

October Legion Post 1985



GENERAL INFORMATION

Mailing address: 870 1st Street, P.O. BOX 661 Firestone, CO

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American Legion Post 1985

Post Hours: Open Daily @ noon

- Post Commander—Cecil Hitzges 720-757-2812
- **Adjutant—Dawn Marie** Cuddy 303-881-3232
- **Service Officer and Van** Coordinator—Kathy
- **Chaplain—Chris Dalfonslo** 720-879-7009
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- **SAL Commander— Kirk** Will 970-412-6014
- Legion Rider President— **Nathan Brounce** 303-591-7141
- Friendly canteen staff: Carolyn, Kari, Vanity, Cee.and Stacie (Bar Manager)

American Legion Post 1985 Newsletter.

Attention: We have decided to STOP mailing and printing the Newsletter out effective January 2025. If you wish to get a Newsletter please sign up on our website at Contact Us, or you can print it off while you are on the website. If you would like a hard copy please stop by the post or give the post a call and we will print one for you.

Menu

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

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

Oct 3rd AUX Lasagna, garlic bread Salad bar and dessert

Oct 10th Legion STEAK NIGHT R.S.V.P \$20.00

Oct 17th Riders Smothered Burritos or guesadilla and dessert for \$15

Oct 24th SAL Chicken Stew, Dinner Rolls, and Dessert \$15

Oct 31st AUX Baked Potato Bar & Salad Bar \$15-\$8 kids 10 and under

PLEASE COME SUPPORT OUR DINNERS FUNDS GO TO SUPPORTING MANY EVENTS AND OUR VETERANS



Monthly Legion meeting drawing \$151 Last month winner would have been Asiah Stutz You must be present to win

Free Dental Day

Our thank you to our Military & Veterans!

On October 9th, from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM, at both our locations, we will be offering: Free Dental Exam, X-Rays, Cleaning, Necessary Fillings, Necessary Extractions, etc. to our Military & Veterans!

Please call the office directly to reserve your FREE Thank You Appointment!



Windsor Location 1555 Main St. Suite A2, Windsor, CO 80550 970-686-7858



Firestone Location 6130 Firestone Blvd. Suite 503 Firestone, CO 80504 303-219-8030

"Our men and women of our Armed Forces make great personal sacrifices in order to secure and protect our freedoms. Their families have endured hardships, and some have given all they have so that we may live in peace – free to pursue our dreams. We joined Freedom Day USA to say, 'Thank You' for their sacrifices and for our freedom, and to give them a Day of Free!" - Dr. Josh Fowler & Dr. Maria Regalado











QUEEN OF HEARTS !!!

Every Friday night. Last ticket sold 7:15 Drawing 7:30



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 to join. 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.

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

Upcoming Meetings

Oct 2nd Legion, Son's and Aux—7PM

Oct 9th Legion Riders Meeting 7PM

Oct 26th Juniors meeting 2PM
Oct 30th EXECUTIVE BOARD 7PM



Mondays nights darts7pm



Local resources

<u>Home | Colorado Division of Veterans Affairs</u>

<u>Veterans Service – Weld County</u>

<u>Veteran Services - Boulder</u> <u>County</u>

LEGION NEWS STEAK NIGHT October 10th

Volunteers are needed for Prep Chef, Kitchen, Runners, Servers, Setup and Cleanup.

Thanks



Commander's Corner

Dear Members,

Fellow Legionnaires, Auxiliary, SAL, Riders leading our post through trials and tribulations is no easy task, yet each challenge we face only strengthens our resolve and bonds us as comrades. A good team has a shared sense of purpose and clear goals, fosters open communication and trust, and encourages collaboration and mutual respect among diverse members with defined roles. Our work seems to move at a fast pace, but even in the busiest moments, we never lose sight of camaraderie and the fun that fuels our mission. At the heart of every decision and action are the four pillars of The American Legion—Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth—guiding us toward meaningful impact. Your voice and commitment matter: join us at the General Meetings on the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM and help shape the future of our post. Together, we will overcome obstacles, honor our proud traditions, and continue making a difference—thank you for your dedication and service.

Respectfully,

Cecil Hitzges, Commander

American Legion, Post 1985

Membership

Please consider signing up at <u>The American Legion a U.S. Veterans Association</u> The resources on the site are good for anyone, you can correct your own profile, renew online, download your own membership card, etc.

