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GEORGE C. EVANS POST 103

“United We Stand”

“The Leader Post”

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

10/11/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

10/17/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

10/25/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

11/1/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

11/3/2012- Dist. 5- Post 178- Lakewood

11/5/2012- Officers Meeting-Buck Rec. Center- 7:00PM

11/7/2012- General Membership Meeting-Buck Rec. Center- 7:00PM

11/8/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

11/10/2012- Annual Post Banquet-1:00 PM- Englewood Elks Lodge, 3690 S. Jason St.-Deadline Please see 2nd. Vice's Committee Report.

11/11/2012- 9/11 Service – Kettering Park- 11:00 AM

11/14/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

11/17/2012- Post Breakfast- Englewood Elks

11/21/2012- Bingo - Slammers Bingo Hall

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:

I would like to say “thank you” to the Membership for one of the best attended meetings we’ve had in spite of the Televised Presidential Debates.

October will be a very busy month for our Post, and this meeting had a very full agenda.

Membership continues to grow, we are at 77.78% as of: October 5, 2012. We are in great shape of attaining our goal of 360 members.

Past Commanders in attendance who were recognized were: Dean Casey, “also 5th Dist Cmdr”, Pat Callahan, John Palmquist, and Richard Carlson.

Don Morris and his wife Faye scratched the surface in their presentation of Medicare and how they will serve some of our Members who are interested. If you want to follow up and didn't receive his business card let Harry Ciruli or I know so we can get the information to you.

Dean Casey, Ed wearing, and Richard Humphrey, represented and spoke on 5th District matters that concern our Post as well as all Posts in 5th district.

We had a Blue Star Certificate presented to Lisa K. Lalonde, Mother of Nicholas M. Himes, US Army who is stationed in Afghanistan, let's keep him in our thoughts and prayers. There was also a Blue Star Certificate presented to the family of Dakota S. Clark, US Marines (they were not in attendance at our meeting).

We initiated 7 new members at his meeting, Mike Stackpole, "RIP" Hobson, Terry McAvoy, Mark Brady, Stan Goggin, Pat Oliver, Wylie Meikle, and I want to welcome all of you, to our Post. We have plenty of things to involve each and every one of you in, so Don't Be Shy.

Thank you Pat Callahan and Harry Giglio, for your outstanding work as Post Service Officer and AVHG Commander. I want to thank the AVHG for your participation also. This past month has been very busy for all of you.

We, Lynn Peterson, Ed Pietsch, and Harry Ciruli are currently working on the Annual Awards Banquet for our Post. This will happen on November 10, 1:00pm at Englewood Elks Lodge, address is listed in Lynn Peterson's portion of the Newsletter.

Our Post received a Thank You email from Crystal Black for our participation and support for their First Annual Family Day Picnic for The VA Medical Center.

I believe I've gone on way too long, so let me close for now.

Thank You all for making our Post the best!

Mike Romero

Commander

General Meeting Minutes

Commander Romero called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

Adjutant Harry Ciruli declared that a quorum was present.

Recognition of Past Commanders: Rich Carlson, Dean Casey, John Palmquist, and Pat Callahan.

Honored guest in attendance: Dean Casey, Commander of District 5, Ed Wearing, Rich Humphries, Don & Faye Morris.

Don and Faye Morris gave a presentation on Medicare and Veterans insurance programs.

A Certificate of Appreciation for military service was presented to the mother of Nicholas Hines, USA.

An Imitation Ceremony was conducted for new Post 103 Members:

Michael Stackpole

Rip Hopson

Stanley Groggin
Mark Brady
Terry McAvoy
Wylie Meikle
Patrick Oliver

Gentlemen, we welcome you as our brethren to Post 103. Congratulations!

Dean Casey, Commander of District 5, mentioned that a Fall Conference will be held on November 3, 2012. Also mention activities of the AVHG, Boys State. Offered kudos to our Service Officer, Pat Callahan. Richard Humphries, State Junior Vice Commander provided an update on District activities.

The minutes for the September, 2012 have been disseminated to Post members. A motion was made and seconded to approve them as published.

Officers Reports

Harry Ciruli – Adjutant: Received a note of appreciation from Aaron Malcolm. Attended the Leadership Conference. Will take part in a posting of colors tomorrow for Ann Romney at Hudson Gardens.. He will be assisted by Fred Himelspace. Harry will also be working with Bonfils Blood Center to have the Post put on the donor list on their computers.

Ed Pietsch - 1st Vice Commander: Provided members with copies of the tri-fold pamphlet for distribution to veterans. Information on recruiting.

