

American Legion Mason Dixon Post 194 Newsletter (January, February, March 2014)

This is our Newsletter for the Winter months of 2014. Here is a listing of the various upcoming events that will be occurring here at the Legion during the next 3 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 the list of the Officers for Mason-Dixon Post 194 for the Legion Year of 2013-2014:

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

The Executive Committee also includes 3 elected members (Riley Bennett, Wayne Welch, and Mike Saponaro) and 3 members appointed by Commander Remhof (Chuck Allport, Bobby Burlin, and Robbie Wilson).

2013-2014 American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 Officers:

President – Judy Palmer	Historian – Charlotte Rhodes
Vice President – Gladys Wilson	Chaplain – Alice Kline
Secretary – Nancy Simpser	Treasurer – Doris Orem
Color Bearers – Dianne Gilbert and Pat Wood	Sgt. at Arms – Karen Dobosh

Executive Committee: Ethel Hess, Kitty Bennett, Donna Thomas, and Rosemary Burton

2013-2014 Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 194 Officers:

Commander – Larry Wilson	1 st Vice Commander – Allan Dobosh
2 nd Vice Commander – Freddie Gilbert	3 rd Vice Commander – Leland Hovatter
Adjutant – Rodger Gilbert	
Finance Officer – Charlie Richardson	Sgt. at Arms – Jason Butler
Chaplain – Walt Ragan	Historian – Gene Krebs

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

New Regular Members of Mason Dixon Post 194:

Sean M. Baier	Gene A. Catena	Paul P. Dour	Reginald Durst
Jessie A. Foxwell	Thomas W. Graham	Ronald Koshock	

New Auxiliary Unit 194 Members:

Mary E. Bradley	Rita D. Funk	Julie Carozola Haagen
Erin Miller	Shirley M. Paruch	Mary Carole Zaworski

New Members of the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 194:

Ross Brinbridge

Steven M. Chagon

Michael P. Catena

Charles H. Stuart

Michael B. Stuart

David A. Warwick

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 – Our weekly “Chicken Wing Night Dinners”, held on Monday Nights from 5:00 – 8:00 PM, continue to be a success. We offer a choice of plain or breaded chicken wings, with no sauce, BBQ sauce, a mild hot sauce, or a very HOT Sauce. Thanks to our dedicated crew of kitchen volunteers who are here every Monday night to cook. A special thanks to Haven and Rosemary (Kruisin Karaoke) for providing music entertainment from 6:00 PM until midnight 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 several weeks:

Jan 10 – Kruisin Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke)

Jan 17 – Kruisin Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke)

Jan 24 - Vic Bird (DJ)

Jan 31 – Premier Music (DJ & Karaoke)

Feb 7 – Vic Bird (DJ)

Feb 14 – Dave Miceli (50/60’s Doo Wop DJ)

Feb 21 – Kruisin Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke)

Feb 28 – Vic Bird (DJ)

Mar 7 – Vic Bird (DJ)

Mar 14 – TBD

Mar 21 – Kruisin Karaoke (DJ & Karaoke)

Mar 28 – Vic Bird (DJ)

Saturday Night Bingo – We have Bingo here at the Post home on every Saturday night from 7:00 – 10:00 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 5:00 – 8:45 PM every Saturday night. A variety of food items are offered on our kitchen menu.

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

2014 Membership Dues – A note to all Post 194 regular members – As of December 31, 2013, we have 746 Regular Members who have paid their 2014 Membership Dues. We want to thank these members – You have helped us to get very close in reaching our membership goal for this year. We still need approximately 125 members to reach our 4-Star Membership Goal. By checking our list of

our Post 194 regular members, we noticed that we have over 100 members who not yet paid their 2014 dues (many who have many consecutive years of Legion Membership). A reminder to these 100 members - As of Jan 1st, 2014, your American Legion current membership expired. If you want to maintain your consecutive years of Legion membership, you need to send in your 2014 membership dues as soon as possible. It is also noteworthy that only Post 194 members who have paid their dues are eligible to win our daily & weekly membership drawings. 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. The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 194 and the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 194 also have a number of their members who still have not paid their 2014 membership dues – If you are one of these members, please take a minute and send in your dues for the 2014 membership year. We need all of the members that we can get to maintain our current membership levels.

Spaghetti Dinners - The SAL Squadron 194 will be having a Friday Night Spaghetti Dinner on the 1st Friday nights of February and March. The dinners will include Spaghetti & Meatballs, Italian Bread, Salad, and Dessert and will be held from 5:30 – 7:00 PM. Cost is \$10.00 per person.

