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and Auxiliary News

“We honor the dead by helping the living”



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## Donald J. Alberts Elected Colorado State Commander 2010 - 2011



Comrades, Ladies and Men of the Auxiliaries, Guests

I'll begin my remarks this evening by extending a hearty "thank-you" to all the men and women of Post 9644, but particularly your new Senior Vice Ron Davies and his lovely wife, MJ, for putting on this Convention. I'm sure you all will agree that this has been a most enjoyable Convention. Please join me in giving them a hand.

Let me also say thanks to Don Smith and the Installation Team for the fine job they did this evening. After I was elected as your Surgeon a few years ago and the thought of standing here tonight started to take shape, I asked several Past Department Commanders how they would view returning to the wear of the simple Blue and Grey rather than the white jackets for the ceremony. You would not believe how hard were the looks they gave me and how cold the silence was in response. But that's not the reason I changed my mind. A few months ago, I kept getting this repeating

dream where, rather than speaking from a podium as I am, well, let's just say that the dream featured a wall, a pillar, the Honor Guard, and a blindfold. But that wasn't the worst part...I guess I changed my mind because neither Don Smith or Larry Mitchell would give me that last cigarette!

This speech is supposed to be serious, so I had better get with it. They tell me that I will be the face of the VFW in Colorado for the next year. But, I don't think that is a true statement. Yes, I will have representation duties and responsibilities on your behalf. But, all of you, everyone in this room, are the faces of the VFW and the Auxiliaries. You are the ones your neighbors and communities see, you are the contacts that sign up new recruits, you are the ones that collect things and send them off to the troops, you meet the airplanes that bring our newly minted combat veterans home like Charlie and Donna Watkins do all the time, you are the ones that send vets to Terry Jacobson to help in getting them straight with the VA. Without you, the VFW would simply cease to exist. I would dearly love to see a year that follows that old semi-joke: I must hurry and follow, for I am their leader!

If I have a theme this year, it is best expressed in the word "Revival", or perhaps "Renewal". Several Past Department Commanders have agreed to be members of a

"strike team" that will be available to help District Commanders and Post Commanders regain the fire of active, vibrant and hopefully, growing Posts. Not just membership, but also by providing advice on how to rekindle enthusiasm in your programs. I don't have a pet project in mind, partially because all the programs the VFW has established are important and all have worthwhile goals. Rather than start a new initiative, I would rather encourage and see participation in all of the VFW programs. On the Post level, this doesn't mean just to keep on doing what you have been doing: it means that you should try to do something a bit different or new. Last year we had our best year in recent memory for participation in Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, and Teacher of the Year, and I look forward to even greater participation this year.

I've already done the one thing under my direct control that is necessary for the Department to be All-American this coming year. Geri Rimpley of Penrose has had her appointment confirmed as Women's Veterans Chairperson, and she will be assisted by Janine Barth on the Western Slope and Laura Stone in the South. I'm still looking for help for her in the Denver area. I'm also asking all District Commanders to appoint a capable female veteran to their staffs so that this can become a true Department wide effort. There are an increasing number of female combat or combat area veterans out there, young and old. We need to go get them if the VFW is going to survive and they need the companionship and help our organization can provide. After all, we are all veterans of foreign wars.

Another area of emphasis next year is going to be Information Technology. Dave Stone, Steve Rylant, and Greg Wawrytko are a team that will seek to provide

assistance to District Commanders and Posts in becoming computer literate and capable. I'm also asking all District Commanders to appoint an IT person as a point of contact to help the team help the districts. More and more VFW business is conducted through the net. We have got to get with it.

John Wigel made the suggestion that a coordinator position be established to bring coherence and focus to Troop Homecomings and Yellow Ribbon events. Good suggestion, John...tag, you're it!

I guess I can best sum up by repeating something I mentioned in a recent column in the Veteran. The name of the game this year folks is simple...membership and programs, programs and membership. We need to get to the younger veteran of both genders to survive into the future. The young are interested in what we do, not what we drink! Better program participation will lead to more members, more members will lead to better programs. It's a virtual cycle really.

Before I leave the microphone, it just occurred to me that next year at this time, somewhere in Colorado Springs, someone else will be at the microphone. But, let me assure you that I will do all in my power to keep the mike out of his hands until that time, right Sr. Vice Ron Davies.

To close in a tradition way, the next Council of Administration will be held at Post 4051 in Colorado Springs on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of July. You are all encouraged to attend. And you are all invited to the reception that Madame President and myself are hosting at Post 9644 as soon as you can get there from here. Don't worry about dinner, there will be plenty of food.

Oh yes, one more thing. Go Air Force, Beat Navy!

## News from the Veterans Service Office

**The VA has changed the rules for ALL Veterans who were previously denied service connection for PTSD and/or Gulf War Illnesses. If you have been denied for either or both of these disabilities, please contact Terry Jacobson or Tom Martin at the Department Service Office 303-914-5596 or 303-914-5597.**

**Terry Jacobson  
Department Service Officer**

### Thank You Colorado

Thank you for all the cards, prayers and thoughts. They were much appreciated. I am home and the Dr's are still keeping track of me. They run lots of tests and don't find much wrong, just getting older.

Darrell Anderson, PDC

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## Colorado VFW Warriors Report

Welcome to the Colorado VFW Warriors, District 8, our newest chapter. We now have VFW Warrior Charters in Districts 2, 3, 5, 8, 10 and 12. If your district is interested in forming a District Warriors Chapter, please contact me or Department Headquarters.

We had a good turn out of our members on their motorcycles for the State Convention Parade, and I want to personally thank each of you for your participation.

With the exception of my mishap, the State Convention Fun Runs were great and thoroughly enjoyed by all that participated. We plan to develop this into a tradition next year at the State Convention in Colorado Springs. A special patch is

being designed for this year's event and I will let you know more about that in the future.

I want to take a moment to thank riders on the Sunday event for their assistance when I put my Gold Wing down. At a time like that, it is certainly good to have brothers close by. I also want to thank the rest of you for your calls, visits, cards and prayers. This old man is a little slow to heal, but I am looking forward to getting back on the bike in the very near future. A BIG THANKS TO YOU VFW WARRIORS!

Steve "SKIDD-R" Rylant  
VFW Warriors Motorcycle Chairman

## THANK YOU THANK YOU

A BIG "THANK YOU: to all the volunteers that helped with the National Wheelchair Games last week and also the Auxiliaries and VFW Posts that gave donations to make the games a huge success.

Everyone enabled wheelchair veterans to find physical and spiritual healing through activities at the games. All the athletes said all the volunteers were so friendly, and all the hospitality was great.

You ALL made differences to provide a wonderful opportunity for Veterans with disabilities to experience competitive

sports as a stepping stone to a new life. Anyone that attended the games could not help but be dazzled by the determination, strength of spirit, fortitude, sportsmanship, and steadfast resolve to succeed in every event and activity.

The games with a "Heart a Mile High" will be a truly memorable and special experience for all of us.

Thank You  
Bill and Charlotte  
State Commander and President  
2009-2010

## Spring Sweepstake Winners

<b>1st Place</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>Robert Orten</b>	<b>Aurora</b>
<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>Ralph Wackerly</b>	<b>Centennial</b>
<b>3rd Place</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>Jim Mc Bride</b>	<b>Sterling</b>
<b>4th Place</b>	<b>\$ 300</b>	<b>Jay Hayes</b>	<b>Hayden</b>
<b>5th Place</b>	<b>\$ 200</b>	<b>William Herndon III</b>	<b>Mancos</b>
<b>6th Place</b>	<b>\$ 100</b>	<b>Ronald Brown</b>	<b>Canon City</b>
<b>7th Place</b>	<b>\$ 100</b>	<b>H H Romero</b>	<b>Minturn</b>
<b>8th Place</b>	<b>\$ 100</b>	<b>Hollis Martill</b>	<b>Colorado Springs</b>
<b>9th Place</b>	<b>\$ 100</b>	<b>David Alvarado</b>	<b>Ft Collins</b>
<b>10th Place</b>	<b>\$ 100</b>	<b>Ken Davidson</b>	<b>Otis</b>

## United Veterans Committee

The next United Veterans Committee meeting will be September 14 at VFW Post 9644. This is the annual candidates' forum and is open to all members of the UVC, which means all of you. This is a great opportunity to meet the candidates and let them know that you are concerned about veteran's legislation and how our veterans are being treated. Please do attend and wear your VFW caps or other clothing items that identify you as members for the VFW, Ladies Auxiliary or Men's Auxiliary. Hope to see you there.

Steve Rylant  
United Veterans Committee Secretary

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THANK YOU  
EDITOR

## Sr. Vice Column Ron Davies



**T H A N K  
Y O U  
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D O!** This is my credo for my journey in the Department of Colorado. It

doesn't get said enough for what all the great VFW, and Auxiliaries members do for our Veterans and communities. I tried to do say it as much as I could during my year as Department Jr. Vice Commander. "Thank You!" for your confidence to elect me as the 2010 -2011 Sr. Vice Commander

Communication is a key at the Post, District and Department levels. There should be no one Person, Post or District that should feel, either by their own doing or someone else's that they are out on an island and not part of the bigger picture. Your members should feel they are a valuable part of your Post. Your Post should all feel they have a roll to play at the District level and you all should feel pride for your Department and National officers, who by the way are ALL working towards the betterment of Veterans. Post Commanders, if you are not involved with

your Districts please get there. District Commanders, if you are not involved with the Posts in your Districts you need to be NOW. Posts and their members are the Life Blood of the VFW. If you are not demanding that Post Commanders or their designee attend your District meetings so they can bring vital information back to their members your not doing your job. I will promise you that if any Post or District Commander contacts me with a call for assistance, I'll be there. If I see any Post or District floating out on an island and not wanting to be or not being allowed to be part of our GREAT organization I will also be there. Count on it!

