

## ***COMMANDER'S CORNER***

As my current term as your commander comes to a close, I want to thank those volunteers who stepped up to the plate during this tumultuous year and helped the Post continue to improve and grow. There are so many of you who had a part in keeping the Post alive and well that space limits me from naming everyone in this letter. Rest assured that the entire membership of Post 11-11 and I are grateful for your support.

Summer is a time when everyone is vacationing and Cindy, our Bar Manager, is looking for volunteer cooks for Tuesdays and Friday nights for the next couple of months. If you are interested in showing off your culinary skills, please contact Cindy here at the Post.

Congratulations to the Post 11-11 Auxiliary!!! They have been named the Unit of the Year for District 5.

If you haven't been in the Post lately, you need to check out the Hall. Volunteers have renovated the back bar and it has improved the appearance of the hall immensely. Thank you volunteers!!!

The June Membership Meeting is scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup>. Elections will be held at this meeting for next year's Post Officer's Team. Please plan on attending and voting.

As always, please keep our service men and women in your thoughts and prayers as they defend our freedom on a daily basis.

Till next time,

Yours in comradeship,

**Michael J. Carriveau**  
**Commander**

## ***LEGION LOW DOWN***

Band Night with Peg Leg Meg was filled to capacity! They rocked out! Next time, I think we could fill the hall and hopefully we will. Thank you to Tony and all of Peg Leg Meg.

Up Coming Events:

**Check out Pizza Post 11-11.** A few different twists to pizza made at Post 11-11 and only 15 minutes from oven to table. Any time is pizza time.

**Meatloaf Cook-Off, June 30<sup>th</sup>.** Who makes the best meat loaf? We have a few cooks at the Post that will put their meatloaf to the test. Please sign up with Cindy or any of the bartenders. Sign up sheets and rules are at the bar. Who will wear the crown and take the cash prize? Let the games begin.

**Chili Cook-Off July 28<sup>th</sup>.** Sign up sheet is at the bar. Red or Green, mild or hot, your Chili is the main dish. Post 11-11 will provide Mexican theme to go along with your Chili. Who will

take the serape and cash prize?

For the month of August, Friday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> we will have the Post 11-11 Steak Throw Down. We need 4 teams, one team per Friday for the throw down. Sign up sheet will be at the bar. Post to provide all the same type of steaks, potatoes and salads. What you do with the steak is your own secret recipe. Who will be the keeper of the steak thrower and of course the cash prize? Put your teams together now only room for 4 teams.

I would like to thank all the volunteers for all their hard work in keeping the Tuesday Night, Wednesday Night, Friday Night and Sunday morning meals running smoothly. Also, the bartenders, all of these people, volunteer to cook and serve up your favorite bubbly. Tips are Greatly Appreciated! Please see calendar for opening for cooks. Any one who would like to volunteer please contact Cindy.

Keep our service men and women in our prayers.

**Cindy**

## *AUXILIARY*

First of all, CONGRATULATIONS to Unit 11-11 Auxiliary for being chosen **Unit of the Year for 2008/2009**. A plaque was presented to Joyce Allen at the District Convention and is hanging in the Post lounge above the bar. Thanks ladies for all the hard work. You should all be proud of this special accomplishment.

Please wish congratulations to Joyce Allen who was selected District Chaplain at the Convention.

A HUGE thank you to all who donated to, assisted with, and participated in the Merchandise Pickle. Once again, it was a great success and a major fundraiser for the Auxiliary. We received numerous donations from local businesses this year. They are all listed in a separate insert in this newsletter. We appreciate their support.

Congratulations to the winners of the Poppy Coloring Contest.

Katrina Hendershot – 1<sup>st</sup> grade  
Faith Hujet – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
Lindsey Townsend – 5<sup>th</sup> grade  
Keegan Sakalosky – 7<sup>th</sup> grade  
Ruby Luna – 100 years old

Thanks to all who participated. All entries are displayed in the Post Lounge.

At the May 7 meeting, the Auxiliary voted to donate \$200 to the Blue Star Mothers of Durango. The Blue Star Mothers hold an annual week-end event in Estes Park, CO to bring together Colorado Gold Star families who have lost a loved one in Iraq or Afghanistan. By all accounts, it is a wonderful weekend for these families.

If you haven't already done so, be sure to get your Poppy at the Post. As always, donations are

appreciated.

The Department Convention will be held June 19-21 in Grand Junction, CO. If anyone is interested in attending as a Delegate, please let me know, so we can submit the proper paperwork.

The next Auxiliary Breakfast will be 6/28/2009. Ann and Janet will cook and serve. Newsletters will be assembled on 6/28/2009 as well, beginning at 1:00 pm. Please consider taking an hour to come and help.

The Auxiliary does not meet during the summer months. Our next meeting will be September 3, 2009.

Please continue to pray for the well being of our Troops.

**Sherry Baker**  
**President**

### ***FROM THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE***

First of all a big thank you to Sherry Baker for her faithful service to the Committee. She has decided to slow down a little. Marilyn Stover has agreed to be the Auxiliary Rep on the Committee. Welcome to Marilyn.

If you haven't had time to check out the renovated bar in the back hall, please do so. Thanks to everyone who helped. There are still a few finishing touches to be done, but it looks wonderful and we have a rental facility to be proud of.

Cindy is still looking for volunteers, so if you are willing to cook or whatever, please let Cindy know.

If you haven't been in for awhile, please drop by and visit. You may meet some new members or run into some old friends you haven't seen in awhile.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please see Cindy, me or any member of the Business Committee.

Thanks,  
**Ava Barden**

### ***FROM THE BUILDING COMMITTEE***

There were several projects identified by the Executive Board at the meeting on May 12, 2009 that are considered high priority.

