



THE AMERICAN LEGION



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September 2022

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Commander's Message

Our post inspection was completed on August 9, 2022, and the results were found to be satisfactory.

The Charles County Fair will be held on September 15 – 18, 2022. Assistance is needed to man the booth for the weekend. Please call me at 240-367-6489 to provide the days/times you can assist.

Post 82 will be sponsoring the District 6 meeting on January 29, 2023.

Post 82 has been asked to sponsor the Oyster Bowl on April 9, 2023.

Following are the topics that were discussed at the District 6 meeting, that was held on July 31, 2022, at Post 259.

- There will be Judge Advocate training at Post 259 on September 24, 2022, for Commander and Judge Advocate.
- The revitalization session will be held on November 9, at Post 227 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM., and each post is required to provide two legionnaires.

Following are the topics that were discussed at the Southern Maryland Region meeting, that was held on August 7, 2022.

- Public safety Awards
- Memberships
- Buddy Checks
- Suicide Awareness and Prevention
- Chaplain Training
- Oratorical Program

The Peace Cross Ceremony will be held on November 11, 2022, at Post 136. The ceremony will start at 11:00 AM and a reception will follow at 1:00 PM.

Following are the topics that were discussed at the Department (State) Executive Committee meeting, that was held on August 14, 2022.

- Memberships
- Buddy checks
- Public Safety Awards Program
- Suicide Awareness and Prevention
- Legion Family Day will be done regionally
- Boys State
- Women Veterans Program

On November 7, 2022, at the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial all the names listed on the Wall will be read aloud throughout the weekend.

Introduce ourselves to the community as to what the American Legion can do for them.

**Honor to Serve,
George Hawley
Commander**

Legion Membership Report

Our membership numbers are very good for this time of year. As of this writing about 50% of our membership have paid their membership dues. To all of those who have renewed their membership, I thank you for your efforts. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please try to get that done as soon as possible. Remember you can pay online and print your temporary membership card. If you prefer you can mail your renewal to the Post. One request: please don't staple your check to the membership document. It makes it difficult to process and often results in damage to the check.

On another note, many of you have written or called me about the incorrect number of years on your renewal form. The form you receive says "Member since 2022." I don't know why National decided to use this language because it has caused a lot of unnecessary confusion. All that means is that you paid your dues in 2022. I assure you that when you get your new cards, they will have the correct number of years of membership.

Harry Tafe
First Vice, Post 82

Post 82 Family - Need Assistance? Please Contact

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**Sons of The American Legion
S.A.L. Monthly Meetings are held
The First Tuesday of Each Month at 1800hrs**



At the Squadron meeting on August 2, it was decided the Squadron will hold a Flag Retirement Ceremony at 4 PM before the October meeting.

Adjutant Shupe and I attended the Southern Maryland Region Organizational meeting at Greenbelt Post 136 on August 14.

First Vice Commander Gale Willett and Adjutant Gary Shupe worked the SMR bingo at the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home on August 15. Twenty four residents attended.

One hundred eighteen dinners were served at the Squadron's baby back rib dinner on August 19. Thanks to Roy Yanosh, Gary Shupe, Gale Willett, Alana Lentz, Cindy Moruzzi, David Quade, Lenny Lentz, Kathleen Quade, and Cathy and Kevin Bryant for volunteering their time to make it a great night. Our next dinner will be on September 16.

The Squadron membership cards have been received. Dues may be mailed in or dropped by the Post. If you have already paid your dues, your card has been or will be mailed soon.

The members of the S.A.L. want to wish the American Legion Riders Chapter 82 a safe trip as they join the National Gold Star Legacy Ride on August 21 on their way to the American Legion National Convention in Milwaukee, WI.

I hope to see you at the Post. .

Yours in Service,
Dave Tatman
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American Legion Auxiliary
Auxiliary Monthly Meetings are the Second
Tuesday of Each Month at 1800hrs



Hello Emeralds:

The Unit had a very productive meeting on August 9, 2022. We went over our standing rules and budget. We also had a discussion on starting BINGO up again on September 8th. As always we NEED HELP in the kitchen and for pull tabs. If you are available to work please show up or call me at (301) 934-3512.