All dues paid from here forward will be for your 2026 membership. This also means new door access cards will be available soon as well. You must have your 2026 membership card or your receipt showing you have paid to renew for 2026 to get the new door access card when we switch over. If you are dropping off your payment for dues at the post with one of our wonderful bartenders, please make sure to leave your name, phone number and your membership ID#. It has been taken 45-60days for transmittals to process. Please be patient and make sure you keep your receipt. Thank you for your patience.



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AUXILIARY

General Meeting October 2nd, 7:00 PM
Donna's Lite Super, for all members, 5pm until 6:30pm,
Hoagie, chips & Dessert, all Donations go to the VA fund
Friday Night Dinner
October 3rd 6PM
Lasagna, garlic bread, Salad bar and dessert

50/50, Karaoke After Dinner

Auxiliary is hosting Friday Dinner November 7, 2025
Stuffed meatloaf, loaded mashed potatoes, vegetable, Salad Bar
& Dessert, \$15.00
Wear Your Red!

Please join us Friday, October 31st, 2025 The Auxiliary Halloween Party & Costume Contest

6 pm – 8 pm Baked Potato Bar & Salad Bar - \$15 8 pm – 11 pm Karaoke, 50/50 drawing (need not be present to win)

2026 Membership cards are here! JoAnn will have them available at the Post, Thursday evening, October 2, 2025, and Friday evening, October 3, 2025.

Just a reminder, dues for the year 2026 membership are \$45 and may be paid at the Post with one of our bartenders. Please contact JoAnn Kidd with any membership questions

Kari M Steenberg – President 612-581-5063

ksteenberg@live.com

JoAnn Kidd – Membership Chairman 303 667 8745

Jokidd1959@gmail.com

Monthly Auxiliary Meeting Drawing
Last month's winner would have been: Melinda Brueggeman

I also want to say a huge "Thank You" to our 2025 Car Show & Craft Fair

car show participants, vendors, volunteers, and attendees. You helped make this year's event a great success!

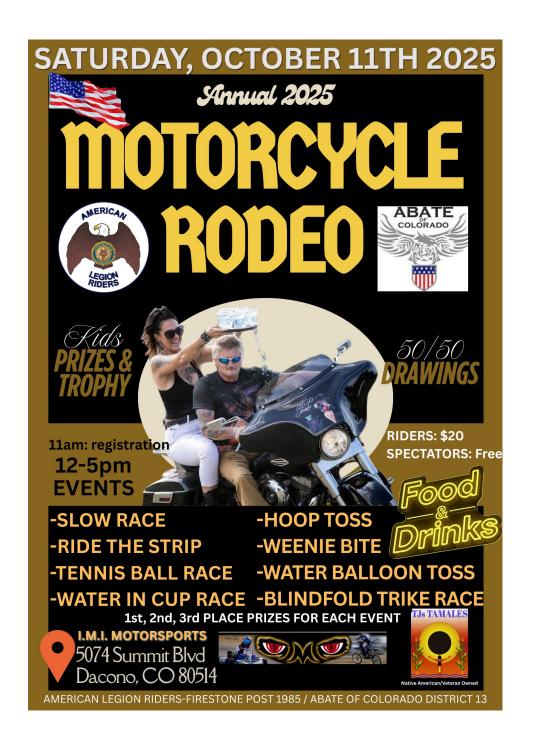
Congratulations to our winners:

Classics: 1st - Lane & Tamie Newby/Rey, 2nd - Blackie Hurtado, 3rd - Lee Hale Hot Rods: 1st - Marcus Schlegel, 2nd - Victor Gutierrez, 3rd - Jason Parker Misfits: 1st - Cecil Hitzges, 2nd - Tom & Gwen Griffith, 3rd - Makenzie Parker Special thanks to our out-of-town judges for making time in their busy schedules to come view all the Car Show entries, making notes on each entry, tallying scores, and awarding winners. We strive to find new and impartial judges each year, so their participation was greatly appreciated.









LEGION RIDER NEWS

Riders meeting October 9th 7PM

Friday Night Dinner October 17th Smothered Burritos or quesadilla and dessert \$15

We ride for those who can't

SAL NEWS

SAL Friday Night Dinner:

Friday October 24th - Chicken Stew, Dinner Rolls and Dessert

SAL Commander's News:

Thanks to everyone that helped at all of our fundraising events this year! We appreciate all of you!

Reminder to all members that haven't submitted 2026 membership; your 2026 membership is due now. Your door cards will no longer work after they change the card for the year. The only way to get a new one is with a 2026 membership card.

Upcoming events include our monthly dinners on the fourth Friday of each month, and our annual thanksgiving dinner donations in November.

