



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

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- 8-15-2015-Western Welcome Week Parade
- 8-13-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall
- 8-20-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall
- 8-27-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall
- 8-31-2015- Officers Meeting-6:30 pm-Buck Rec. Center
- 9-2-2015- General Membership Meeting-7:00 pm.
- 9-3-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall
- 9-10-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall
- 9-12-2015-Post Breakfast-Englewood Elks-9:00am—11:00am
- 9-17-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall
- 9-24-2015- Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall

Englewood Elks- 3690 S. Jason St., Englewood, CO  
 Buck Rec. Center—2004 W. Powers Ave., Littleton, CO  
 Bingo – Slammers Bingo Hall Slammers Bingo Hall-1884 S. Wadsworth-Lakewood. CO

**COMMANDER’S COMMENTS**

1. The Englewood High School Veterans Memorial Project - Completed

2. The 2015 Western Welcome Week to be held on Saturday, August 13, 2015. I extend my sincere congratulations to Roger Masse and Bill Brudwick for their strong efforts and coordination skills in the planning of this annual event.

3. The annual Post 103 picnic was a huge success. My sincere thanks to Roger Masse, Bill Brudwick, Janelle Rodriguez, Bill Brudwick and his wife, Fred and Cindy Himelspach, and others whom I can't remember!

4. It was a decision of the Executive to forgo any Post 103 activities, in August, 2016.

5. Regretfully, Post 103 has been notified of the passing of 3 Post members. There will be a Post Everlasting Ceremony at the September, 2015, meeting to honor the past service.

*Richard Callan*  
Commander

## **General Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was graveled to order at 1900 hrs.  
Adjutant Harry Ciruli declared that there was a quorum present.

Past Commanders present at tonight's meeting

Rich Carlson, Mike Romero, Ed Pietsch

World War II Veterans Present at tonight's

Jack Panzini, Fay Cunningham

### **Officers Reports**

**Harry Ciruli – Adjutant:** The good news is out of 448 members we have 228 that have paid their dues. We are required to show proof that all members were honorably discharged I also need them in case a member's family can't find it for their loved ones funeral.

I have 145 at present on file. Please call me to confirm that you have your DD214 on file. My phone No. is 720-287-2139. If there are any address and/or Email changes let me know. Also, Please get your renewal in ASAP. I urge you all to get me your DD214's

**Roger Masse - 1<sup>st</sup>. Vice Commander:** No Report

**Boys State:** No report

**Oratorical:** Meets once a month 1st. Saturday at Department, no meeting June or July.

**Bill Brudwick - 2<sup>nd</sup>. Vice Commander:** No Report

**Financial Report – Wayne Arguello:** Post finances are in great shape.

**Mike Romero- Chaplains' REPORT: August 2015**

Per Past Cmdr, **Lynn Peterson** – Tried to make contact with Dennis Gereaux concerning health of Post 103 member **Bud Howard**, phone number given is no longer in svc.

**Duane Leiker** is home from Littleton Hospital after having 36 oz. of fluid drained from his lungs on 7/30/15.

Sympathy Card sent to family on 7/16/15 of, **Robert L. Sage**, WWII, veteran, US Army.

I mailed letter of Inquiry to **Madeline** and **Danny Fountain** concerning health matters, on 7/22/15. I was unable to reach them by phone, to date, no response.

Sympathy card sent 8/1/15, to families of **Robert A. Glover**, WWII, veteran, US Army, and **Bob A. Storjohann**, Korea, veteran US Army.

**Pat Callahan** is still in foot cast but was able to attend our Must-Go Bingo, it was very nice to see him again, and many bingo players were happy to talk with him.

**Ray Pearson** asked me to pick him up to attend our membership meeting. Everyone enjoyed seeing him back in circulation.

Mailed, Get Well card 8/3/15, to **John Palmquist**, who is currently in rehab for a broken femur, at The Center of Lincoln. Can take calls at: 303-522-7763, and also visits, but not on Mon, Weds and Fridays, those are days he is in dialysis.

Darlene and I paid him a visit on Saturday, he was in good spirits and conversed quite a bit. Adreann said they are hoping for only one more week instead of two, of rehab. Let's pray and keep our fingers crossed.

Please keep those mentioned, in our thoughts and prayers.

Please contact me at: 303-973-2493 or: [mjromero44@gmail.com](mailto:mjromero44@gmail.com) if you know of any member needing a visit or call.

**Lynn Peterson - Legion Baseball** Colorado's American Legion Baseball (CALB) Summer Program has just finished with the completion of Post Season State Legion A, B, C & D Tournaments held during July 15<sup>th</sup> through August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Our Post 103 Sponsored "2015 Boys of Summer" American Legion Baseball Program consisted of: Three local High Schools – Littleton, Heritage & Englewood, representing Five Teams: 1) Littleton High School Lions Legion B & C; 2) Heritage High School Eagles Legion C1 & C2; and 3) Englewood High School Pirates Legion C Team.

Visit [www.calb.org](http://www.calb.org) for summary of League & Team Standings.

Of **Special Recognition**, our **Heritage Eagles Legion C Metro South Team** ended the Post Season by qualifying, participating & ultimately Winning the State Legion C Tournament, crowned as **2015 CALB State Legion C Champions**.

Great Efforts & Another Successful Season by All our Sponsored Teams.

