

Message from Larry Wilson, SAL Commander: I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported the SAL Squadron #194 during this past year. The Shrimp Dinners held by the Members of SAL Squadron 194 during this past year were a great success - We want to thank everyone who came out and supported our Shrimp Dinners. We had a very good turnout for each of our Dinners. I also want to thank everyone who helped support the SAL programs by purchasing the raffle tickets for the several SAL Drawings that we held this past year. The SAL has been able to financially support a number of Veteran and Community programs as a result of your great support. To those SAL Members who have helped out during this past year, I really thank you for always being there to help out in so many ways. We need additional SAL Members to start attending our monthly SAL Membership meetings. We need your ideas so that by working together, we can all help make our organization even better. We need new SAL Members to become a part of the Great Team that we have here. You will find that helping out here at the Legion can be fun and at the same time, you will be helping your American Legion Post.

Message from Axel Wicks, Post 194 Chaplain: Here we are in 2012. It is great to be here. I wonder what the Lord has planned for us this year. I think this would be a good time to review the Ten Commandments: Before you read them, see how many you can remember? And God spoke all these words saying, I am the Lord thy God: 1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. 2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image. 3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain. 4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. 5. Honour thy father and thy mother. 6. Thou shalt not kill. 7. Thou shalt not commit adultery. 8. Thou shalt not steal. 9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. 10. Thou shalt not covet. To read the entire story of the Ten Commandments, turn to your Bible and read the book of Exodus, Chapter 20. I enjoy reading the Bible because it is the word of God and, for me, it is also a lesson in history. I still have some Bibles free for the asking. If you would like one, please contact me. Please join me in a short Prayer — Heavenly Father, thank You for Your countless blessings. Forgive me for not saying enough times each day, “Thank You for all of Your miracles and blessings in my daily life.” Amen

Message from George Remhof, American Legion Post Commander: I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for the outstanding support that you have given me during this past year, my first year as Commander. One of the greatest assets of this American Legion Post is the “willingness and desire of our members (Regular, Auxiliary, and SAL)” to work together for the greater benefit of our three great organizations. Working together, our three groups have consistently accomplished what we have set out to do. Whether it was a Friday Night Dinner, the Bull Roast, the Crab Feast, a Chicken BBQ, a Spaghetti Dinner, or one of the many Children’s Events that were held here at the Legion, everything always went well and everyone had a great time. Thanks to all you for your help in making this happen. I am really thankful for the members of this American Legion, who always do whatever is necessary to get the job done. As I have stated repeatedly, our group always responds with this thought in mind – **“When the Going Gets Tough, The Tough Get Going”**. I would ask that all of you please keep in your thoughts and prayers the many brave men and women who are serving in our Military in many places all over the world. Please pray that our service men and women will return home soon, safe and sound, to be with their families and their loved ones.

Other items of interest – Don’t forget to support the Post 194 Honor Guard, the Unit 194 Auxiliary, and the SAL by purchasing their 50/50 tickets. The proceeds from these drawings are used to help these organizations finance the many services that they provide to this community.

George Remhof, Commander
American Legion Post 194

Judy Palmer, President
Unit 194 Auxiliary

Larry Wilson, Commander
Son of the American Legion



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April, May, and June 2012

This is our 2nd Newsletter of 2012. We are providing this newsletter to keep everyone informed of the many upcoming events that will be occurring here at the Legion during the next three months.
Reminder - The American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 has a web site that offers many different types of information about “What’s Happening at Post 194”. Take a few minutes and visit our website at (**Web Site: www.alpost194.com**). Send e-mail to (**amerleg194@zoominternet.net**).

Here is the list of Officers for Mason Dixon Post 194 for the Legion Year of 2011-2012:

Commander – George Remhof
1st Vice Commander – Neil Eller
2nd Vice Commander – Dick Kline
3rd Vice Commander – Bobby Holmes
Finance Officer – Jeff Hughes
Adjutant – Grant Eller
Service Officer – John Kilby
Sgt-at-Arms- Norman (Butch) Robinson
Senior Color Bearer – Russ Gulick
Chaplain – Axel Wicks
Judge Advocate – Paul Podolak

The Executive Committee also includes 3 elected members (Riley Bennett, Tom Hawk, and Mike Saponaro) and 3 members appointed by Commander Remhof (Chuck Allport, Dick Richardson, and Robbie Wilson).

