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From the Desk and Mind of the Commander

Jay Bowen

Well, Spring has finally sprung! That always invokes many things in our minds. Grass becomes green again, trees sprout new leaves, the weather becomes even more unpredictable than before, and thoughts of cleaning out the garage, house and basement abound! The one thing all of these things have in common is change.

Often we look at change as something negative. As we grow older, we tend to resist change rather than embrace it. Have you ever watched kids at play or as they learn how to play a new video game? They don't fight change, they welcome it laughing and with great expectation that their life will be better as a result. We all used to be kids, and at that time we also welcomed changes. What happened to us to make us more rigid? Is it technology? The unknown? I think it is a little of both. I think we believe we are supposed to know almost everything and so we purposely steer away from anything outside our comfort zone because we can't predict the outcome or what's coming next.

As you start putting your list of Spring cleaning chores together, let me suggest you add one more. At our General Membership Meeting in April, we will be electing Post officers we want to help get us through 2011-2012. I encourage you to consider something new and possibly volunteer your time to a Post position. It is not a 40 hour a week job. It is a little more time-consuming than gathering once a month for a meeting, but it really doesn't take up too much time. And there is absolutely no better way to learn how the Legion works than to be a part of the Post leadership.



There are several that can and will assist as you learn the new role, and there are plenty of manuals available to provide guidance. Don't misunderstand, I am not saying our current leadership staff NEEDS to be replaced. But I know there are two or three positions open because some members of the current staff have decided they need a change. How cool would it be to have 2 or 3 people throw their hat into the ring for all positions! The only two not available for election are Judge Advocate and Service Officer. Those are appointed by the Commander. All others (including mine) are subject to being elected to serve.

So, let's think about adding the Post leadership to your Spring cleaning chore list. Don't throw us out, but look at how we can breathe new life and change into our leadership. Spring is a time for rebirth. What a great time to do the same everywhere. I am extremely proud and fortunate to have the staff of officers I have been blessed to serve along-side. And I look forward to others to step up and serve with me or in my stead.

For God and Country,
Jay



Flag Disposal Ceremony

For many years the American Legion has led the fight against flag desecration. The American Legion for decades has a ceremony for the dignified disposal of American flags, which has provided service to our homes, businesses and to our nation.

The Post is planning to host a Flag Disposal Ceremony on Sunday, 12 June beginning at 2:00pm.

Please make plans on attending.



Auxiliary President Jackie Bowen

We have two new members to welcome; Hazel Kula and Pam Krzeczowski. Keep up the good work Ladies on getting new members to join. Remember if you're not a member but would like to visit to see what we are all about you are welcome to do so.

I want to thank Hazel Kula, Donna Ribisi, Linda Cancellieri, Lynn Thomas, Kelli Hayes, and Mavis Spath for helping fold the pocket flags. Donna has a son that was deployed March 25th. He heard about our project and asked if he could get one. We sent 11 pocket flags for his group of 11 that are deploying. Luckily he will only be there for a few months helping his Unit to pack and return to the States. Please keep him and all our troops in your prayers. We still have quite a few flags to fold so get ready ladies.

Department Convention will be in Colorado Springs in June, look for dates in the calendar. Our Post is hosting so we will need a lot of volunteers. Art will need a LOT of help in the kitchen. This is a great opportunity for our Legionnaires and Auxiliary, so please if at all possible, come out and help.

Don't forget to order Butter Braids. You can order at any time just be aware that they will not be delivered until April 21st. It helps if you can pay in advance because we have to pay when the order arrives.

We have two officer positions still open: Historian - compiles historical records of the Unit and sends reports to Department, and Sergeant-at-Arms - preserves order at the meetings of the Unit. If you are interested in either/both positions, please attend our April meeting and throw your hat in the ring.

I encourage you all to visit our Post website often to see what is happening at our Post and around the country of interest to our family of Veterans. I think you will be pleasantly surprised.

Serving Our Veterans Proudly,
Jackie Bowen

AUXILIARY NOTES by Marion D.

