

# AMERICAN LEGION POST 1985

July 2024



## GENERAL INFORMATION

870 1st Street, Firestone, CO  
Mailing address P.O. BOX 661  
Phone: 303-833-3878 ,  
www.americanlegion1985.org  
Post Hours: Open Daily @ noon

- **Post Commander—Ric Payne 720-891-6068**
- **Adjutant—Joel Ploegstra— 970-396-0405**
- **Service Officer and Van Coordinator—Ric Payne 720-891-6068**
- **Chaplain—Chris Woody 970-498-9916**
- **Auxiliary President—JoAnn Kidd 303-667-8745**
- **SAL Commander— Kirk Will 970-412-6014**
- **Legion Rider President—Nathan Brounce 303-591-7141**
- **Friendly canteen staff: Krystal, Nicole, Carolyn, Jess and Kari**

**Need a place for your special event?**

**Stop by and pick up information on rates and availability**

Please stop by legion and pick up hall rental information sheet and contract. No more phone reservations are accepted

## FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

### Menu

(All dinners served from 6 - 8 PM or until sold out)

July 5th Fried chicken Loaded Mashed Potato's Salad Bar, Dessert \$15.00

July 12th Legion Steak Night R.S.V.P \$20.00

July 19th Riders Smothered Burrito/rice and beans \$15.00

July 26th Son's Chef Choice. \$15.

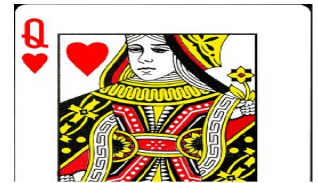
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Monthly Legion meeting drawing  
Over \$365.00  
Last month winner would have been  
Hector Garcia  
You must be present to win

**QUEEN OF HEARTS !!!**  
Every Friday night. Last ticket sold 7:15 Drawing 7:30



Congratulations

Cheryl Rainey

### Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to help with our Friday Night Dinners as well as our events. (You DO NOT need to be a member of the Post to volunteer)

We are also trying to get our Post Volunteer "Brigade" back together. We are allowing a maximum of 30 volunteers this year. You will receive a Key Card for Entry as well as not having to sign into our guest book. See one of our Friendly bartenders to sign up.

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# 4TH OF JULY FESTIVITIES

**AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, Green Chilli  
\$12.00 & Kids under 5 \$5.00. 8am-10:30am

**JUNIOR AUXILIARY FUNDRAISER for Paws for Purple Hearts**  
Selling water & soda, face painting, & dunk tank. 10am-4pm

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BENEFIT BBQ**  
Hamburgers, mid-west style brats, etc.  
Meal deals start at \$9.00. 11am-2pm

**AMERICAN LEGION BEER GARDEN**  
Drink specials, open all day

**LEGION RIDERS \$5 MARGARITAS**  
Starts after the parade.  
Proceeds to support Veterans Affairs

Parade route ends here. Open to the public. 870 1st Street, Firestone.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



Upcoming Meetings

July 9th Legion Riders Meeting  
7pm

July 11th Legion, Son's General Meeting 7pm

July 25th EXECUTIVE BOARD  
7PM



Dart tournament season  
Jan-Aug. Mondays 7pm



AMERICAN LEGION  
POST 1985

Merchandise for sale

- Our own post Challenge coin
- Post Coffee Cups in 2 sizes
- American Flags
- Other items available

School Supplies needed

Please consider donating back to school supplies for needy kids in the carbon valley area. We have some families that would appreciate your support. Please see Finance Officer if you have any questions or donations. Your kindness goes a long way in supporting our community.

Sally Janich

LEGION NEWS  
STEAK NIGHT July 12th

\*\*\*R.S.V.P \$20.00

Greetings members, as July has finally arrived I want to put some of the mysteries and unknowns of annual membership renewal to rest. First, July is not the date for renewals, it is the beginning of early bird renewals! Early renewals helps the Post when it comes to various recognition from District, Department and National officers. The actual annual membership is from January 1<sup>st</sup> and lasts till December 31<sup>st</sup>, that being said, July is the first you can renew for the next year!

The Post currently changes out the security card in July and has used the renewal as motivation to get the new security card, however, that is not a department or national rule, merely a Post rule.

Some members have received notice from national that they will become delinquent at a certain time, that is merely a marketing tool to encourage early renewals! A membership only becomes delinquent if now renewed by January 1<sup>st</sup>.

I am in no way discouraging early renewal, it makes the Post look good! 100% renewal is always the goal to achieve by the end of December!

Additionally, new membership does not have to wait for any specific date, it just means their dues must be paid again for the next year, at \$42/yr, that is a small price to pay for all the benefits membership brings!

