

The Silver Star



Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5061

November 2021



Commander's Corner

Greetings! Happy Veterans Day! On Veterans Day weekend, we will be distributing Buddy Poppies at the Bear Valley King Soopers! Sign-up sheets are up in the canteen. Please consider volunteering for this important fundraising opportunity. We will also host a Veterans Day Weekend dinner on Saturday, November 13th. Please consider helping out! As Christmas nears, the Toys for Tots boxes have been placed in the Canteen for your generous support.

You may notice a significant change in the canteen as we move forward to adopt a "Point of Sale" system. This change modernizes the business side of the Canteen as well as the Hall, dinners, and events, and allows for the use of credit cards for your convenience! We will continue familiar features, such as use of chips and your favorite foods and beverages, while increasing meal choices and payment options!

As we are an all-volunteer organization, please consider volunteering at bingo, VA hospital, or closer to home at the Post working as a bartender, cook, or helping out with events. Soon the holidays will be upon us! Thank you and stay safe!

*With Respect,
Jim Kruse, Commander*

Post Officers

Post Commander: Jim Kruse
Sr. Vice Commander: Steve Coca
Jr. Vice Commander: Tammy Greene
Quartermaster: Tom Yepsen
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Canteen Appointees

Canteen Personnel Manager: Carl Miller
Canteen Logistics Manager: Jerry Jones
Hall Manager: Joe Tafoya
Kitchen Manager: Boston
Bartender Scheduler: Brenda Vigil

Auxiliary Officers

President: Dan Asimus
Sr. Vice: Tim Gilmore
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Treasurer: Janet Farris
Secretary: Kathy Kurtenbach
Chaplain: Joe Tayfoya
Conductress: Christine Dominguez
Trustees: Roxi Nielsen, Tim Gilmore, Kim Williamson
Guard: Audrey Asimus

Auxiliary News

Hello Members,

Has everyone had enough candy leftovers from Halloween yet? I'm writing this before the results of the annual VFW Chili cookoff has been decided. Will Carl Miller be dethroned as the Chili cookoff champion this year?

We are handing out Poppies on Veteran's Day weekend Nov 12th, 13th and 14th. We need volunteers to help so please come down to the VFW and sign up for a time slot or two. This is a great way the Auxiliary brings in money to help the Veterans. We will be at the King Supers in Bear Valley where we've done it in the past. I'd like to see lots of smiling faces down there.

The Veterans Dinner is on Nov. 13th at 4pm. Veterans eat free so come on down for Janets pasta shells and meat sauce. It's good stuff!

The Auxiliary Dinner is Nov. 19th from 5-7pm.

*Have a great November everyone!
Dan Asimus, President*

Broncos Tickets Silent Auction Auxiliary Fundraiser

Denver Bronco's vs LA Chargers Nov. 28th.

2 sets of 2 tickets

Bid sheets are posted on the wall at the Post. Come on down and put in a bid and watch a game in person. Auction ends on Nov 14th.

Post Members: Did you pay your dues? Check your membership card for your anniversary date.

Auxiliary Members: Membership dues are due by December, 31, 2021.

**Buddy Poppy Distribution
Bear Valley King Soopers
Nov 12, 13, 14**

**9 am – 5 pm - Fri and Sat
9 am – 4 pm - Sun
Volunteers needed!
Sign up sheet at
the Canteen.**



**Post and Auxiliary
Meetings
November 10
Post - 5 pm
Auxiliary - 6pm**

**If an Auxiliary member
becomes ill or loses a
family member, please let
our Auxiliary Chaplain, Joe
Tafoya know as soon as
possible. (720-347-0843)**

Reminder to all Post 5061 members:

Please ask your guests to sign in at the podium upon entry to the Canteen. Please also remember to bring your membership card and magnetic door card!



**BEAR VALLEY CAR WASH
"YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD
CARWASH"
4900 W. DARTMOUTH AVE,
DENVER, 80227**



Canteen Volunteers Needed!

Burger Night Cook Teams!

Burger Night on Mondays is popular. We are looking for additional cooking teams of 4 to join in on the cooking rotation. Gather up your volunteer team of 4 or sign up as an individual and we will put you on a team. Contact Boston, Kitchen Manager, to sign up!

Volunteer Bartenders!

Looking for something to do one or two afternoons or evenings a week? Like to socialize? The Canteen is in need of volunteer bartenders. No experience necessary. Contact Brenda Vigil, Bartender Scheduler, to sign up!

**Have Medicare questions?
I have answers.**



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Toys for Tots Toy Drive

We are again collecting toys for the Marines' Toys for Tots Program. Please bring an unwrapped toy to the Post between now and December 2



Veterans Day Facts

Veterans Day originated as “Armistice Day” on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans—living or dead—but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

When Is Veterans Day?

- Veterans Day occurs on November 11 every year in the United States in honor of the “eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month” of 1918 that signaled the end of World War I, known as Armistice Day.
- In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday from Armistice Day to Veterans Day.
- In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed by Congress, which moved the celebration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. The law went into effect in 1971, but in 1975 President Gerald Ford returned Veterans Day to November 11, due to the important historical significance of the date.
- Veterans Day commemorates veterans of all wars.
- Great Britain, France, Australia and Canada also commemorate the veterans of World War I and World War II on or near November 11th: Canada has Remembrance Day, while Britain has Remembrance Sunday (the second Sunday of November).
- In Europe, Great Britain and the Commonwealth countries it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every November 11.
- Every Veterans Day and Memorial Day, Arlington National Cemetery holds an annual memorial service. The cemetery is home to the graves of over 400,000 people, most of whom served in the military.

VA Expands Offering of COVID-19 Booster Vaccines

WASHINGTON — The Department of Veterans Affairs is now offering Moderna and Johnson & Johnson (J&J)/Janssen COVID-19 vaccine booster shots under Emergency Use Authorization, expanding on last month’s authorization of the Pfizer-BioNTech booster. This decision follows this week’s Food and Drug Administration’s authorization and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s recommendation for a booster dose using the Moderna or J&J vaccines.

“Booster shots are an important step forward in the fight against COVID-19,” said VA Secretary Denis McDonough. “With the authorization of additional COVID-19 vaccine booster options, VA is helping more Veterans maximize their protection, continuing our work to keep people safe and save lives during the COVID-19 pandemic.”

VA will follow CDC guidance in offering COVID-19 booster shots:

For individuals who completed a Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine series, the following groups are eligible for a booster shot at least 6 months after their second dose:

65 years and older.

Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings.

Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions.

Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings.

People 18 years and older are eligible to receive a COVID-19 booster shot at least 2 months after their initial J&J vaccine.

Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a booster dose. Some people may have a preference for the vaccine type that they originally received and others, may prefer to get a different booster. CDC’s recommendations now allow for this type of mix and match dosing for booster shots.



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Veteran's Day Dinner

**Saturday, November 13
4 p.m.**

**VFW Post 5061 - 5220 W Warren
Denver, CO 80227**

Home-cooked Italian Dinner



**Veterans and active duty - Free
Friends and Family - \$5.00**

Honoring all who served