Over the last month or so we have known Post 209 (our Post) is going to host the Department Convention. What was your attitude to that knowledge,

So what? or was it "Wonder what I can do to help?" In this article I will offer some ways that you can step up and volunteer. Plans for this undertaking are already in motion. When you have guests at home, the first thing you do is clean the house in preparation. So with the convention, our Post Home will need a cleaning crew, before and after, to vacuum the floors and set up the tables. I believe all members should be aware of anything that is spilled during our events, get it cleaned up immediately. Second item is registration at the hotel. The person(s) greeting should know what our guests need and be well informed of the plans for the entire four-day event; name tags in place and provide directions, etc. There will be greeters needed at our Post to make our guests feel welcome and possibly sign them in for each event we provide. Third, we will need drivers to transport our guests from the Doubletree Hotel back and forth to the Post. Fourth, our Chief Chef has already thought out the food that will be needed to serve the guests for the four day convention. An event of this magnitude cannot happen overnight. Some preparation will be completed in advance. Here are some ways you can be of help in the kitchen: (a) On the days of the convention, persons will be needed to prepare the drinks, juice, water, coffee and tea, setting out the eating utensils, napkins and other items to be ready for the meal. (b) After the food buffet line is set up, persons will be needed to serve the food so everyone gets the correct amount for the meal. This will eliminate problems. (c) During the meal, a person will be needed to serve more coffee if needed. Also, if a guest is finished eating, the dishes should be picked up from the table and made ready for washing. (d) Cleanup crew to tidy up afterwards so the Post will be ready for the next event or day. Fifth, if we offer a dance one of the evenings, a crew will be needed to assist with setting up and taking down the dance floor.

By now you may be thinking, "Goodness, this is a huge undertaking. How will we ever get through this?" The answer is simple, by all of our members working together to make this a great event. As many areas that help is needed I am sure that you can come forth with help in the area that you can handle. Remember the saying, "Many hands make light work." That applies here. I suggest that volunteer sheets be put out in these areas and let our members choose how they can best help with this event.



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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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Jr. Vice Cdr	Chet Dean	719-638-8805
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Finance Officer	Norman Moyer	719-392-3725
Chaplain	Mario Taracena	719-495-0363
Sergeant-at-Arms	Robert Rydell	719-634-4203
Historian	Crystal Weller	719-481-8100
Post Executive Committeeman	Neal Thomas	719-392-1510
Service Officer	John Brown	719-331-8160
Judge Advocate	Chuck Zeitvogel	719-531-0546
Past Commander	Bill Marshall	719-495-0088

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2009-2010**

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Member 1 yr	Bill Marshall	719-495-0088



Centennial Post 209
Calendar of Events

1 Apr	Hamdogger Wingding Night 6:30pm
2 Apr	Pine wood derby at the Post
3 Apr	CERT Training 1:00-6:00pm
7 Apr	Post Executive Committee Mtg 6:30pm
9 Apr	Breakfast 9:00am Meeting at 10:00am Election of Officers
10 Apr	CERT Training 1:00-6:00pm
15 Apr	Steak Night 6:30pm New York strip, baked potato etc. \$10.00
16 Apr	Proposed training Session—Adjutant, Service Officer and Reporting procedures. Time to be announced later.
17 Apr	CERT Training 1:00-6:00pm
23 Apr	Easter Egg Hunt 1:00pm
28 Apr	National Commander Visitation— Luncheon starts at 12:00 pm. Call Post and make Reservations
5 May	Post Executive Committee Mtg 6:30pm
6 May	Hamdogger Wingding Dinner 6:30pm
7 May	Blossom Day Festival—Canon City
8 May	Mothers Day
14 May	Breakfast 9:00am Meeting 10:00am
15 May	District 7 Convention 11:00am Canon City
20 May	Steak Night 6:00pm
21 May	Installation of Officers Banquet \$12.00
30 May	Memorial Day Memorial Day Ceremonies at TREA 834 Emory circle Open house at Post 1:00 to 4:00pm
2 Jun	Post Executive Committee Mtg 6:30pm
3 Jun	Hamdogger Wingding Night 6:30pm
11 Jun	Breakfast 9:00am Meeting(s) 10:00am
12 Jun	Flag Disposal Ceremony 2:00pm
17 Jun	Steak Night (Surprise) 6:30pm
23-26 Jun	Department Convention at Double Tree and the Post. Activities to be announced



From the Senior Vice Commander Jerry Hodson

You have until 1 May to win the membership contest and take down the leader. Currently, Art Kimbrel has the lead with four new members since January.