Lynn Peterson - 2nd Vice Commander: *Upcoming Post #103 Event Reminder”*
Fellow Legionnaires, Auxiliary Members & Family and Guests:

You are cordially invited to attend our 2012 George C. Evans Post 103 Annual Post Banquet, Saturday, November 10, 2012 at Englewood Elks Lodge, 3690 S. Jason St., Englewood, CO 80110. The Banquet will begin at 1:00 PM, with Cash drinks available from Servers.

The Meal will be served at approximately 1:30 PM, followed by Post Commander comments, an Agenda of Guest Recognitions & Presentations, Post Sponsored Program Chairman (Boys State, Oratorical & Legion Baseball) Program Highlights, along with Guest comments, including Award Presentations. Also, included will be Door Prize give-a-ways to attendees. The cost for Attendance is **\$15.00 per person**, which includes the meal, taxes & gratuity.

The Meal Choices are:

Vegetable Preferences are:

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| 1. Roast Beef | 1. Corn, with Red Peppers |
| 2. Herbed Seasoned Baked Chicken. | 2. California Blend (Broccoli, Cauliflower, Carrot) |

Note: All Meal(s) include, Tossed Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Dessert, Coffee and Iced Tea.

RSVP your Attendance/Attendee(s) by either 1) **E-mailing** your Meal Selection & Vegetable Preference to Post 103 2nd Vice Lynn E. Peterson at: lepeterson47@comcast.net OR 2) **Completing & Mailing** the Bottom Portion of this sheet **via Postal Service** mailing to: Lynn E. Peterson, 6821 S. Kendall Blvd., Littleton, CO 80128.

Importantly, Please **RSVP No Later Than Saturday, October 27, 2012** to allow Caterers sufficient time for ordering Meal quantities.

NOTE: If sending via Postal Service mail, Please Keep the Top Portion of Banquet Information & Meal Selection, with Vegetable Preference for your personal Order Information. Payment Options: 1) include Check, Payable to: George C. Evans Post 103, in your Postal Service Return Mailing OR bring Check to Lynn at the November 7th General Membership Meeting at Littleton's Buck Recreation Center.

Detach, Cut Along Here & Mail w/Check

RSVP No Later Than Saturday, October 27, 2012

Name: _____

of Attendees: _____

Meal Selection Choice(s): _____ # Hot Roast Beef _____ # Herbed Seasoned Baked Chicken

Vegetable Preference Either: _____ Corn w/Red Peppers OR _____ California Blend

Check #: _____ or Cash. Amount: \$ _____

Oratorical – No report.

Financial Report -George Williams: Stated that there is a requirement that each post provide a quarterly financial report.

Peter Schroder- Chaplain: Offered an update on Post member Chuck Pippit

Lynn Peterson - Legion Baseball: Provided an update on the Legion baseball program

Sergeant-At-Arms- Fred Himelspach: No report

JAG -Duane Leiker: No Report

John Palmquist: No Report

BINGO - Ed Pietsch: Bingo reported a loss of \$200.00 in September. Current balance is \$13K, YTD.

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

AVHG, Harry Giglio: - The AVHG performed 13 services in August. 18 in September.

Bingo Manager - Cal Wilson: - No report

Service Officer - Pat Callahan:

Historian and Boys State - Rich Callan: - History, No Report. Boys State: Provided an update 2013 Boys State program.

Old Business: None

New Business:

The 50/50 drawing was won by Ward Oliver and donated the entire amount to the Meals on Wheels

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 2012 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. 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



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We had another good meeting on Wednesday. We had visitors from District 5, Sandy Flint and Nita Calkum. They talked about some of the Veteran programs, such as the Hyperbaric Oxygen Chamber, And Wounded Warrior's and many more. We also had Erin Malcolm from Summit Ridge that the Auxiliary sent to Leadership Camp. She told us about her experience at the conference.

At our September meeting the members voted to donate \$200.00 from the General Fund to buy socks and underwear for Veterans at the VA Hospital. Sherry Pietsch volunteered to buy the clothes and each member donated warm clothes and they will be taken to the VA Hospital on Tuesday.

Marsha Callan was installed as Vice President and JoAnn Giglio was installed as Secretary. We are very happy to have them.

We have three more new members, Madeline Fountain, Cheri Neuroth and Gloria McAvoy. We welcome them to our Unit.

Upcoming Events:

Banquet, November 10th at 1:00pm at the Elks Lodge.

Veteran's Day Memorial at Kettering Park at 11:00am on November 11th

Breakfast at the Elks Lodge November 17th at 9am.

Darlene Romero

President

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