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December 2024 Newsletter



**Commander
Ava Barden**

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Happy holidays, everyone!

What a wonderful Veterans Day/Post Birthday party we had on November 9th. A BIG Thank You to everyone who attended and to everyone who helped. There are too many to mention by name, but to the readers, kitchen staff, set up and clean-up crews, and especially the Cub Scouts, their leaders and their parents. The Cubs did a fantastic job of presenting the colors. Following the ceremony, we had awards presentation. A Special Recognition Award was presented posthumously to Shirley Starley for all of contributions to the Post. *Also, our annual HOOT awards were presented to Lisa Dorn and Patrick Smith for all of their hard work. Thank you both for all you do!*

Our next ceremony will be the Four Chaplains Ceremony in February 2025. Look for more information on that to follow. I hope you will be able to attend even if you have attended one in previous years. It is a very touching ceremony.

December should be a busy month! Don't forget to buy stockings for you and your family members for \$1.00 each. Proceeds are for the Auxiliary Charities. Also, they add a festive touch to the Hall.

We are also collecting toys and cash for the Children's Hospital Toy Drive. I see the box for gifts by the serving counter is filling up quickly. See Lisa Dorn for additional details.

Also, in December we are collecting money for Wreaths Across America. The Legion, Auxiliary and SAL have all donated \$1,020 each to the cause. This is a project to place Christmas wreaths on the graves of veterans in Military cemeteries across the country. See Deb Stafford for more information on that project.

I hope everyone had a safe and happy Thanksgiving. Please keep our Military personnel and first responders in your prayers especially during the holiday season.

Our next Legion Meeting will be December 10th at 6:00 pm. We would love to see you there. And remember our meetings are open to everyone.

Ava Barden, Commander



POST 11-11 HOURS

MONDAY
3pm to 9pm

TUES WED THUR
Noon -9pm

FRI & SAT
Noon to 10pm

SUNDAY*
Noon to 9pm

***Open earlier if
breakfast served.
Check website
event posts or
calendar for dates.**

AUXILIARY UNIT 11-11

Happy Holidays! The Auxiliary will be busy in the month of December.

At our next meeting, on December 5th at 6:00 pm, the Bylaws committee will present the amended bylaws. Then we will vote on them at the January meeting. **You must have your 2025 membership card with you to vote.** After we take care of regular business, please stay and welcome our newest members. Snacks will be provided for this “meet & greet”. Let’s end 2024 (or begin 2025) with some great conversation and camaraderie.

On Saturday, December 7th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, the Auxiliary will have our Craft Fair. Everyone is invited. To all the vendors, you can come in to set up on Friday, December 6th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. If you have any questions, please see Jenny Mears.

The Auxiliary is having our Annual Christmas Stocking fundraiser. The stockings are \$1.00, and we will put the names on them and hang them from the ceiling. There are envelopes on the counter where the popcorn machine used to be. Please give the envelopes to either me or the bartenders.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Stop by the Post to say hello & have a cocktail or soda. We would love to see everyone!

Janet Lee, President



SAL SQUADRON 11-11

SAL next meeting will December the 12th at 6:00 pm. Voting for officer position(s) will also be at meeting. Installation will be at the January 9th meeting at 6:00 pm.

Our annual Children Hospital Toy Run will be on Sunday, December 8th. All donations must be in by December 3rd. You can also make a cash donation, and we will do the shopping for you. Please see Lisa Dorn or Dave Bucher for questions or cash donations.

On Sunday, December 8th plan to meet at the Legion at 8am- weather permitting we will ride. Group photo at 8am and wheels up no later than 8:30am.

Thank you for your support.

Huey Geller, SAL Commander

SAL CHAPLAIN

Heavenly Lord, bless us, this Christmas with Peace that passes all understanding, Joy that is beyond material possessions. Love that knows no boundaries, and Strength that emanates from you in faith in You.

Amen.

Michael McInerney, SAL Chaplain

JANET'S CORNER

Happy Holidays everyone! I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving. We will have a busy December for sure. The Auxiliary is having a craft fair on Saturday, December 7th. The vendor list is full, so it should be fun! The Boy Scouts will be serving breakfast on Sunday, December 8th from 8:00 am to noon. Come in for a great breakfast and help support our Boy Scouts.

