

Crab Feast – Sunday Sept 11, 2016 – We are having our Annual Crab Feast on Sunday, Sept 11 from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. Live music (featuring the Apple Jack Band) will be from 2:00 – 6:00 PM. **Tickets must be purchased in advance by Friday, Sept 9, 2016.** - **No Crab Feast ticket sales will occur on the day of the event.** The ticket prices are: \$40.00 for Adults and \$20.00 for children (10 yrs of age and under). Tickets are now available.



Message from Axel Wicks, Post 194 Chaplain: Our country is in mourning – Somewhere in this Country, a Veteran died today. I think it is important to find the answers to Life's important questions: Do you know who your advocate is? Where did I come from? Why am I here?, and Where am I going? The answers to these questions can be found in the Bible. Turn to the Book of John in your Bible and read. Here is a prayer you can use to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior – “Lord Jesus, thank you for dying on the cross for me. Please forgive all my failures and the sins of my past. Make me clean and help me start fresh with you. I now receive you into my life as my Lord and Savior. Help me to love and serve you with all my heart – Amen”. Remember Jesus said “Whoever comes to me, I will never drive away” – John 6:37. Becoming a follower of Jesus is only the beginning of an exciting journey. Some things you can do to grow as a follower of Jesus. 1. Read a part of the Bible each day. 2. Pray daily – Talk to God as you would a close friend. 3. Join a church where the Bible is taught. 4. Carry a portion of God's Word with you. 5. Share your Faith in Christ with others. I want to close with thoughts on Legion membership. Many of our veteran membership are getting older – the WWII and Korean War Veterans especially. We are losing them to Post Everlasting and we can always use new members in the Legion. Please check with your neighbors, relatives or someone you might meet on the street and ask them if they are eligible to join the Legion. Make that a major consideration this year and let's build our Legion membership. They will be rewarded for it and so will Post 194. A reminder – The American Legion will be 100 years old in the year 2019. God Bless. **Amen.**

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.

Vince Mule, Commander

American Legion Post 194

Judy Palmer, President

Unit 194 Auxiliary

Allan Dobosh, Commander

Son of the American Legion



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April, May, and June 2016

This is our 2nd Newsletter of 2016. 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 several months. Reminder - The American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 now 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 (www.alpost194.com). Send e-mail to (amerleg194@zoominternet.net).

Here is a listing of the Officers of the American Legion Mason Dixon Post, Unit and SAL Squadron 194 for the Legion Year of 2015-2016:

American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 Officers:

Commander – Vince Mule
1st Vice Commander – Neil Eller
2nd Vice Commander – Grant Eller
3rd Vice Commander – Robbie Wilson
Finance Officer – Jeff Hughes
Adjutant – Dick Kline
Service Officer – John Kilby
Sgt-at-Arms- Norman (Butch) Robinson
Senior Color Bearer – Tom Hawk
Judge Advocate – Vacant
Chaplain – Axel Wicks
Historian – George Remhof

Executive Committee members also includes: Mike Saponaro, Riley Bennett, David Horn, Chuck Allport, Roger Ball, and Bobby Burlin.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 Officers:

President – Judy Palmer
1st Vice President – Charlotte Rhoades
2nd Vice President - Dianne Gilbert
Secretary – Dana Fritts
Color Bearers: Dianne Gilbert and Pat Wood
Treasurer – Doris Orem
Sgt. at Arms - Karen Dobosh
Chaplain - Alice Kline
Historian – Pat Wood

Election of SAL Squadron 194 Officers:

Commander – Allan Dobosh
1st Vice Commander - Larry Wilson
2nd Vice Commander – Rodger Gilbert
Adjutant – Steven Webb
Finance Officer - Charlie Richardson
Sgt-At-Arms – Jack Fritts
Chaplain – Mike Gilbert
Historian - Kevin McCullough

Legion News/Information

Daily Lunches - We offer daily lunches during the weekdays from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. A limited “Lunch Menu” is offered at a reasonable price.