2011-2012 American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 Officers:

President – Judy Palmer
1st Vice President – Gladys Wilson
Treasurer – Katherine Bennett
Secretary – Nancy Simpers
Chaplain - Alice Kline
Sgt-At-Arms – Karen Dobosh
Historian – Charlotte Rhodes

2011-2012 Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 194 Officers:

Commander – Larry Wilson
1st Vice Commander – Donnie White, Jr.
2nd Vice Commander – Curtie Janney
Adjutant – Rodger Gilbert
Finance officer - Roger Ball
Sgt-At-Arms – Kenny Skelton
Chaplain – Allan Dobosh
Color Bearer – Alan Dobosh

Welcome New Members to Post 194:

We would like to welcome the following new members to Mason Dixon Post 194:

New Regular Members:

Gary Brinker	Michael Boyle	Eddie Hamilton
Andrew (Harold) Kneuker		Jason Randeau

New Auxiliary Members:

Barbara A. Allen	Melany Lilianne Cahill	Shirley A. Cox
Kaydee Scarlette Cahill		Patricia K. Decker
Roberta Fay Haupt		Kathy M. Moody

New SAL Members:

Matthew L. Hauf	Robert K. Kilby	Randy W. Kuchta
Stephen G. Snyder	John E. Vaughan, Jr.	

Election of Next Year’s Officers – A reminder to everyone that we are having our Election of Officers for the Legion year 2012-2013 at our April 26th General Membership meeting. At our General Membership meeting held on March 22nd, the Nomination Committee submitted the following list of names who have indicated a desire to serve as Officers during the upcoming Legion Year.

Commander – George Remhof
Service Officer – John Kilby
1st Vice Commander – Neil Eller
Sgt-at-Arms- Norman (Butch) Robinson
2nd Vice Commander – Grant Eller
Senior Color Bearer – Russell Gulick
3rd Vice Commander – Bobby Holmes
Judge Advocate – Paul Podolak
Finance Officer – Jeff Hughes
Chaplain – Axel Wicks
Adjutant – Dick Kline
Historian – Vinnie Mule’

The Executive Committee will include all elected Officers and three members elected by the general membership and three additional members appointed by the new incoming Post Commander. The following three names were submitted by the Nomination Committee to serve on the Executive Committee: Riley Bennett, Tom Hawk, and Mike Saponaro.

Additional nominations for any officer position and the three at-large members to serve on the Executive Committee will be accepted from the floor on the night of the election. This election will occur at our April general membership meeting held on April 26th at 7:00 PM.

Membership Meetings - The general membership meetings (Regular General Membership, Auxiliary Unit, and SAL) are held on the 4th Thursday of each month. The meetings begin at 7:00 PM.

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Election of Auxiliary Officers – The election of officers for the Auxiliary Unit 194 will be also held at the April meeting, Thursday night, April 26th. The list of names of the Unit 194 Auxiliary members submitted by the Nominating Committee to serve as Officers for the Auxiliary during the upcoming year includes the following:

President – Judy Palmer
Vice President – Gladys Wilson
Secretary – Nancy Simpers
Treasurer – Kitty Bennett & Ann Brammer
Historian – Charlotte Rhodes
Sgt at Arms – Karen Dobosh
Chaplain – Alice Kline
Color Bearers – Dianne Gilbert and Pat Wood

Additional nominations for any Auxiliary Officer position will be accepted from the floor on the night of the election.

Election of SAL Officers – The election of officers for the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 194 will be also held at the April meeting, Thursday night, April 26th. The list provided below contains the names of the SAL Squadron members that have expressed a desire to serve as Officers for the SAL during the upcoming year. Note – There are still several Officer positions that still need to be filled:

Commander – Larry Wilson
1st Vice Commander – Allan Dobosh
2nd Vice Commander – Freddie Gilbert
3rd Vice Commander –
Adjutant – Rodger Gilbert
Finance Officer – Charlie Richardson
Sgt at Arms – Ken Skelton
Chaplain – Allan Dobosh
Historian –
Color Bearer –

Additional nominations for any SAL Officer position will be accepted from the floor on the night of the election.