Life Line Health Screening – Tuesday Jan 28, 2014: Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be at the American Legion Post 194 to offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on Tuesday, Jan. 28. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening for men and women used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149.00 In order to receive a \$10.00 discount for this event, you will need to call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

SAL Shrimp Dinner Update - The SAL Squadron #194 members are having Sunday Shrimp Dinners on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in January, February, and March as a fundraiser for their organization. The Shrimp Dinners will be held on Jan. 12 and Jan. 26, 2014. The Shrimp Dinners in February will be held on Feb 9th and Feb. 23rd. The Shrimp Dinners are held from 1:30 – 5:30 PM. The menu consists of the following: Steamed & Breaded Shrimp, Crab Cake Sandwiches, Fried Fish Sandwiches, Homemade Crab Soup, Hush Puppies, and French Fries. Prices vary with the various food items. Come out and support the SAL. All proceeds from the SAL Shrimp Dinners are used to support the many programs of the SAL Squadron 194.

Friday Night Dinners – The American Legion Unit 194 Auxiliary members are having a monthly Friday night dinners on the 3rd Friday night of each month from January until May of 2014. These dinners will be a buffet style dinner consisting of a choice of two meats and a variety of other food items such as mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, and salad. Come out and enjoy a great meal for \$10.00 and support our Legion's Auxiliary Unit. Our Auxiliary Unit 194 can always use extra help at the functions they are having here at Post 194 throughout the upcoming year. If you are interested in helping out, please get in touch with Judy Palmer or any Auxiliary Member at the Legion and let them know you are available.

American Legion Riders Sunday Morning Breakfast – The American Legion Riders of Post 194 will be hosting a buffet-style breakfast in the Post Banquet Hall on the 3rd Sunday of each month from 8:00 – 11:00 AM during the Winter and Early Spring months. The menu will include scrambled eggs, bacon, scrapple, sausage, sausage gravy, fried potatoes, toast, biscuits, and will be served with coffee and juices. Cost is \$7.00 per person. Proceeds will be used to support Veterans programs in the local area.

American Legion Riders (ALR) Local Chapter Meeting Date and Time Info – The members of the ALR local chapter are hereby notified that the monthly ALR meetings will be 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.

“Premier’s Tribute to the Stars” (Repeat Performance) – (March 30th)

We have scheduled another “Tribute to the Stars Show” featuring Richard (Elvis) Blaine on Sunday afternoon, March 30. This show will provide a number of different artists providing great performances of Elvis, Patsy Cline, Cher, 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 \$15.00 a person. There will be a “Cash Bar” and the SAL Squadron 194 will be offering various food items such as Pit Beef/Ham, Steamed & Fried Shrimp, Crab Cakes, Home Made Crab Soup, Fish Sandwiches, French Fries, etc. at an additional cost. This event is expected to sell out quick, so be sure to get your tickets early. Tickets are now available. We will provide more details in our next newsletter.

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, April 13th 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.

Annual Father’s Day Bull Roast – This year, we will again be holding our annual Bull Roast on the 3rd Sunday in June (which is Father’s Day), June 15th. Tickets are now available.

Election of Next Year’s Officers – All Regular, Auxiliary and Sal members are reminded that we will hold our election of Officers for the upcoming Legion Year “2014-2015” at our General Membership meeting held on Thursday night, April 24. Nominations for this year’s election will be held at our March General Membership meeting to be held on Thursday night, March 27. We will be sending out another newsletter to remind everyone of this election in April.

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 American Legion Post 194:

Regular American Legion Post #194 Members:

Clyde E. Carr John M. Connelly Jr. Arthur Jackson Hershel Jordan
Eugene Knisely

SAL Squadron Unit #194 Member:

Fred Bare

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

Message from Post Chaplain Axel Wicks:

Here we are in 2014. I wonder what the Lord has planned for us this year. At our last Veterans Day Program in November 2013, I had the honor of lighting 30 candles for our departed comrades. Yes, we lost 30 members during this past year. If you did not attend our Veterans Day Program, you missed a very meaningful event. Please put Veterans Day on your calendar for 2014. I think that a good way to start this year is to think about and review the 23rd Psalm, a Psalm of David: The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lay down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; He Leadeth me in the Paths of Righteousness for His Name's Sake. Yea, though I walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, I will fear No Evil; For Thou Art with me; Thy Rod and Thy Staff They Comfort Me. Thou prepares a Table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou annointest my Head with Oil; My cup runneth over. Surely Goodness and Mercy shall follow me all the Days of My Life; and I will dwell in the House of the Lord Forever. **Amen**
Welcome to the year 2014, It is nice to be here.

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

George Remhof, Commander
American Legion Post 194

Judy Palmer, President
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