Thanks again for all of you help and support.

Kirk A. Will

Commander - SAL Squadron 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.

Bobby Matthews for his kind words at the 9/11 meal

Michael Janich MBC - Donated NEW POPCORN Machine to post.

Stacie and Sally cleaned both refrigerators.

Cecil Hitzegs, Tony Jancosek, Sally Janich & John Hitzegs for volunteering their time to legion garage sale.

Vickie Alexander donated her beautiful quilt towards legion fundraisers.

Duane Roller donated part of his birthday money to Legion.

Garage sale – dinner and raffle were an amazing success

Carlos did the heavy lifting with his awesome cooking

Woody donated chicken, Legionnaires donated dessert

Dano & Stacie purchased additional food items

Thank you to all who donated items to sell, raffle prizes, and the diners who came in for dinner. All who bought raffle tickets and donated their time for this event. Our exceedingly kind patrons who donated funds to donation jar. All monies went to friend's fundraiser event. THANK YOU!!!

Military Ball - 2026 upcoming Meeting

All are welcome to join the 2026 Military Ball committee Oct 7th at 7PM

Sally Janich



Canteen NEWS

To our valued members, we appreciate your continued use of cash for your bar purchases. For your convenience we now offer credit card processing as an alternative method to pay. A 4% convenience fee will be added to all credit card transactions.

OCTOBER DRINK SPECIALS!!

Jack Daniels Tennessee Blackberry – now available

Try with Lemon lime soda or Lemonade.

Fireball Blazing Apple SHOT!!! - \$4.00 each

Bloody Mary Bar Specials

Sunday Oct 5th and Oct 12tth







Kaffle for Legion

A beautiful & loving donation from our own legionnaire Vickie Alexander
Please stop and view this
75x97 work of craftmanship
Note the harmony of colors
This will invoke a feeling of warmth and nostalgia, making it more than just a decorative item for yourself or a loved one
\$5.00 per ticket



AMERICAN LEGION POST 1985 870 1st street Firestone, CO 80520 303-833-3878

SATURDAY OCT 11TH 2:00PM - 3:00PM



CALLING ALL PERFORMERS!!!

What is your talent?
If you would like to share your talent with your legion family, please sign up with bartender today

(8 minutes max performance)

Invite your friends and family to cheer you on







ONE DAY EVENT AT 870 1ST, FIRESTONE, CO Saturday, October 18th, 2025 8 am - 11 am

LARGE ITEMS FOR PICKUP? LOW RATES!

Call or Text: (720) 419-9115

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

Junior Auxiliary October Update

The Junior's have had a very busy September! Thank you everyone for the support at all the events! Pictures have been posted on the Junior's Facebook & Instagram pages.

- Car show and craft fair
- Park and trail cleanup
- Assembly of holiday military packages
- Oktoberfest booth

Upcoming Events:

Junior's meeting October 26th 2pm.

Guest speakers from Department and National Leadership to share benefits of membership, programs offered, and scholarship opportunities. It will be Junior focused, but parents and adults are encouraged to attend and learn about the mission of the American Legion.



Flag Etiquette & Guest Speakers Learn about membership, benefits, and scholarships opportunities.

Sunday October 26th 2pm

Everyone is welcome to attend.
 Community service hours available upon request
 Refreshments provided. No outside drinks please.

Questions? Contact toni.r.will@hotmail.com or text 970-412-5726

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Sam Di Paolo Remember Everyone Deployed Friday

(RED FRIDAY)

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Thank you for joining your legion family to honor all of our current service members who are currently away from home defending our nation.

We have changed R.E.D. Fridays to Buy One Get One (BOGO), if you are wearing a RED shirt. You must buy your first drink and you will get a ticket for your second one of equal or lesser value on select drinks, for free.

May all those servicing return home soon. Thank you

YOGA FOR VETS AND FAMILY NO COST POST 1985 MEMBERS, FIRESTONE, CO

Testimony from Kay Chandler of the 82nd Airborne
We will be offering a combo yoga, breathing and meditation session
with live music. This 75 min practice is based on a fun version of
beach yoga (CaboYogi.com/vacation) and we will bring those vibes
to Post 1985 for some restorative relaxing wellness time that's great
for veterans (and their families). We invite you to come clear the
mind, let go and be present in the flow. All skill levels and experience
welcome. This is GREAT for beginners: all you need to bring is an open
mind, a mat and be ready to enjoy some mindful movement together
in fraternity and liberty. We believe movement is medicine and we
will show you how it's done in this session.