The security system will be upgraded to include a new card entry system. New cameras will be

installed to provide greater coverage of the parking lot and Post facility. With the card entry system, each member will receive an entry card when they receive their membership card. The exact logistics of the security up-grade and addition of the card entry system have yet to be worked out.

All agreed that the women's bathrooms need to be upgraded and renovated. We hope that a member has expertise in bathroom renovation and will volunteer to assist with this project. The Building Committee is seeking input regarding this project. Please contact Mike Carriveau, John Baker, Shirley Starley, Chris Flygare or Cindy Borrego with your comments.

The Post facilities have seen several changes that I hope improves your enjoyment of your Post 11-11 home.

- The main flag pole was reset after being damaged by the wind storm on December 29, 2009. Thanks to Chris Flygare & Roger Gamble for removing the old foundation.
- All of the restroom toilets were repaired thanks to Larry Barden and Ken Avey.
- The Hall service area was renovated. The entry was changed, and a new service area was installed. The soda dispenser was relocated from the walk-in cooler to the serving area and a new soda gun installed. The serving area was painted, and improvements are still occurring. We hope the changes will aid in leasing the hall. Thanks to Larry Barden, Ben Schultz, Shirley Starley, Mary Ann Blay, Bob Dowd, Jerry McCormick, Dan Lippincott and Cindy Borrego.
- The Hall Storage area above the serving area was cleaned, and the materials stored there were moved to the west shed. Thanks to Shirley Starley and Mary Ann Blay.
- The West Storage Shed was reorganized and remodeled to include new shelving. Thanks to Mary Ann Blay, Shirley Starley, Ava Barden and Cindy Borrego.
- The East Storage Shed was cleaned and reorganized. Thanks to Pat Pacheco who also removed the old chest freezer.

Kitchen upgrades and cleaning included purchasing new stainless steel tables. Thanks to Pat Pacheco and Cathy Meyers for the incredible cleaning job. Thanks to Cindy Borrego for reorganizing the kitchen.

- Chuck and Mary Ann Blay are planting flowers around the new flag pole and in the yard. They are donating Trumpet Vines which will be planted along the Wadsworth Boulevard fence. Thank you.

Please take notice to all of the changes and enjoy your Post facilities.

Again, thanks to all who volunteered to make these important improvements.

## **Executive Board and Building Committee**

### ***GENERAL MEMBER INFORMATION NOTICE OF ELECTIONS***

Pursuant to Article III-IX-2 (page 13) of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. American Legion Post 11-11, an election of Post 11-11 officers will be held at the regular meeting of the membership in the Post 11-11 Hall on June 9, 2009 at 7:00 PM. The Post 11-11 Hall is located at 9959 Wadsworth Blvd., Broomfield, CO 80021.

Nominations for officers will be received until the election. Anyone interested in serving as an officer for the 2009-2010 year should contact any current officer of Post 11-11. The following is a list of nominees. The elected officers will be installed at the June 2009 meeting.

**Commander:** Michael Carriveau  
Jim Bellew

**Sr. Vice Commander:** Lew Bickford  
Chuck Blay

**Jr. Vice Commander:** Tami Talbot

**Adjutant:** Jim Bellew  
John Baker

**Finance Officer:** John Baker

**Sgt. At Arms:** Tim Schenck

**Service Officer:** Tom Wartella

**Chaplain:** Norm Harpole

**Historian:** Ava Barden

### ***Constitution and By-Laws Amendments***

The Executive Board and Post 11-11 Officers have suggested amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws. The Constitution and By-Laws with the suggested amendments are posted on our web site ([www.legionpost11-11.org](http://www.legionpost11-11.org)). Also, copies of the Constitution and B-y-Laws are available at the Post. If you have questions, suggestions, or comments, please direct them to any Officer or Executive Board member. If no further changes are suggested, the amendments will be read at the next regular meeting of the membership (June 9, 2009). The next regular meeting

after June 9<sup>th</sup> will be September 8<sup>th</sup> at which time the amendments will be voted upon. The procedure for amending the constitution and By-Laws are stated below.

**II-X-2: Constitution Amendments:**

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members attending such regular meeting, providing that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing and read at the next preceding regular meeting of said post, and providing further, that written notice shall have been given to all members at least 15 days in advance of the date when such amendment is to be voted upon, notifying said members that at such meeting a proposal to amend the Constitution is to be voted upon.

**III-XIII-1 Amendment of By-Laws:**

These Bylaws may be amended at any regular Post meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members attending such regular meeting; provided that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing and read at the next preceding regular meeting of said Post; and provided, further, that written notice shall have been given to all members at least 15 days in advance of the date when such amendment is to be voted upon, notifying said members that at such meeting a proposal to amend the Bylaws is to be voted upon.

***CEILING TILES***

Have you seen all the wonderful ceiling tiles in the lounge at Post 11-11? If not, please plan to stop by and see them for yourself.

This is such a great way to recognize the military service of the men and women of our Post 11-11 members and their family members.

The tiles not only make our Post an attractive and cozy place to be, but they are a great conversation piece. You may recognize a person's name or Division Patch and be able to get back in touch with an old friend or make new friends.

Our own, Shirley Starley, Ladies Auxiliary member, has done a fabulous job in painting these tiles.

If you are interested in purchasing a tile, the request forms are available in the lounge. Fill out the request form and give it to the bartender along with your payment. The cost of painting the tiles is \$34.00 and up, depending on the design.

The information that can be painted on the tiles are Division Patch, years in the Division, service member's name or nickname, unit number or any other information you would like to add.

If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Starley via e-mail. [smstarle@msn.com](mailto:smstarle@msn.com)

***FROM THE EDITOR***

The deadline for the June newsletter is Saturday, June 13, 2009 .