

# MASON DIXON POST 194



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July - September 2024

This is our Newsletter for the months of July, August, and September of 2024. It contains a list of the upcoming events that will be occurring at the Legion during these months. Our next Newsletter will be sent out at the end of September 2024.

For additional information concerning our upcoming events, you can visit the American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 web site that offers information about "What's Happening at Post 194"- (Web Site: [www.alpost194.com](http://www.alpost194.com)).

Below are the current Officers for the American Legion Mason Dixon Post, Auxiliary Unit 194, SAL Squadron 194, American Legion Riders that were elected to serve during the Legion Year of 2024-2025:

**American Legion Post 194 Officers:**  
**American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194**

- Post Commander – James Parker
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander – Ray Conger
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander – Roger Ball
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander – Marty Weaver
- Finance Officer – Jeff Hughes
- Adjutant – Glen Beares
- Service Officer – Danny McLaughlin
- Chaplain – Russ Gulick
- Sgt-at-Arms- Robert Barben
- Judge Advocate - Frank Morgan
- Historian – Joe Bradford
- Senior Color Bearer – Tom Hawk

The three members who were elected to serve on the Executive Committee are Mike Saponaro, Dick Kline, and Jay Evans.

**American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 Officers:**  
**American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194**

- President – Dana Fritts
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Lisa Ewing
- Secretary – Shirl Cameron
- Treasurer – Joann Ross
- Sgt. at Arms - Josie Weaver
- Color Bearer - Julie Guethler
- Chaplain - Barb Flynn
- Historian – Sharon Burlin

**SAL Squadron 194 Officers:**  
**Mason Dixon SAL Squadron 194**

- Commander – Walt Ragan, Jr.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander - Rusty Ewing
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander - Steve Webb
- Adjutant – Roy Stoltzfus
- Finance Officer - Charlie Richardson
- Sgt-At-Arms – Mick McDaniel
- Chaplain – Kevin Moore
- Historian - Matt Haught

**American Legion Riders Officers:**  
**Mason Dixon American American Legion Riders**

- Director – Johanna White
- Assistant Director – Edwin Ramirez
- Road Captain – Chuck White
- Sgt-at-Arms: Kevin Moore
- Treasurer – Amy Cavanaugh
- Secretary – Michael Laws
- Safety Officer – Steve Crippa
- Membership Officer - Fran To
- Chaplain – Catharina Huyser-Remhof

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If you would prefer to print your own Newsletter and opt out of receiving a hard copy via regular mail delivery please let us know by sending your name and address to one of the following email addresses.

- Regular Legion Members - [amerleg194@zoominternet.net](mailto:amerleg194@zoominternet.net)
- SAL Members - [Salpost194@gmail.com](mailto:Salpost194@gmail.com)
- Auxiliary Members - [Post194ladies@gmail.com](mailto:Post194ladies@gmail.com)
- Legion Riders - [ALRPost194@outlook.com](mailto:ALRPost194@outlook.com)

## **VETERANS CORNER**

In this part of our Newsletter we would like to acknowledge not an individual but our Legion family. Mason Dixon Post 194 could not continue to contribute over \$100,000 Dollars a year

to different organizations, if it was not for the support and the volunteers from our Legion family Auxiliary, S.A.L. and the Legion Riders.

S.A.L, Auxiliary and Legion Riders all contribute to our success with the many different events they hold at the Legion. S.A.L. has a shrimp dinner twice a month October thru April, a Gun Raffle in the fall and other events. The Auxiliary has a monthly dinner from September to May. The Auxiliary are always involved in every event that happens at the Legion from fixing food to serving our guests. The Legion Riders have a great breakfast from October thru April. They are involved in many events that raise money to help our fellow veterans.

We are thankful for having these units as part of our family and I hope they know how we appreciate and value their support.

## **Legion News/Information**

**Installation of Post 194 Officers Ceremony** – We are having our Installation of Officers Ceremony for all our new incoming officers of each organization for Mason Dixon Post 194 on Sunday, July 28, 2024. The program will consist of;

- 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM – Cocktail Hour
- 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM – Installation of Officers (Post 194 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary, Legion Riders)
- 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – Dinner

This event is a free event and everyone is invited to attend.