One other item that I would like you all to work on before next June is to push for attendance for the State Convention. This past State Convention in **Denver** was attended by approximately a mere .0085%... members. The attendance this year was almost identical to last year when the convention was in Evans CO. I would like someone to explain to me why the indifference towards this event. Thank you!

Ron Davies  
Department Sr. Vice Commander

## Jr Vice Column Bruce Dolan



Greetings,  
I hope this finds everyone well.

As we start our year again, I wish to

thank everyone for your support in my quest of State Jr. Vice Commander. It is very awe inspiring when you realize people will look to you for leadership and advice. This I will promise everyone, I will try and do my best. I may not always have the answers, or the right ones, or even ones you like, but I will do what I can to help all of us do what we need to do to forward our cause of helping Veterans.

This past week when I was at the Veteran Wheel Chair Games in Denver, I noticed something I thought was strange. I was wearing my VFW shirt and two people actually asked me what that meant. Here we are the largest Combat Veteran organization in this great country and people don't know who we are? We have

to find a way to market ourselves better. We should all wear our VFW shirts, or hats, or jackets whenever we go out in public when possible. I'm sure there are many ways we can let people know who we are. I think part of it has to do with the general apathy of the public that they are safe and are more worried about jobs and food on the table. We have our work cut out.

Another thing you will not hear enough about is "MEMBERSHIP." We have to build our organization. Every Post and every District in the state has their own unique challenge, and as the year progresses you will hear more and more ideas on building membership.

I look forward once again to getting to District meetings with my wife and meeting more members of Posts and Auxiliaries. The year will go fast, so we need to hit the ground running.

God bless everyone, and pray for our Veterans and troops in harms way.

Bruce R. Dolan,  
Department Jr. Vice Commander

## Chaplain's Column John Holland



Thank you, Comrades for electing me to be YOUR Chaplain. It is a position that I love. I strive every day to never let you down...

With the new VFW year, a few thoughts.

Please be prompt informing Department of deaths among your members. Every year the Memorial Service Program is a work in progress right up to the deadline (Thank you, Ann). Still, I am approached by comrades and sisters who don't see their loved ones' names.

I would like to thank LifeSource Adventist Community for the beautiful

venue and warm reception for our Memorial Service. The Marine Corps Recruiters were an addition both to the service, and, were a wealth of information regarding protocol. The Color Guard, as usual, brought dignity. Words cannot express how much more beautiful the service was because of Immaculate Conception Church's (Lafayette) Ladies Choir, and our own Auxiliary soloists. Ginny Burriss deserves a LOT of credit.

We are off to a new year. May God bless us, those who protect our freedoms, and may God Bless America.

**Welcome Home**

John Holland Chaplain

## Quartermaster's Column Dick Wellensiek



What do we need to do to make Posts and Districts better at being knowledgeable and

accountable for what we need them to do? How do we make them better VFW Members?

Post Commanders need to take members to District meetings for instruction and to ask questions of District Officers, Department Officers and other Post Commanders and Quartermasters before and after meetings.

Give Post members chairmanships along with Auxiliary chairmen. This lets the member learn the program and feels comfortable being a spoke person for the program!

Posts should have a Color Guard and Honor Guard. Department is asked for a Color Guard or a Honor Guard a lot during the week! People remember what you do for them; this practice has been going on since time began! You scratch my back and I scratch your back! Guess what, you get new members also and donations for the Post.

District Commanders invite Post Officers and Chairmen and members to come to District meetings. Make meetings fun! Instruction on some kind, formal from the Department Representative or members involved. Call on your staff and Post Commanders, District Chairmen to report.

Discuss Post problems of any kind. Have anybody present, in on the discussion if they have something to offer. But if Post Commanders want a private meeting, then the District Commander will pick staff and Department Representative to sit in on the meeting.

It is our job as Department Officers and Department Headquarters to get you the information you need. It could be on the Web Site [www.vfwcolodept.org](http://www.vfwcolodept.org), in the Colorado Veteran, or the Bulletin, or put out at your District meeting by a Department Representative. Department Headquarters is there to serve you! You may reach us by e-mail [vfw@vfwcolodept.org](mailto:vfw@vfwcolodept.org), phone 303-421-1630 or come down to see us, the doors are always open.

Your Department Quartermaster  
Dick Wellensiek

## Surgeon's Column James Lafferty



This is my first time to write since State Convention and I would like to thank everyone for their support and help in the election.

I think that we need to make sure that our Veterans are getting information that they need for all the help that they can get and need. Everyone should read up and be aware of

the new regulations concerning all of the illnesses and what have you from all the different countries that they have been in. We also need to help all of our veterans if they need help getting to and from their appointments. This is short but I will get the hang of it before too long.

**Working for All Veterans**

Jim Lafferty  
Department Surgeon

## Thank You Colorado

To all of my friends in the VFW, Ladies Auxiliary and Men's Auxiliary, thank you from the bottom of my heart for all of your visits, calls, cards, flowers, and prayers as I have been recovering from my motorcycle accident. Colleen and I are so blessed to have this great extended family to care about us and pray for us. For any of you that may be wondering, the Gold

Wing had a few minor scratches. I didn't fair quite as well, with 8 broken ribs, a broken shoulder blade, and a partially collapsed lung, but I had great care from the Doctors and Hospital and I am doing well. I should be back on the bike very soon. Thanks to all of you.

Steve and Colleen Rylant

### All - State Post Commanders 2009 - 2010

Captain		
#5061	Joe Gallegos	Denver
# 41	Ted Gilbert	Loveland
#1771	John Evans	Lafayette
#2585	Steven Kroh	Johnstown
#2797	John Pacheco	Denver
#3981	Henry Silva	Grnd Jnction
#6101	Samuel Medina	San Luis
#6331	Robert Yett Sr.	Aurora
#7829	Tony Wolusky	Monument
#7945	Bruce Dolan	Thornton

**Outstanding District Commander**  
Larry Walrath District 8

**Runner-Up**  
Allen Naugle District 13

### All - State Post Quartermasters 2009 - 2010

Captain		
#5061	Tom Yepsen	Denver
# 41	Harry Weber	Loveland
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#1166	Glenn Jacobs	Buena Vista
#1771	David Dater	Lafayette
#2797	Edward Vigil	Denver
#3961	Ken Davidson	Otis
#3981	Dielon Harwood	Grnd Jnction
#4171	Larry Pace	Golden
#4191	Richard Clevenger	Crook
#4266	Roland Henkel	Parker
#4444	Marciano Carrillo	Commerce City
#5181	Thomas McDonnell	Dove Creek
#6101	Rodolfo Arguello	San Luis
#6331	John McMaster	Aurora
#7829	Ted Carlson	Monument
#7945	Ron Schlieman	Thornton

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**GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1**

June 19, 2010 SERIES: 2010-2011  
1. Having been duly elected and installed into the office of Commander, Department of Colorado, according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, I hereby assume command of the Department of Colorado. All previously appointed officers and committeemen's term of office is hereby declared expired and now ineffective.

The following officers have been duly elected and installed at the 90th Annual Convention held June 16-19, 2010, Denver, CO., and will have full authority to act and shall be obeyed accordingly:

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**DISTRICT 13 COMMANDER:**

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**1. COUNCIL OF**

**ADMINISTRATION:** The next Council of Administration meeting will be Sunday, July 25, 2010. Joint Opening will be at Pikes Peak VFW #4051, 430 E Pikes Peak, Colorado Springs, Time: 9:00 A.M. SHARP.

**Workshops and Pre-Council meeting will be on Saturday July 24, 2010 at VFW Post #4051 Colorado Springs.**

**ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS OR THEIR PROPER REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT.**

Any and all District and Post Officers and members are invited to attend. Uniform of the day will be black and white. All attending Officers must sign the roster with the Department Adjutant to record your presence at Council of Administration meeting

2. **PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY:** All Department Officers are instructed to comply with Sec. 515, Paragraph (c) "Proof of Eligibility". Such proof must be on file at Department Headquarters **prior to July 23, 2010.** Failure to comply will disqualify Council Members from participation in the Council of Administration and District Commanders for reimbursement of expenses.

3. **2010 SPRING SWEEPSTAKES:** Prize winners of the Spring Sweepstakes are listed in this Colorado Veteran.

4. **DIRECT DUES** notices will be mailed to the membership. Bring your questions to the Midsummer Conference July 25<sup>th</sup> in Colorado Springs.

5. **NATIONAL CONVENTION:** The 111<sup>th</sup> National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. will be held in Indianapolis, IN August 21-26, 2010. Please contact Department Headquarters for information.

6. **NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEE:** All Posts are reminded of the provision of the National By-Laws, which requires at least one registration from each Post. The registration fee of \$10.00 and a completed registration form must be sent to the Quartermaster General, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S., 406 West 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, **prior to August 10, 2010.** If the Post has not sent in a Post Election Report Form listing officers for 2010-2011, credentials will not be mailed to the Post Commander for the National Convention.

7. **2010-2011 POST OFFICERS:** Posts

that have not submitted Report of Election forms will do so immediately. The forms must be submitted even though the current officers served for the 2009-2010 year. Posts that have not submitted their Election Report to Department will not be listed in the Department roster.

Posts who have not properly reported elected officers by August 1, 2010, will be suspended for a period of ninety (90) days by the Commander-in-Chief. This suspension will automatically terminate when a properly completed Report of Election of officers is received at National Headquarters. At the end of ninety (90) days, the Commander-in-Chief may cancel the charter of any Post not properly submitting a list of officers to National Headquarters.

