



September 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
- Auxiliary President—Kari Steenberg 612-581-5063
- 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

Sep 5th AUX Fried Tacos, Fidea, Beans, Salad bar and dessert

Sep 12th Legion STEAK NIGHT R.S.V.P \$20.00

Sep 19th Riders Smothered Burritos or quesadilla and dessert for \$15

Sep 26th SAL Cuban Sandwiches, Coleslaw, Pickles and Frosted Brownie \$15

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



Monthly Legion
meeting drawing
\$145
Last month winner would
have been
Tara Winklerl
You must be present to
win

AMERICAN LEGION POST 1985 870 FIRST ST. FIRESTONE, CO WELCOMES 1ST RESPONDERS & VETERANS

Sept 11th 0700am - 6:00pm

MORNING
COFFEE AND BREAKFAST
BURRITOS
ALL DAY COFFEE, SODA,
WATER AND SNACKS
LUNCH AND DINNER CHIPS, SANWICHES AND
DESSERTS

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

Sep 4h Legion, Son's and Aux—7PM

Sep 11h Legion Riders Meeting 7PM

Sep 21st Juniors meeting 2 Sep 25th 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> County

<u>Homewatch CareGivers: Offering Home Care for Veterans</u>

Realtors Ortiz & Associates

Chuck's Tree Service

LEGION NEWS STEAK NIGHT September 12th

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

Thanks



Commander's Corner

Dear Members,

I want to begin by expressing my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you—not only for appointing me as your Commander, but for affirming that trust with your vote. It's an incredible honor to serve in this role, and I'm humbled by the confidence you've placed in me.

Leadership is never a solo mission. It's built on the strength of the team, the wisdom of those who came before, and the shared commitment to our values and goals. I'm proud to stand alongside such a dedicated group of individuals who consistently show up, support one another, and work toward a common purpose.

As we move forward together, I'm committed to listening, leading with integrity, and ensuring that our organization continues to thrive. Whether it's honoring our traditions, supporting our community, or creating new opportunities for engagement, I'm excited about what lies ahead—and I know we'll accomplish great things together.

Thank you again for your trust, your support, and your service. Let's make this term one to remember.

With respect and appreciation,

Commander Cecil Hitzges



New card readers will be forthcoming for Post 1985 at the end of September for entrance. Please renew your membership for access to the new blue cards. These will replace your orange card. Thank you for your understanding in this new membership year.

Best Regards,

Cecil Hitzges, Commander American Legion, Post 1985

Membership

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

Early Bird Registration for 2026 membership has started. All dues paid from here forward will be for your 2026 membership. This also means a new door access cards will be available soon as well. You must have your 2026 membership card or a receipt showing you have paid to renew for 2026 to get the new door access card when we switch over. If you have not already paid your 2025 dues, you have TWO(2) options:

- 1- Pay \$90. This will keep your membership current for both 2025 & 2026 dues without losing anytime or continuous years as an active member of the post. OR
- 2- If you choose to only pay \$45 it will be processed for your 2026 membership. And your continuous years start over.

If you drop 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# with your payment.



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AUXILIARY

General Meeting September 4th, 7:00 PM Donna's Lite Super, for all members, 5pm until 6:30pm, Pulled Pork Sliders, chips & Dessert, all Donations go to the VA fund Friday Night Dinner September 5th 6PM Fried Tacos, Fidea, Beans, Salad bar and dessert

> 50/50, Queen of Hearts, Karaoke After Dinner

Auxiliary is hosting Friday Dinner October 3, 2025 Lasagna, garlic bread, Salad Bar & Dessert, \$15.00 Wear Your Red!

> Calling all Classic Car, Hot Rod, and other cool vehicle owners! Please join us for our

20th Annual Car Show Scholarship Fundraiser

Saturday, September 13th, 2025 12 pm to 4 pm Please contact Kari Steenberg to register for your spot 612-581-5063 or registration opens at 10 am morning of event

Non-Food vendors and Crafters needed for the Car Show Scholarship Fundraiser

Please contact Kari Steenberg to register for your spot 612-581-5063

2026 Membership cards are here! JoAnn will have them available at the Post, Thursday evening, September 4, 2025 and Friday evening, September 5, 2025, and at the Car Show on

Saturday, September 13, 2025.

