



News from the Pikes Peak Post and Auxiliary



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**MAY GOD
BLESS AMERICA!**



Commander's Corner



Dr. Christopher Linski
Post Commander

Greetings Post and Auxiliary Members,

I want to begin by thanking all of our active members for the continued hard work to ensure we are serving our mission. I also want to mention that we have one appointed position still open for the Post Americanism program. If you are interested in contacting local schools and organizations to participate in a variety of patriotic activities, please contact me directly to fill this role.

Events

Post 4051 is hosting **Pin-Ups On Tour** on Saturday, November 10th! Veteran tickets are FREE! Family, Guests, and General Public tickets start at \$20. Tickets and information are available at www.pinupsonstour.com/tour. You can also buy paper tickets from me directly! We need to pack the house by letting our community know about this event. This will provide great publicity to our Post and allow us to connect with potential Post and Auxiliary members. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. and
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Auxiliary President's Column

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Happy Fall and today Happy Winter...

Annual members that have already renewed their membership for 2019, I have a patriotic keychain for you. These keychains are available for every annual renewal prior to October 31, 2018. Please contact me to arrange for pickup.

Kathy Carlson, Department Senior Vice President and Membership Chairman, has been busy sending emails keeping Presidents & Treasurers apprised of Department membership goals. We need to recruit new members now!! Many hands make light work!!!

November will be extremely busy for our membership. Please mark your calendar with these important dates:

November 3 – Veterans Day Parade Downtown Colorado Springs

November 4 – District 5 Memorial Service & Meeting @ Post 3917

November 6 – Election Day – GET OUT AND VOTE

November 10 – Auxiliary Meeting. We value your membership and opinions, please come to our meeting!!

November 10 – Auxiliary to prepare and serve the (THI) Dinner at the Clarion.

November 11 & 12 – Veterans Day Weekend Auxiliary Poppy Drive

November 17 & 18 – Post 4051 Hosts the Department of Colorado Parade of Programs and Council of Administration Meeting. If you have never attended the Parade of Programs, now is your chance to learn about this year's programs and ways
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VFW Post 4051 Officers For 2018-2019

Post Commander	Dr. Christopher Linski
Senior Vice Commander	Galen Steele
Junior Vice Commander	Bob Green
Quartermaster	Joe Cormier
Chaplain	Jim Griffith
Judge Advocate	Bob Green
Surgeon	LeRoy Jensen
1-Year Trustee	John Mazzella
2-Year Trustee	Barbara Green
3-Year Trustee	Eric Veed
Adjutant	Duane Knutson
Service Officer	Jeremy Johnson
House Committee	Rick Archuleta
Ways and Means	Dennis Snider
Membership	Galen Steele
Officer of the Day	Jeremy Johnson
Guard	Val Bernal
Legislative	Dr. D. J. Alberts
Entertainment	John Mazzella
Buddy Poppy	James Griffith
Americanism	VACANT
Community Activities	Barbara Green
Adopt-A-Unit	Paige Lanier
National Home	Dr. Christopher Linski
Honor/Color Guard	Brian Michaud
Flag Committee	LeRoy Jensen
ROTC/JROTC	Barbara Green
Boy Scouts	Dr. Christopher Linski
Public Servant Program	VACANT
Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen	Amy Earley
Teacher of the Year	Amy Earley
Public Affairs	Ron Marshall
Webmaster	Bill Thomas
Bingo Games Manager	Jerry Walter

Editorial Staff

Post Commander	Dr. Christopher Linski
Editor	Bill Thomas
Assistant Editor	Ron Marshall

Veterans Day Parade

The Post and Auxiliary will be participating in the Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade again this year. We will meet at the Post at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 3, for coffee and donuts. Shortly thereafter, we will assemble and decorate the trailer and move to our marshalling position. Post 4051 will be in position 15 this year. The parade begins at 10:00 a.m. **Please join us!**