**Please also send a copy of the Report of Election of officers to Department Headquarters.**

8. **QUARTERMASTER BONDS -**

**AUDITS:** It is the duty of Commander to see that the office of the Quartermaster is bonded and that Trustees Reports of Audits are completed, signed by the Commander, Trustees, and Quartermaster and mailed to Department Headquarters no later than 30 days following the close of each quarter. All Quartermaster bonds carried through Department expire **August 31, 2010.** The foregoing is a requirement of the National By-Laws. Bond Applications will be mailed to the Post and District Quartermaster.

9. **DEPARTMENT COLOR**

**GUARD:** All requests for the State Color Guard Units or Ritual Teams will be directed by the State Commander to Joe Wedemann and will be handled in order of priority established by the Commander and recommendations from the District being considered. All requests will be submitted in writing to the State Commander, and it is requested that a copy be sent to Captain Joe Wedemann.

10. **COMMUNITY SERVICE and**

**OTHER REPORTS:** Post Commanders are advised to send an **ORIGINAL report form - Community Service, Youth Activity, Americanism, Loyalty**

**Day, Hospital and others pertaining to the Department Program report - DIRECTLY** to Department Headquarters, 1400 Carr Street, Lakewood, CO, 80214.

The Adjutant will duplicate same and send copies to the various VFW State Chairmen. The reporting year commences May 1, 2010. Do not report programs completed prior to that date for the reporting year 2010-2011. Please make a copy of these forms for your Post files. Forms are available from Department Headquarters. **THERE ARE NEW FORMS FOR 2010-2011 REPORTING.**

11. **VFW CAPS, OFFICIAL:** All personnel are advised that there is only one official cap of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, namely, a cap of the overseas type, lettered with VFW initials, Post numerals, State, rank of office (when applicable), and bearing the Cross of Malta emblem. The color shall be regulation Army Shade 51 or Suntan, tropical worsted. Organizational echelons will be designated by the appropriate color of the braid and lettering on the cap. **Caps will not be worn while eating or seated during meals.**

All other types of headgear, i.e., baseball types, western types, sporting types, are not official headgear and will not be worn at meetings of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

12. **2009-2010 AWARDS:** Posts or individuals who have not received the appropriate awards they earned from the Department of Colorado in the 2009-2010 year, please notify Department, in writing, within Thirty (30) Days by applying for the appropriate awards.

13. **MEMBERSHIP:** The new membership year has started. Sign up a new and/or reinstated members and earn awards from Department.

ATTESTED BY:

Richard Wellensiek  
Richard Wellensiek  
Department Adjutant

BY COMMAND OF:

Donald J. Alberts  
Donald J. Alberts  
Department Commander

ALL PATIENTS' ACTIVITIES DAY

September 18, 2010

VA EASTERN COLORADO HEALTH CARE SYSTEM  
Pueblo VA Community Living Center  
2600 Oakshire Lane  
Pueblo, CO 81001

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Beginning at 7:00 a.m.	Volunteers Assemble Carnival Booths
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Volunteer Registration
11:00 a.m.	Patients Go Through The Lunch Line
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Entertainment
11:45 a.m.	Volunteers Go Through The Lunch Line
12:45 p.m.	Gift Presentations by Organizations
1:25 p.m.	Balloon Release - Volunteers Report to Game Booths
1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Carnival Booths Open For Business
3:30 p.m.	Volunteers Disassemble Carnival Booths

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THANKS FOR COMING! HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME!

**VFW Post Membership by District as of June 30, 2010**

Number/City	2009	2010	%	Number/City	2009	2010	%
<b>DISTRICT #1</b>				<b>DISTRICT #8</b>			
1 Denver	795	721	91	859 Leadville	45	45	100*
501 Denver	531	499	94	1166 Buena Vista	194	197	102*
2461 Denver	175	173	99	3820 Salida	124	126	102*
2797 Denver	53	58	109*	8661 Bailey	184	175	95
3971 Denver	123	122	99	10721 Minturn	102	102	100*
5061 Denver	416	492	118*	11411 Lake George	51	52	102*
6616 Denver	199	185	93	12009 Conifer	68	80	118*
TOTAL	2292	2250	98%	TOTAL	768	777	101%*
<b>DISTRICT #2</b>				<b>DISTRICT #9</b>			
61 Pueblo	157	139	89	2371 Walden	58	51	88
984 Trinidad	87	85	98	3311 Oak Creek	34	33	97
2643 Walsenburg	57	55	96	4264 Steambt Spgs	104	109	105*
2788 Penrose	69	71	103*	4265 Craig	175	170	97
3641 Pueblo	143	121	85	5261 Rangely	16	15	94
4061 Canon City	519	493	95	5843 Meeker	45	46	102*
5812 Pueblo West	186	182	98	9374 Kremmling	48	47	98
7305 Colo. City	53	52	98	9471 Hayden	12	11	92
8301 Pueblo	13	13	100*	TOTAL	492	482	98%
8898 Boone	59	58	98	<b>DISTRICT #10</b>			
12063 Westcliffe	61	53	87	322 Englewood	160	149	93
TOTAL	1404	1322	94%	3471 Morrison	110	102	93
<b>DISTRICT #3</b>				<b>DISTRICT #11</b>			
41 Loveland	335	339	101*	3631 Aurora	419	414	99
807 Boulder	88	74	84	4121 Idaho Spgs.	79	78	99
1771 Lafayette	430	434	101*	4171 Golden	658	661	100*
1781 Ft. Collins	373	358	96	4266 Parker	39	45	115*
2121 Greeley	256	239	93	4331 Arvada	314	313	99.7*
2585 Johnstown	104	108	104*	4444 Cmmrc Cty	274	278	101*
2601 Longmont	650	576	89	4666 Littleton	161	160	99
2841 Brighton	202	201	99.5	6331 Aurora	133	142	107*
4334 Ault	85	88	104*	7563 Black Hawk	24	22	92
6011 Platteville	86	77	90	7945 Thornton	483	489	101*
6624 Evans	350	329	94	8449 Bennett	36	34	94
7206 Louisville	36	36	100*	9644 Fort Logan	753	639	84
9565 Broomfield	149	147	99	10736 Fdrl Heights	35	31	89
9741 Dacono	29	34	117*	TOTAL	3704	3557	97%
TOTAL	3173	3040	96%	<b>DISTRICT #12</b>			
<b>DISTRICT #4</b>				<b>DISTRICT #13</b>			
2551 Ft. Morgan	325	313	96	3411 Kit Carson	31	27	87
3378 Yuma	79	81	103*	6491 Burlington	87	87	100*
3541 Sterling	159	152	96	6492 Seibert	11	11	100*
3551 Brush	53	48	91	6612 Hugo	60	62	103*
3951 Ovid	33	32	97	9491 Deer Trail	28	28	100*
3961 Otis	29	30	103*	9700 Chynn Wlls	37	40	108*
4191 Crook	24	26	108*	TOTAL	254	255	100%*
4671 Wray	77	73	95	15006 MAL	2129	2122	98%
6482 Holyoke	88	81	92	TOTAL DEPT	20851	20248	97%
7153 Fleming	49	45	92	<b>DISTRICT #7</b>			
8064 Akron	64	56	88	899 Alamosa	194	182	94
TOTAL	980	937	96%	3228 Monte Vista	54	53	98
<b>DISTRICT #5</b>				<b>DISTRICT #6</b>			
101 Colo. Spgs.	426	438	103*	336 Ordway	128	129	101*
3917 Security	758	736	97	2411 LasAnimas	125	119	95
4051 Colo. Spgs	929	881	95	3621 Lamar	64	61	95
5221 Calhan	86	85	99	4001 Springfield	55	51	94
6051 WdlnD Park	48	48	100*	4091 Rocky Ford	89	85	96
6461 Fountain	294	270	92	4281 Holly	41	37	90
7829 Monument	29	39	134*	TOTAL	502	482	96%
9669 Colo. Spgs.	58	59	102*	<b>DISTRICT #7</b>			
10649 Elizabeth	36	43	119*	899 Alamosa	194	182	94
TOTAL	2664	2599	98%	3228 Monte Vista	54	53	98
<b>DISTRICT #6</b>				<b>DISTRICT #7</b>			
336 Ordway	128	129	101*	4849 La Jara	77	71	92
2411 LasAnimas	125	119	95	6101 San Luis	85	86	101*
3621 Lamar	64	61	95	8121 Del Norte	69	68	99
4001 Springfield	55	51	94	TOTAL	479	460	96%
4091 Rocky Ford	89	85	96	<b>DISTRICT #7</b>			
4281 Holly	41	37	90	899 Alamosa	194	182	94
TOTAL	502	482	96%	3228 Monte Vista	54	53	98
<b>DISTRICT #7</b>				<b>DISTRICT #8</b>			
899 Alamosa	194	182	94	4849 La Jara	77	71	92
3228 Monte Vista	54	53	98	6101 San Luis	85	86	101*
4849 La Jara	77	71	92	8121 Del Norte	69	68	99
6101 San Luis	85	86	101*	TOTAL	479	460	96%
8121 Del Norte	69	68	99	<b>DISTRICT #9</b>			
TOTAL	479	460	96%	899 Alamosa	194	182	94

**Thank You Colorado**

We would like to Thank the VFW's and Auxiliaries for the many expressions of sympathy in the loss of our loved one, Martin K. "Sonny" Canape. Be it a thought or card or a prayer and the many who graced us with their presence. He was very proud to be a VFW member and a Cootie member. God Bless

The Family of Martin "Sonny" Canape

**MEMBERSHIP 2010-2011**

The new year has now started. You will be getting a report from National Headquarters about your membership from last year, it will be adjusted.