Just a reminder, dues for the 2026 membership year are \$45 and may be paid at the Post with one of our bartenders. Contact JoAnn Kidd with any questions 303-667-8745

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

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Scholarship Fundraiser

Saturday September 131,2025



Food, Mysic, Beer Garden

ROAD CLOSURE 10A-5P GRANT AVE & 1ST ST TO 3RD ST 2ND ST & GRANT AVE TO WOOSTER AVE



Registration opens @ 10a Call 303.833.3878 for more info



870 1st Street, Firestone, CO







LEGION RIDER NEWS

Thank you for your service run September 6th 9am Riders meeting September 19th 7PM

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

SAL NEWS

SAL Friday Night Dinner:

Friday September 26th - Cuban Sandwiches, Coleslaw, Pickles and Frosted Brownie

SAL Commander's News:

Thanks again to all of the SAL Members that continue to support our mission and help with our events. Members that deserve a special recognition are Larry Dowdell, Joel Long, Kurk Erickson, Gavin Will, Mike Evans, Steve Kidd, Ken Christensen, Ryan Christensen, Rex Sutherland, Matt Hickman, and Rick Markley. Your continued and constant support at our events keeps us moving forward.

Our 2nd Annual Oktoberfest Celebration will be Saturday September 27th from noon until 7:00 pm. There will be a Beer Garden, German Food and Desserts, Games, Prizes, and Raffles. This was a great event last year and we are going to make it even better this year!! I encourage all SAL members to come down and help. We need help with set up starting at 0900, tear down at 7:00 pm, Security/ID check stations, Bartenders (TIPS Certified Only), Membership tents, Food and Games. We want folks to help with a two hour shift, so after, they can go enjoy the festivities too! We would need to get some donation items for the raffles and prizes if you have any to donate. The flyer for the event is in the Newsletter.

Membership continues to trickle in, but we need to pick up the pace. Thanks to everyone that has already completed their 2026 Membership. 2026 Membership cards came out in early July, and everyone that hasn't turned in their 2026 membership needs to get with the bartender, fill out the forms and get their required documentation and dues in for the year. It won't be long before those old door cards will quit working and the only way to get a new one is with a signed 2026 Card!

Thanks again to everyone and I hope to see you all at the next Legion event.

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.

All who participated in Legion Flea Market
Our Sunday afternoon country dancers
Ric Payne donated flag for meeting room
Toni Will and Chris Woody for re-vamping our kitchen medical cabinet
All who attended Military Women's memorial speaker event
Vickie Alexander for donating her beautiful quilts

Military Ball - 2026 upcoming Meeting

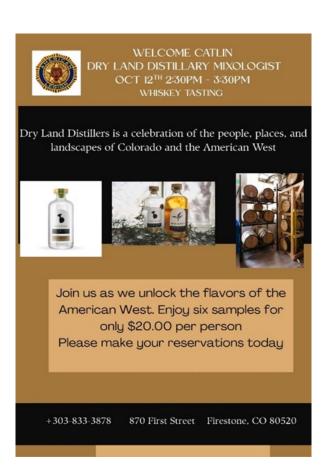
All are welcome to join the 2026 Military Ball committee

Upcoming meeting to be announced soon! Look for meeting in October

Sally Janich











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



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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





You are invited Broncos Potluck at Legion Food, Fun, Friends and Prizes









Sept Games at the Legion

WEEK 1 · Sun 09/07 · 2:05 PM Tennessee Titans

WEEK 2 · Sun 09/14 · 2:05 PM AT Indianapolis

WEEK 3 · Sun 09/21 · 2:05 PM AT Los Angeles Chargers

WEEK 4 · Mon 09/29 · 6:15 PM Cincinnati Bengals

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JUNIOR AUXILIARY

Junior Auxiliary September Update

The Junior group has been recognized at the State ALA convention! These kids have put in hundreds of hours of community service to our American Legion family. Please, continue to tell the kids "thank-you for their help and praise them for the good stuff you see them doing.

