

# 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).

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: <u>American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194</u>

Post Commander – James Parker

1st Vice Commander – Ray Conger

2nd Vice Commander – Roger Ball

3rd 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

1st 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.

1st Vice Commander - Rusty Ewing

2nd 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

## NOTICE

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#### **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 (Post194 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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every Monday night from 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM providing great music.

Tuesday Nights – Burgers from 5:00pm – 7:30pm. We offer plain burgers and cheeseburgers with a variety of toppings on the fixing bar and french fries.

Wednesday Nights – Flatbread Pizzas from 5:00pm – 7:30pm. We offer a wide variety of pizza toppings for your Flatbread. Ricky Holbrook is here every Wednesday night playing music from 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM.

Thursday Nights – Tacos from  $5:00 \, \text{PM} - 7:30 \, \text{PM}$ . We offer ground beef hard tacos, soft tacos, and nachos. We have a fixing bar available to add all of your toppings.

Friday – Cheesesteaks from 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM. We offer plain steaks and cheesesteaks with toppings and french fries.

Please note: The first Friday of each month beginning in September through May we will be serving the Auxiliary dinner versus Cheesesteaks.







**Friday Night Music** – We continue to offer various types of music in our lounge area every Friday night from 6:30 PM – 10:30 PM.

#### Below is the current music scheduled for Friday Nights;

July 5th - Back Roads

July 12th – Across the Tracks

July19<sup>th</sup> – Kruisin Karaoke

July 26th - The Amigos

August 2<sup>nd</sup> – The Bopper

August 9th – Across the Tracks

August 16<sup>th</sup> – Kruisin Karaoke

August 23<sup>rd</sup> – Rick & Connie

August 30th - Back Roads

September 6th – Lost Train

September 13th – Bad Alibi

September 20th – Kruisin Karaoke

September 27th – The Amigos











**Saturday Night Bingo** – We have Bingo here at the Post home every Saturday night from 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM. There are a series of regular bingo games that are played, as well as a variety of other special games, including 2 jackpot games. Our bingo kitchen is open from 4:30 PM – 8:30 PM every Saturday night. A variety of food items are offered on our kitchen menu.

**Membership Meetings** – The general membership meetings for the Regular members & SAL meet January thru October 4th Thursday of the month.

The Auxiliary Unit meets January thru May 4th Thursday of the month but don't meet in June & July.

The only 2 months that the date changes for the Regular Members, Auxiliary Unit and the SAL is November & December where they all meet the 3rd Thursday of the month because of Thanksgiving & Christmas.

Family Meetings – These meetings are open to all members (Regular Members, Auxiliary Unit, SAL, and Riders) and are held the Thursday following the general membership meetings (July 11th and August 29th) beginning at 7:00 PM







**Bike Night at the Legion** – The Legion Riders will be having this event at the Legion on the 2nd Tuesday of each month during April 2024 through October 2024. There will be a 50/50 at each Bike night event and there will hot dogs and hamburgers for sale at each of these events.



American Legion Riders (ALR) Local Chapter Meeting Info – The monthly meetings of the ALR local chapter are held here at Post 194 on the 1st Wednesday 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 – The American Legion Unit 194 Auxiliary sponsors Friday night dinners on the 1st Friday Night of each month beginning in September from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM. The dinners are \$15.00 per person and will be held through May 2025. These dinners are a "Buffet Style" dinner consisting of a choice of two meats with a variety of other food items such as mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert, etc. Come out and enjoy a great meal for \$15.00 and support our Legion's Auxiliary Unit. If you are interested in helping the Auxiliary at these events, please contact Dana Fritts at 410-688-0280 or any Auxiliary Member at the Legion and let them know you are interested.



**2025 Membership Dues** – The 2025 membership cards for the Regular Members are available here at the Legion. The Auxiliary Members, and the SAL Members cards will be available in July here at the Legion. The Regular American Legion Member membership dues are \$40.00 and the Auxiliary dues are \$35.00 and SAL dues are \$30.00. We ask that all members please try to pay this year's membership dues as soon as you can – You will be helping the membership chair persons for our three organizations reach our membership goals for the upcoming year.

## Phone Numbers Important to All Veterans:

Perry Point Medical Center: 1-800-949-1003 Elsmere VA Hospital: 1-800-450-8262 Baltimore VA Medical Center: 1-800-463-6295 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









American Legion Family

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