National sent to ObituaryRegistry.com a list of over 330,000 life members over the age of 80 years old. Out of this list, National had 34,859 come back as deceased. Colorado had 382 deceased life members removed from its membership. National will be notifying the Posts of the changes in the monthly maintenance journal, which will be coming out with the new rosters in the next week or so.

Dues notices have been sent out so you

should be seeing some dues paid. You can send out your own notices asking them to pay their dues, invite them to a Post meeting so they can see what the VFW is doing in your town.

We will be pushing new / reinstate members plus life memberships. If you have an idea that you think will work, tell us about it.

We need your email address if you have not already given it to Department Headquarters. More info later.

Jim Mauck aka Dr Fat Albert  
303-774-8236 home 303-588-7518 cell  
colofatalbert@vfwonline.net

**Men's Auxiliary**

Brothers,

I'm happy to report that at Convention we had the biggest turn out in our history. We had 20+ come to the MA Meeting, more important: we had MA present at every function! Let's keep up the good work!

July Council is in Security 7/24 & 25. I hope to see you there.

Remember to attend your District Meetings and turn in Community Service Reports.

Chuck Mitchell  
President MA #2601

**Men's Auxiliary Charter Member**

Roy Salazar was born August 10, 1911 in Blanco, NM, migrated to California during the Depression. Due to Civil Service duty he was deferred 12 times from WWII to supply Patton's troops while they were training in Desert Center, CA for the invasion of North Africa. His son, a Vietnam Vet, recruited Roy into Dean K. Phillips Memorial VFW Post #5061 Men's Auxiliary as a Charter member.

**Attention All Men's Auxiliary President's**

Is your Men's Auxiliary active and helping your community and your VFW Post? If so we would like you to submit an article and tell us what you are doing. We will publish as much as we have room in the next publications. Let us hear from you.

**NINE-DAY WWII TOUR ONLY \$2795**

Due to 'sold out' status of the June and July WWII tours, a **September 9<sup>th</sup> departure** has been added by tour escorts Dr. & Mrs. Brooks Ranney of Yankton, SD. The nine-day tour is especially situated for our WWII vets, who also receive the discounted price of only \$2795 (plus tax) for the tour. Everyone is welcome on this tour.

This is the seventh year that WWII Veteran Dr. Brooks Ranney and his wife Vi have escorted these tours which will visit Paris, all the Beaches of Normandy, Eisenhower's headquarters in Reims, Patton's Grave near Luxembourg City, the Battle of the Bulge area in Belgium and Germany with the Remagen Bridge and an afternoon Rhine River cruise. If you wish to travel with the Ranneys, please call their home 605-665-3596 today for a colorful brochure.

**Thank You! Thank You! Thank You**

Comrades, Sisters and Brothers,

Thank you for all your prayers and best wishes for our Daughter-in-Law Lenne Mitchell. We're happy to report that her heart transplant went very well and her recovery is ahead of schedule. By the time you read this she'll be home. She is scheduled to be released 8/1. Please keep her in your prayers. I'm told that her gift produced 70 transplants. She is Hero in her own right and we thank her for her gift.

Chuck and Nancy Mitchell  
Men's and Ladies Auxiliary #2601

**Eagle Scout of the Year  
Thomas Price**

Thomas placed Second Place at National and was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship. Thomas was sponsored by the Department of Colorado and Cheyenne Mountain VFW Post 3917.

**TAPS**

Post 1247: Ron Ames, John D. Beurer, Randy J. Barnes  
Post 3571: Richard Delzer, Hubert Parkinson, William D. Sander,  
Ben G. Walker, Virgil R. Williams  
Post 3981: Le Roy Erickson  
Post 4061: Daryl M. Christensen, Ronald D Frederick Jr., Richard G.  
Doley, Neo M. Hernandez, Franklin L. Bullock  
Post 5485: Eugene L. Quinn  
Post 7206: Tom F. Cable





PDP Charlotte Lattin, center, Myra Dawson, left and Carol Anderson, right, in front of the 2010 National Wheelchair Games in Denver showing that Ladies Auxiliary was a Silver Dollar Donor. Thank You for all the donations.



L-R: PDP Charlotte Lattin, Granddaughter Tiffney, PDC Ron Lattin greeting veterans at the VFW/Ladies Auxiliary booth Registration Day. National Wheelchair Games was the Department President Project for 2009-2010.



L-R: Donna Watkins and Department Chief of Staff Charles Watkins sorting and distributing volunteer t-shirts and ID cards at the National Wheelchair Games held in Denver July 4 - 9, 2010.



L-R: Gina and Elaine Ciccone, Ladies Auxiliary #6616 Denver, staffed a cold water station at Registration, helped by a youth volunteer, far left. Volunteers from the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary donated their time every day of the Games.



L-R: PDP Charlotte Lattin and PDP Donna Tellgren were assigned the booth that assembled and distributed award photos of the winners at the National Wheelchair Games. All of the Veterans that participated are winners in our books.



L-R: State Color Guard Captain Joe Wedemann, far right, with State Colorado Guard members lead off the Department Loyalty Day Parade in Calhan, CO, May 1, 2010. Department VFW Officers and Ladies Auxiliary Officers followed.



The Freedom Park Memorial Committee and Minturn VFW Post #10721 helped to unload a 600 lb piece of limestone from the Pentagon west wall, one of the approximately 100 pieces of limestone saved by the DoD for memorials around America! Lt Col Buddy Sims and his wife, Bonnie, picked up this particular limestone fragment in March of 2005 with a Penske rental truck and drove it to Eagle County for the eventual installation in Freedom Park. Two rock benches have also been installed with the limestone fragment to remember and honor two individuals killed in the line of duty - Ryan Jay Cunningham, a Vail, CO Police Officer and 2nd Lt John Shaw Vaughan, US Army, Edwards, CO a soldier killed in action in Iraq.



The Freedom Park Memorial was dedicated Memorial Day May 31, 2010 in memory of all Veterans of the Armed Forces who have served their country and especially those from Eagle County.



All American can sleep tonight and not be afraid to conduct their normal lives due to the dedication of our Nations military and emergency responders. The fragment of Pentagon Limestone now standing in the Freedom Park in Edwards, CO is a clear expression of America's determination and will to overcome all obstacles! When driving two hours west of Denver on I70, please stop by and see the memorial. Eagle County citizens take great pride in this community accomplishment and the volunteer efforts of the many who made it possible.



Fontaine Qui Bouille VFW #6461 and Ladies Auxiliary, Fountain, CO, 1st Place winner in Category I - Promotion of Buddy Poppies. 2nd Place #9644 Verle Huffman, 3rd Place #9221 Cedaredge.



Joseph J Jacques, Jr. VFW Post #7945 and Ladies Auxiliary, Thornton, CO, 1st Place winner Category III - Artistic or Decorative. 2nd Place #6101 San Luis, 3rd Place #4171 Golden.



Lee Marts VFW Post #3571 and Ladies Auxiliary Jr Girls Unit 1st Place winner Category IV - Jr. Girls. 2nd Place #6624 Evans Jr Girls, 3rd Place #4171 Golden Jr. Girls.



Longs Peak VFW Post #2601 and Ladies Auxiliary, Longmont, CO, 1st Place winner Category II - Inspirational or Memorial. 2nd Place #6101 San Luis, 3rd Place #4171 Golden.



Buddy Poppy Hat Parade is always a highlight of Saturday morning Ladies Auxiliary Business Session at State Convention. L-R: 5 ladies in "Hog Wild" Pink Greeley #2121 - Clever / Fun; Cecilia Schoonover #6331 Aurora - Patriotic; Sue Johnson #6461 Fountain - President's Theme; Rita Fama and Lucille Pacheco from Golden #4171 - Most Poppies Used. Justine and Erica Fama, Golden Jr Girls and Samantha Galindo and Denise Bentlinger, Evans Jr Girls helped with the Parade.



American Service Womens Memorial in Collbran, CO. What a beautiful memorial to our Women Veterans. This picture was taken July 4, 2010. When you go to the Western Slope, take a road trip into the mountains east of Grand Junction and stop and visit this memorial in the center of the town. The Memorial has been there for a number of years, but many of our members have not taken the time to leave I-70 and visit the town of Collbran. Do so the next time you are west on I-70.

### Department Commander D. J. Alberts Homecoming

September 25, 2010



VFW Post #4051  
430 E Pikes Peak  
Colorado Springs, CO



1:00 - 4:00 pm

Please RSVP to Department Headquarters 303-421-1630  
by September 17th

(Parking on the East side of the Post Home and in Back)

### Department President Carolyn Simon's Homecoming September 26, 2010



VFW Post #322  
3800 S Windermere

(corner of Lehigh and Windermere, south of Hampden and east of Santa Fe, no direct access from Santa Fe)

Englewood, CO



Open House 1:00 - 5:00 pm

In lieu of gifts, donations to  
"Department President's Special Project", please

Please RSVP to Department Headquarters 303-421-1630  
by September 17th

## Colorado State Veterans Center Homelake 9th Annual Summerfest!

### Schedule of Events:

#### Friday September 10, 2010

2:00 - 3:30 pm Table/Booth set up

#### Saturday September 11, 2010

8:00 - 9:15 am Breakfast Bar with breakfast burritos served in the Homelake Theatre to all "Homelake Summerfest" participants

9:15 am Flag Raising Ceremony

9:30 - 11:00 am Tables/Booths will be open to the residents for the 9th Annual Summerfest volunteers!

11:00 - 12:30 pm Lunch will be served to all residents by Homelake staff & Summerfest volunteers.

