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## Delivering Christmas cheer to first responders

Organized by the Post adjutant George “Woody” Woodham, members of The American Legion Post 2000 in Loveland, Colorado would gather to prearrange large bags of good cheer to be delivered to the local Police dept, McKee hospital and several fire stations. Each of the bags contains both homemade cookies and candies as well other variations of homemade Christmas goodies. Now in its 7<sup>th</sup> year bringing a bit of cheer along with an American Legion greeting Christmas card with a personal message from the post wishing the first responders a safe and Merry Christmas. This is just one of the many events through the year that the entire Legion family can take part in. Unfortunately, COVID-19 placed some restrictions and with respect to the health and beliefs of family and friends. This year had slightly fewer members involved. Woody has plans for next year to include letters & messages from kids to our first responders. A true Legion Family event that brings good cheer to the community and our first responders over the holiday season. Merry Christmas.



Santa ( Anthony Abbott) & his elves help deliver the goodies to McKee Hospital. Unable to enter due to COVID-19 restriction, it did not stop Post 2000 members deliver on this annual tradition to spread some good cheer.

**DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> 2020**

79<sup>th</sup> anniversary bombing of Pearl Harbor remembered.

It started in 1998 when a Park was renamed in honor of Loveland’s first KIA of WWII at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> 1941. Harold Dwayne Webster is one of the 1,731 fatal casualties that did not survive aboard the USS Arizona BB-39 on December 7<sup>th</sup> 1941. A day that will live in infamy. Thanks to the efforts of Treva Edwards (past Loveland Mayor), William “Bill” Dewey (USN RET), and William A. Shlingman (USN) the South Lake Loveland Park was renamed. Often referred to as “Cannon Park” by the local kids, the park was renamed to honor the Veterans in Loveland in 1998. The dedication included a flagpole, and bronze plaque on a vertically mounted stone of Sn2 Harold Dwayne Webster. Organizer Bill Dewey continued to ensure this solemn ceremony would continue until his sudden passing in 2004. Since then, Tony DuMosch had taken the helm to ensure this remembrance will continue for years to come.

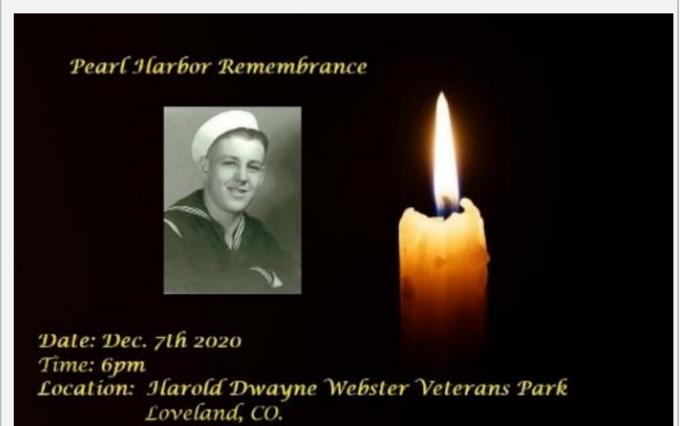
Soon after the renaming and dedication of the veterans’ park, the first flag to be flown on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> 1998 had also flown over the USS Arizona on November 11<sup>th</sup> 1998. That very same flag had flown once again on 20 years later on December 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 with the help of the local cub scouts.

**Some facts** you may not know about Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 1941:

1. There were 22 sets of brothers who perished aboard the USS Arizona
2. It was the only time in history an entire Navy Band Unit perished on a single day (22 sailors).
3. There are only two living survivors left from the USS Arizona BB39.



Pictured above; Post 2000 attended the Remembering Pearl Harbor December 7<sup>th</sup>. Seen here is the past Dept. Commander and current Post 2000 Commander Robb Smith, along with Joe Sentano and his wife remember and pay their respects. Photo taken by Jenny Sparks and courtesy of Reporter Herald.





### ? EVOLUTION? TECHNOLOGY ?

Once known as the U.S. Army Air Service, it had later become known as the U.S. Army Air Corps from July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1926 thru March 9<sup>th</sup> 1942. The U.S. Army Air Force came to be on June 20<sup>th</sup> 1941 with their motto "Above The Rest". The US Army Air Corps was disbanded on September 18<sup>th</sup> 1947 and made way for the U.S. Air Force. The U.S. Air Force motto is "Aim High". The U.S. Air Force Space Command was created on September 1<sup>st</sup> 1982 until December 20<sup>th</sup> 2019, when the United States Space Force was officially identified as its own uniformed military service branch. U.S. Space Force motto is: "Semper Supra" (Always Above). With slightly over 2,500 personnel and over 75 spacecraft they operate, we say Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday to the United States Space Force. Currently there are over 6,000 satellites that orbit the Earth, but only about 40% of them are operational.

## THE AMERICAN LEGION

1. Is it True that Female Legion members are permitted to keep their caps on while eating?  
True / False
2. Is it there policy in the American Legion not to accept a convicted felons as members in the American Legion?  
Yes / No
3. Where was the first American Legion convention held?  
Colorado, Indianapolis, France, Minneapolis.

### - Roberts Rule of Order -

4. A motion is presented to the floor. Does the person who 2nds the motion have an automatic position in support of the motion?  
Yes / No

*If you don't know - That is okay .....The answers are at the bottom left of this page.*

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### HISTORY

Where & When was the picture on the Left taken? It's okay to ask a Legion buddy or come to the next Post meeting for the answer.

Don't forget to visit the Post web site for details on the next post meeting.  
Salute!



**Answers: #1** True, **#2** No, any service member who served is eligible for membership (except for Dishonorable discharge). **#3** Minneapolis on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 1919. **#4** No, the purpose for the 2<sup>nd</sup> on the motion is to support a discussion on the motion, not to SUPPORT the motion. A motion on the floor without a 2<sup>nd</sup> but a discussion has started, the chair can accept this action to be a 2<sup>nd</sup>. A Motion that has no interest on the floor - there should be no 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion then die on the floor.

### Message from Post 2000 Public Relations (PR) staff

The future of the Post is in the hands of the membership. Without it, there is no Post 2000. We all can contribute in some form or fashion. If you like to get out and about participate in at least one or two events a year. If you have a story to tell, or have an interest you would like to share. E-mail Tony DuMosch [tdumosch@yahoo.com](mailto:tdumosch@yahoo.com) or Sandie Campbell [sandie@copromosupply.com](mailto:sandie@copromosupply.com). We welcome your pictures as they may relate to any event Post 2000 members are a part of. The wearing of Legion apparel especially the Cap is a plus! If you have any comments regarding this News letter or its future we would love to hear from you.

**Thank you and Happy New year 2021.**

### Meeting our National Commander Bill Oxford



National Commander Bill Oxford was unable to visit to NOCO Legionairs. With the help of PDC Terri Clinton, arrangements were made and a caravan trip to Cheyenne, Wyoming Post 6 was in order.  
**L-R:** Bart Bartholomew, Biran Brakke, Terri Clinton, Tony Dumosch, Bill Oxford, Anthony Abbott, Robb Smith, Dan Diefenderfer, Shane Hasert, and Sandie Campbell.