The Auxiliary will be working the kitchen for the Children's Aide Society Purse BINGO on October 16th. As always, we could use help in the kitchen.

The Auxiliary dinners are going to start up again with the first dinner on October 14, 2022, 5-7pm. The menu is Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Peas with Pearl Onions, and Rolls. The cost is \$15.

The craft fair will be Saturday October 29th. If you wish to sell your crafts the cost per table is \$30. Please contact Carolyn Shelton at (301) 934-0095 to reserve a table(s).

The Pizza Hotline Truck will be at the post parking lot on August 31, 2022 from 4-7.

We will also have the Chaptico Market Food Truck at the post featuring fried chicken and Southern Maryland stuffed ham options on September 14th from 4-7pm (See flyer below for menu).

The fall conference will be held September 16th – 18th at Solomons Inn Resort and Marina. Lesley Radcliff, Mary Shaffer, Rita Sexton, Amelia Leukhardt, Janet Fogle, Darlene Willett, Edna Caywood, Linda Gimmel, Angel Hindle, and Maggie Larrick will be attending.

There is a container in the post bar to collect items for a baby shower for the Woman Veterans United Committee, Inc. Please check the lists of items and help fill the container for this worthy cause.

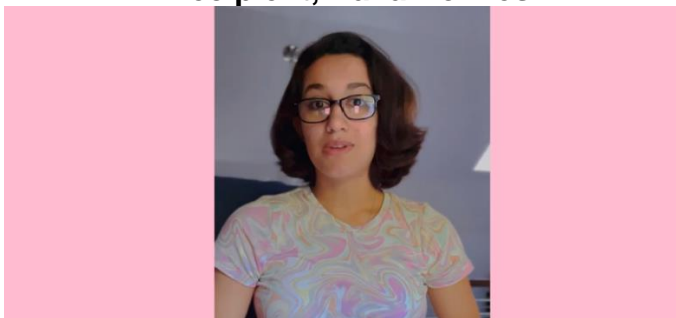
Here is the list of the Auxiliary officers;
President – Lesley Radcliff
Vice President – Kathleen Quade
Secretary – Linda Rollins
Chaplain – Mary Shaffer
Treasurer – Debbie Simpson
Historian – Debbie Wedding
Membership – Rita Sexton.

Our next meeting is September, 13, 2022 at 6pm.

Remember we are here for our veterans not ourselves!

Lesley Radcliff
Unit 82 President

A Message from Girl's State Scholarship Recipient, Rana Holmes



Rana Holmes prepared and presented this [YouTube video](#) for the 2022 Maryland Girls State program. Rana was sponsored by our American Legion Auxiliary Unit and attended Girls State in 2021. She is headed to the Naval Academy! Rana has already shown her drive to succeed, and we wish her all the best during her next four years at the Academy.

<https://youtu.be/PA1AG3BnM9E>

American Legion Riders ALR Meetings are held the Second Thursday of Each Month at 1800hrs



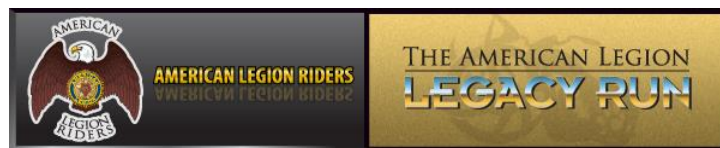
Good afternoon, Riders and Legion Family,

The latest scoop from the Steel Pony Corral:

On Saturday August 6, eight bikes and nine people participated in the 19th annual US Military Veterans MC Poker Run to benefit Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. The Run kicked off at Mission Barbeque California MD with three stops throughout Southern MD, the final stop at the VFW in California MD. Overall it was a successful day for a great cause and a good time was had by all.

On Sunday August 7, The Riders supported our friends at Post 60, Laurel, MD attending a Car & Bike Show put on by the SAL and supported by the ALR at that post. We traveled with seven bikes and it was worth the ride because Post 60 hosted a well done Car & Bike show with over 80 cars and 12 bikes on display.