We urge all members of the American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 to attend the April 26th General Membership Meeting and participate in the Election of Officers for the upcoming Legion Year 2012–2013.

Special Scholarship Announcement to All Legion Members: This year, the American Legion Post 194 has a limited amount of funding available for several scholarships to local students from the surrounding communities **who did not attend Rising Sun High School (RSHS).** Note - RSHS Seniors and 1st year College Students who attended RSHS are eligible for other established American Legion Post 194 scholarships and should apply through the RSHS Guidance Department for those Post 194 scholarships.

The amount of funding for these two scholarship funds is limited. The scholarships will be awarded based on previous scholastic performance, personal financial need, and past involvement in community projects. These two types of scholarships are available to any non-RSHS student from the surrounding area who meets the following criteria:

- A local high school senior who will be attending college “full time” in the Fall; or
- A college full time student who will begin their sophomore year in the Fall.

Scholarship Funds are not available for 3rd or 4th year College students. Any student who would like to apply for this Post 194 scholarship should write a letter requesting an application. The letter and a self-addressed stamped envelope should be addressed to:

American Legion Post 194
Attn: Scholarship Chairman
338 East Main Street • Rising Sun, MD 21911

Deadline for receiving completed applications at Post 194 is Thursday, May 31, 2012. No applications will be accepted after this date.

Legion News/Information:

Annual Children’s Easter Egg Hunt – The Auxiliary members will be having their Annual Children’s Easter Egg Hunt here at the Legion on Sunday, April 1st, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. The Easter Egg Hunt is open to the public for all children 9 years old and younger. There will be refreshments provided. The Easter Bunny will also make a visit at this event.

Daily Lunches - During the weekdays from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM, we offer a limited “Lunch Menu” at a reasonable price

“Wing Night” – Our “Chicken Wing Night”, held each Monday Night from 5:00 – 8:00 PM, continues to be a big success. We offer a choice of plain or breaded chicken wings, with your choice of no sauce, a BBQ sauce, a mild hot sauce, or a HOT sauce. Our music entertainment (provided by “Kruisin Karaoke”) begins at 6:00 PM and ends at Midnight. The Legion wants to say “Thanks” to all of members and guests who turn out each Monday night to support this Legion function. We typically have a great group of talented singers who show up each week. The Legion also thanks our very special group of dedicated Legion workers who are here each week to work in the kitchen preparing the food for everyone. We also want to thank Kruisin Karaoke (Haven & Rosemary) for providing the Music on Monday Nights.

Friday Night Music - We continue to offer various types of music in our lounge area every Friday night from 7:30 – 11:30 PM. Here is a listing of the entertainment schedule for Friday Nights during the next 3 months:

April 6 – Sammy K (DJ & Karaoke);
April 13 – Premier Music (DJ & Karaoke);
April 20 – Kruisin’ Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke);
April 27 – Karaoke Addiction (DJ & Karaoke);
May 4 – Sammy K (DJ & Karaoke);
May 11 – Premier Music (DJ & Karaoke);
May 18 – Kruisin’ Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke);
May 25 – Karaoke Addiction (DJ & Karaoke);
June 1 – Sammy K (DJ & Karaoke);
June 8 – Premier Music (DJ & Karaoke);
June 15 – Kruisin’ Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke);
June 22 – Karaoke Addiction (DJ & Karaoke);

Come out on Friday nights and listen to some great music.

Saturday Night Bingo – We have Bingo here at the Post home on every Saturday night from 7:00 – 10:00 PM. We offer a series of regular bingo games and a number of Bingo Specials, including two Jackpot Cover-All Games. Our bingo kitchen is open from 5:00 – 8:45 PM every Saturday night. A variety of food items are offered on our kitchen menu.

2012 Membership Dues – We want to thank those members who have paid their 2012 dues – You have helped us become very close to reaching our membership goal for 2012. A reminder to all Post 194 regular members, we still need approximately 70 members to meet our “4 Star” Membership Goal for this year. To those of you who have not yet paid your 2012 dues, as of Jan 1st, 2012, your American Legion membership expired. If you want to maintain your consecutive years of Legion membership, you should send in your 2012 membership dues as soon as possible. Also, if you know of anyone who is eligible for membership in the American Legion and is not currently a member, please ask that person to join our organization. Our regular general membership dues are \$25.00 a year.

