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January 2025 Newsletter



POST 11-11 HOURS

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LEGION

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.



NOW ON SALE AMERICAN LEGION T-SHIRTS & HOODIES See Jan Murray or JoJo Wolford



COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello everyone and Happy New Year!

Hope you all had a great Christmas season. May 2025 bring you and your family health and happiness. Thanks to our scouts (Boy Scout Troop 385 and Cub Scout Pack 969) for making around 150 Christmas Cards which were sent to Navy

Medical Center Portsmouth in Virginia. They are sailors who probably wouldn't be home for the Holidays. Also, thanks to you, our members, for supporting our Wreaths Across America Project and the Toy Drive for Children's Hospital.

Since we are beginning a new year, you will need to get a new door card to get in the building. Please show your 2025 Membership Card to the Bartender to get a new card. If you haven't paid you dues, please give them to the Bartender! The dues will be given to the appropriate person and you will be issued a new card!

Hopefully in January we will be seeing the Broncos in playoff games. If so please stop by the Post to cheer them on.

On Saturday February 1, 2025, we will be having the Four Chaplains Ceremony at 1:00 pm followed by a light lunch. It is a very moving ceremony, and I hope you will be able to attend! Also, February will bring us a big Super Bowl Party!

Be sure to check the calendar for upcoming events and meals. We have dinners on Wednesdays and Fridays and usually a Boy Scout Sunday Breakfast once a month. Their breakfast is a great deal for only \$8.00. The boys use their tips for their camping trips. Also, ongoing events such as Karaoke and Bingo. If you have ideas for other events, please let us know.

Our next Legion Meeting is Tuesday, January 14th at 6:00 PM. I hope you will be able to attend. If you need a ride to be able to attend a meeting, please let us know. We are trying to come up with a plan for those of you who are unable to drive.

Please keep our service members and first responders in your thoughts and prayers.

Ava Barden Commander Post 11-11

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AUXILIARY UNIT 11-11

I hope everyone had a great Christmas! I would like to thank everyone who bought Christmas Stockings. It was a great success! A special big thank you to Karrie Allison for a job well done! We raised \$421.00 for donations!

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 2, 2025, at 6:00 pm. We will be voting on the amended By-Laws for the Auxiliary. Please remember you must have your current 2025 membership card with you at this meeting or you will not be able to vote. Also, we are having a Meet and Greet for our new members. Light snacks will be served after the meeting.

This Christmas, we adopted some handicapped Denver Public Schools students. Each child received 2 wrapped presents and a big stocking full of all kinds of goodies. I went to 2 of the 3 classes along with Santa! As usual, it was neat to see these kids. For most of them, these presents will be the only ones they will get. Thank you to everyone who helped with this project. A special thank you to Robyn and Ava for putting the stockings together.

Don't forget to bring in some non-perishable items for the food drive. Also, I know it seems so far away for our St. Patrick's Day celebration. Auxiliary will be doing the Merchandise Pickle. It will be on Saturday, March 15th. We can start getting items for the merchandise pickle in the next two months. So, start thinking about ideas for gift baskets and other items for donations.

I hope everyone has a good January.

Janet Lee, President

SAL SQUADRON 11-11

SAL next meeting will January the 9th at 6:00 pm. We will be installing officer positions and voting on distributing funds to our various charities. This will be our last meeting until May 8th.

REMINDER: SAL will be on vacation February March and April – NO MEETINGS.

SAL would like to thank all for the donations and support for Children Hospital Toy Run especially thanks to Joe and Judy Gonday for bicycles and thanks to Mike and Sheri McCoy. We also would like to thank ReMax for their donations. And thank you Lisa Dorn, Tom Dorn, and Dave Bucher for doing all the shopping & organizing and making this year's Toy Run a huge success.

Huey Geller, SAL Commander

JANET'S CORNER

Happy New Year everyone! I hope everyone had fun for the holidays! We will be serving dinner on both Wednesday and Friday nights. Check the calendar for the menu. Come in for a great dinner. Karaoke will be on Friday, January 10th and Friday, January 24th. Bingo will be on Saturday, January 11th and Saturday, January 25th starting at 6:00 pm. The Boy Scouts are doing their breakfast on Sunday, January 26th from 8:00 am until noon. Come in for a great breakfast for only \$8.00!

Life Line Screenings will be back at the Post on Thursday, January 9th. See the brochure for more information.

Come down to the Post for a cocktail or soda and support your Post. Please remember to tip our bartenders, cooks, and wait staff. They are all volunteers and do not get paid for all their hard work. Say a prayer for all the Veterans, active military and first responders. I hope everyone has a good month.

Janet Lee, Club Manager

Poker Monday

January New Start Time: <u>5:30pm</u>

Here's the Deal.....Join us any time on Monday nights starting at 5:30, for Texas Hold'em! \$20 Buy In.

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Update

Wreaths Across America

Fort Logan Cemetery

2024 was another successful year for our Wreaths Across America endeavor. Our Legion, Auxiliary, SAL and members sponsored 138 wreaths at Fort Logan Cemetery. Another 28 wreaths were purchased for designated grave sites for a total of 166 wreaths.

