

Stay The Course at Mansfield American Legion Post 624

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The American Legion Riders Post 624 was able to raise \$4650.00 to Stay The Course, a program of 22Kill. We began the planning for this Spring Fling Poker Run fundraiser to support Veterans and 1st Responders in the DFW area at our monthly meeting on February 15, 2019 and all of our Riders worked their butts off to make this possible. Thank you to my fellow Riders for this successful mission.

We had a good turnout even though it rained. Much thanks goes out to those motorcycle groups who represented yesterday: Boozefighters Chapter 129, American Legion Riders Post 60 who also donated \$200 to Stay The Course/22Kill, and American Legion Riders Post 379. We know that a lot more Rider groups would have shown if it wasn't bad weather.

Huge shout out to our cook Joe Stroud Jr., his buddy Terry, and one of our riders Taylor Hale for cooking Friday night until Saturday morning, Richard and Maribel Windmann for donating the meat, the wonderful Ladies of our Auxiliary and other members of the Legion for the side dishes, our awesome bartenders Terry Brown, Nicole, and Keena Kieschnick, our DJ Harry Di Lonardo, three of our Riders for buying the last 71 raffle tickets in order to raise the full amount of donation and they were Brian Heath, Randy Bagwell, and Charles McCarrell, thanks to Carolyn Williams Heath, Mary Munson McLemore, and Tammy Welter for helping out with the registration, thanks to Gator for taking on the Historian role, thanks to Jason McGlasson and Dirty Harry and Cathy Atchison Stroud for door prizes, thanks to Juan De La Cruz for dealing with all the money we constantly collected, thanks to Dan Romeo Stewart for putting together the ride route, and thanks to Scott Bormann for making sure I didn't have a stroke. Thanks to the past Directors of ALR 624 for assisting me along the way: Chief, Thor, Trixie, and Ronnie Erbst. I hope I didn't leave anyone out, but every one of our Riders made a huge effort to make this happen.

Semper Fi!