Life Line Screening Tests Available at Post 194 – According to information provided by the National Stroke Association, cardiovascular disease is the #1 cause of death in the United States of both men and women. This disease is also the leading cause of permanent disability. It was also reported that 4 out of every 5 stroke victims had no apparent warning signs and that 80% of strokes can be prevented if proper action is taken. With this in mind, the American Legion Post 194 has given permission to a company named “Life Line Screening” to use our back hall on Thursday, May 31, to provide 5 different types of ultrasound screenings related to the early detection of cardiovascular disease. **Pre-registration is required. To register, call 800-679-5192 and mention Priority Code HSC4623.** It is to be noted that these screening tests are not free – There is a fee associated with each screening test. We want to make you aware that these screening tests are not covered by the Medicare program, nor are the costs reimbursable by the Medicare Program. For more information concerning the purpose of these On-Line Screening tests and their associated costs, please stop by the Legion for more details. We have information packets available that help explain the purpose of these screenings.

Friday Night Dinners – The Auxiliary will be having only one more monthly Friday night dinner this Spring on April 20, 2012. There will be no Friday night dinner in May - The Auxiliary will be holding a special Auxiliary fund raising event on that date (Friday night, May 18). **Also, the Auxiliary will be taking the Summer off from their monthly Friday night dinners - There will be no dinners during the months of June, July, and August.** The Auxiliary Friday Night Dinners will resume in the Fall on the 3rd Friday night of September (Sept. 21st). If you would like to help out during these dinners, please contact one of the Auxiliary Members and let them know you are available to help out. Our Auxiliary Unit can always use extra help at the many functions they have throughout the year.

Tribute to the Stars (Repeat Performance) – Sunday, April 15 – On Sunday afternoon, April 15, the American Legion Post 194 presents “Premier’s Tribute to the Stars”. This show will provide multiple artists providing great performances of Elvis, Patsy Cline, Frank Sinatra, Roy Orbison, Johnny Cash, and others. The Epics, a great local band, will also be here to provide their music. The doors open at 3:00 PM and the show runs from 4:00 PM until 7:30 PM. Tickets to this event are \$15.00 a person, **Advance Sales Only.** There will be a “Cash Bar” and the SAL Squadron 194 will be offering various food items (Pit Beef, Ham, Seafood, etc.) at an additional cost. This event is expected to sell out quick, so be sure to get your tickets early. There are only 250 Tickets Available.

Honor Guard Chicken BBQ Dinners Schedule for this year: - The Post 194 Honor Guard will be having three Chicken BBQs this year. The 1st Chicken BBQ will be on Monday, May 28th (Memorial Day Weekend). Our 2nd Chicken BBQ will be on Wednesday, July 4th, and the 3rd Chicken BBQ will be on Labor Day, Monday, September 3rd. The BBQ’s will be from 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM (or until we sell out). The Chicken BBQ’s have been a very successful fundraiser for the Honor Guard during the past several years. The funds raised during these Chicken BBQ’s are used to pay many of the yearly operating expenses of the Honor Guard. Come out and support the Honor Guard by purchasing a Chicken BBQ dinner, which consists of ½ Chicken, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, and rolls & butter. Cost is \$9.00.

Memorial Day Ceremony – This year we will be holding our annual Memorial Day program on Wednesday, May 30th. We will begin our Memorial Day Services by having a short Memorial Day ceremony at the West Nottingham Presbyterian Church Cemetery, at Brookview Cemetery, at Calvert Cemetery, and at the Veteran’s Memorial in Center Town of Rising Sun. The actual times at these locations will be announced at a later date. Our main Memorial Day ceremony will be held here at the Legion Pavilion at 11:00 AM. We hope to see a large turnout for this event. This year we will again have the Rising Sun Middle School Band participate in this event by providing musical entertainment. We also have the “Cecil Fall Guys”, a group of local Sky Divers, who will parachute in at our Pavilion at approximately 10:50 AM, just before our Memorial Day Program begins.

Sunfest Car Show – The American Legion Post 194 and the Sun City Cruisers Car Club will be having a Car Show at the Legion on Saturday, June 2 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Come out and see many great looking cars from various local car clubs. Admission is Free and there will be food and entertainment available.

