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### January, February, and March 2010

This is our 1st Newsletter of the New Year, 2010. 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 3 months. Please make a list of these events so that you will be sure to remember when these events are occurring.

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)

### Officers for the Legion Year of 2009-2010 for Mason Dixon Post 194:

Commander – Neil Eller

1st Vice Commander – Dick Kline

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander – Butch Webb 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Commander – Bobby Holmes

Finance Officer – Jeff Hughes

Adjutant - Grant Eller

Chaplain - Larry McHenry

Service Officer – John Kilby

Sgt-at-Arms- Vince McKinnon

Historian - Carrie Howell

Senior Color Bearer -Bill Crouch

Junior Color Bearer - Russ Gulick

Judge Advocate – Paul Podolak

The Executive Committee also includes the 3 elected members -Riley Bennett, Jim Jones, and Curt Janney and the three members appointed by Commander Neil Eller - George Remhof, Mike Saponaro, and Dick Richardson.

### 2009-2010 American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 **Officers:**

President – Polly Webb

1st Vice President – Margaret Bulfaro

Treasurer – Katherine Bennett

Secretary – Flo Carlisle

Historian – Charlotte Rhodes

Chaplain – Flo Carlisle

Sgt-At-Arms – Shirlean Philbin

### 2009-2010 Sons of the American Legion (SAL) **Squadron 194 Officers:**

Commander - Butch Webb

 $1^{st}$  Vice Commander – Donnie White  $2^{nd}$  Vice Commander – Ken Skelton

Adjutant – Butch Webb

Color Bearer – Nathan Miller

Finance Officer – Larry Wilson

Sgt-At-Arms – Donald Kennedy

Chaplain – Currently Vacant

Historian – Billy Miller, Jr.

### **Legion News/Information:**

Daily Lunches - We are currently offering daily lunches during the weekdays from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM. A limited "Lunch Menu" is offered at a reasonable price.

"Wing Night" - We are having our weekly "Chicken Wing Night" on Monday Nights from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. You have a choice of plain or breaded chicken wings, with no sauce, BBQ sauce, a mild hot sauce, or a HOT sauce. We also offer Karaoke music provided by "Kruisin Karaoke" from 6:00 PM - Midnight.

Friday Night Music - We continue to offer various types of music in our lounge area every Friday night from 8:00 – 12:00 PM. Here is a listing of the entertainment schedule for Friday Nights during the next 3 months:

Jan 29 – Dry Run (Country Western Band);

Feb 5 – Sammy K (DJ & Karaoke);

Feb 12 – Rick Charles (Radio DJ – Oldies & Goodies – No Karaoke);

Feb 19 – Kruising Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke);

Feb 26 - Todd Cole (Favorite Oldies & Goodies - No

Mar 5 – Sammy K (DJ & Karaoke);

Mar 12 - Rick Charles (Radio DJ – Oldies & Goodies – No

Mar 19 - Kruising Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke);

Mar 26 - Dry Run (Country Western Band);

Apr 2 - Sammy K (DJ & Karaoke);

Apr 9 - Rick Charles (Radio DJ – Oldies & Goodies – No Karaoke)

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

**Membership Meetings** - The general membership meetings (Regular General Membership, Auxiliary Unit, and SAL) are 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 have an "All Paper" Bingo Format that includes a series of regular bingo games and a variety of special games, including 2 jackpot games. Our bingo kitchen is open from 5:00 - 8:45 PM every Saturday night and we offer a variety of food items on our kitchen menu.



**Honor Guard Spaghetti Dinners -** The Honor Guard will be having their Spaghetti Dinners from 5:30 – 7:30 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday night during the months of February, March, and April. Dinner includes: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Italian Bread, Salad, and Dessert. Cost is \$10.00 per person.

**Friday Night Dinners** – A reminder to everyone, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Night of each month through the Month of May, the Auxiliary will be having a monthly Friday Night "Buffet Dinner". Please keep these dinners in mind so that you can come out to the Legion, enjoy a great meal for \$10.00 a person and support your Legion's Auxiliary.







Children's Easter Egg Party – The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 members will have their Annual Children's Easter Egg Party here at the Legion on Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. There will be light food and refreshments, an outside Easter Egg Hunt (weather permitting), and a visit from the Easter Bunny. This event is free and Open to the Public for all children - ages 10 and under.

Special Notice to All Legion Members: On Sunday, February 22, the American Legion Post 194 will host the North Eastern Shore District (NESD) Meeting from 1:00 – 3:30 PM. During this time frame, the entire bar and lounge area will be used by the NESD Ladies Auxiliary Members. The bar will be closed during this time period – The bar will reopen once the NESD Auxiliary Members Meeting is over (at approximately 3:30 PM). All members are reminded that if they are not attending the NESD meetings, they will be asked to leave the bar/lounge area – They will be allowed to return once the NESD meeting is over.



**SAL Shrimp Dinner Update** - The Sunday Shrimp Dinners put on by the SAL Squadron #194 during November and the first several weeks of January have been a great success. The SAL Shrimp Dinner schedule for the next two months will be from 2:00 – 6:00 PM on the following Sundays: Jan 24, Jan 31, Feb 14, Feb 28, and possibly two or more Sundays in March (actual dates to be confirmed later). The Shrimp Dinner Menu consists of the following:

- ½ lb of Steamed or Breaded Shrimp \$5.00
- 1 lb. of Steamed or Breaded Shrimp \$10.00
- Crab Cake Sandwich \$7.00
- Homemade Crab Soup \$2.50
- Hush Puppies \$2.00
- French Fries Small Order \$2.00; Large Order - \$3.00

All proceeds from these shrimp dinners are used to support the many programs of the SAL Squadron 194. The SAL may extend these Shrimp beyond March if the dinners continue to be a great success.