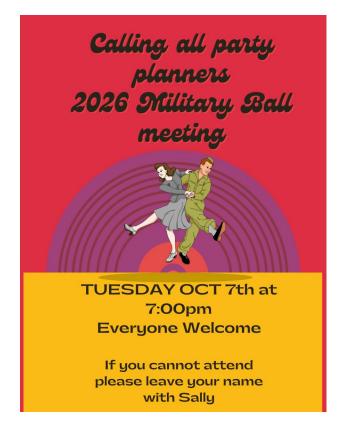
Sundays, Sep 28th and Oct 19th, 2025 12:00 - 1:15 pm - Arrive NLT 11:30 am. Location: 870 1st St, Firestone, CO Call and Signup: 303-833-3878 Limited space to 50 people. Bring a mat if you can.



CABOYOGI.COM Cabo Yogi - Lila Yoga Chronic Pain Management, Restorative Yoga







Chaplain's Corner

HELP ORPHANS WITH KEN ARMSTRONG **EMERGENCY FUNDRAISING EVENT** PRESENTATION AT 5:00 PM **AMERICAN LEGION POST 1985** 870 1ST ST FIRESTONE, CO OCTOBER 5TH, 2025 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM FOOD, RAFFLE, 50/50



EMERGENCY FUNDRAISING EVENT OCTOBER 5TH, 2025, 4 - 8PM AMERICAN LEGION POST 1985, 870 1ST ST, FIRESTONE, CO

ABOUT US

ESTABLISHED IN 2001 BY KEN ARMSTRONG OF FIRESTONE, CO 27+ ORPHANS LOST FUNDING TO SURVIVE, LOCAL MILITARY VETERANS HELPING THEM PER MONTH FOR THEIR CARE.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

- · PROVIDE FOOD
- FREE SHELTER
- FREE EDUCATION
- MEDICAL CARE
- . WE ACCEPT DONATIONS . MONTHLY & ONE TIME
- . KING SOOPER REWARDS
- VOLUNTEERS

MAKE IT ANOTHER DAY, \$6000 WE NEED YOUR HELP. NO COST TO YOU FUNDRAISER. STOP BY TO SEE HOW AT 4PM OCT 5TH, '25







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

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Sizes are estimates Only.

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www.americanlegionpost1985.org/newsletter
If you would like to receive an electronic copy please
send your email address to
Tommy.daw@cajuntiger.com or call 303-746-0164



Post 1985 Volunteer Brigade

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

We are opening membership again for the 2025-2026 year on July 1st, 2025

If you are interested in becoming one of our Volunteers and are unable to join one of the 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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Fort Collins Caregiving Services | Homewatch CareGivers of Northern Colorado - Colorado Caregivers

Sing with The Band Benefit

When October 18th, 7PM Band: Highway Robbery

Come on out to the American Legion Post 1985 to enjoy the band, dance or if you want you can sign up to "Sing with The Band"

Cost:

Singers: \$20 to perform with the band

Prizes:

1 1st Place - \$100

3 2nd Place - \$50

3 3rd Place - \$20

There will also be a 50/50 Drawing and donations accepted.

(All proceeds benefit the American Legion Post 1985 Building Fund.

Don't miss a night of music, fun, and community support!



October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 General Meeting 7pm/ Aux meeting Light supper 5-6:30 Meeting 7PM	3 AUXILIARY LASAGNA	4
5 Broncos at Eagles 11PM Country line dancing 4-8 PM	6 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	7 Bike Night 6-9 PM Military Ball meeting Oct 7th 7PM	8 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	9 Riders Meeting 7PM	10 LEGION STEAK NIGHT (RSVP)	11 Motor- cycle Ro- deo 12PM TALENT SHOW 2PM
12 Broncos at Jets 7:30AM Country line dancing 4-8 PM	13 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	14 Bike Night 6-9 PM	15 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	16	17 RIDERS Smothered Burritos or quesadilla Game night	18 Free junk Dis- posal 8- 11am Sing with the band 7PM
19 Yoga for Vets and family 11:30am Juniors meeting 2 -3 Country line dancing 4-8 PM BRONCOS V GIANTS 2PM	20 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	21 Bike Night 6-9 PM	22 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	23 E Board Meeting 7 PM	24 SAL Chicken Stew Karaoke—7- 11	25
26 Broncos v Cowboys 2 P Juniors meet- ing 2PM Country line dancing 4-8	27 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	28	29	30	31 Halloween @ the American Le- gion Baked Potato Bar and salad bar - Costume contest	