Honor Guard “Gun Raffle” – This year the Honor Guard will be having a Gun Raffle for two guns. The drawings will be held at this year’s Crab Feast that will be held on Sunday, September 9th. Featured in this year’s Honor Guard Gun Raffle are the following prizes:

1st Drawing – Henry 44 Magnum Big Boy (or \$500.00)

2nd Drawing – Henry 22 Magnum Golden Boy (or \$375.00)

These Rifles are currently on display at the Legion. Stop in at the Legion and buy your raffle tickets to help support your Honor Guard. You can also purchase your Gun Raffle tickets from any member of the Honor Guard.

Crab Feast – Sunday Sept 9th, 2011 – We will be having our Annual Crab Feast on Sunday, Sept 9th from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. Live music will be from 2:00 – 6:00 PM. Tickets must be purchased in advance by Friday, Sept 7th - **No Crab Feast ticket sales will occur on the day of the event.** The ticket prices are: \$35.00 for Adults and \$18.00 for children (10 yrs of age and under). Tickets are now available.

Flag Day Ceremony – We will be having our Annual Flag Day Program on Thursday, June 14th, beginning at 7:00 PM. The Legion will retire many old, worn, tattered Flags of our Country in a Formal Flag Retirement/Flag Burning Ceremony. The Upper Chesapeake Community Band will provide a selection of Patriotic Music from 6:30 – 7:00 PM. The Flag Day Program will begin promptly at 7:00 PM. The band will also provide additional patriotic music during the Flag Day Ceremony.

Annual Father’s Day Bull Roast – A Reminder to Everyone – This year’s Annual Bull Roast will be held on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 17th. Food will be from 1:00 – 5:00 PM; Music will be from 2:00 – 6:00 PM with music provided by Kruisin’ Karaoke. The menu will consist of Pit Beef, BBQ Chicken, various green table items, draft beer, and other types of salads and desserts. Tickets are now available. The ticket prices are: – Adults: \$20.00; Children under 10 - \$10.00. Contact the Post to purchase your tickets.

Salute to Veterans Ceremony – A local Rising Sun community “Salute to the Veterans” ceremony will be held at the American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 in Rising Sun, MD on Sunday, June 24th at 3:00 PM. All Veterans, both on Active Duty and those who have completed their Military Service, will be honored at this ceremony. The Upper Chesapeake Community Band will provide a 1-hour concert consisting of favorite patriotic music. The American Legion will provide light food and refreshments immediately following the ceremony. This event is free and the general public is invited to this ceremony. Due to the heat and possible inclement weather, this event will be held inside in our air conditioned Banquet Hall.

Family Day Picnic at the Legion – We will be having our “Annual Family Day Picnic” at the Legion’s Pavilion on Sunday, August 5th from 2:00-6:00 PM (Rain Day for this event will be one week later, Sunday, August 12th). We will be having hot dogs, hamburgers, sweet corn, tomatoes, and an assortment of snacks and condiments. We will also have sodas and other refreshments available. We also ask our members to bring some type of Specialty Dishes, a Covered Dish with your favorite food, or some type of Dessert. We would appreciate it if you continue to do this – It helps make for a great picnic. There will be a variety of games available for the children. This event will be free to any Legion Member, their families and guests.

Final Salute to recent Deceased Members of Post 194 who have went on to Post Everlasting:

Post 194 Regular Members:

Francis H. Cloud	Robert F. Cribbs
Robert W. Cumm	Reece A. Goodman
Leonard Lockhart	Robert E. MacDonald
Donald M. Pitt	

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of our departed members.

Message from Judy Palmer, Auxiliary Unit 194 President: I want to thank everyone who has helped out with the many Auxiliary Programs such as the Friday Night Dinners, the Lions Club Dinners, the Funeral Luncheons, the various Children’s Parties (Halloween, Christmas, and the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt) during this past year. All of our events and functions went very smoothly and I want to personally thank each of you for your continued help and support during these many Auxiliary functions. Thanks to all of you we always had plenty of help. I ask that all of you continue to support the many Auxiliary programs that we are involved in. We also need to help support the many Legion and SAL Programs that our American Legion Post 194 is involved in. Together, our three organizations provide tremendous support to our Veterans and to our Community.