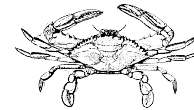
**Family Day Picnic at the Legion**-We will be having our “Annual Family Day Picnic” at the Legion’s Pavilion on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-6:00 PM (Rain Day for this event will be one week later, Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>). We will be having hot dogs, hamburgers, sweet corn, tomatoes and an assortment of snacks and condiments. We will also have sodas and other refreshments available. Our members are requested to bring any type of specialty dish, or a covered dish of your favorite food, or some type of dessert to this picnic. These specialty dishes brought in by our members help make this event a great family picnic. There will be a variety of games available for the children (possibly Pony Rides). This event is free to any Post 194 Legion Member, their families and guests.

**The Upper Chesapeake Band** will be performing a concert on Sunday, August 25, 2024 at the American Legion from 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM. This performance is free of charge and open to the public. The Legion will provide cookies and water for all those in attendance.



**SAL Golf Tournament** – The SAL will be having their 2nd Annual Golf Tournament, Friday, August 30, 2024. It will be held at Furnace Bay Golf Course in Perryville, MD. Registration is at 8:00 AM with a Shotgun start at 9:00 AM. The cost for this event is \$100 per golfer, \$400 per team. You can also sponsor a hole for \$100. Prize donations and general sponsorships are welcome. For additional information contact Walt Ragan at 410-459-3608 or Steve Webb at 443-309-2892.

**SAL Gun Raffle** – Squadron 194 will be having their 8th Annual Gun Raffle on October 6, 2024 from 12:00 PM -5:00 PM. The cost is \$10 per ticket which includes food (pit beef, pit ham, and sides), draft beer, soda, and water. 30 guns are being raffled with additional raffles throughout the day. The winners will have the choice of the gun or \$300 cash. Exit 93 will be playing live music during the event. Venmo payments are accepted -@SAL-Squadron194. Tickets are available at The Rising Sun Legion, Walt Ragan at 410-459-3608, or Rusty Ewing at 443-309-2293.



**Annual Fall Crab Feast** – This year’s Annual Fall Crab Feast will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2024. The cost is Adults \$50.00 and Children (under 10) \$25.00. “Exit 93” Band Music 2:00-6:00PM and food served from 1:00-5:00PM. All tickets must be purchased in advance so that we know how many people to plan for. We will only have 600 tickets for sale -Tickets must be purchased by Friday, September 6, 2024.



**First Annual American Legion Post 194 Horse Race Event** – The American Legion Post 194 will host its first Horse Race Event on Friday, September 27, 2024. Time-TBD and Food-TBD

### **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.

### **Week Night Dinners:**

Monday Nights – Chicken Wings from 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM. We offer plain wings, breaded wings, and chicken fingers with a variety of sauces and French fries. Haven Bare (Kruisin Karaoke) is here

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**Chaplain's Message (From Russ Gulick, Post 194 Chaplain)** – As we get into the summer season. Time for vacations, time outdoors and those hot summer days. Enjoy all the things God has given us. Stay safe and be more aware when driving and your surroundings. You are all in my prayers. Peace, Love, health and Happiness.

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

**Hall Rental** – If you need a space to hold an event please remember that if you are a member of the American Legion, Sons of American Legion, the Auxiliary Unit, or the Riders you can rent the Post 194 Hall. The Hall will accommodate 250 people. Members can also sponsor a hall rental for anyone in our community. You can supply your own food, decorations and music or pay for the Auxiliary unit of Post 194 to cater your event. Please contact Dana Fritts at 410-688-0280 for rental costs and other information.



**Don't Throw Away your Slot Machine Tickets** – Instead, drop them in our Veteran's Donation Box located in the game room. Every little bit helps as we accumulate funds to donate to our local area veteran organizations.

**James Parker, Commander**  
American Legion Post 194

**Dana Fritts, President**  
Unit 194 Auxiliary

**Walt Ragan Jr., SAL Commander**  
Son of the American Legion



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