We currently have 532 members paid for year 2011.

I must ask you for some help in retaining the members that we have who have not renewed their membership for 2011. The Adjutant has a list of legionnaires that have not renewed. We need to contact them and ask them to renew their dues and to get involved with the activities of the Post.

Saturday, 7 May, we need volunteers who can contact 2 or 3 Legionnaires to get them to renew.

Our Post website is using PayPal to allow members to pay for membership (new and renewals) and to make donations by credit card, so help us advertise our website (and you should visit the site also).

Military Services Birthday Dinners!

Last year for the Military Services Birthday Dinners we did a Spaghetti dinner.

This year the Post is offering a choice of Turkey or Roast Beef, mashed potato, veggies, salad and dessert. The cost is \$10.00 per person.

Children under the age of 12 eating off your plate can eat for free.

Please make plans to attend, make a reservation and enjoy the evening with someone to which you have something in common. Remember, you don't have to belong to that branch to have fun and celebrate.

70,000 Veterans get a 2nd chance at Medical Retirement.

Roughly 70,000 veterans who were given a medical separation between September 11, 2001 and December 31, 2009 have the chance to have their separations reviewed and possibly upgraded to a medical retirement. This could mean thousands in added benefits for disabled veterans who were originally denied a military retirement.

The review is being conducted by the Physical Disability Board of Review, which will examine each

applicant's medical separation records and make a recommendation to the respective Service Secretary based on their findings.

Although there is no guarantee that applicants will become retirement eligible, there is no risk of veterans losing their existing benefits. Veterans who are granted a medical retirement and had originally been given a severance check will have their original payment taken from their retirement pay until the original balance is fully recouped. However, since their retirement will be back dated, they are likely not to see much of an impact.

To be clear – Veterans will not have to pay back the severance out of their pockets and no applicants will lose their existing benefits – regardless of the board's findings.

To be eligible veterans must have been medically separated between the dates noted above with a combined disability rating of 20 percent or less, and originally not found eligible for retirement. There is no deadline to apply and next of kin can also apply.

According to my source at the Physical Disability Board of Review, about 50 percent of the applications they have received to date have been recommended for re-characterization.

Visit the [PDBR web-site](#) to learn more and begin the application process.



YOUR POST NEEDS YOUR HELP

ONE if by LAND; TWO if by SEA! That was the sign given to Paul Revere as a Call to Arms!

The cry today is ONE if by LAND! And the Post needs your help. The last weekend in June, we are hosting the Annual Department Convention. We need volunteers for activities listed below and many more in order for the Post to continue the successes from the Mid-Year Conference:

- Honor/Color Guard Volunteers
 - Shuttle Drivers; with or without Vehicle
 - Kitchen Assistance
 - Event Coordination Support
 - General Assistance
 - Help selling convention ads
 - Help with selling meal tickets at the convention
- Contact us if can help!



**FROM THE CHEF
De POST 209
ART KIMBREL**

I am asking you to read the "THE CENTENNIAL" newsletter and look at the events that are happening. Make a note of them and make plans on attending and send an email to americanlegion209@yahoo.com to let us know how many will be in your party. If you can't email this information please call 719-599-8624 and leave a message.

Something to keep in mind, we want to be known as the kid friendly/family Post and that is one of the reason's why we do not want to have a liquor license except for special occasions. We invite you to bring the kids and enjoy some time with someone who has something in common with you.

NOTE: For the dinners. Children under the age of 12 who are eating off of your plate are free. For the Hamdogger, Wingding night children under the age of 12 will receive a free hotdog.



**From Scouts and Service Officer
John Brown**

New Rules Aid Korean War Veterans Exposed to Agent Orange

Veterans exposed to herbicides while serving along the demilitarized zone in Korea will have an easier path to access quality health care and benefits under a Department of Veterans Affairs final regulation. The new rules expand the dates when illnesses caused by herbicide exposure can be presumed to be related to Agent Orange.

Under the final rule, VA will presume herbicide exposure for any veteran who served between April 1, 1968, and Aug 31, 1971, in a unit determined by VA and the Department of Defense to have operated in an area in or near the Korean DMZ in which herbicides were applied. Previously, VA recognized that Agent Orange exposure could only be conceded to veterans who served in certain units along the Korean DMZ between April 68 and July 69.