On Saturday, August 20, we participated in the annual, Helping Heroes Poker Run to benefit Boulder Crest in Bluemont, VA. With 11 bikes and 14 participants, we rode over 100 miles from Fairfax, Va throughout The Plains of VA to the Boulder Crest (BC) Retreat. BC is a veterans-helping-veterans organization serving post 911 veterans and first responders, offering intensive training to recognize and understand Post Traumatic Stress and then use that knowledge to turn a weakness into great strength, adapt and overcome. This year's ride raised over \$31,000 putting the total raised in the past nine years to over \$300,00! This is our second year in a row supporting this event. ALR Chapter 82 is proud to support Boulder Crest and other organizations making a positive difference in the lives of veterans and their families.



At O' Dark Thirty on Sunday August 21, five Post 82 ALR members will head out for Paducah Kentucky to join over 250 bikes participating in The American Legion Legacy Run which leaves Mobile Alabama the same day. We will be riding with the Maryland Legion Riders to present the \$135,000 collected on the Maryland Gold Star Legacy Ride. With all the other State Chapters doing the same I'm going to predict that over 1.5 million dollars will be presented to the Commander at the AL National Convention in Milwaukee, WI. This is an incredible undertaking and effort supported by Legion Riders and their Post families from all over the country. We are honored to be a part of this great effort on behalf of Gold Star families.

The Riders would like to extend a huge welcome to our newest members Harry Lehman Jr & Joel Jones. The current members are now working on your road names so be mindful of what you say and do! This is how your road name will be established unless you have one that you prefer.

Upcoming Rides:

September 9 – 11 - Twin Cam Amish Hoedown Lancaster PA and on the way home the fully police escorted "Patriot Ride" in Darlington MD

September 24 - Prince Frederick Rotary Poker Run

The next ALR meeting is Thursday September 8, 1800

On behalf of Director Jamie Zayas, (Jamie Z)

**Submitted by
Kevin Bryant, (Big Sexy)**

What's Going on at the Post This Month?

Wednesday, August 31
Auxiliary Pizza Hotline Food Truck Fundraiser
4-7pm in the Post 82 parking lot
Stop by and get some pizza, lasagna, wings or salad for the family!

Wednesday, September 14
Auxiliary Food Truck Fundraiser featuring the Chaptico Market Food Truck!
See details in the flyer below.

Friday, September 16
S.A.L. Baby Back Rib Dinner
5-8pm (Plan to get here early, this is a popular dinner and may sell out!



Board of Directors & Executive Officers Meeting is held the Second Tuesday of Each Month at 1830 hrs.

General Membership Meeting is held the Second Tuesday of Each Month at 1900 hrs.

Post 82 Executive Committee

Elected Officers

Commander - George Hawley
1st Vice Commander - Harry Tafe
2nd Vice Commander - Chris Laquay
Judge Advocate - Bob Striegel
Adjutant - Dave Black
Finance Officer - Bill Rees
Sergeant-At-Arms - Jerry Higdon

At Large Elected Officers

Buddy Hindle
Norm Shelton
David Quade
Donna Baker

Appointed Officers

Service Officer - George Hawley
Chaplain - John Flatley
Historian - Cheryl Wedding

Post Everlasting None



Remember ★ Honor ★ Teach



★ December 17, 2022 ★

National Wreaths Across America Day



Help the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 82 honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at the Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery.

Just scan the QR code to your right with your smart phone camera to make a donation online.
Or visit: www.wreathscrossamerica.org/MD0136



#FindAWay2022

Contact Linda Rollins at rollinsl@verizon.net for more information.



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Chaptico Market Food Truck Fundraiser

**Wednesday, September 14th
4pm – 7pm**

**American Legion Post 82
6330 Crain Hwy, La Plata, MD 20646**

Menu

2 Piece Fried Chicken W/ Jojo's	\$10.00
3 Piece Fried Tenders W/ Fries	\$10.00
Stuffed Ham Sandwich	\$ 7.00
Chicken Salad Sandwich	\$ 5.00
Stuffed Ham Egg Roll (1)	\$ 4.00
Drinks	\$ 1.00

**Come out and support the Legion Auxiliary and feed
your family great food!**