12:30 - 1:00 pm Awards/Certificate Ceremony

#### Facts about Homelake that are important for hosting the Summerfest:

- Because of our campus size and layout, residents and large numbers of visitors can easily be accommodated.
- Nursing home residents with electric wheelchairs can maneuver around the entire campus with little effort.
- Weather in September is beautiful!
- 50 nursing home residents can ambulate or be taken to the event. An additional 10 veterans will enjoy a visit from you in the nursing home.
- 21 DOM residents are physically able to participate in the event.
- Homelake will provide breakfast and a veteran appreciation barbecue during "HOMELAKE SUMMERFEST."
- Monte Vista and Alamosa have several motels and other accommodations to meet the demands of housing for this event.
- The Center will have RV parking available without hook-ups.

There are approximately 20 tables/booths available for sponsorship. If your Post or Auxiliary would like to sponsor a booth, please call Vickie Olson or Melanie Squire at 719-852-5118 or 888-838-2687. If you had a booth for Summerfest 2009, we have the game listed for your booth as long as you RSVP.

**Resident Gift suggestions for the booths:** Hats, socks, t-shirts, wind breaker jackets, 12 packs of pop (diet, caffeine free and regular), bags of candy (sugar and sugar-free), nuts, popcorn, writing paper with pens/pencils, postage stamps, oldies music tapes, large print books on history of armed forces, etc., wallets, disposable camera, Homelake Market Certificates \$1.00 - \$5.00, Gift Certificates to Subway, Pizza Hut, Safeway, etc., garden hand tools. Cash donations are also accepted to help defray some costs to the meals served during "SUMMERFEST".

### Community Service

A new year has started. Let see if we can do better in filling out the new 2010-2011 Community Service report. Do not forget, all Hospital and Nursing home time, hrs, and miles go onto the back bottom of the form under HOSPITAL & NURSING HOMES. Remember you can **only** use the Hrs. Cash, Projects and Miles under **one** section. You can report it under other sections and mark it see section such and such for Hrs, Cash, Projects, Miles. Remember you cannot report and Hrs, Cash, Projects and Miles for anything to do with your Post, District or State, **this report is for Community service only.** If you have any question, give us a call. Our Phone No. is 970-858-4944.

**Are you clipping and sending coupon to the military and other organization?** Are you taking the value of these as a donation? If you are, per National you are wrong. When we checked with National they told us all we can claim is the time taken cutting them out and the Postage to

send them. They also said the only time you can use a cash donation is when it has been voted on the floor and a check written by the Quartermaster or Treasurer. The only exception to this is when you donate items to the VA, or other organizations, you can use the value of the items as a cash denotation.

Buddy Poppies: We have received word from National that you cannot report anything under the cash column of the Community Service report for it is a program by itself, they/we get their information when you purchase them. You still need to report the time, mileage and uses of them.

There is a revised Instruction Sheet. Please read and if you have questions call.

Chuck and Sandi Ackerman  
State VFW and Ladies Auxiliary  
Community Service Directors

### 2010 Buddy Poppy Display Winners

#### Category #1 Public Promotion

1<sup>st</sup> Place #6461 Fountain  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place #9644 Verle Huffman  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place #9221 Cedaredge

#### Category #2 Memorial or Inspirational

1<sup>st</sup> Place #2601 Longmont  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place #4663 Clifton  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place # 859 Leadville

#### Category #3 Artistic or Decorative

1<sup>st</sup> Place #7945 Thornton  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place #6101 San Luis  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place #4171 Golden

#### Category #4 Jr Girls

1<sup>st</sup> Place #3571 Delta  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place #6624 Evans  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place #4171 Golden

## Outstanding Auxiliary Treasurer and Runner Up 2009 - 2010

#### Group I

Nancy Johnson #2797 Denver  
Ardith Grant #9333 Hotchkiss

#### Group II

Rhonda Renz # 859 Leadville  
Peggy Haley #3228 Monte Vista

#### Group III

Cecelia Schoonover #6331 Aurora  
Ann Darling #4091 La Junta

#### Group IV

Joan Ohlrogge #8121 So Fork  
Kathleen Tomlin #2411 Las Animas

#### Group V

Dorthea Child #4031 Durango  
Terryl Roane 6461 Fountain

#### Group VI

Alberta Nail #2551 Ft Morgan  
Louise Jones #3541 Sterling

#### Group VII

Ann Mauck #2601 Longmont  
Lennie Dolan #7945 Thornton

### Thank You

I would like to thank you for your confidence in electing me Department Guard for 2010-2011. I will try to do the best that I can for the Veterans and Ladies Auxiliary members. I know that I will have lots of questions and hopefully, if you have questions I will be able to answer them. Again I thank you for your confidence and support.

Linda Stahly  
Department Guard 2010-2011

### September Chapel Escort and Coffee Hour Schedule

Sept. 5 Mile High VFW	#1771	Lafayette
12 Silver Dollar PT	# 1	Denver
19 Skyline VFW	#2797	Denver
26 Rocky Mtn VFW	#1781	Ft Collins

**This schedule will be published every Colorado Veteran. Plan to bring enough for both the Protestant and Catholic Services. Coffee will be supplied to the Hosts, you may bring juice if you wish.**

**NOTE: if you are not able to keep your assigned date please work out a trade and then, call Betty Melsen at 303-237-6646 or Rita Roseman 303-445-1403 IN ADVANCE so they are aware of any changes.**

### Buddy Poppy

#### Aims & Goals 2010-2011

I am honored to be chosen to serve as Department President Carolyn's Buddy Poppy co-chairman this year.

...1. "To Honor the Dead by Helping the Living" using our Buddy Poppy sales.

...2. To increase the purchase of Buddy Poppies by asking every Auxiliary to order at the least the minimum amount so that we can exceed last year's sales.

...3. To promote the education in the communities of what the Buddy Poppy represents by handing out brochures that tell the story of the Buddy Poppy.

...4. To promote the education in the communities of who benefits from the sales of the Buddy Poppy.

...5. To promote the use and creativity of the Buddy Poppy in corsages, centerpieces, wreaths, favors, on parade floats, etc. To encourage the Auxiliaries to make new pieces for all holidays and events.

...6. To encourage the Auxiliaries to send pictures of their projects and to share their ideas on the use of the Buddy Poppy.

...7. To promote and encourage the Auxiliaries to remember our Veterans at the nursing homes, in the hospitals and those that live in their own homes – not just during the holidays, but throughout the year.

...8. To try to find new locations to hand out the Buddy Poppies. Always ask permission from the owners of the business.

...9. Encourage all Auxiliaries to enter the Buddy Poppy contest at State Convention. Make the display a fund project for the members, all work together and try new ideas. Contest rules will be provided later.

There is always a time and season to honor our Veterans using the Buddy Poppy! Be creative and have fun!

I know you will find many ways to use the Buddy Poppy and build your Relief Fund to assist the Veterans in your area. Loyally,

Queenie Barz  
Department Buddy Poppy Co-Chairman

### Thank You from PDP Charlotte

Thanks to everyone on the convention committees and volunteers that worked so hard to have everything run smoothly for a wonderful Department Convention. My deepest appreciation for all the gifts and well wishes I received. Each and every one of you are so special. I was astounded by the beautiful butterfly necklace and earrings and donation, this will be a very special memento of my year from all the auxiliaries. The beautiful crystal trophy will hold a very special place in my heart. I will be continuing to work this year for the Department Ladies

Auxiliary as Hospital Chairman, so I hope to see many of you as I travel around the state. It will also be my honor to serve as National Western Conference Cancer Aid and Research Chairman. Thank you all for all your hard work and support in our "Hats off to Veterans" Year.

Best wishes to Carolyn and all the line officers, I know you will have a successful year.

Loyally,  
Charlotte Lattin PDP



# Auxiliary News

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Ann Mauck, Auxiliary News Chairman



## Presidents's Column Carolyn Simon



Good Evening National Representatives, District 13 Council members, Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for being here this evening to witness the strength of the VFW and its Auxiliaries through the orderly transition of one year's officers to the next. I call you Brothers and Sisters, for that is what we are, a broad family of Veterans and Families working together to support and sustain an even broader family of Veterans and families. Although we came from many different places and circumstances, we join together in a single, common and shared cause — to advocate for yesterday's, today's and tomorrow's ordinary heroes.

I am proud to have been chosen as the Ladies Auxiliary leader for the coming year. I promise to do whatever I am able to do to justify your confidence in me. Our focus for the coming year will be on the programs that the VFW, Ladies Auxiliary and Men's Auxiliary support, because I believe that membership stems from the things we do outside our Post walls.

I am particularly happy to introduce the Ladies who have accepted the responsibility of Program Chairmen. Ladies, please rise as your name is called and audience, please hold your applause, until all the Chairmen have been introduced. Starting with Americanism, we have Patriotic Instructor Eileen Vegoren; Auxiliary News and Extension, as well as my Chief of Staff is Ann Mauck; Buddy Poppy will be District 12 President Queenie Barz; Cancer Aid and Research is Cecilia Schoonover; Community Service will be handled by District 11 President Sandra Ackerman; Courtesy is Chaplain Carla Vaglianti; Fisher House will be Jo Najera; Hospital and VAVS is Jr. Past President Charlotte Lattin; Jr. Girls is Rita Fama; Legislative/PAC is our newest line officer Linda Stahly; Membership will be promoted by Jr. Vice President Virginia Burris; Patriots Pen/Voice of Democracy is Caroline Gelatt; Youth Activities is Janet Mills; Veterans and Family Support is in the capable hands of Carol Anderson; National Convention Open House is Ruth Wellensiek. Program Coordinator is Ruth Gulden. District Presidents' Advisor is Sue Johnson. Finally, All State Presidents and Achievement will be handled by a committee composed of Ann Mauck, Sue Johnson, Ruth Gulden and chaired by Rosie Mitchell. All State Treasurer's awards will be chosen by Dept. Treasurer Colleen Rylant.