Contact your nearest VA rep to access VA health Care and compensation as soon as possible if this new rule applies to you.

Taken from the DAV magazine March/April 2011



**From Scouts and Service Officer
John Brown**

Scouts: Pinewood Derby is coming to the Post home 2 Apr 2011

Pack 386 will have their Pinewood Derby in our home 2 Apr 2011 starting at 1000 and running till about 1400. They would like to have some interested American Legion judges come early, around 0930 and judge the cars for style and design and maybe some other fun items. Then stay and watch the boys run their cars on the computerized race track. Hotdogs will be served for lunch at a moderate price. You all come now.

Pack 24 is holding their Pinewood Derby the same day on the West side at West Middle School starting around 1000. They will be running their derby in the school gym so if you are in the area, stop by and help cheer on the participants.

Both Packs continue to execute the Boy Scouts of America program and continue to grow and support the local community with volunteer events and friendly smiles. Recently Pack 386 participated in a flag class at our home. Here is a picture of the scouts learning about the American Flag.





From the Chaplain Mario Taracena

Cheer up Legionnaires! You can come out of hibernation now. The days are getting longer, warmer and sunnier. We hope that April showers bring us badly needed water. Speaking of April, this month brings us one of the most sacred holidays in Christendom. According to the Gospels in the New Testament, after much suffering and death on the cross, Jesus resurrected on the third day. The significance of Jesus' ministry is that He came to atone for the sins of mankind. (John 3: 16-17) Many people observe Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday by attending church or privately praying and meditating at home. May the blessing of God be upon you as you celebrate the "Holy Week" with your family.

At the recent mid-year conference, National Vice Commander William Schrier emphasized the pillar of the American Legion, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, family support and Americanism. I was personally impressed with his emphasis on patriotism which is the deep love for America. It seems many of our historical symbols and moral values have come under attack based on the misguided notion of "Separation of Church and State". Our Constitution simply states that: "Congress should make no law respecting and establishing of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof". In other words, no official state religion, yet our flag is no longer protected. Prayer has been prohibited in public schools, the word "Under God" has been removed and patriotic institutions like the Boy Scouts are constantly harassed in court. Our national identity is at stake as more sacred and cherished values become extinct. Our challenge as Legionnaires is to champion deep love for our country, support the Boy Scouts, encourage and support the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance by students in our schools and be part of patriotic events and activities.

Some fellow Legionnaires have recently been under the weather or undergoing medical treatment. We are asking for your prayers for health, strength and healing on behalf of the following: Lloyd Peterson, Jeffrey Allgood, Chet Dean and Harry McFadden.

Clotilde (Cleo) Bowen passed away on March 3rd at the age of 88. She is survived by many beloved relative and friends. Dr. Bowen served her country with outstanding devotion and professionalism.

A National Veteran's cemetery in Colorado has been in the works for some time now. A final decision to fund this cemetery has been made on 440 acres of land on Kane Ranch east of Fountain. However, some items need to be accomplished before ground breaking takes place such as an environmental study, water, mineral rights, water assessment, etc. We will keep you posted. There are about 74,000 veterans and about 40,000 active duty military in our area.

Congratulations to Wayne Cropper. He has announced his engagement to Shannon Ashley. They are planning to be married on August 20th. Much happiness to both.

Happy Easter!

R. S. V. P.

How important is a R.S.V.P.? If you pay attention to Miss Manners of old, it is very important to let someone know that you will be attending whatever the event for which the invitation applies.

Do you know how important a R.S.V.P. is to the Post? In our case, it relates to dollars and waste of food. When we are planning an event and we don't know how many will be attending, we have the potential to cook too many breakfasts, steak dinners or food for a family night. What may happen is we plan for 40 and 20 shows up.

That means we end up throwing away food and that relates to lost dollars.

We are asking that when you read about an event or get a reminder about a function you want to attend, take a moment and make a reservation.

No matter how much planning we do, "YOU HOLD THE KEY" to our success. Please help us succeed and 'Repondez S'il Vous Plait!'

National Commander Visit

National Commander Jimmie Foster will be visiting Colorado and on Thursday, 28 April, he will be at Post 209 where we will have a Luncheon in his honor. The lunch is free for all who would like to participate. We need to know if you will be attending. Please contact us if you would like to attend.