VFW Post 4051 Auxiliary Officers For 2018-2019

President	Tami Veed
Senior Vice President	Mike Walker
Junior Vice President	Mandy Linski
Secretary/Treasurer	Rachel Brown
Chaplain	Rita Christensen
Conductress	Carol Archuleta
Guard	Carol Knutson
Patriotic Instructor	Carol Knutson
Trustee #1	Rita Christensen
Trustee #2	Mike Walker
Trustee #3	Carol Knutson
Games Manager	Rita Christensen
Americanism	Carol Knutson
Buddy Poppy/National Home	Mike Walker
Chaplain's Report	Rita Christensen
Community Service Report	Mandy Linski
Extension	Tami Veed
Historian/Media Relations	Tami Veed
Hospital	Rachel Brown
Legislative	Rachel Brown
Membership & Recruitment	Mike Walker & Tami Veed
Scholarships	Rachel Brown
Veterans & Family Support	All Members
Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen	Vacant
Youth Activities	Tami Veed

Buddy Poppies

Buddy Poppy distribution will be on Saturday, November 10th and Sunday, November 11th at the Safeway Stores on N. Powers Boulevard & Constitution, and N. Circle Drive. and Galley Road.

Volunteers will be treated to breakfast on Saturday at the Village Inn on Academy & Palmer Park at 7-8 a.m. Poppy distribution will be 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wear the VFW uniform or a military style cap.

For more info, please call Jim Griffith at (719) 200-8235.

To Report A Death

To report a death of a Post member, please contact Chaplain James Griffith, (719) 632-9874 or for an Auxiliary member, contact Chaplain Rita Christensen, (719) 598-0613. Also, you may leave information either at the club or on the bulletin board so that proper follow-up can be taken.

Please include: Name of Deceased; Date of Call; Date of Services; Funeral Home (if known); Your Name, Phone Number and/or Other Point of Contact

Chaplain's Report

"I will lift up my eyes unto the hills from whence comes my help. My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth."
Psalm 121:1-2

"I have always said I would not have been president had it not been for my experience in North Dakota."

President Theodore Roosevelt

In June, my wife and I took a trip to visit one of the two last states in the U.S. that we have not seen - North Dakota. We had a great time seeing the shows in Medora, horseback riding through the Theodore Roosevelt "Badlands" National Park, and seeing his two ranches; the Elkhorn and the Maltese Cross.

Roosevelt made it clear several places in his writings that his Dakota experience not only laid the grounds for his later Presidency, but also saved his life. Roosevelt arrived in the Dakotas a nearly broken man shortly after the death of his beloved mother and his young wife on the same day. He got there at a time when his political hopes for reform in New York were at their lowest point. While there, he invested in two cattle ranches which eventually went bust in the Great Blizzard of 1899 which killed hundreds of thousands of cattle and many people across the Central and Northern Plains. He engaged in a running gunfight with a Sioux holdout, with friends, captured several noted bad men and thieves. He participated in at least two major cattle drives spending 18-hour days in the saddle in dusty heat and on miserable rations and often polluted water.

Tell me how was this a good time? He also wrote and reflected, reveled in nature and Nature's God and healed of his wounds to body and soul. His time in the "real West" of work, hardship and struggle became his school of the soul. God is our help he often reflected in that difficult but unforgettable time. It laid the foundation for all that would come: Kettle Hill in Cuba and his later Presidency, but most of all it laid the foundation of the man of faith who would endure blindness in one eye, several assassination attempts, and a horrific scientific expedition up the River of Doubt in the Amazon country that almost took his life. It was only this hardening in beauty and settling in grace that prepared him for his daughter Ethel to serve in France as a nurse, the grave wounding of his sons Theodore Jr. and Archie with the 26th Infantry Division in World War I, and the death of his youngest son and World War I pilot Kermit. God is there as our help and strength when we see it or not.