**Sergeant-At-Arms- Rip Hobson:** No Report.

**JAG –Gene Foyle:** No Report.

**AVHG- Harry Giglio** The AVHG did 20 services the month of July and to date we have 140 total services since January. The majority of our services have been WWII and Vietnam Veterans.

We are on target to do at least 200 for the year at Ft Logan.

**Bingo Manager – Ed Pietsch:** Actually the customer count was a little low for a Must Go with 159 customers. But they sure did spend the money. Our registers total was about \$5400, which is \$3,000 more than we normally have.

We sold 3 Dab It, 7 Four Corners, and 7 Show Me the Money. We could of broke a record for the number of Progressive Pull-tabs sold but we ran out and the supplier was waiting for a new shipment to arrive. We basically only had regular pull-tabs remaining to be sold by intermission.

Floor and table sales were very busy selling Double Action and Progressive Bingo Sheets. We sold about 2200 squares for the Progressive game. And a lot more than normal Double Action sheets.

We paid out quite a bit of money as well including \$6361 to the Must Go winners including a regular and Joe Cordova's daughter, \$2,000 to other bingo winners, \$1214 to regular pull-tab winners, \$375 to Dab-It, \$1,960 to Four Corners winners, and \$1,400 to Progressive pull-tab winners. That is over \$13,300 in payouts in one day.

Did we make anything? Sure - we made about average for a Must Go day with a profit of \$5,529.36.

I never seen the pickle bar so busy so early, we were all disappointed we did not have more Progressive pull-tabs to sell. But our jackpot for next week is up to \$2200 and should help us have another good week.

Thanks to everyone who pitched in - including all our regular and the extra helpers. We appreciate your efforts to make us successful on a very stressful day. Great Job Everyone!!!!

If you have questions please call Ed Pietsch at 720-287-2108, Cal Wilson 303-470-7206 or our newest manager, Harry Ciruli at 720-287-2139.

- **Service Officer – Pat Callahan** Post 103 has been approved for \$30,000 in Grant funds for the 2015-2016 Grant Year.
- The training for the new Grant Year has been completed.
- The 2015-2016 first quarter funds have not been distributed yet,

During the month of July we had two requests for Veteran Housing Assistance.

- In the first request case, the Veteran was too late in the Eviction/Court process for us to help him.
- In the second request case, we were able to help the Veteran with half of her rent and she avoided severe late fees, penalties and downline court fees and eviction.

## **Scholarships**

### **Descendants of Veterans Scholarships – Ed Pietsch & Fred Himelspach**

The Post had received no applications for our new **Descendants of Veterans Scholarships** by May 1st.

We still may be receiving one from a relative of a Post member. We will be getting the information out earlier and more widely publicized next year.

The Post Scholarship Committee for the Claire Davis Memorial Scholarship consist of Post Members Fred Himelspach (Co- Chairman), Michael Romero, Howard Olsen, and Roger Masse and myself. Also, Connie Sevinson, the owner of Compleat Lifestyles and a partner with the Post on these scholarships, is a Committee person. Compleat Lifestyles donates \$2,000 to the

Post each year to fund one of the Scholarship. Fred and I thank everyone for their effort in reviewing the applications and making selection recommendations.

**Historian - Gene Foyle:** All photos were taken by Gene Foyle, thank you Gene.

**SAL – Nick Arceo**



**Nick Arceo, Squadron Commander**  
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Our squadron continues to grow. We are now at 25 members. We need all SAL members to pay their dues. Please see Harry Ciruli. At next month's general meeting we will initiate any new SAL members that have not been initiated before. Please let myself or Harry know if you're planning on participating in this event. Again let me invite any current member to join our SAL squadron, you can be a Duel Member! The Sons of The American Legion are proud to join the American Legion in support of our Veterans and their families. Please consider joining The Sons its a great group! Thank you for your support, God Bless our Veterans and God Bless America. If I can answer any questions about the SONS please contact me at [nicrco@gmail.com](mailto:nicrco@gmail.com).

Nick Arceo

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business** Motions were passed for changes to the by-laws and/or policies, Bingo funds contribution to the Auxiliary unit 103 and S.A.L. Squadron 102, Bingo to pay for Auxiliary and S.A.L fees for conventions and mileage. Buy ads for Centennial Skating Club.

**For the Good of the Legion:** A 50/50 drawing was held, and the lucky recipient was Fred Himelspach. He donated his winnings to AVHG. A good choice and thanks Fred.

The meeting was adjourned at 2010 hours followed by refreshments.



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No meetings for July and August.

*Janelle Rodriguez*  
Auxiliary President

**Post Spotlight:**

June spotlight  
Glenn Fritts  
Army 1946-1947  
World War II



Basic Training Fort Lewis Washington  
Stationed at Camp Stoneman, California for a short time

**Camp Stoneman** was a [United States Army](#) military facility located in [Pittsburg, California](#). It served as a major staging area for the Army in [World War II](#) and the [Korean War](#).

Named after [George Stoneman](#), a cavalry commander during the Civil War, the camp was activated in 1942 and decommissioned as a military post in 1954

Was sent back to Fort Lewis 2<sup>nd</sup> infantry motor pool

Traveled on troop train to Maryland assigned to Motor pool and attended tech schools at Aberdeen proving grounds Armory repairing Military equipment

After service

Worked at Construction

CDOT 35 years retired from CDOT

Married 56 years

4 children

9 grand children

Logo of Aberdeen Proving Ground



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