

# The Silver Star



Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5061

February 2024



## Commander's Corner

Greetings! Thank you for making January a nice kickoff to the New Year! Special thanks to the Auxiliary for pulling off a nice Stroganoff dinner! February brings more fun events, including Superbowl festivities! First is a pre-Superbowl party on Sunday Feb 4th with number drawings, Pro-Bowl and potluck. The Superbowl is 11th Feb this year, and we will have a halftime drawing for the hand-made Veterans quilt, a fundraiser for our Auxiliary! We will also have drawings for a Yeti cooler and 4 baskets. Buy your tickets at the Canteen now! Tickets for this year's District Potato Bake are also on sale in the Canteen. Tickets are \$10 and the event is at the Post on April 6th. Check out the calendar to keep posted on what is going on and look for ways to volunteer and help make these and other events successful! And the more the merrier. If you have any Veteran friends looking for a way to make a difference to other Veterans and have a good time doing it, their first year of membership is free at our Post! Thanks for all you do, and be safe and well!

*With Respect,*  
*Jim Kruse,*  
*Commander*

### Post Officers

**Post Commander:** Jim Kruse  
**Sr. Vice Commander:** Tammy Greene  
**Jr. Vice Commander:** Vince Miller  
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**Chaplain:** Manuel Sais  
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**Bingo Manager:** Tony Nickerson

### Canteen Appointees

**Canteen Personnel Management:** Jim Kruse  
**Canteen Logistics Manager:** Jerry Jones  
**Hall Manager:** Joe Tafoya  
**Kitchen Manager:** Vince Miller  
**Bartender Scheduler:** Brenda Vigil

### Auxiliary Officers

**President:** Dan Asimus  
**Sr. Vice:** Tim Gilmore  
**Jr. Vice:** Sharon Ervin  
**Treasurer:** Janet Farris  
**Secretary:** Kathy Kurtenbach  
**Chaplain:** Joe Tafoya  
**Conductor:** Scott Kingsbury  
**Trustees:** Colin Mason, Tim Gilmore, Charlotte Lattin  
**Guard:** Colin Mason

## Auxiliary News

*Happy February Auxiliary Members,*

Bring down some Valentines cards to the Post so we can all sign them and get them to the VA hospital by Valentine's Day and let them know we are thinking about them. I want to say thank you to all of the members who volunteered for the beef stroganoff dinner. The dinner went well and it was a fun night with Toby bringing in the entertainment. Come on down on the 16th for grilled cheese with ham and tomato soup for the next Auxiliary dinner.

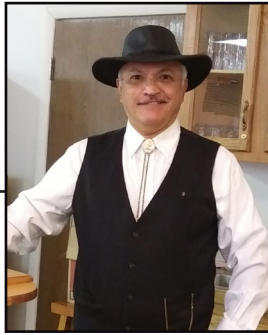
The District 1 Potato Bake is April 6. Get your tickets now. The tickets are \$10 and you can get them at the Canteen. We are also looking for items for door prizes and drawings. If you have them or you can get them, just let me know.

*Best regards,*  
*Dan Asimus,*  
*Auxiliary President*

**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)**

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

**Auxiliary Members: Membership dues are due by December, 31, 2024.**



## Member of the Month Joe Tafoya

Joe is a volunteer bartender and the Post's Hall Manager. He coordinates parking, security, bar/bartender/, steam table, and cleaning. He spends several hours each week coordinating wakes at the Post for their loved ones being buried at Ft. Logan. He also volunteers at Auxiliary dinners and fundraising events to support Veterans programs. He volunteers to hand out poppies at King Soopers helps with Bingo and is willing to volunteer for any program or function that requires volunteer assistance. He is currently the Auxiliary Chaplain.

By the end of each month, an outstanding volunteer will be selected by the Commander and Post Officers, and their name and deeds announced in the Post newsletter as well as their photo and name will go up on the new Volunteer of the Month plaque for the month following selection. Awardee will also receive a gift card for

**Get Your Hot Dog!**  
**2nd Thursday of the Month-6 pm**



### 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!

## Bingo Volunteers Needed!

*Make a Difference in the Life of a Veteran and their Family!*

Volunteers are needed to help support the MISSION of the VFW. Our main mission is to fundraise to help support veterans programs. Bingo is a main fundraiser. **Give back!** Proceeds from Bingo are donated to local, regional, and national veterans programs.

**Make a difference TODAY!**  
**VOLUNTEER!**

Contact Tony Nickerson at 720-314-5990 to make a difference!

**Post and Auxiliary Meetings**  
**February 14 at 6pm**

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



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### **Blitz**

Saturday, February 17 - 5pm

Bring a dish to pass.

Blitz starts at 6 pm sharp.

For more information contact

Bob Johnson

303-229-6061



### **Is it your Birthday this Month?**

Stop by the Post on your or close to your birthday and get your free birthday drink. Present your ID and membership card to the bartender.



### **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 Vince Miller, 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!

### **BEAR VALLEY CAR WASH**

**"YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD  
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**4900 W. DARTMOUTH AVE,  
DENVER, 80227**



### **Pre-Super Bowl Potluck and Drawing**

**Sunday, February 4th - 1 p.m.**

Please bring a dish to pass.

Separate drawings will be held for the Auxiliary quilt fundraiser, baskets, and Yeti cooler at the Super Bowl Party  
Enter for a chance to win! Tickets available now

**Save the Date: Super Bowl Party February 11**  
**Bring a dish to pass**





# Auxiliary Dinner

## Grilled Cheese Sandwich and Tomato Soup

Friday, February 16

5-7 p.m.

**\$10.00**

*(Add a slice of ham for 1.00 more)*



***Karaoke – 6 -10 pm***

# VFW Auxiliary 5061 Quilt Drawing



**\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00**

*need not be present to win.*

**Tentative Drawing Date - Sunday, February 11\***

**\*Pending minimum ticket sales met**

# Down...Set...Hut!

Join us at the Post

## Super Bowl Party



Sunday, February 11, 4pm

### Game Plan

- Potluck – Bring your favorite dish
- Drawings at half time

# 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL DISTRICT 1

VFW AUXILIARY

## POTATO BAKE FUNDRAISER



**SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH, 2024**

**11AM – 2PM**

**DEAN K PHILLIPS VFW POST 5061**

**5220 W WARREN AVE, DENVER 80227**

**TICKETS \$10.00 EACH**

- BAKED POTATOES W/ALL THE FIXINGS, SOUPS & CHILI, DESSERTS
  - GREAT BASKETS TO WIN - DOOR PRIZES THROUGHOUT THE EVENT
  - GET TICKETS FROM YOUR AUXILIARY, OR AT THE DOOR
  - COME JOIN US FOR GREAT FOOD & COMPANY
- AND HELP US SUPPORT OUR VETERANS