Call me at (719) 200-8223 if I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,
James Griffith
Post Chaplain

Auxiliary Chaplain's Column

Dear Auxiliary Members,

A thinking of you card was mailed to Auxiliary Past President Jane Hart who is recovering at home from recent surgery. A sympathy card was sent to Post 4051 Life Member Don Perry on the death of his wife Auxiliary Member Linda Perry. The Auxiliary Charter was draped in Linda's memory at our October meeting and a donation sent to the Alzheimer's Association in her name. A sympathy card and donation were sent to Sandra Walter on the death of her mother, Life Auxiliary Member, Phyllis Irsik and the Auxiliary Charter was draped in her member at our September meeting. We were notified by Springs Funeral Home of the passing of Auxiliary Member Anne Keller. A card was mailed to her family at her last known address, and the Auxiliary Charter was draped in her memory at our October meeting. A sympathy card was sent to Auxiliary Life Member Katherine Mauldin on the death of her husband, Post 4051 Life Member George Mauldin.

"Death brings a pain no one else can touch or feel. Love leaves a memory no one can steal." (Unknown)

If you know of any member who is ill, recovering, in the hospital or just in need of a kind word please call me at (719) 598-0613.

Sincerely,
Auxiliary Chaplain
Rita Cristensen



VFW 4051 Bingo

VFW 4051 Bingo pays the big bills for the Post like utilities, insurance, etc. Our bingo sessions are on Tuesday and Friday each week at the North Carefree Bingo Hall, 3440 N Carefree Circle, a block west of Academy on North Carefree. Each bingo team needs 7 or 8 people to work from about 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We really need a couple more workers for each session. If you can work both sessions - GREAT! But just one day a week would really help. Please contact the Post Leadership team if you would like more information about this important activity.

SUPPORT VFW 4051 BINGO!

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and the show will start at 6:00pm.

We are also hosting the Department Council of Administration from November 17-18. All members are welcome to come down and mingle with Post, District, and Department representatives. Please RSVP to attend our Prime Rib Dinner (\$12) on November 17. All attendees are welcome to stay for a FREE evening of dancing with DJ Done Entertainment!

This is a reminder that the **POST HOURS HAVE CHANGED**. They are now: Sun: 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Mon: 6-10 p.m. Tue: Rentals Wed: Rentals Thu: 6-10 p.m. Fri: 4-10 p.m. Sat: Rentals. Please support us by stopping by and enjoying time with fellow comrades, friends, and family!

Yours in Comradeship,
Dr. Christopher Linski
Post Commander
Commander@vfw4051.us

Department Council of Administration Weekend

We need your help! Volunteers are needed to assist with preparing the meals during the Council of Administration weekend (Nov. 17-18). This will include volunteers for ordering and picking up store items, preparing and cooking food for Saturday night's Prime Rib Dinner, and setting up/serving food throughout the weekend. Some of these volunteers must be people who are not attending COA workshops on Saturday. If you are able to assist, please notify Post Commander Christopher Linski at (719) 231-5094 or Commander@vfw4051.us.

Membership Contacts

If your email address has changed, please let us know. Our current roster comes from your membership profile from the National VFW web site. If your profile is not updated, you may not be receiving current communications! And, as always, if you have any comments or suggestions for the operations of our Post, I want to hear from you. I cannot assist if I do not know about your concerns. I am honored to serve as the Post Commander, and I look forward to leading our Post for the next fraternal year!

Yours in Comradeship,
Dr. Christopher Linski
Post Commander
Commander@vfw4051.us

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to promote them! The Post and Auxiliary will need many volunteers all weekend to provide meals Friday & Saturday nights, Saturday lunch, and Saturday & Sunday continental breakfast. Call me to sign up to volunteer with anything!!

December 9 - Annual Eggnog Party

Upcoming Auxiliary Dinners

November 16 - Thanksgiving Dinner

December 14 - Christmas Dinner

Do not forget to call the post (719-632-9874) to make reservations before Wednesday @ 5 pm prior to the dinner.

