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**February -
March - 2020**

VFW POST 7397

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters

Welcome to 2020, with the hope that it has been a great start for you. Congratulations to our Patriots Pen and Voice of Democracy winners. Claire Nadler placed 1st at the Post level and 2nd at District for Patriot's Pen. Brianna Ball took 1st at Post, District, and Department for Voice of Democracy. We know that she will do great at the National level and will enjoy her trip to Washington, D.C.

Also, congratulations to our Firefighter and Law Enforcement nominees that won District and were sent to Department. Our next program coming up is Scout of the Year which is for Eagle Scouts, Gold Scouts, and Summit Awardees. These are due at the post no later than March 1st. Please see any of the officers if you have questions.

We will be conducting another membership drive at 10:00 on February 8th. We are going to do the same as last year and get out and knock on doors of expired members. This was a great experience last year and we would like to have as many volunteers as possible. This helps us reach out to our comrades not only for membership, but also as a buddy check and make sure all is well.

Save the date:

Department Convention will be June 13th-15th in Manhattan. Please see any of the officers if interested in attending.

District 2 Spring meeting will be April 18th from 10:00-12:00 at VFW Post 846 (Overland Park).

Steak nights will be February 14th and March 13th. We could use as many volunteers to help prep, keep the line stocked, or cleanup.

Fish Fry will be February 28th and Porkchop dinner will be back on March 27th. We also need volunteers for these events as well.

As always, if you do any community service, drop our Post Jr. Vice, David DeWitt a note with the relevant details. You can drop hard copied notes at the Post, or send an email to - jvice@vfw7397.org.

March wraps up our year for community service, so all submissions need to be in by March 31st.
Last but not least, LET'S GO CHIEFS!

As always, if there is anything, we can do for you, let us know.

Yours in Comradeship,
Jason Parkes
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VFW AUXILIARY 7397

Auxiliary Members,

Happy New Year 2020!

Thank you to all our auxiliary members who helped out on our projects last year. Thank you for your great support.

We are planning our goals for the coming year. First auxiliary fundraiser, "*Laissez les bons temps rouler*" (*Let the good times roll*) will be a Mardi Gras dinner & silent auction. Friday, February 21st. Dinner from 6-7 pm. \$10.00 per person includes Chicken & Sausage Gumbo, Potato Salad, French Bread, tossed Green Salad & King Cake. Our auction will close at 7:00 pm. Come & enjoy all the fun & get your Mardi Gras beads!

If you did not pay your dues by December 31st, your membership is no longer active. If you wish to renew your membership, you will need to go through the process of submitting a new application and start over as a new member. Please pay dues to Maribeth Fischbach by contacting her at 913-620-0913 or maribethf1923@gmail.com.

Respectfully

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AMERICAN LEGION POST # 407



Greetings Legionnaires

Membership is coming along great keep up the good work. We will be hitting 100% mark soon. Let's keep building new members.

Our meeting dates are February 17th and March 16 at 7pm. This is Burger night, come down for dinner and then the meeting.

February 19th and March 18th are the Fish and Chicken dinners, lots of fixings for only \$10, **Please note**, the Dinner in February will be a tribute to **Bill (Coach) Mace**. We would like to have as many people attend as possible, maybe some special memorabilia as well.

Looking forward to seeing you all out at our meetings and dinners. We have got a lot to accomplish in the next 2 months

Thank you for your service and for your hard work.

Charile Grieco,
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Attached, please find the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary newsletter for January, February and March



American Legion Auxiliary Post # 407

As this is the first issue that provides an opportunity to say it, here's wishing everybody a Happy New Year!

Coming events for the **Auxiliary**:

*We are in the planning stages of our **St. Patrick's Day dinner** on **Tuesday, March 17, 2020, 2 to 6 PM**. Volunteers and donations needed. We will be serving Corned Beef, Cabbage, Carrots, Potatoes and Bread. Desserts are available for a donation to our general fund. Please check bulletin board at the Post for future details.*

The **Second District American Legion Convention** will be held **Saturday, March 21, 2019**, in Lawrence at the American Legion Post #14, 3408 West 6th Street. Lawrence, KS 66049.