Hospital and VAVS reps and deputies are: Denver, Betty Melsen, Loyda Alvarado, Juanita Bowen and Rita Roseman; VA Admissions Coffee, Juanita Bowen and Myra Dawson; Grand Junction, Joan Peterson, Doris Wilson and

JoAnn Ryan; Pueblo, Rita Kindell and Judy Reed; Colorado Springs, Barbara Johnson; Cheyenne, Caroline Gelatt and Teresa Hendricks; Fitzsimons, Dee Espinoza; Florence, Anna Daniels; Home Lake, Sami Smith; Rifle, Lois Ferbrache; Walsenburg, Marjorie Schooley; and last but certainly not least, our Honorary VAVS Members, Beulah Collins and JoAnn Sparks. These ladies are the very heart of the work that we do and deserve your applause.

My theme for this year is trees and leaves in all the variations of the seasons. My motto is "Leaving Veterans and Families with HOPE. I chose these words after reading of the growing number of suicides among our returning troops, after meeting and visiting with the elderly whose families and friends have gone away. These words ring out for every family that has lost one or both incomes due to our country's economy, or is facing serious illness. Where hope exists, there follows a renewed energy and a belief that tomorrow will be better. That belief can make it happen.

I chose trees and leaves as a symbol because it represents renewal through the cycle of seasons. I especially chose aspen trees, not only for their Colorado significance, but because of the way they grow. Aspen trees share a common root system, and each individual tree depends on every other tree in the stand around it for survival, for support and strength. When one tree falls to age or storms, it continues to nourish new growth.

The Ladies Auxiliary is like a stand of aspen trees. Each one of us is different and individual. Yet we share that common root of service and dedication to Veterans and our families. Even though we disagree in many ways as individuals, our strength lies in our unity of purpose. Together we accomplish so much more.

My colors — green, white and gold — are like a stand of aspen as it moves through the seasons, from spring to summer to fall and finally to winter's rest. My flower is the daisy that plays happily around the base of the aspen tree. While the trees represent our strength and our work, the daisy represents the laughter and friendship that we share when we bring a little sunshine and hope into the lives that we touch. May we never take ourselves so seriously that we forget to laugh. My special project is the Colorado Foundation, to better help the needy here at home.

This year I challenge each of you to do three things. First of all, bring in one new member, to replenish our organization. Second, truly mentor a new or existing member, to help her realize her value to our organization, and encourage her to become more involved in our work. This keeps our organization strong. Finally, be creative — try just one new idea for a program. Be willing to accept that we aren't our grandmother's, or even our

mother's auxiliary any more. Today's woman is different, and what didn't work in the past may be successful now. This keeps our organization young, this gives us something new to think about, and creativity is fun!

I wish to extend my thanks to President Charlotte and Commander Bill for their leadership and devotion to the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary. To Commander-elect DJ, to all the VFW and to the Men's Auxiliary, I pledge the support and cooperation of the Ladies Auxiliary. I am honored to work beside you for the coming year. And to all of our membership, I wish you a happy, successful and rewarding year.

I would like to leave you with two thoughts: First of all, I was privileged to hear John Gwizdak speak and give you this definition of a VFW Post: "Where warriors meet and heroes gather, and so do those that love them."

Second, these words:

Work, without hope, is slavery.  
Hope, without work, is empty dreams.  
Put work and hope together, sprinkle in some laughter, and accomplish great things!

Thank you Ladies and Gentlemen!

(This speech was given by Department President Carolyn Simon at State Convention Installation)

## Americanism

Hello everyone, just a little information for your Americanism program.

This would be a great project lots of hours and not much money involved, even if you can't volunteer it is a great tribute to just visit and reflect.

The Colorado State University-Pueblo will be hosting the Vietnam Traveling Wall from September 29 to October 3 at the Student Recreation Parking Lot, additional exhibits will be set up by the Cost of Freedom Memorial, 9/11 Memorial, Walk of Heroes, Vietnam

Remembered Art Tribute Display, Tribute Panel, World War II and Korean War Associations. To help contact Mr. Nicky Damania, 719-549-2151.

Auxiliary Americanism Chairman please send me your contact info so I can get you on my mailing list, if you have e-mail that would be great and save the Department some money on postage.

Loyally,  
Eileen Vegoren  
Department Americanism Chairman

## Legislative - VFW/PAC

A new year has begun but we must be ever mindful of our Legislators in their Actions.

I hope you all have registered for the Primary election and have been paying attention to all of the issues that the candidates have talked about and become very informed on their stand of issues. One of them will be running for the office in Nov and you must make an informed decision. Legislators that are listening to Veterans and families will do what

is best for this country. Some of the decisions that they make now will effect our Veterans that are fighting to protect us. We must also remember Promises made now are Promises to be kept. So Please go and VOTE! And Remember we are Leaving Hope and Support for Veterans.

Loyally Yours  
Linda L. Stahly  
Dept. Legislative VFW/PAC Chairman

## Youth Activities

Hello, my name is Janet Mills, I have graciously accepted the position of Youth Activities Chairman for President Carolyn Simon.

Our youth of today are our leaders of tomorrow, I know you have heard all this before, but with our guidance and nurturing they will stay on the right path and someday be able to fill our shoes.

We have several youth programs, from 1<sup>st</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade, the youth in your community can get involved in and receive scholarships, citations, and even cash and have fun as well as showing their pride in the United States. Any

youth group, should be considered, not just the schools, some of you have Jr. ROTC, 4-H groups, Boy and or Girl Scouts, Sport Teams, Special Olympics, Church groups, Boy and Girl Clubs, get involved in their activities and present our programs to them. Just to name a few of the programs — the "Just Say No To Drugs" coloring and Poster contests, Patriotic Art, Youth Groups Supporting Our Military and Young Volunteers.

"Leaving Veterans and Families With Hope"

Janet Mills  
Department Youth Activities Chairman

## Thank You

Thank you all so very much for the calls, cards, and much needed prayers I received due to a recent fall in my home. Fortunately no fractures, just -PAIN-. Therapy sessions help the healing. I'm doing OK thanks for all your thoughtfulness.

Dorothy Travinek, PDP

## Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of Colorado

General Orders #1 July 2010

1. **All General Orders from the Department President are official and must be read at the first meeting following receipt before being filed for reference.**

2. Having been elected and installed as the Department President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Department of Colorado, for the ensuing year, I assume command as of June 19, 2010.

3. All previous elections and appointments expired as of June 19, 2010, and are hereby null and void.

4. The following officers were elected or appointed and installed at the Department Convention in Sheridan, Colorado, on June 19, 2010, and will be recognized accordingly.

**President:** Carolyn Simon, 2682 E 90<sup>th</sup> Pl., Thornton CO 80229

**Sr. Vice President:** Cindy Anderson, 9134 W 93<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Westminster CO 80021

**Jr. Vice President:** Ginny Burris, P O Box 388, Cortez CO 81321

**Treasurer:** Colleen Rylant, P O Box 2499, Loveland CO 80539

**Secretary:** Valerie Fowler, 531 Utica St., Denver CO 80204

**Chaplain:** Carla Vaglianti, 3740 S Hazel Ct., Englewood CO 80110

**Conductress:** Terry Roane, 809 Maple Dr., Security CO 80911

**Guard:** Linda Stably, 821 1525 Rd., Delta CO 81416

5. **Department Officers, Department Chairmen, District Presidents and Auxiliary Presidents:** All communications must be answered promptly, using proper channels as listed on page 12 of the Booklet of Instructions (yellow pages of the National Bylaws).

6. **Department Officers, Department Chairmen and Auxiliary Secretaries:** Please place the names of the Department President (Carolyn Simon) and Department Secretary (Valerie Fowler) on your mailing list so all activities will be reported to this office.

7. **Auxiliary Secretaries:** Please send names and addresses of your Auxiliary Chairmen to the corresponding Department Secretary, Valerie Fowler, 531 Utica St, Denver CO 80204.

8. **District Presidents:** Send a complete schedule of your District Meetings including dates, time and location to Department Secretary, Valerie Fowler, if you have not already done so, Please do this promptly so representatives may be scheduled.

9. **District Presidents:** Please make sure you do not schedule any District Meetings during the dates for Western Conference, November 5 to November 8, 2010.

10. **Auxiliary Presidents:** You are encouraged to register for the National convention so that even if you do not attend, you receive one copy of the National

Program Book. The book contains valuable information and ideas for projects for each program and explains the National Directors' focus for the current year.

11. **Department Chairmen:** Funds or donations are not to be solicited except by prior vote and with the consent of the Council of Administration.

12. All communications, including correspondence and telephone calls regarding the Department of Colorado, **must be placed through channels**, i.e. through President Carolyn Simon and **not directly to National Headquarters** unless a specific order is issued in GENERAL ORDERS requesting you to do so, or unless the National President or National Secretary asks for a direct reply.

13. Minutes of the 86th Department Convention held in Sheridan, Colorado, June 16 through June 19, 2010, will be mailed to the members of the Convention Composition, with the exception of the Delegates. See Section 812D.

14. **Reminder:** Auxiliaries may not possess credit cards, ATM cards and/or debit cards (Pg 21, Item 3, Auxiliary Treasurer Miscellaneous, yellow pages).

15. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted during Auxiliary meetings and there shall be no smoking in the Auxiliary room while the meeting is in progress. Pg. 36, Items #8 and #9 in Booklet of Instructions (yellow pages), National Bylaws.

