forget that coincidences are Your way of waking us up to the fact that You are right here guiding, inspiring and encouraging us each and every day. Hone in us the art of noticing the coincidences you put before us, inspire us to use these incidentals for the good of our club. Amen

Marlis Lane – Auxiliary Chaplain

AUXILIARY NOTES

Ladies, Happy Summer! We will not meet again until September 4th, but if anyone needs anything from the Auxiliary, you can contact me anytime. We have our new board in place and are ready for a new year and I will try to fill Denysia's cute shoes as best I can.

I would like to thank all the people who have helped in the past year either on a committee or on their own. Jenny Bender for helping with the bulletin and making the stars that we hand out. Also to all others who help with the bulletin. I don't have all your names so thank you! Thank you to Cricket who organizes the cookie makers and delivers cookies to the veterans. Also for being a mentor to the newer members and always volunteering to organize Celebrations of Life held for our members and the numerous other things she does for our Legion. A big thanks to Beth Adric, even though she is new to our group she has been a great contribution, helping on many occasions and the right hand to the ambassador of fun. Thank you to Sue Ziegler for cutting out stars from flags turned in and for the many things she helps with all year and answering all the questions I ask her. Thank you to Lauda for sending out sympathy and get-well cards from the Auxiliary and all the activities she arranges at the Legion. A big thanks to her and all the ladies that helped with the Easter party and the 100th anniversary and so many other events.

We are proud to be sponsoring four young ladies at Girls State in June. This is such a wonderful opportunity for these girls, and it is completely financially covered by the Auxiliary. I am certain they will represent us well! We also donated to the Presidents Fund to help fund 36 apartment style living quarters for homeless female veterans. We are always looking for ways to help our vets so if you have ideas, please bring them to us. Our group is proud to be here to support our veterans in the Legion and in the community.

Patty Bishop - Auxiliary President

Adjutant Notes

Current membership as of 05/08/2019 is 399 members. Our quota for 2019 is 432. Many thanks to the 399 members that help our post, help local vet's and many other organizations. (Visit www.GBeach4.org for information.

Your membership also gives you a voice in Washington D.C through the National American Legion. They fight for our Veteran's.

Don Flaherty - Adjutant

Fort Collins All-Veterans Honor Guard

Since our last posting, we have had only three funerals. Things have slowed up quite a bit. That is good because we have a lot of guys down because of various medical procedures and others on vacation. But our volunteer members covered approx. 396 total aggregate miles with 69 man hours involved. Thanks everybody.

Anybody in our Post 4, family interested in joining call Curt Cameron at (970)484-2320 or Terry Hartfield at (970) 219-4546.

Terry Hartfield – Honor Guard

Sons of the American Legion

First, thank you Paul Benigni for stepping up for an officer position! We have a solid bunch of officers and are hoping for a productive year. I am hoping for solid support from all Squadron 4 members as well. The veteran and community support we provide is only possible with your help.

June brings us Flag Day. SAL will organize the Flag Disposal Ceremony, June 14 @ 1800 hrs. We plan to involve all Post 4 organizations and will follow the same format as previous years. Please attend this honorable ceremony.

We have a good number of new members, I haven't met. Feel free to contact me 213-4410. Have a great June and be vigilant in your prayers!

Tony Souder - Commander

The Kitchen is now Open

The kitchen is now open, and their specials are on the June calendar.

American Legion Riders

Well another month has gone by and it was busy. Some of highlights from this month was a Poker Run hosted by ALR Post 180 out of Keenesburg, CO, which by the way made a stop at our post. The feedback I received was good and everyone enjoyed coming to our post. We were pleasantly surprised at the fact the Marine Corps League was out doing a fundraiser which a few of the riders participated in.

The Riders also stepped up and started doing the lawn care for the post, there is a lot of work to be done, but little by little we will get it cleaned up and looking nice again. Thank you to Gary for allowing us this opportunity and Ziggy for helping and giving us some good pointers and training. If you would like to help out, get with Sue Wenrick and she will point you in the right direction.

A big event happening this month is the American Legion Department Convention down in Colorado Springs from June 20-23. The Riders portion is on Friday the 21st at 1800.

The Riders also hosted Cub Scout Troops 188 and 192 for a flag retirement ceremony on Wednesday May 22, 2019 to promote Americanism, and an educational experience on proper flag etiquette.

One last thing the Riders will be out at the Realities for Children Ride and Rally this Memorial Day weekend to try and start recruiting not just for the Riders but also the Sons, Legion and Auxiliary. In order to be a Rider, you must belong to one of those parent organizations.

If you are interested in joining the Riders, my phone is always on (970) 689-4239 or come to a meeting. We will be having our next meeting on the Sunday June 16th at 1000. The summer months are here so we are looking forward to riding and serving Veterans and the community. Till next time, keep the rubber side down.

Andy Werner – ALR President

“Your junk is someone else's treasure”

The Legion is thinking about having a flea-market of their own. Looking at the date of June 29th. It will be held on the West side lawn. For \$15 we will supply the table, you bring your “stuff”. Call the office at 970-484-0418 and reserve your spot. You will be responsible for taking your leftovers home. You cannot put anything in our dumpsters that is left over

June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 Membership Mtg – 6:00PM	6	7 <u>Special</u> Spaghetti w/Garlic Bread	8 Texas Hold Em' 5 PM
9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day Ceremonies 6:00 PM <u>Special</u> Open-Face Chili Burger	15 Legion Riders 10:00 am
16	17 New Manager start date	18	19	20	21 <u>Special</u> Lasagna	22 Texas Hold Em' 5 PM
23	24	25	26	27	28 <u>Special</u> Hot Roast Beef & Mashed Potatoes	29 Flea Market 8:00 AM
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