Dues for 2020 are due in order to maintain membership in the organization and continue our work in supporting the Veterans. If you have not already done so, please keep the Auxiliary strong by doing your part today. Dues are still **\$24.00**.

Thanks to all for your continued participation and support.

Pat Willcox,
American Legion Auxiliary President



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SAL

Greetings from the Sons of the American Legion.

Happy New Year from the SAL

As of January 26th, there is a fresh batch of burritos at the post. Ask your friendly bartender to hook you up. The proceeds from sales go towards our donations to Veterans, Community projects, Children's Welfare Foundation and the post.

Thanks again for your support

Jeff Carson
Squadron Commander

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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

American Legion Riders

The Riders began 2020 with the traditional Polar Bear Run on January 1. Weather cooperated and a number rode to our luncheon at Fortune Palace, in Lenexa.

Our first meeting for 2020 elected a new slate of officers for the Riders: Director= Dee 'Disaster D' Smith, Assistant Director= Clifford 'Paladin' Shinski, Secretary= Jerry 'Cheesehead' Bascombe, and Treasurer= Vince 'Ironhorse' Chirafisi. They were sworn in by Charlie Grieco, Commander, American Legion Post 407.

We continue having our ALR Breakfast on the Second Sunday of every month and our ALR Dine out on the Fourth Tuesday of every month. The February 25 dine out will be at the Blue Moose in Lenexa, anyone is welcome, you do not have to be a Rider to attend. We would love to have you.

As we move into spring and hope for better weather, we look forward to an active Ride Schedule and events with other ALR Groups throughout the year.

Thank you Ted 'TedWak' Wakeman for being our Ride Captain. Our first scheduled ride will be March 21st to La Cygne. Starting time and location to be announced at a later date.

Our Membership is always open for additional riders & those that want to have some FUN-FOOD-FELLOWSHIP. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please let anyone of us know. To qualify for membership, a rider must hold an individual membership in The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, or the Sons of The American Legion and must be the legally registered owner of a motorcycle or be the spouse of the legally registered owner within the state of registration. Membership may be continued for members who have given up motorcycle ownership because of age, illness, injury or other reasons outside the member's control.

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New Officers



Jerry Bascombe
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Cliff Shinski
Assistant Director

Dee Smith
Director

Vince Chirafisi
Treasurer



Ted Wakeman
Ride Captain



Scott Shires
Sgt at Arms



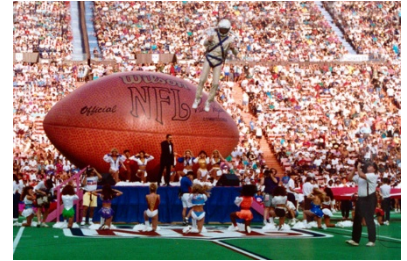
Juan Rivera
Webmaster



Cheryl Garrett
Chaplain

GREETINGS FROM THE CLUB ROOM

February 2nd, the Lenexa Gun Club will have their annual Super Bowl party starting at 3:30. The clubroom will open at noon and start tailgating at 11am, with face painting, games, breakfast burritos, and raffles, a good time for all.



February 8th, will be Jam night check post for time.

February 14th, Steak night and Love will be in the air with Valentines drink specials and sweets for your sweetie.



February 15th, there is a Comic Book Show in Large Hall.



March 14th, Irish Brunch in the canteen 10 am.



March 15 vinyl records show in the Large Hall.



Tacos will be canceled on March 17th as the ALA will have their St Patrick's day dinner. 2-6 pm.