From the Adjutant Larry Johnson

Around the middle of April, National will start pulling membership and print renewal cards for 2012. These cards will be mailed on or around 1 July.

The Post is putting together the Annual Report. This a list of all activities our Post membership has been involved with and activities all Legionnaires have been involved with that benefit veterans, children and youth activities within the community. If you have been involved with activities such as the Homeless Veterans Stand Down, the Crawford House, food drives, etc. with hours and/or money, please let the Post know as soon as possible. We want and need to include the activity. We need the number of hours you volunteered and of any monies donated. I will compile and submit for the Post.

We are in need of Legionnaires who are experienced in carpentry, plumbing, electrical, painting and other specialties to help do some improvements around the Post and our grounds. The Post is going to need some volunteers to help do some cleaning and getting the Post ready for our special visitors.

I have to admit that I find myself involved with a lot of activity at the Post and I could personally use some help. I have been wondering if there is anyone who would be willing to take minutes and type them up for the meetings and maybe help around the office with organization, filing etc.

If you feel you might be able to help, please let the commander or myself know of your desire.

If there is anyone who knows anything about Yahoo Groups or other ways to enable the Post to get information out faster, please contact us as I need to find a better and more efficient method to communicate with the members of our American Legion Family.

Another Stop-Loss Pay Deadline Extension

Once again the deadline for applying for Stop-Loss special pay has been extended. This means that eligible service members, veterans and their beneficiary have until April 8, 2011 to apply for special retroactive pay which is meant to compensate for involuntary military service contract extensions. The retroactive Stop-Loss special pay offers \$500 a month for each month of military duty served in stop loss status between Sept. 11, 2001, and Sept. 30, 2009.

Eligible members or their beneficiaries may submit a claim to their respective military services to receive the benefit of \$500 for each full or partial month served in a Stop-Loss status. For more information and to apply for Stop-Loss pay, visit the Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay web-page.

American Legion Post 209 Officer Nominations 2011-2012

Next month we will be electing officers for the upcoming year. Below is a list of Officer positions and Legionnaires who have already expressed an interest in assuming a leadership role as an officer for the upcoming year.

As you can see below there are some positions still open and as of this date, no Legionnaires have stepped forward and accepted the challenge.

On Saturday, 9 April we will elect officers. Before the actual elections for each position nominations will be accepted from the floor.

If you would like to be an officer but cannot make the meeting, you can submit a letter to the Commander or the Adjutant stating that if you are elected you would serve in the position nominated.

On the following page is a short description of the duties of the officers. Please review them and see if you can help. Here is a list of current nominees:

Commander--Jay Bowen

Senior Vice Commander--Open

Junior Vice Commander--Lyle Hagelberg

Adjutant--Larry Johnson

Finance Officer--Open

Sergeant-At-Arms--Don Shuck

Chaplain--Mario Taracena, and Chet Dean

Historian--Open

Post Executive Committeeman—Neal Thomas

Appointed Positions by the Incoming Commander

Service Officer--

Judge Advocate--

Roles and Responsibilities of Officers

Commander: You are entrusted with the supervision of the duties of all other officers of the post. You are the presiding officer at all meetings and you must familiarize yourself with the policies and traditions of your post and the American Legion.

Adjutant: Also known as the “First Sergeant”. You are the secretary of the post. Post activities will revolve around you. The Adjutant is the post personnel officer, maintains membership records, minutes of meetings, checks on and assists with the work of the other officers and committees. You publish official orders and announcements and instructions.

Senior Vice Commander: Your primary concern is membership. No post can survive without good membership. You should also be familiar with ceremonial protocols for regular meetings. A Vice Commander must be ready to fill in for the Commander upon a moment’s notice.

Junior Vice Commander: You must be ready to promote your post. The Commander will depend on you to provide programs that spice up the meetings and attract attendance. You should contact other veteran and civic organizations so that each patriotic holiday and observance receives the attention it deserves. You are concerned with the pageantry of the Legion. You should also be concerned with the welfare of all fellow veterans as well as with veteran’s affairs and rehabilitation committees.