Wing Night on Monday Nights – Come out on Monday nights and enjoy our weekly “Chicken Wing Night” from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. A Right Hand Salute to a very special group of members who volunteer each week to work in our kitchen preparing the Wings that we enjoy. We also want to thank our local DJ (Kruisin Karaoke) for being here every Monday night, providing great music entertainment from 7:00 PM until midnight.

Tuesday Night is “Burger Night” at the Legion – The members of the American Legion Riders Club (Post 194) are cooking hamburgers on Tuesday Nights from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Hamburgers or Cheeseburgers with Chips are \$5.00 each. This includes our “Fixings Bar” where you add whatever you want from the Self-Service Bar. You can also add an order of French Fries for \$1.50. All proceeds from this Burger Night go to the American Legion Post 194. We want to thank the Legion Riders for volunteering their time to make this Burger Night possible.

Taco Night on Wednesday Nights - We are also having a “Taco Night” here at the Legion from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. If you like tacos and other specialty items such as quesadillas and taco salads, you should stop by the Legion on Wednesday nights and enjoy our Tacos where you can add your own items to your tacos from our “Fixings Bar”.

B I N G O

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.



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 several months:

April 1 – Kruisin' Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke)
 April 8 – How's My Hat (3 piece band – favorite songs)
 April 15 – Kruisin Karaoke
 April 22 – Premier Music (DJ & Karaoke)
 April 29 – Vic Bird (DJ)
 May 6 – Kruisin Karaoke
 May 13 – Premier Music
 May 20 – Kruisin' Karaoke
 May 27 – Vic Bird

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

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.

Election of Next Year's Officers – A reminder to everyone that we are having our Election of Officers for the Legion year 2016-2017 at our April 28th General Membership meeting. At our General Membership meeting held in March, the Nomination Committee submitted the following list of names of members who have expressed an interest in serving in the following Officer positions:

Post Commander – Martin Thompson
 1st Vice Commander – Neil Eller
 2nd Vice Commander – Vincent Mule'
 3rd Vice Commander – Grant Eller'
 Finance Officer – Jeff Hughes
 Adjutant – Dick Kline
 Service Officer – John Kilby
 Sgt-at-Arms - Norman (Butch) Robinson
 Senior Color Bearer – Tom Hawk
 Judge Advocate – George Remhof
 Chaplain – Axle Wicks
 Historian – David Horn

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 be elected to serve on the Executive Committee: Riley Bennett, Mike Saponaro, and Wade Norbutas.

Additional nominations for any officer position and for the three Executive Committee at-large member positions 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 28th at 7:00 PM.

Election of Auxiliary Officers – The election of officers for the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 will be held at the April meeting, Thursday night, April 28th. The following is a list of names of the people who are interested in serving during the upcoming Legion year.

President – Judy Palmer
 1st Vice President – Charlotte Rhodes
 2nd Vice President – Dianne Gilbert
 Secretary – Dana Fritts
 Color Bearers: Sharon Burlin and Rita Funk
 Treasurer – Doris Orem
 Sgt. at Arms – Karen Dobosh
 Chaplain – Alice Kline
 Historian – Catharina Huyser

Nominations for any Auxiliary Officer position will be accepted from the floor on the night of the election. All Auxiliary members are urged to attend this meeting

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 28th. 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.

Commander – Alan Dobosh
 1st Vice Commander – Freddie Gilbert
 2nd Vice Commander – Rodger Gilbert
 Adjutant – Steven Webb
 Finance Officer – Charlie Richardson
 Sgt at Arms – Jack Fritts
 Historian – Kevin McCullough
 Chaplain – Michael Gilbert

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

2016 Membership Dues – We want to thank those members who have paid their 2016 dues – You have helped us come very close to reaching our membership goal for this Legion Year, however, we still have not reached our membership goals for this year. We are always looking for new members.

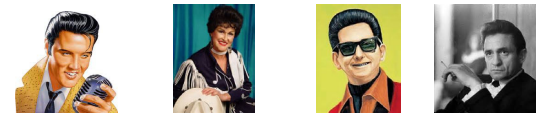
No American Legion Riders Sunday Morning Breakfast In April – The American Legion Riders (ALR) of Post 194 will be not be having their buffet-style breakfast this month because we are having a special American Legion North Eastern Shore meeting here at Post 194 on that Sunday (April 17, 2016). The ALR Sunday breakfasts will resume on the 3rd Sunday of each month in May 2016.