**2010 Membership Dues** – A note to all Post 194 regular members – We currently have 793 members who have paid their 2010 Membership Dues - We need 109 additional members to reach our 4-Star Membership Goal for this year. In checking our list of 2009 Post 194 members who still have not paid their 2010 dues, our records indicate that we still have 118 members who have not paid their 2010 dues. Reminder to these 118 members - As of Jan 1st, 2010, your American Legion current membership expired. If you want to maintain your consecutive years of Legion membership, you need to send in your 2010 membership dues as soon as possible. We need every member of Post 194 to help our Post reach this year's membership goal. If you know of anyone who is eligible for Legion Membership and is not a member, ask that person to join our organization. Our regular general membership dues are \$25.00 a year. Note - We want to thank all of you who have already paid your 2010 dues – You have helped us to get very close in in reaching our membership goal for this year.

### **Phone Numbers Important To All Veterans:**

Baltimore VA Medical Center: 1-800-463-6295 Charlotte Hall Veterans Home 1-800-522-8387 Perry Point Medical Center: 1-800-949-1003 Maryland Veteran's Cemetery: 1-410-943-3420 Elsmere VA Hospital: 1-800-450-8262

#### Welcome New Members to Post 194:

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

John Abel, Anthony Baccheta, Allen Boyd, Michael Cox, Richard Darney, Neil G. Eller, Nathaniel George, Mitchell Glenn, David Grace, Kayla Grace, Joshua Holt, Norman Howell, James Martin, Luke McElwee, Vincent Mule Jr., Steven Park, Randy Smith, Jeffrey Taylor, and Axel Wicks,

## Welcome New Members of American Legion Unit # 194:

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the following new members to the American Legion Auxiliary #194 who have recently joined our Unit:

Mary Ann Kennedy, Patricia Parnet, Phala Lynn Poorman, Anna R. Powell, Julie Singleton, Kathryn Taylor, and Inga-Lill Wicks.

### Welcome New SAL Members to Squadron 194

We also want to welcome the following new members of the SAL Squadron #194:

Dwayne Cahill, Jacob Cloman, Jerry Fisher, Patrick Fowler Jr., John Guethler, John (Jake) Janney, Blair Klusak, George Klusak, Terry Patrick, and Roger Ragan.



Reminder to All Members of Post 194 – Please remember to say a prayer for our men and women serving in the military on active duty, stationed at various locations around the world. Through their actions and deeds and their willingness to serve our country to protect us, we continue to enjoy the freedoms and liberties that we have. Let us never take these things for granted or let us never forget to honor our military service men and women who have served our Country in time of War and Peace.

### Annual Father's Day Bull Roast - This



year, we will again be holding our annual Bull Roast on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in June (which is Father's Day), June 20th. Tickets will be available in the upcoming months.

Election of Next Year's Officers – We will hold our election of Officers for the Legion Year "2010-2011" at our General Membership meeting held on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Nominations for this year's election will be held at our March General Membership meeting to be held on March 25, 2010. We will be sending out another newsletter to remind everyone of the upcoming election in April.

## *50/50* Tickets

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.

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

Arthur Carr, William Flick, Ernest Graybeal, Russell Johnson, Norman Jones, Donald Keilholtz, Walter Richardson, and Vernon Tome.

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

Kaysea S. Morgan and Jean West (Charter Member and Past President of Unit #194).

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

### Note from Polly Webb, President of the Auxiliary Unit 194 –

I want to thank all of you who helped out in support of the Friday Night Dinners, the Lion's Club Dinners, the Veteran's Day Program, the Early Bird Dinner, and the Children's Christmas Party. The members of the Auxiliary Unit #194 are to be commended for your continued involvement in the many functions and activities that occur here at the Legion Post 194. Without all of the dedicated and dependable Auxiliary members who are always willing to give your time to help out here at the Legion, our Auxiliary Unit would not have been able to accomplish the many great things that we have accomplished so far this year. For this, I really thank you!! I hope that all of you will continue to support your Legion and the Auxiliary in the future.

### Note from Neil Eller, Commander of Post 194 –

I want to thank the many members of Post 194 who always show up to help out when there is a job to be done here at the Legion. The great thing about your help is that you are very dependable and you are great at what you do. Our Legion Post 194 is truly blessed with the many members who are willing to do whatever it takes to get the job done. Without your hard work and dedication, the Post would not have had the many successful events that we held here at the Legion. Our members continue to function as an Outstanding Team, always working like a "Well-Oiled Machine". I am extremely proud to be associated with such an outstanding group of American Legion Members. Concerning our current Legion membership, I ask that every member try to sign up a new member to help our Post 194 reach our "4-Star Membership Goal" this year. During this upcoming year, we are already making the plans for our Super Bowl Party, our Memorial Day Program, Flag Day Program, Father's Day Bull Roast in June, and our Crab Feast in the Fall. We will provide additional information concerning these events in later newsletters.

Neil Eller, Commander

Polly Webb, President

Victor (Butch) Webb, Jr., Commander SAL Squadron #194

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