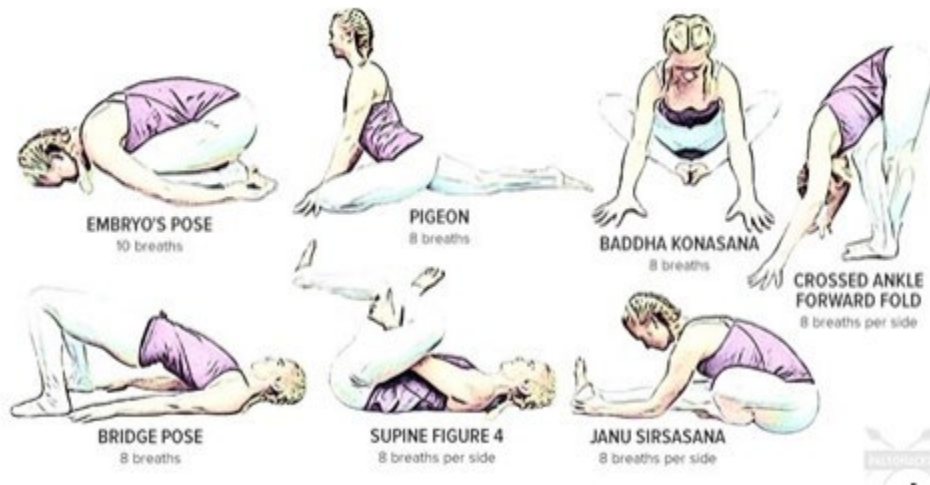
\$2 Burgers, \$1 Fries and \$2 Onion Rings



As always, Tacos every Tuesday, except March 17th from 3-9 pm, and Cards starting at 6:30



Yoga is back, now on Sunday's at 7:00 pm in the large hall everyone is welcome and please note, this is a donation-based class.



Thanks for your support

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PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR ALL EVENTS

February 2020





TEXAS HOLD'EM AND TACO'S EVERY TUESDAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Texas Holdem 1pm 
2 Yoga 7pm  Super Bowl	3 Burgers, Fries, Onion Rings KWV 6:30 	4 Tacos Texas Holdem 6:30 pm 	5	6 VFW & Auxiliary Meeting, 7pm 	7 5 Card Stud 7pm 	8 Texas Holdem 1pm 
9 Yoga 7pm  Rider Breakfast 8:30 – 11:00 	10	11 Tacos Texas Holdem 6:30 pm 	12 MCL 	13 AL Rider Meeting 7pm 	14 5 Card Stud 7pm Steak Dinner 6-7 \$15   Valentine's Day	15 Texas Holdem 1pm 
16 Yoga 7pm  	17 Burgers, Fries, Onion Rings  AL, ALA & SAL Meetings 7:00	18 Tacos Texas Holdem 6:30 	19 Chicken & Fish 6pm \$10 	20 VFW Planning Meeting 7pm 	21 5 Card Stud 7pm Mardi Gras 6-7pm \$10  	22 Texas Holdem 1pm 
23 Yoga 7pm  	24	25 Tacos Texas Holdem 6:30 Rider Dine-Out 	26 MCL 	27	28 Fish Dinner \$10  	29 Texas Holdem 1pm 

5-CARD STUD EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

March 2020

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1 YOGA 	2 Burgers, Fries Onion Rings  Korean War Vets 6:30	3 Tacos Texas Holdem 6:30 pm 	4	5 VFW & Auxiliary Meetings 7pm 	6 5 Card Stud 7pm 	7 Texas Holdem 1pm 
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15  Yoga 7pm 	16 AL, ALA, & SAL Meetings 7pm  Burgers, Fries, Onion Rings	17 Texas Holdem 6:30 pm St Patrick's Dinner 2-6 pm 	18 Fish & Chicken Dinner 6pm \$10 	19 VFW Planning Meeting 7pm 	20  5 Card Stud 7 pm 	21 Texas Holdem 1pm 
22  Yoga 7pm 	23	24 Tacos Texas Holdem 6:30 pm  Rider Dine Out	25 MC League Meeting 7pm 	26	27 5 Card Stud 7pm  Pork Chop Dinner 	28 Texas Holdem 1pm 
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