16. **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Council of Administration and the Parade of Programs will be held in Colorado Springs, VFW Post #4051, 430 E Pikes Peak Ave on Saturday, July 24, 2010, beginning at 1:00 p.m. with various workshops, followed by the Parade of Programs and closing at 4:00 p.m. Lunch will be available but details are being determined. A dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Post (make your reservations through Department Headquarters). On Sunday, July 25, 2010, there will be a joint meeting at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Council of Administration meeting at 10:00 a.m. **ALL AUXILIARY MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ALL FUNCTIONS.**

17. Continuous, new, reinstates, and life membership dues for 2011 can now be paid. Let's get them in early.

18. **To Department Commander DJ ALBERTS,** Department Officers, VFW Members and to the Mens' Auxiliaries: I hereby pledge the continued support of **all the members of the Ladies Auxiliary** to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Department of Colorado.

BY ORDER OF:  
s/s Carolyn Simon  
Carolyn Simon, President

ATTEST:  
s/s Valerie Fowler  
Valorie Fowler, Secretary

## Historian

I would like to "Thank" President Carolyn for appointing me to this fun position, but ladies, I need your help!!!

As our Department President visits your meetings or social functions, please take pictures and send to: Donna Tellgren P.O. Box 176, Conifer, Co. 80433. Number the pictures on the back and attach a sheet of paper with the name and date of event and who is in the picture (with their proper titles, District President, Aux #, Treasurer, etc.).

Only printed pictures please!!! Also, send any news clippings about our President with the newspaper heading and date included.

With your help we will be able to provide a wonderful book of memories for our 2010-2011 Department President Carolyn.

Thank you in advance for your help!!!!  
Donna Tellgren  
Department Historian

## Veterans and Family Support

KUDOS to the auxiliaries which received the well-deserved awards at the 2010 State Convention.

To help "gear-up" for the 2010-11 year, please include the following in your local and district programs of work:

### Buddy Poppy

Let's shoot for the goal of purchasing 200,000 poppies this new year which will be an increase of 22,000 from the past – SO close, so let's go for it!!

Let's be sure people know the Buddy Poppy Story. Pamphlets, with the story, are available from the VFW Store, or you can download the 2-sided cards from the Auxiliary web page: [www.ladiesvfw.org](http://www.ladiesvfw.org) under "Documents and Brochures". Distribute Buddy Poppy Cards at your next Buddy Poppy Campaign function.

Use the Special Anniversary Poppies (Silver, Gold and Diamond) to "brag" about your local auxiliary years to service to veterans and their families; and use the Commemorative 9/11 Poppy to remind folks to never forget why the veterans are to be honored and to treasure their personal freedoms.

It is only fitting that all proceeds from our Buddy Poppy distributions are placed in the Relief Fund to be used solely for the welfare of veterans or their dependents.

### National Military Services(NMS)

Has three (3) main areas:

1. The Military Assistance Program (MAP)
2. Operation Uplink
3. Unmet Needs

All 3 of the areas require financial assistance. Auxiliaries are encouraged to use their Relief Funds **OR** hold special NMS fund raisers to support these worthy areas. Be sure to "ear mark" your donations to "National Military Services" **AND** submit the check payable to the Ladies Auxiliary VFW to insure credit for the Ladies Auxiliary.

Remember, the auxiliary, district, or Jr. Girls Unit that makes a one time \$100.00 donation will be awarded a special citation.

Let's see which auxiliary can best pro-

mote the NMS areas!!

### Ladies Continuing Education Scholarship

Let's have at least one (1) continuing education scholarship application from each auxiliary. Some Colorado member, their spouse or children, over 18 years of age, who are pursuing a college or technical school education deserve this \$1,000 financial boost! February 15, 2011 is the deadline for applications. Application forms can be downloaded from the National website. Start your promotion campaign today and bring the \$1,000 to Colorado.

### VFW National Home for Children

Did you know the National Home **DOES NOT** receive any government funding so auxiliary fund raisers are essential to maintain the following residential programs:

- . The Military Family Program
- . The Veterans Family Program
- . The Single Parent Family Program

The auxiliary promotes funding for the National Home through the Health and Happiness/Christmas Cheer Fund of 10 cents per member based on the auxiliary's June 30 membership quota (auxiliaries can contribute more).

Help President Carolyn reach her goal of promoting the programs this year by focusing on the four areas of the Veterans and Family Support Program. Design promotional and fund raising campaigns to inform the veterans and families, in your community, of the services available to them through this program.

At each Council meeting, plan to share your promotional and/or fund raising events (sisters helping sisters in unity for veterans). Awards will be presented for presenters. Help make the Council meetings a "training time".

Do contact me: 303-644-5746 or e-mail: [votecj@aol.com](mailto:votecj@aol.com) if you have questions or needs forms.

I am looking forward to serving you this year.

Carol Anderson  
Department Veterans & Family Support

## Voice of Democracy & Patriot's Pen

**It is up to each of our AUXILIARIES to promote this outstanding scholarship program and it is also your responsibility to make sure every school receives the information prior to the beginning of the school year. Without your help, we cannot reach our goal of increased participation through promotion of this program.**

### OUR GOALS

- To publicize this program in schools, local newspapers, on cable television, at local churches, on radio broadcasts, by using the internet and any other resources that may be available for publicity.
- To be prepared and informed by providing all the necessary rules and deadlines for participants when asked.
- To work together with the VFW to ensure the success of this program.
- To remember to acknowledge all who have participated in this program including but not limited to all entrants, judges, volunteers and businesses and individuals outside of our organization who helped promote our program.

The **VOICE OF DEMOCRACY** theme for 2010-2011 is: **"Does My Generation Have a Role in America's Future?"** The audio/essay is open to students in grades 9-12.

The **PATRIOT'S PEN** theme for 2010-2011 is: **"Does Patriotism Still Matter?"** This written essay contest is open to student in grades 6-8.

The student entry deadline for both programs is November 1, 2010.

Complete entry rules can be located at [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org) under programs/vfw scholarship programs.

Please report all participation in these programs on your Department Community Report. Make sure you get credit for all you do. A special award will be given at convention to one auxiliary within each group for outstanding promotion of this program. Please send me a copy of any efforts your auxiliary does to promote this outstanding program for a chance to win!

Loyally,  
Caroline Gelatt  
Department Voice of Democracy & Patriot Pen Chairman



Aux 2411: Ina M. Eckert  
Aux 4061: Ruth B. Miller  
Aux 8661: Dorothy Frost

### Membership

First and foremost I would like to thank each and everyone of you for working so hard to achieve our membership goals for 2009 – 2010. It is my hope that you will continue to work and help achieve the goals for 2010 – 2011. There are many cash awards for auxiliaries, districts and the department.

I look forward to working with each of you this year. We will again be utilizing the District Presidents as a team to help attain our goals.

Were you excited about the “Putting on the Ritz?” I am looking for your comments regarding this event. Contact me at

(970) 560-0639 with your comments and suggestions for this. I would also like to see the Membership Chairman from each Auxiliary and District be recognized for their diligent work.

There will be more information at the Parade of Programs in Colorado Springs.

Again, thank you for your help in attaining our membership goals to “Leave our Veterans and Families with Hope.”

Ginny Burris  
Department Membership Chairman  
2010 - 2011

### Thank You Colorado

I would like to extend a personal thank you to each of the ladies and gentlemen that sold and purchased raffle tickets.

The winners are as follows:  
 \$500.00 Ann Mauck, Auxiliary 2601, Longmont  
 \$300.00 Ed Travis, Broomfield  
 \$200.00 Ruth Hannum, Auxiliary 1166, Buena Vista  
 Congratulations to each of them.

Thanks to all of you our raffle was a great success and made my job easy.

Ginny Burris, Raffle Chairman

(awards continued from page 12)

**VOICE OF DEMOCRACY**

**PATRIOT PEN**

**GROUP III**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 4091 La Junta  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 4849 Antonito  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 6331 Aurora

**GROUP IV**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 8661 Bailey  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 8121 So Fork  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 9221 Cedaredge

**GROUP V**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 2121 Greeley  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 4663 Clifton  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 4031 Durango

**GROUP VI**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 5061 Denver  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 322 Englewood  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 3541 Sterling

**GROUP VII**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 1771 Lafayette  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 2601 Longmont  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 4171 Golden

**YOUTH**

**GROUP 1**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place 11411 Lake George

2<sup>nd</sup> Place 9333 Hotchkiss  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 5221 Calhan

**GROUP II**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 859 Leadville  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 9014 So Lakewood  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 784 Montrose

**GROUP III**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 4849 Antonito  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 4091 La Junta  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 3471 Morrison

**GROUP IV**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 8661 Bailey  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 6612 Hugo  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 8121 So Fork

**GROUP V**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 6461 Fountain  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 6616 Denver  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 4663 Clifton

**GROUP VI**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 5061 Denver  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 2461 Denver  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 322 Englewood

**GROUP VII**

1<sup>st</sup> Place 2601 Longmont  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 4171 Golden  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 7945 Thornton

### Cancer Aid & Research

Auxiliary Treasurers,

...Let's try and pay your \$2.00 per member on Cancer Aid & Research as of your June 30, 2010 membership early.

...Start ordering the Beautiful Cancer Pins.

...Start having Fund Raisers: Report to me.

...I hope to see many of you at the Council Meeting.