Karaoke will be on Friday, December 13th and on Friday, December 27th. Bingo will be on Saturday, December 14th and Sunday, December 28th starting at 6:00 pm.

The SAL are doing their annual Toys for Tots toy drive. They are collecting toys for the kids in Children's Hospital. They also will take donations. But the deadline is coming fast. All toys or donations must be at the Legion by December 3rd. If you have any questions, see either Dave Bucher or Lisa Dorn.

If you are a Bronco fan, come in on Sunday, December 15th, 22nd and 29th for the game and potluck. Please bring a dish or put \$5.00 in the donation jar.

On Tuesday, December 24th, Christmas Eve the Legion will be open from Noon to 5:00 pm and we will be closed December 25th, Christmas day. It will be the same for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

I would like to thank the many volunteers who help run this Post from day to day! I could not do it without their help! Come in on Wednesday nights and Friday nights for dinner. Check the calendar for the menu. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone! Please say a prayer for our Veterans, active military, and First Responders.

Janet Lee, Club Manager

Congratulations!!

Post 11-11 2024 Hoot Award Recipients

**Lisa Dorn
Patrick Smith**

Wreaths Across America



Fort Logan Cemetery

Our Post 11-11's annual campaign for Wreaths Across America – 2024 at Fort Logan Cemetery begins November 1, 2024. There are over 123,000 gravesites at the cemetery. Please consider sponsoring a wreath(s) to honor our fallen heroes there. These beautiful wreaths cost \$17.00 each and can be sponsored by visiting the Fort Logan website at www.wreathscrossamerica.org/CO0087P by November 30, 2024. They will be laid by volunteers on December 14, 2024. You may also sponsor a wreath by filling out an envelope located at the Legion. Contact Deb Stafford at 303-903-5912 for more information.



Annual Children's Hospital Toy Drive

We will once again be supporting the Children's Hospital Toy Drive. We are asking for donations of new unwrapped toys (no stuffed animals) OR a cash donation and we will do the shopping for you. **All contributions need to be at the Legion by 12-3-24.** The actual ride will take place on 12-08-24 (weather permitting). There will be a Christmas box in the lounge for the toys. If you have any questions, please see Dave Bucher or Lisa Dorn. As always, we appreciate your support and participation.

Poker Mondays
December 6pm Start
Here's the Deal.....Join us on
Monday nights starting at 5:30,
for Texas Hold'em! \$20 buy in.

 A vertical poster for an American Legion Holiday Craft Fair. The background is purple with white snowflakes and green pine branches. The text is in various colors: white, yellow, and pink. There are several gingerbread cookies with white icing decorations, including one shaped like a reindeer and another like a star. A pink starburst contains the date and time.

AMERICAN
LEGION
HOLIDAY
CRAFT FAIR
HAND CRAFTED ITEMS

VENDORS
WANTED

CONTACT:
Jennifer Mears
Text: 336-380-7883
FB Messenger
Jennifer Mears

LUNCH SERVED

SATURDAY
DECEMBER
7th
9:00 AM -
4:00 PM

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VETERAN SUPPORT **INFORMATION**

<https://www.va.gov/health/>



<https://www.myhealth.va.gov/mhv-portal-web/home>



 **Text 838255**

**24/7, confidential
crisis support**

for Veterans and their loved ones

You don't have to be enrolled in VA benefits or health care to connect.

<https://www.veteranscrisisline.net>

'Tis the season for Post 11-11 Ugly Christmas Sweater Party



Friday,
Dec 20th 6pm

Wear your favorite holiday outfit and enjoy some apple cider & hot chocolate. It will be a fun holiday time with your fellow Legion friends.

1st, 2nd & Family prizes



Auxiliary

Food Drive is back!

**Please bring your
non-perishable food
items and drop them in
the big tote. Thank you!**

Courtney & Eric



Post 11-11

Super Bowl #59

February 2025

\$100 Pool

**100 squares & 12 chances
to win!**

Pay when pick your square(s).

