



**“For God and Country”** **GEORGE C. EVANS POST 103** **“United We Stand”**

**“The Leader Post” July 2012**

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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- No meeting in July
- 7/05/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall
- 7/12/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall
- 7/14/2012 - Annual Post Picnic - Sterne Park - 11AM-3PM
- 7/19/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall
- 7/26/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall
- 7/30/2012- Officers meeting-Buck Rec. Center-7:00PM



**COMMANDER’S COMMENTS**

Let me begin by saying, all Post 103 and Auxiliary Unit members are deeply saddened at the losses we have experienced in the month of July. Loretta Ciruli, Don and Mary Monroe, Robert Meckenstock and my Step-Father, Manuel Maestas Sr., They all will be dearly missed.

On a lighter note, we had the Installation of Post Officers and Unit Auxiliary Ladies, and everyone is excited about the 2012-13 upcoming year.

Darlene, Sherry and Ed Pietsch, Lynn Peterson, and I attended The Department Convention held in Grand Junction, in June 28th-July 1st, 2012.

Post 103 was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Place in The Commander’s Service Award for 2012. Congratulations to our Post and the efforts that made this possible.

I would like to remind everyone, our Post Picnic will be held July 14<sup>th</sup> at Stearns Park, beginning at 12:00PM and ending at 3:00PM. Bring your favorite side dish and get ready to have some fun and camaraderie.

As your new Commander, I look forward to working with all of you members. Together, we can make a great difference in growing our Post, and be even prouder of calling ourselves “The Leader Post”.

Thank You All,  
Mike

## **General Meeting Minutes**

### **Committee Reports**

The Post meeting minutes of July, 2012 were approved.

**Harry Ciruli - Adjutant:** No Report

**Ed Pietsch - 1st Vice Commander:**

**Lynn Peterson - 2nd Vice Commander:** **Important Needs: 7** - Volunteers to March in Parade w/U.S., POW/MIA & Military Branch Flags. There will also be one or two vehicles for members who prefer to ride in the parade. Please contact 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr Lynn E. Peterson @ [lepeterson47@comcast.net](mailto:lepeterson47@comcast.net) and/or 720-841-5079, if interested, No Later Than Saturday, August 11, 2012.

**Post Picnic** – Be sure to have your calendars marked for the Post Picnic which will be held on July 14<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will be held again at the South Shelter at Sterne Park. The parking area is at the intersection of South Spotswood Street and West Sheppard Street.

**Western Welcome Week** – Just a heads-up to mark your calendar for Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> for this year’s big parade in Littleton. Hopefully, you will be able to march with the Color Guard or ride in a vehicle. More info will be provided over the next two months.

**Oratorical** – No report.

**Financial Report -John Tara:** No Report

**Carter Jones - Chaplain:** No Report.

**Lynn Peterson - Legion Baseball:** Lynn Peterson: Provided update on Legion summer league.

**Sergeant-At-Arms:** No report

**JAG -Charles Bleimer:** No Report

**BINGO - Ed Pietsch :** We had a great June for Legion Bingo which funds the majority of Post 103 Programs and activities throughout the year. We made a profit of \$6,437 for our Must Go on June 28th. We had a great day thanks to the efforts of all our regular volunteers plus additional support from Tommie Coleman, Cindy Himelspach, Betty Smith, Adreann Palmquist, John Tara, Lynn Peterson and Harry Giglio. All four weeks of June resulted in profits that totaled a little over \$9,000 for the month.

We are saddened by the recent passing of two of our beloved friends and volunteers. Don Monroe managed the "Pickle Bar" for many years and was one of the Post Bingo Managers. Loretta Ciruli was a more recent volunteer but she immediately became a tremendous asset to the Bingo Team. All the volunteers and our customers will never forget these outstanding individuals, their pleasant personalities and positive attitudes. God be with you both and your surviving family members.

Please consider joining us as a Bingo volunteer or as a player on any Thursday at the Slammers Bingo Hall which is located at 1884 South Wadsworth Boulevard (the northeast corner of Wadsworth and Jewell).

If you have questions please call Cal Wilson 303-470-7206, Ed Pietsch at 720-287-2108 or Pat Callahan 303-770-2857.

**AVHG, John Palmquist:** Like the Marine Corps, the All Veterans Honor Guard is looking for a few good men (or women)  
If you are able to give us any time at all, contact John Palmquist at 303-471-4643 or [jup614@comcast.net](mailto:jup614@comcast.net),

**Bingo Manager - Cal Wilson:** - No report

**Service Officer - Pat Callahan:** - No Report

**Historian and Boys State - Rich Callan:** History - No Report. / Boys State - No Report.

**Commanders Report - Mike Romero:** See Commander's Comments.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 2000 hours.