### 2010 - 2011 Cancer Pins Order Form

Auxiliary No. \_\_\_\_\_

Ship to: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ Pins x \$3.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

Ordered By: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Department of Colorado Ladies Auxiliary

Mail Cancer Pin order to:  
 Cecilia Schoonover  
 3200 S Broadway  
 Englewood, CO 80113  
 (303) 781-3818

### Auxiliary Membership by District 2009 - 2010 June 30, 2010 FINAL

Number	City	2009	2010	%	Number	City	2009	2010	%
<b>DISTRICT #1</b>					<b>DISTRICT #7</b>				
I	Denver	118	131	111*	899	Alamosa	82	79	96
501	Denver	191	181	95	3228	Monte Vista	34	38	112*
2461	Denver	125	125	100*	4849	La Jara	46	46	100*
2797	Denver	26	30	115*	6101	San Luis	38	43	113*
3971	Denver	75	68	91	8121	So Fork	83	87	105*
5061	Denver	154	158	103*	TOTAL		283	293	104%*
6616	Denver	103	84	82	<b>DISTRICT #8</b>				
TOTAL		792	777	98%	859	Leadville	33	33	100*
<b>DISTRICT #2</b>					1166	Buena Vista	96	93	97
984	Trinidad	30	28	93	8661	Bailey	63	60	95
2643	Walsenburg	30	27	90	11411	Lake George	30	34	113*
2788	Penrose	43	37	86	12009	Conifer		18	
3641	Pueblo	85	85	100*	TOTAL		222	238	107%*
4061	Canon City	284	277	98	<b>DISTRICT #9</b>				
5812	Pueblo West	15	21	140*	4264	Stmbt Spgs	33	33	100*
7305	Colo. City	48	36	95	4265	Craig	72	72	100*
TOTAL		525	511	97%	5843	Meeker	34	34	100*
<b>DISTRICT #3</b>					9374	Kremmling	15	15	100*
41	Loveland	144	145	101*	TOTAL		154	154	100%*
1771	Lafayette	429	404	94	<b>DISTRICT #10</b>				
1781	Ft. Collins	102	98	96	322	Englewood	129	115	89
2121	Greeley	106	106	100*	3471	Morrison	54	51	94
2585	Johnstown	35	37	106*	3631	Aurora	124	124	100*
2601	Longmont	300	300	100*	4171	Golden	356	332	93
2841	Brighton	85	80	94	4331	Arvada	131	139	106*
4334	Ault	45	43	96	4444	Cmmrc City	184	184	100*
6011	Platteville	43	41	95	6331	Aurora	59	66	112*
6624	Evans	214	213	99.5	7945	Thornton	255	255	100*
9565	Broomfield	52	52	100*	8449	Bennett	17	11	65
TOTAL		1555	1519	98%	9014	So Lakewood	34	31	91
<b>DISTRICT #4</b>					9644	Fort Logan	436	401	92
2551	Ft. Morgan	160	162	101*	TOTAL		1779	1709	96%
3541	Sterling	117	105	90	<b>DISTRICT #11</b>				
4671	Wray	41	39	95	784	Montrose	32	32	100*
8064	Akron	46	52	113*	1247	Grnd Jcnctn	108	108	100*
TOTAL		364	358	98%	3571	Delta	80	80	100*
<b>DISTRICT #5</b>					4267	Gunnison	49	48	98
101	Colo. Spgs.	61	57	93	4663	Clifton	90	90	100*
3917	Security	263	263	100*	9221	Cedaredge	73	73	100*
4051	Colo. Spgs	410	389	95	9304	Silt	25	25	100*
5221	Calhan	30	30	100*	9333	Hotchkiss	30	29	97
6051	Woodlnd Prk	15	14	93	TOTAL		487	485	99.6%
6461	Fountain	103	104	101*	<b>DISTRICT #12</b>				
10649	Elizabeth	0	17		4031	Durango	88	89	101*
TOTAL		882	874	99%	5181	Dove Creek	46	47	102*
<b>DISTRICT #6</b>					5231	Mancos	92	101	110*
336	Ordway	100	100	100*	9058	Nucla	29	29	100*
2411	LasAnimas	80	85	106*	TOTAL		255	266	104%*
3621	Lamar	23	18	78	<b>DISTRICT #13</b>				
4001	Springfield	35	33	94	3411	Kit Carson	33	33	100*
4091	Rocky Ford	45	45	100*	6491	Burlington	22	21	95
4281	Holly	17	16	94	6612	Hugo	80	80	100*
TOTAL		300	297	99%	9491	Deer Trail	13	5	38
<b>Auxiliary Treasurers -</b>					TOTAL		148	139	94%
<b>Please send all Dues to</b>					15006	At Large	162	157	97
<b>State Treasurer</b>					TOTAL DEPT.		7,908	7,777	98%
<b>Colleen Rylant</b>									

### ALL STATE PRESIDENTS 2009 — 2010

CHRISTINE LE DOUX GARCIA #2797	DENVER
SHARON SWETT # 859	LEADVILLE
NAOMI LEUPP #6331	AURORA
LINDA STAHLY #3571	DELTA
SHARON LEE #6461	FOUNTAIN
NANCY RUSSELL #5061	DENVER
RITA STEINBACH #4051	COLORADO SPRINGS
JENNIFER MATIC #5812	PUEBLO WEST
MILDRED STOLEBARGER #4001	SPRINGFIELD
LINDA MAYS #4091	ROCKY FORD/LAJUNTA
SAMIE SMITH #8121	SOUTH FORK/DEL NORTE
ROSE NAUGHTON #2121	GREELEY
MEREDITH ROTH # 322	ENGLEWOOD
PAT DOUMA #6624	EVANS

**Next Deadline for Colorado Veteran  
 August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 for September 2010 issue  
 Ladies Auxiliary Officers and Chairman and members**

**2009 - 2010 State Convention Ladies Auxiliary Awards**

**ACHIEVEMENT**

GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2797	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 9333	Hotchkiss
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 859	Leadville
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3411	Kit Carson
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4849	Antonito
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3471	Morrison
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3571	Delta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 8121	So Fork/Del Norte
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2841	Brighton
GROUP V	
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2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2121	Greeley
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2461	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 501	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2551	Fort Morgan
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 9644	Sheridan
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2601	Longmont
<b>AMERICANISM</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2797	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 11411	Lake George
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 7305	Colorado City
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2585	Johnstown
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4091	La Junta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4849	Antonito
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 8661	Bailey
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 9221	Cedaredge
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3571	Delta
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2121	Greeley
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6461	Fountain
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5061	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2461	So Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 322	Englewood
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 9644	Sheridan
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4171	Golden
<b>CANCER AID &amp; RESEARCH</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2797	Skyline
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 1141	Lake George
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5843	Meeker
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2585	Johnstown
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4849	Antonito
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4091	La Junta
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3571	Delta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2841	Brighton
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 8661	Bailey
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 1247	Grnd Jnct
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2121	Greeley
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1	Denver

2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4331	Arvada
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4444	Commerce City
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 9644	Sheridan
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4171	Golden
<b>COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2797	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6491	Burlington
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 11411	Lake George
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3411	Kit Carson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 7305	Colo City
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5843	Meeker
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4267	Gunnison
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3471	Morrison
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 9221	Cedaredge
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6612	Hugo
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3571	Delta
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1247	Grnd Jnct
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2121	Greeley
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5231	Mancos
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3541	Sterling
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 5061	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 1	Denver
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 9644	Sheridan
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4051	Colo Spgs
<b>FISHER HOUSE</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 11411	Lake George
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6051	Woodland Park
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4281	Holly
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3228	Monte Vista
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 859	Leadville
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3471	Morrison
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4849	Antonito
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6612	Hugo
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4265	Craig
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 1247	Grnd Jnct
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2121	Greeley
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 322	Englewood
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2461	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5061	Denver
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3917	Security
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6624	Evans
<b>HOSPITAL</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2797	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5221	Calhan
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4264	Stmbt Spgs
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 859	Leadville
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3471	Morrison
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4849	Antonito
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 8121	So Fork/Del Norte
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 9221	Cedaredge

GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1247	Grand Jnct
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2121	Greeley
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6461	Fountain
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5061	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2551	Fort Morgan
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2461	So Denver
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6624	Evans
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4051	Colo Spgs
<b>JR GIRLS UNITS</b>	
Americanism	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
Buddy Poppy	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
Cancer Aid & Research	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
Community Activities	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
Hospital	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
Legislative	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
Membership	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
National Home	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
Veterans & Family Support	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
Youth	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
<b>FISHER HOUSE</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
VFW-PAC	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place Unit 4171	Golden
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Unit 3571	Delta
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Unit 6624	Evans
<b>LEGISLATIVE/PAC</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2797	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6051	Woodland Park
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3228	Monte Vista
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 859	Leadville
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4849	Antonito
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5181	Dove Creek
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 3571	Delta
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 8121	So Fork/Del Norte
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4265	Craig
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4061	Durango

3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 6461	Fountain
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2551	Fort Morgan
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2461	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 501	Denver
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 7945	Thornton
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4061	Canon City
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2797	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 11411	Lake George
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6101	San Luis
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3228	Monte Vista
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2585	Johnstown
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 8064	Akron
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5181	Dove Creek
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 2411	Las Animas
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 8121	So Fork/Del Norte
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3571	Delta
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5231	Mancos
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4031	Durango
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1	Denver
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4331	Arvada
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5061	Denver
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 7945	Thornton
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2601	Longmont
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3917	Security
<b>VETERANS &amp; FAMILY SUPPORT</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place none qualified	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 2797	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 9014	So Lakewood
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 859	Leadville
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3228	Monte Vista
GROUP III	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 6331	Aurora
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 3471	Morrison
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4267	Gunnison
GROUP IV	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 8121	So Fork/Del Norte
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 4265	Craig
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 3571	Delta 8661
Bailey	
GROUP V	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1247	Grnd Jnct
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6461	Fountain
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4663	Clifton
GROUP VI	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 4331	Arvada
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 5061	Denver
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 322	Englewood
GROUP VII	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 1771	Lafayette
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6624	Evans
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 4171	Golden
<b>VOICE OF DEMOCRACY</b>	
<b>PATRIOT PEN</b>	
GROUP I	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5812	Pueblo West
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 6051	Woodland Park
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 2797	Denver
GROUP II	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place 5843	Meeker
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place 859	Leadville
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place 784	Montrose

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