As always, I remain loyally yours,

Tami Veed

Auxiliary President

Cell - (719) 238-3543; Email - president@VFW4051.us

Honor Flight Southern Colorado

Joe Potter and I were honored to be selected for the 11-13 October Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. There were 24 veterans on this flight consisting of only two WWII Vets (one also later served in the Korean War); Eleven served in Korea (three also served in Vietnam), and 12 Vietnam Vets. All of us, plus spouses or other relatives, attended a wonderful luncheon at the DoubleTree Hotel on 23 September where we all received needed information, were fitted for our red shirts, jackets, and caps, and had numerous photos of us taken. Each of us received a beautiful quilted blanket.

On October 11th, the bus departed the hotel and took us to Denver International Airport to board a Southwest Airlines flight to Washington D.C. Upon arrival, we were taken to our Hilton Hotel and had a very nice dinner. On Friday morning, we were taken to the WWII, Korean, Vietnam, Marine Corps, and Lincoln memorials for touring and viewing. Next was Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in a special area for us to watch the changing of the guards ceremony. Saturday morning we were taken to the Air Force Memorial near the Pentagon and then on to Baltimore Washington International Airport for our flight to Denver. Upon landing, we were taken by bus to Colorado Springs with a State Police escort where our families and friends, along with a very large crowd, greeted us at the hotel with a special ceremony. Even though a lot of tears were shed by the veterans, it was a wonderful trip! For any veteran eligible to take an Honor Flight trip, you can get all the details from the website honorflightso.org. While not yet planned, the next trip should be in April 2019.

Ron Marshall

Chairman of the House Committee's Column

Dear Members,

With the winter months and the holidays fast approaching, we need to turn our attention to help those in need. Please remember to bring non-perishable food items for the Silver Key Box when attending any Post or Auxiliary function or our Friday dinner and dances. Gently used clothing is also accepted!

Also, our Post collects new toys for the Toys for Tots campaign to distribute toys to needy families in the Pikes Peak Southern Colorado District for Christmas. This is sponsored by the Marine Corps Detachment. If you can help provide donations for our community, it is greatly appreciated.

We want to thank Ron Jones for his time and effort for keeping our area outside clean of trash and debris.

Since our last newsletter, we have not had any breakdowns, or new problems, which is GOOD NEWS!

In closing we wish all our Post members and Friends a Joyous Holiday Season for 2018!

Yours in Service,
Chairman,
Rick Archuleta

Board members: LeRoy Jensen, Jerry Walter & Joe Cormier
Alternates: Duane Knutson & Ron Marshall

New Year's Eve Celebration

It is that time of year! We have begun preparations for our New Year's Eve Celebration on December 31st and we hope you will help us celebrate! We will open at 5:30 p.m. and stay through the New Year. Great music and dancing will be provided by the Carlos Crull Trio, but only after an excellent meal of Shrimp Cocktail and Prime Rib (served from 6:30 to 7:30pm)! We will open reservations on November 16th and close reservations on December 16th. Contact the Post at (719) 632-9874 during those dates to reserve your spot for the greatest party in town. Dinner is \$25. Dancing is \$25. If you are going to stay for both, it is only \$45 total. You could even win some prizes in our raffles or win cash in our 50/50 drawing! We hope to see you there.

P.S. If you are interested in assisting in New Year's Eve operations before and during the event, please contact the Post Commander. Also, we will be accepting raffle items through December 28th.



TAPS

Post

**Frank Reed, Edward Odachowski,
& George Earl Maudin**

Auxiliary

Linda Perry, Phyllis Irsik, Anne Keller

Each of our departed Comrades made a special contribution to our Nation, our Community, and our Post.

Sincerely,
James Griffith
Post Chaplain



Post Surgeon's Report

Dear Comrades:

We took several canned goods and other groceries to Silver Key, as well as 12 loaves of bread from the Bread Store. There is a list of requested food items listed over the Silver Key box by the front entrance of the Post. Silver Key is also requesting clean, gently used clothing.

We appreciate your donations of any torn, soiled or American Flags in need of replacement. We take them to the American Legion Post 209 for ceremonial disposal.