Cash or Venmo only.

Contact Etta 720.219.2489

Yoga, anyone?

We are excited to announce that after a refreshing summer break, our yoga classes will be resuming this September. Whether you're a seasoned practitioner or a beginner, we welcome you to join us in fostering physical health, mental clarity, and overall well-being.

Classes will be held each Monday at 6pm in the back hall, and we look forward to seeing familiar faces and new members alike. Let's come together to unwind, stretch, and strengthen as we transition into the fall season.

Mark your calendars and get ready to rejuvenate your mind and body!

Yours in health,

Johanna - Yoga Instructor

Post 11-11 Lunch Special

Hot Dog & Beer \$5

(Except Monday)



Use your King Soopers loyalty cards to earn funds for the Auxiliary.

Here's how it works:

Enroll your King Soopers Loyalty Cards online at the secure website
www.kingsoopers.com

1. Log into your King Soopers account.*
2. Under "My Account" select King Soopers Community Rewards
3. Search for "American Legion Post 11-11" & select.

**If you do not have a King Soopers*

>Create an Account & follow the above steps

Each time an enrolled member of our group shops at King Soopers using their King Soopers Loyalty Card, the Ladies Auxiliary will earn rewards.

Invite your friends to enroll!

In addition, once a household member enrolls their card, all linked King Soopers Loyalty Cards within that household will begin earning funds for our organization. Thank you for your support!

American Legion Auxiliary Post 11-11



KNITTERS AND KNOTTERS

by Jan

Join our Knit Group on Sundays from 2 to 4. We will continue to meet every Sunday during the winter months and spring or until further noticed.

Scope: Veterans who are undergoing chemotherapy need our help. Please join our group for creating Veterans caps, limb huggers, PICC line covers and crutch covers. Whether you are a beginner, intermediate or advance knitter or knotter (crochet) or even want to learn, all are welcome.

KOL (Knots of Love)

<https://www.knotsoflove.org/events/veterans-cap-drive>

Contact Jan Murray at 303-880-7301 or email msjan777@comcast.net for more information.

Prayer Requests




Do you need prayer? Whether it's health, finances, job or family we all have seasons that are challenging. If you find yourself needing prayer in these challenging times or in seasons of happy times, I would love to pray for you. My name is Shirley and I am a proud Auxiliary member of Post 11-11. My email is sydsclub@yahoo.com. Drop me a line and I will put you and yours on my prayer list. God Bless you.



AMERICAN LEGION POST 11-11

December 2024

*****Lunch Special @ Noon (Except Monday) Hot Dog & Beer \$5*****

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 TOYS & CASH DONATIONS DUE TODAY!	4 ITALIAN SAUSAGE SANDWICHES	5  AUXILIARY MEETING 6PM	6 HOT ROAST BEEF SANDWICHES	7 CRAFT FAIR 9AM TO 4PM
8 TOYS FOR TOTS RUN 8AM BOYSCOUTS \$8 BREAKFAST 8AM TO NOON KNITTERS 2TO4	9 YOGA 6PM POKER 6PM	10  LEGION MEETING 6PM	11 LOBSTER MAC & CHEESE	12  SAL MEETING 6PM	13 NY STEAK OR FRIED SHRIMP KARAOKE 7PM	14 BINGO 6PM
15 BRONCO POTLUCK 2PM KNITTERS 2TO4	16 YOGA 6PM POKER 6PM	17	18 TACO & TOSTADA BAR	19 BRONCO GAME 6:15 NO POTLUCK	20 UGLY SWEATER PARTY SMOTHERED B&B BURRITOS	21
22 KNITTERS 2TO4	23 YOGA 6PM POKER 6PM	24 ***OPEN*** NOON TO 5PM	25 CHRISTMAS DAY **CLOSED**	26	27 STEAK, SHRIMP KABOBS OR COD KARAOKE 7PM	28 BINGO 6PM
29 BRONCO POTLUCK TBD KNITTERS 2TO4	30 YOGA 6PM POKER 6PM	31 ***OPEN*** NOON TO 5PM	1 JANUARY 1, 2025 NEW YEARS DAY CLOSED	2	3	4