Car and Craft Show: September 13th, 12noon-4pm. Juniors booth to sell soda & bottled water. Facepainting for \$5.

<u>3rd Park and Trail Clean-up</u>: September 21st 1pm. Open to anyone who would like to help. We walk Miner's Park, to Gateway Park and down the Firestone Trail to McClure Avenue. Gloves, vests and bags provided.

<u>Fall Meeting:</u> September 21st 2pm (after park cleanup). Assemble <u>military packages</u> to be sent to local young men/women deployed or stationed away. Pizza party & meeting to follow. All community youth volunteers welcome!

<u>Donations Needed</u>: mini marshmallows, candy canes, 300 holiday cards, small Ziplocs, packages of cookies or candy. Other items they requested: gum, adult coloring books/markers, deck of cards, dice, scented hand lotion, blank stationary/cards, good pens, tall black socks, Chex mix, bags of candy/chocolate, dried fruit.

<u>Bavarian Bakesale at Oktoberfest</u>: Juniors booth to sell hot apple cider, soda pop & bottled water, soft bread pretzels, pretzel necklaces and other baked goods. Youth games and prizes.

Needs: We are looking for a pretzel warmer or glass display case to borrow for the day.

Baked goods, Hay bales, corn stalks, pumpkins/gourds, etc for decorations, costumes, and prizes also needed





Please consider supporting our supporters by utilizing their services, or kindly refer them to your family and friends. They are actively supporting our cause by advertising in our newsletter





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





SIGN UP TODAY WITH BARTENDER 303-833-3878



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:

3 1st Place - \$100

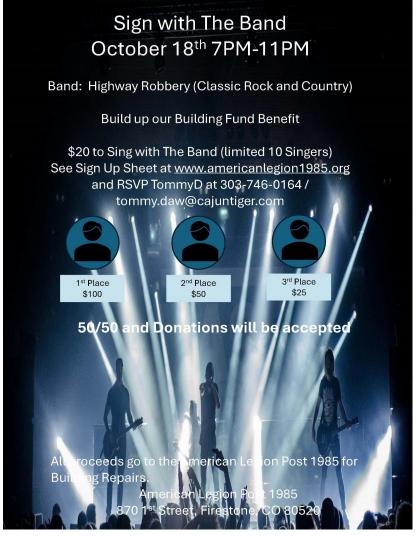
3 2nd Place - \$50

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!



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

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Business Card 3.5" x 2" \$15 x Month / \$120 Annual 1/4 Page 3.75" x 4.75" \$30 x Month / \$300 Annual 1/2 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.

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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 S

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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September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 General Meeting 7pm/ Aux meeting Light supper 5-6:30 Meeting 7PM	5 AUXILIARY FRIED TACOS, FIDEO	6 Think you for your ser- vice run 9am
7 Broncos V Titans 2PM Country line dancing 4-8 PM	8 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	9 Bike Night 6-9 PM	10 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	11 Riders Meeting 7PM 1st responders and veterans 7an-6pm Breakfast/ Luch	2 LEGION STEAK NIGHT (RSVP)	13 CAR SHOW 12- 5PM
14 Broncos at Colts 2PM Country line dancing 4-8 PM	15 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	16 Bike Night 6-9 PM	17 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	18 TRIVIA 7PM	19 RIDERS Smothered Burritos or quesadilla Game night	20 Garage Sale 9-2
21 Juniors park and trail cleanup 1pm Juniors meeting 2 -5PM Country line dancing 4-8 PM BRONCOS AT CHARGERS 2PM	22 Monday Night Darts 7 PM	23 Bike Night 6-9 PM	24 Texas Hold 'M Poker-7 PM	25 E Board Meeting 7 PM	26 Cuban Sandwiches Karaoke—7-11	27 Oktober- fest 12-7PM
28 Country line dancing 4-8 PM	29 Monday Night Darts 7 PM Broncos v Bangles 6:15PM	30 Bike Night 6-9 PM				