Please continue to let me know whenever one of our veterans is in ill health, in the hospital, or unfortunately has deceased.

LeRoy Jensen
Post Surgeon

DINNER 6 PM \$10.00		NOVEMBER 2018					DANCE 7 TO 10 PM
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
(NOTE) <i>Reservations Required For Dinner Call (719) 632-9874</i>				1	2 Open 4 to 10 Dinner/Dance Country Fried Steak Springs	3 <i>Veterans Day Parade</i> See p.2 for Details Available For Rental Events	
	4 Open 11 to 10	5 Open 6 to 10	6 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	7 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	8 Open 6 to 10	9 Open 4 to 10 Dinner/Dance Pork Roast Carlos Crull	10 <i>Aux Meeting</i> Coffee/Treats 9:30 a.m. Meeting 10:30 a.m. Available For Rental Events
	11 <i>Veterans Day/ Armistice Day 100th Anniversary</i> Open 11 to 10	12 Open 6 to 10	13 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	14 Friends of the Post Mtg. 4:00 p.m. Post Closed Available For Rental Events	15 Open 6 to 10	16 Open 4 to 10 Dinner/Dance Roast Turkey Thanksgiving Meal Carlos Crull	17 <i>Department Council of Administration</i> See p.4 for Details Post Closed
	18 <i>Department Council of Administration</i> See p.4 for Details Post Closed	19 Open 6 to 10	20 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	21 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	22 <i>Thanksgiving!</i> Open 6 to 10	23 Open 4 to 10 NO Dinner/ Dance Only Maverick 3 Country w/Jim Christien	24 Post Closed Available For Rental Events
	25 Open 11 to 10	26 Open 6 to 10	27 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	28 Post Closed Available For Rental Events	29 Open 6 to 10	30 Open 4 to 10 Dinner/Dance Beef Stew Springs	

DINNER 6 PM \$10.00

DECEMBER 2018

DANCE 7 TO 10 PM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>(NOTE) Reservations Required For Dinner Call (719) 632-9874</p>						<p>1 Post Meeting Coffee 8:00 a.m. Meeting 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>Available For Rental Events</p>
<p>2 Open 11 to 10</p>	<p>3 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>4 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>5 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>6 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>7 Open 4 to 10 Dinner/Dance Meatloaf Dinner Springs <i>Pearl Harbor</i> <i>Day</i></p>	<p>8 Aux Meeting Coffee/Treats 9:30 a.m. Meeting 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Available For Rental Events</p>
<p>9 <i>Post &</i> <i>Auxiliary</i> <i>Eggnog</i> <i>Reception</i> 1-3 p.m. Open 11 to 10</p>	<p>10 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>11 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>12 Friends of the Post Mtg. 4:00 p.m. Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>13 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>14 Open 4 to 10 Dinner/Dance Baked Ham Christmas Dinner Carlos Crull</p>	<p>15 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>
<p>16 Open 11 to 10</p>	<p>17 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>18 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>19 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>20 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>21 <i>Post Closed</i> <i>Happy</i> <i>Holidays!!</i></p>	<p>22 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>
<p>23/30 Open 11 to 10</p>	<p>24/31 <i>New</i> <i>Year's Eve</i> <i>Celebration</i> See p. 5 for Details Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>25 <i>Merry</i> <i>Christmas!!</i> Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>26 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>	<p>27 Open 6 to 10</p>	<p>28 <i>Post Closed</i> <i>Happy</i> <i>Holidays!!</i></p>	<p>29 Post Closed Available For Rental Events</p>

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Dinner \$10.00 Dinner & Dance \$20.00 Dance Only \$10.00
Call (719) 632-9874

Club Hours: Sunday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Monday 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.;
Tuesday & Wednesday Rentals; Thursday 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.;
Friday 4 p.m. - 10 p.m.; Saturday Rentals
Open for Special Events and Meetings

Veterans Day Parade on November 3. Post Meeting on December 1 at 9 a.m.
Auxiliary Meetings on November 10 and December 8 at 10:30 a.m.