Finance Officer: You will serve as chair of the finance committee and will be in charge of all receiving and disbursing of post funds. You will work closely with the post leadership in all matters relating to the finances of your post.

Service Officer: You should be a dedicated person and should have a deep interest in fellow veterans, the post and the community. You are responsible for bringing to the attention of all veterans and their dependants the rights and benefits granted to them by law. You must know how to utilize the expert services available through Legion channels as well as through local agencies. You should be ready to visit dependents upon a death of a service member. You may be called upon to serve as chair of Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation committees as well as working with children and youth committees or making hospital visitations. Appointed by the Commander-Elect.

Chaplain: You must be a person capable of moral and intellectual leadership. You work closely with all other officers of the post. You should attend all meetings of the post and Executive Committee. You should be ready to officiate when requested, at funerals of members. The Chaplain must also be ready to provide service to bereaved families of post members.

Sergeant-at-Arms: You should know how to arrange the meeting hall, assist post commander and adjutant. You are the custodian of the colors and in charge of colors details during the presentation and retirement ceremonies. You should know how to display flags and their proper presentation. You are also responsible for maintaining order at all meetings.

Historian: You are given the responsibility of preserving and compiling the records of our post. You should try to attend department conventions and keep in touch with other post historians. [You are only encouraged to attend not required.]

Judge Advocate: You will supply professional advice in the conducting of the post business or to procure proper counsel. You are the interpreter of the Constitution and By-Laws of our post. You may be asked to assist in auditing post financial accounts. Appointed by the Commander-Elect.



Fund Raisers



Son's of The American Legion Squadron 209

In the last two years, we have periodically talked about the subject of raising money for the Programs of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary and for repairs to the Post.

Some of the ideas that have worked is the monthly Breakfast before for the General Meetings, The 1st Friday Hamdogger Wingding night, some of the Service Birthday dinners, sales of Butter Braids (taking orders now), etc.

Some that have not succeeded are the Family nights, American Legion birthday dinner and other dinner nights we have tried.

We currently have two Fund Raisers going on to help raise money; Umbrella, and Butter Braids Sales.

UMBRELLA SALES

The Auxiliary is selling umbrellas for a fundraiser. They are \$15 each. Features include:

Drip Free system to prevent water from getting on the floors and carpets.

Clear panel for easy visibility.

Proceeds will be used to assist local area Veterans and Auxiliary programs.



BUTTER BRAIDS Sale!

Each Butter Braid pastry is a hand-braided treat filled with your choice of 6 delicious flavors: **Dutch Almond Creme, Cherry, Apple, Blueberry Cream Cheese, Cinnamon or Cream Cheese.** Made with 100% real butter and only the finest ingredients, your taste buds will surely thank you! The cost of these Butter Braids are \$10 each. They would be great with Easter dinner. If you would like to order, please email jackiebowen2005@yahoo.com to let us how many you would like and what flavor. Butter Braid Sales: Beginning; March 28, 2011, Order turn in date; April 18, 2011 Delivery Date; April 21, 2011.

Good News; with the addition of the last two applicants we now have enough SAL members to officially get the SAL up and running.

I have talked with a new member of the SAL and have asked him to become the Finance Officer for the Squadron and he has agreed.

All that is needed now is hold a meeting and elect other officers to further invigorate the Squadron.

There will be a meeting of the members of the Squadron and I would ask that you make time to attend the meeting that is being scheduled for Wednesday, 13 April. The time scheduled will be at 7:00pm.

Again, please make plans to attend.

RSVP SPECIAL

Make an advance reservation for the Steak night on 15 April and receive a special discount. With advance reservation, you get a steak at the regular price of \$10.00 and the second for a price of \$8.00. Please email or phone your reservation to the Post. Let us know how many will be attending. Present the coupon below with your order.



**STEAK NIGHT
COUPON**

Buy 1 dinner at Regular Price, get the 2nd One at \$ 2.00 off.

Good only during the month of April and with a reservation made in advance



Easter Egg Hunt

On Saturday, 23 April, we will host our annual Easter Egg Hunt. I invite you to bring your children, grand children, great grandchildren to the Post starting at 12:30pm and when everyone is congregated we will hide the eggs on the property to include the parking lot. Around 1:00pm, the hunt will begin. The only thing that I ask is you contact the Post and let us know how many kids you're bringing.

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