American Legion Riders (ALR) Local Chapter Meeting Date and Time Info – The members of the ALR local chapter are invited to attend our monthly ALR meetings that are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. All members are urged to attend these meetings to keep informed of the many planned upcoming activities of the local chapter.

Friday Night Dinners – On April 15, the Auxiliary Unit 194 will be having their last Friday Night Dinner during this Spring. The Ladies Friday Night Dinners will resume in the Fall (3rd week in September).

Upcoming Events to be held here at the Legion:

SAL Raffle drawing for Kettle Charcoal Grill & Yeti Tundra Cooler – The SAL members are selling chances for a 26 In. Weber Original Kettle Premium Charcoal Grill and a Yeti Tundra White Cooler. Chances are \$1.00 each – 6 Chances for \$5.00. Drawing will be held at our Father's Day Bull Roast, June 19, 2016.



“Premier's Tribute to the Stars” (Repeat Performance) – (Sunday, April 24)

We have scheduled another “Tribute to the Stars Show” featuring Richard (Elvis) Blaine on Sunday afternoon, April 24. This show will provide a number of different local artists who provide great performances of various artists such as Elvis, Patsy Cline, Roy Orbison, Johnny Cash, and others. The Epics, a great local band, will also be here to provide their music. Tickets to this event are on sale now: Advance Sales Tickets - \$15.00 a person, Tickets on the Day of the Show - \$20.00 a person. There will be a “Cash Bar” and we also will be offering various food items such as Pit Beef/Ham, Steamed & Fried Shrimp, Crab Cakes, Fish Sandwiches, and French Fries at an additional cost. Only 200 Tickets will be sold.

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 Sunday, May 29th (Memorial Day Weekend).** Our 2nd Chicken BBQ will be on Monday, July 4th, and the 3rd Chicken BBQ will be on Labor Day, Monday, September 5. The BBQ's will be from 11:00 AM until 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 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 \$10.00.

Flag Day Ceremony – We will be having our Annual Flag Day Program on Tuesday, 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 – This year's Annual Bull Roast will be held on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19th. Food will be from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. Music will be from 2:00 – 6:00 PM with live music provided by the “Apple Jack Band”, a very popular band that plays all types of music. The ticket prices are: Adults: \$20.00; Children under 10 - \$10.00. Tickets are now on sale at the Post.

Memorial Day Ceremony Monday May 30th – We are holding our annual Memorial Day program on Monday, 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. You should plan on being here at the Legion by 10:30 AM. We hope to have a large turnout for this event. The Rising Sun Middle School Band will participate in this event by providing musical entertainment. We also will try to schedule the “Cecil Fall Guys”, a group of local Sky Divers, to land at our Pavilion at approximately 10:50 AM (weather permitting), just before our Memorial Day Program begins.



Salute to Veterans Ceremony – The “Salute to the Veterans” ceremony will be held at the American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 in Rising Sun, MD on Sunday, June 26 at 3:00 PM. All Veterans (those who are 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 patriotic music selections. 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.



Honor Guard “Gun Raffle” – This year the Honor Guard will be having a Gun Raffle for two guns. The drawing will be conducted at this year's Crab Feast held on Sunday, September 11th. Featured in this year's Honor Guard Gun Raffle are the following prizes:

1st Drawing – Henry 44 Magnum Big Boy (or \$600.00)
2nd Drawing – Henry Golden Boy 22 Magnum (or \$400.00)

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.

Family Day Picnic at the Legion – We will be having our “Annual Family Day Picnic” here at the Legion's Pavilion on Sunday, August 7 from 2:00-6:00 PM (Rain Day for this event will be Sunday, August 14).

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. In past years, we have had several of our members bring either a Specialty Dish, a Covered Dish with your favorite food, or some type of Dessert. This will help make a great picnic even better. There will be entertainment available for the children. This event is free to any Legion Member, their families and guests.