Thank you for your continued support to honor our fallen heroes. – Deb Stafford

<u>Update</u> <u>Children's Hospital Toy</u> <u>Drive & Run</u>

Oh! what a wonderful event we had this year. Thanks to your generosity we raised approximately \$5500 for this year's toy drive. We are so grateful to our membership and friends for all you do for this worthy cause each year, but this was over the top. Certainly, our biggest drive yet. We want to recognize some donors for their contributions. Joe and Judy Gonday for all the bikes and helmets. Mike and Sherry McCoy also for donating bikes. To REMAX who once again this year was a huge partner along with Rocky Mountain Forest Products. We were blessed with decent weather this year and had 3 riders out the gate. It is always such a humbling moment when the volunteers come out to help unload not realizing the trailer is full and the look on their faces when we pull down that door. WOW! This was my last year as co-chair/organizer. Rhue-Ann will be replacing me. Thanks to all of you that have supported us over the years. It is truly a blessing to be associated with such fine people and our noble organization. God Bless vou all. Lisa Dorn KNITTERS AND KNOTTERS

<u>Update</u>

The Knitter's Group sent 48 veteran's caps and 2 PICC line covers to Knots of Love for distribution to VA cancer centers, VA hospitals and Veteran's rehab centers in November in time for Veteran's Day. Thank you!

Starting January 5th, 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.

<u>Scope:</u> Veterans who are undergoing chemotherapy need our help. Pease 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/eterans-capdrive

Contact Jan Murray at 303-880-7301 or email <u>msjan777@comcast.net for more infor-</u> mation.

Congratulations!! Post 11-11 2024 Hoot Award Recipients Lisa Dorn & Patrick Smith

VETERAN SUPPORT INFORMATION

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



https://www.myhealth.va.gov/mhvportal-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

<u>NOW ON SALE</u> <u>AMERICAN LEGION</u> <u>TSHIRTS & HOODIES</u>

T-shirts are available in Men's sizes with crew new neck and Women's sizes with V-neck in both long and short sleeves. Hoodies are also on sale in pullover or with front zipper.

See the bulletin board in the hallway for a picture of the T-shirts with a logo on the front and emblem on the back.

Colors available are navy blue, light gray, dark gray and white.

Price sheet is also posted. Order forms are available at the bar. All orders must be prepaid by cash or check made out to the American Legion.

For more information or questions, please contact Jan Murray 303-880-7301 or Jo Jo Wolford 720-315-0236.

Auxiliary

Food Drive is back!

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

Courtney & Eric

<u>Lunch Special</u> <u>Hot Dog & Beer \$5</u> <u>(Except Monday)</u>

<u>Now Open!</u> <u>\$25 & \$50</u> <u>Football SuperBowl</u> <u>Pools Feb. 2025</u>

See your Bartender to Play & Pay

<u>Yoga</u>

Discover the Holistic Benefits of Yoga: Join Our Weekly Class!

Are you looking for a way to improve your health, reduce stress, and build a stronger sense of community? The American Legion invites you to join our weekly **Monday 6 PM Yoga Class**! Yoga is more than just a physical workout—it's a holistic practice that enhances your body, mind, and spirit. Whether you're a beginner or experienced, this class is tailored for all fitness levels and focuses on promoting well-being.

Why Yoga?

- **Physical Health:** Build strength, improve flexibility, and alleviate aches and pains. Many find relief from chronic issues like back pain and arthritis.
- **Stress Relief:** Experience the calming effects of focused breathing and mindful movement, reducing anxiety and tension.
- Improved Sleep: Yoga's relaxation techniques can help you sleep better and wake up feeling refreshed.
- **Community Connection**: Practicing yoga together fosters camaraderie and mutual support—a cornerstone of our American Legion values.

What to Expect

Each session is designed to be accessible and welcoming. The focus will be on simple poses to enhance posture, breathing exercises to improve energy, and relaxation techniques to help you unwind after the day. Wear comfortable clothing, and bring a yoga mat if you have one—no special equipment is required. Join us Mondays at 6 PM in the Legion Hall for an hour of movement, mindfulness, and connection. Take the first step toward a healthier, more balanced lifestyle. We can't wait to see you there! For more information, contact Johanna 303-217-3821 Page 6



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





Attention ALL Auxiliary Members: Mark your calendars to attend our next meeting – January 2, 2025. We are starting the year with a welcoming celebration for our newest members, including 2 junior members. We hope to see you all there to meet and welcome them. It will be great for them to meet you as well, to put names with faces. Let's show them a warm welcome and help them get involved with our ongoing mission and outreach. There's something for everyone in this Auxiliary. Light snacks will be served following the regular business portion of the meeting.

I look forward to seeing you all there to support both the Auxiliary and our newest members. I will be personally contacting the new members to extend a personal invitation to our meeting. Thank you all for being a part of the Auxiliary. You make a difference!

Barbara Erbacher Auxiliary Historian & Welcome Committee

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 <u>sydsclub@yahoo.com</u>. Drop me a line and I will put you and yours on my prayer list. God Bless you.



AMERICAN LEGION POST 11-11 January 2025

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

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 NEW YEARS DAY | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | | **CLOSED** | AUXILIARY MEETING 6PM | SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS | |
| 5 BRONCO GAME | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 LIFE LINE | 10 | 11 |
| KNITTERS 2—4 | POKER 5:30PM YOGA 6PM | | HAMBURGERS | SAL MEETING 6PM | RIBS OR FISH KARAOKE 7PM | BINGO 6PM |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| KNITTERS 2—4 | POKER 5:30PM YOGA 6PM | LEGION MEETING 6PM | BREAKFAST FOR DINNER | | BEAN & BEEF BURRITOS | |
| 19 KNITTERS | 20 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY POKER 5:30PM | 21 | 22 RAVIOLI | 23 | 24 STEAK OR SHRIMP KABOBS | 25 |
| 2-4 | YOGA 6PM | | | | | BINGO 6PM |
| 26 BREAKFAST BOY SCOUTS 8AM TO NOON \$8 | 27 | 28 | 29 TACO BAR | 30 | 31 CALL FOR | |
| KNITTERS 2—4 | POKER 5:30PM YOGA 6PM | http:// | www.legionpost11-11.org | | MENU | |