## Special Notes

**Can You Help Reduce Post Costs?** – The Post has made an effort to minimize costs wherever possible to keep our dues at the current rate. Of the \$38 dues each member pays annually for dues, the Post only keeps \$9 and the balance (\$29) goes to the Department of Colorado and National Headquarters.

We budget \$4400 per year to print and mail out the newsletter. That number is \$800 greater than the Post total annual income we retain from membership dues for all of our members. The \$4400 budget equates to \$21 per year for each of the 200 members who currently receive hardcopy newsletters. We want everyone to receive and read the monthly newsletter. But if you have computers and still receive hardcopy newsletters, please consider receiving the newsletter by email or at the new Post webpage [www.legionpost103.org](http://www.legionpost103.org). You will receive the newsletter much quicker and it will be in color plus you will enable us to better use limited Post funds for Programs such as Boys State, Oratorical, American Legion Baseball, etc. Please call or email Harry Ciruli at the Post phone number 720-287-2139 to give him your email address and request receiving electronic newsletters or to let him know you will retrieve the newsletter from the Post webpage. Also, Harry can be emailed at the Post webpage as well. Thank You

### Special Notes (cont.)

#### For Sale

Two Cemetery lots in the Garden of Victory Court of Honor at Chapel Hill Memorial Garden in Littleton.

Location: 42-C one each upper & lower space.

for information please call: **Jean Jesser-303-771-2746**



**Darlene Romero, President**

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This was suppose to be Loretta's first newsletter, but as most of you know, she passed away on June 29th. This has been a shock to everyone and she will be missed. Loretta had a lot of new ideas for the coming year and hopefully we can full fill some of them.

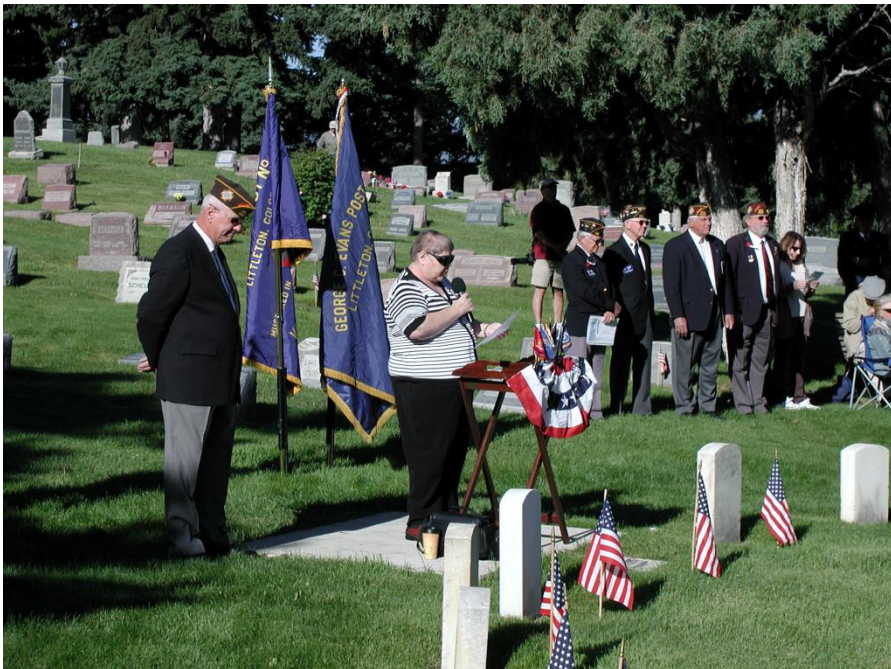
Funeral services are still pending at this writing. (You may want to change this if you know before you send this to Harry).

I have stepped up and will be President of the Auxiliary, and now we will need a Vice President. If anyone would like to fill this office please call me. It isn't a hard position to have, also we are looking for a secretary for our meetings so if either of these positions interest you please call or email me.

Sherry Pietsch and myself went to Grand Junction on June 28th to June 30th for the Department Convention. It was a fun time attending meetings and seeing how other Units through out the State operate. A lot of good projects happen from the Auxiliary in our State. We won first place in our group for VA&R. (This was the ditty bag project we did in November and the Homeless Vet project we did in December. The top winners from each group were then judged and we received Honorable Mention

from Department, which we are very proud to receive. Please remember the picnic on July 14th at Stern Park, you can find more information about this in the newsletter.

Darlene



**In loving memory of Loretta Ciruli**

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