I do hope this explains the real annual membership, but one more thing to bring up... Paid Up For Life will make your membership so much easier, you never need to renew again, while it is a bit pricey for the younger members, it can be done via monthly installments. Think about PUFL, it makes a Post Adjutant's job much easier! Once you have started the monthly payment process, you'll never have to deal with a renewal reminder again!

Joel Ploegstra

Adjutant, Post #1985

From Behind the scenes at Post 1985:

Big deserving salute to the following individuals, businesses and families that keep our American Legion running, save us money, or make our post a more enjoyable place for all of us.

- Making a splash with their very generous donation, Bob Williams and the Monday night darts folks. They graciously rented the Dunk tank for our 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration.

- Our newly installed Chaplin now has a new desk. Thanks to the kind donation by Krystal our bar manager. - Brandy Sage-wright-Payne has gifted the Post with some very special items for all of us to benefit from her generosity. Thank you, Brandy

Congratulations to Post 1985, recipient of the 2024 Premier Member Credit Union's Season of Giving Celebration award. Over 55 applications were submitted but only five non-profits were awarded grants. One of the winning essays was submitted by our Finance Officer Sally Janich. The funds Janich and Post received will be used to resurface the post parking lot.

Officers in attendance - Sally Janich (Finance), Ric Payne (Commander), Brandy Sage-Wright- Payne and Dawn Marie Cuddy (Sgt-at-arms)



What is a brotherhood, to me it is more than blood, it is a family. A brotherhood is a group of individuals who went through trying times with each other, relied on each other, and had to trust each other with their lives. We laughed together, cried at things we saw or did. Above is a picture of one family, my family we were close, we ate together, slept together in the same hole in the ground. Most of us used each others chewing tobacco which in the desert is hard to come by, so we shared chew by the time it was thrown away it became known as ABC (Anything but Chew). Now this small family is even smaller, the three people standing on the right (Alvin Spear, Gary Pittman, and Steve Kubinski) have all passed away. Three more of the members all have cancer. We were indestructible, we knew we would not be killed, none of us were, there were two purple hearts awarded though. We were the type of brothers that would tear through the jungle or desert looking for the enemy while blasting AC/DC Highway to Hell on the boom box, until a landmine destroyed it. We used to heat our coffee up with C4. Now we are turning into nothing more than a memory. Brotherhood memories are some of the best memories a veteran has. Keep your family close build on the memories even if it is by phone or email stay connected you will never know how much you all rely on each other. - 1st VICE COMMANDER BOB WILLIAMS

**AUXILIARY**

**Auxiliary & Jr. Auxiliary General Meeting**

**FOR JULY CANCELED**

July 3<sup>rd</sup> prep for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July

July 4<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary Breakfast

Vollunteers needed

Please call JoAnn for more information

**Friday night dinner July 5th**

**Fried chicken Loaded Mashed Potato's**

**Salad Bar, Dessert**

**\$15.00**

**Congratulations to the New Auxiliary Officers**

**President JoAnn Kidd, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Kari Steinburg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Lou Matthews, Secretary Nicole Grimm, Treasurer Kathy Burger, Chaplain Donna Lane, Historian Melody Hindahi, Sgt @ Arms Denice Erickson, E-Board Members, Kat Lane, Marlyn Peters, Angie Mansfield, Jr. Auxiliary President Hayden Will,**

**Jr Auxiliary advisor and mentor Toni Will**

**Thank you, Chris Harvey for installing the Auxiliary members & Ed Wearing for installing the Legion and the Son's**

**I want to thank all the member that have helped, supported & participated in the activities of the American Legion Auxiliary. We need all your support to be a success.**

**MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP!**

**2025 DUES JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>  
MAILING ADDRESS PO BOX 661 FIRESTONE CO 80520**

**THANK YOU  
JOANN KIDD**

**303-667-8745  
JOKIDD1959@GMAIL.COM**

*SAL NEWS*

*Friday Night Dinner June 26th*

*Chef Choice.*

*LEGION RIDER NEWS*

*Friday Night Dinner June 21st Smothered Burrito/rice & beans \$15*

*Please note that the monthly meeting has been moved to Tuesday 9July24*

*We ride for those who can't*



## Would you like to advertise your business in the American Legion Post 1985 Newsletter?

### YOUR AD HERE

Business Card 3.5" x 2" \$15 x Month / \$120 Annual

¼ Page 3.75" x 4.75" \$30 x Month / \$300 Annual

½ Page 7.5" x 4.75" \$50 x Month / \$500 Annual

Full Page 7.5" x 10.5" \$85 x Month / \$850 Annual

Sizes are estimates only.

Portion of these funds will be used for to pay for printing and mailing.

The Post Newsletter can be found at

[www.americanlegion1985.org/newsletter](http://www.americanlegion1985.org/newsletter)

If you would like to receive an electronic copy

please send your email address to

[tommy.daw@cajuntiger.com](mailto:tommy.daw@cajuntiger.com) or call 303-746-0164.

## Post 1985 Volunteer Brigade

For our Supports and Volunteers who would like to join our Post Volunteer Brigade.

We are opening membership again for the 2024-2025 year on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

If you are interested in becoming one of our Volunteers and are unable to join one of our families, please sign up to be a Brigade Member.

The cost is \$25 per year with 40 hours of Service helping the Post during our events.

This will qualify you for our Volunteer of the Year Award.

You will also get a Security Card and a Membership Card showing you are a Volunteer.

We will also be holding some meetings throughout the year which will get you "Double the Hours" for your time

Paul T Daw  
Jr Vice Commander  
American Legion Post 1985

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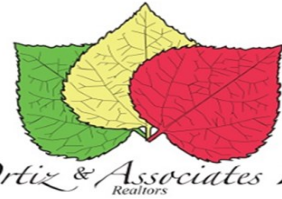
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NEW PLAYERS WELCOME ANYTIME

## CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Join us at 5:30pm  
 Apr 13, May 11, Jun 8, Jul 13 & Aug 10

**NON-MEMBERS WELCOME - 21 & UP**  
**AMERICAN LEGION POST 1985**  
**870 1ST STR, FIRESTONE, CO**

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## LIVE MUSIC!

Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> 7PM – 11PM  
 American Legion Post 1985  
 870 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Firestone CO 80520  
 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**Highway Robbery** Classic Rock and Country dance band.  
 Playing fun crowd-pleasing dance tunes.

**Public welcome.** Minors MUST be accompanied by an adult 21 or older.

**50/50 Drawings** – 50% of the pot goes to the winner and 50% of pot goes to our Post.

Come Dance or just hang out and listen to the music. Meet some of your local veterans.

All donations collected go to our post.



**Memorial Ride**  
*To Honor our Fallen Brothers & Sisters*  
**ALR Post 1985**

**POKER RUN**



Brandy Stewart, Charter Member

Dennis & Linda Lopez

Doug Nugent

Terrie Mapes

**50/50 + DOOR PRIZES**

**\$25/RIDER  
\$10/PASSENGER**

SCAN ME NOW



**SATURDAY, JULY 13TH, 2024**  
**REGISTRATION AT 9:00 AM/LAST BIKE OUT AT 10:00 AM**  
**American Legion Rider Post 1985**  
**870 1st St, Firestone, co**



Summer Trivia comes back  
 with a VENGANCE on July 18<sup>th</sup>

**7:00pm**

Sign up TODAY with Bartender

**\$5.00 a team**

**Firestone Post 1985**  
**2024 Legion B Baseball Schedule**

- tuesday, May 28th 4:00 PM vs Mountain View @ Frederick High School
- Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM vs Mountain View @ Mountain View High School
- Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> 11:00 AM vs Arrupe Jesuit H.S. @ Frederick High School
- Tuesday June 4<sup>th</sup> 3:00 PM & 5:00 PM vs Jefferson Academy @ Frederick High School
- Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM vs Windsor H.S. @ Windsor High School
- Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup> 3:00 PM & 5:00 PM vs North Side Black Sox @ Frederick High School
- Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM vs Bennett H.S. @ Bennett High School
- Tuesday June 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM vs Prime/Prospect Ridge @ Frederick High School
- Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM & 7:00 PM vs Berthoud @ Loveland High School
- Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM vs Elizabeth @ Elizabeth High School
- Tuesday July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:00 PM vs Prime/Prospect Ridge @ Northglenn High School
- Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup> 3:00 PM & 5:00 PM vs Castle Rock @ Frederick High School
- Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM & 1:00 PM vs Bear Creek @ Bear Creek High School
- Thursday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1:00 PM & 3:00 PM vs Berthoud @ Frederick High School
- July 18<sup>th</sup> thru July 21<sup>st</sup> Legion B State Tournament @ Northglenn High School





VETERANS HELPING  
VETERANS

B U S I N E S S

P.O. Box 661, Firestone,  
CO 80520



WE WILL  
NEVER  
FORGET

July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8AM	5 AUXILIARY FRIED CHICKEN AND LOADED MASHED POTATO'S	6
7	8 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	9 BIKE & CAR NIGHT 5-9 PM LEGION RIDER MEETING 7PM	10 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	11 General Meeting 7pm	12 LEGION \$20.00 STEAK NIGHT RSVP	13 POKER RUN 9AM CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT 5:30PM
14	15 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	16 Bike & Car Night 5-9 PM	17 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	18 TRIVIA 7PM	19 RIDERS SMOTHERED BURRITOS	20 LIVE MU- SIC. HIGHWAY ROBBERY 7-11PM
21	22 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	23 Bike & Car Night 5-9 PM	24 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	25 E Board Meeting 7 PM	26 SAL CHEF CHOICE	27
28	29 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	30 Bike & Car Night 5-9 PM	31 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM			