

The American Legion Newsletter

For the month of August 2021

Harry White Wilmer Post 82

August 2021

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Message from the Commander



Buddy Hindle

Board of Directors and Executive Officers Meeting Second Tuesday of Each Month at 1830 hrs.

Regular Monthly Meetings are held the Second Tuesday of Each Month at 1900 hrs.

This newsletter is the first of the new Legion Year 2021-2022 and hopefully this year will be way better than our last year and a half. The Post is hopeful that we will get geared back up and start to support a number of our previous functions.

Our first membership and Board meetings of the new year will be August 9th at 6:30 PM and 7 PM. Make plans to attend the meeting and if you have any ideas for fund raisers and or ideas on programs you think we need to support, bring them up at our membership meeting.

You should have gotten your notice for renewal of Legion dues. I ask everyone to renew your

dues ASAP. We would like to be 100% by the Christmas holiday. Help us reach that goal. If you are having financial shortfalls, call me at 301-399-1240 and I will see what the Post can do to help. All considerations will be kept confidential. Helping our veterans is what we are here for. Don't be afraid to ask for help. With the operations starting up again, we will be needing volunteers to help with the prep and to run the different functions. Please give me your name and phone number so that I can make contact with you. Step up and help us reach our goals and to put on the best functions ever! Post 82 is a great post so let's make it the greatest! We can do it with your help. As we start the 2022 year, I ask for support from all of the American Legion family members to support the Post.

Keep all of our military in your prayers and bring them home safe and sound. May God bless our United States of America. See you at the post.

For God and Country
Raymond "Buddy" Hindle, Jr
Commander

MEMBERSHIP! MEMBERSHIP

The new membership year is upon us. Along with this new year is a totally new software platform from Legion.org. Although this new design is focused on making everything related to membership more efficient, there are still a lot of "bugs" to be worked out. Please bear with us as we work through this new process. You

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should have no difficulty renewing your membership on line. The difficulties are on our end so if your card comes to you a little slower than in past years please forgive us. On the other hand, if you experience something that is a real problem for you, please let me know via the post email and I'll work it out. When you send emails please put "Membership Issue" in the subject line to ensure that I get the message.

Thanks much,

Harry Tafe
First Vice Commander

What's Going on at the Post

From the Patterson Family

Thank you for your cards, phone calls, emails, and flowers that our family received after Jane's passing. It is satisfying to know that we have such good friends.

Thanks to everyone who attended the memorial service. It was a nice service and we would like to thank the Legionnaires and the Auxiliary for making it special.

If we had been driving past the Legion and had seen all the vehicles in the parking lot, Jane would have said, "Gosh! That must be a function for someone special!" Yes, Jane, you were **SOMEONE SPECIAL!**

The families of
Rita Sexton & Jack Patterson

WANTED BIRTHDAY CARDS

Each month the Auxiliary takes 30 birthday cards to the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home. If you have birthday cards laying around, please drop them off

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in the Legion Lounge and someone will pick them up.

Post 82 Swears in 2022 Officers

On Tuesday evening, July 20th, new officers for 2022 were sworn in

Commander	Buddy Hindle
First Vice	Harry Tafe
2 nd Vice	Chris LaQuay
Judge Advocate	Bob Striegel
Adjutant	Dave Black
Finance	Bill Rees
Historian	Vacant
Chaplain	Kevin Buckner
Service Officer	George Hawley
Sgt-at-arms	Jerry Higdon

Executive Committee

Norm Shelton	Bob Huffman
David Quade	Cheryl Wedding

New SAL Officers

Commander	Dave Tatman
1st Vice Cmdr	Gale Willett
2nd Vice Cmdr	Kevin Bryant
Chaplain	Roy Yanosh
Adjutant	Gary Shupe
Finance Officer	Don Wamsley
Historian	Jeff Bryant
Sgt-at-Arms	Ed Tatman

Post 82 Auxiliary Officers 2022

President	Kathleen Quade
Vice President	Mary Shaffer
Secretary	Lesley Radcliff
Treasurer	Debbie Simpson
Historian	Debbie Wedding
Sargent At Arms	Linda Rollins
Chaplain	Lesley Radcliff

Executive Committee Angel Hindle
Carol Karpiak
Anna Mae Sackie

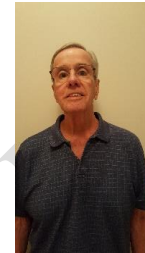
Sons of The American Legion



**S.A.L. Monthly Meetings are the First
Tuesday of Each Month at 6:00 PM**



Post 82 Officers for the year 2021-2022



Dave Tatman

Greetings.

The Squadron held the regular monthly meeting on July 6. At the meeting the members voted to donation \$100 to sponsor a hole at the Charles County Retired School Personnel Association golf tournament.

The baby back rib dinner on July 16 was our first attempt at a dinner coming out of the pandemic. We were not sure what kind of turn out to expect. It turns out people were ready to get out and enjoy the good food at the Post. We were planning on preparing 120 dinners but because of a mix up with the rib order we only had 96 dinners. We sold out in the first half an hour. We thank those who came out and apologize to those who showed up after we ran out of ribs. We will correct the problems and have more dinners available at our next baby back rib dinner on August 20. Another good sign that things are coming back to normal is that a group of residents from the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home will be guests of the Post 82 family at the dinner. Unfortunately, because of the increase in the price of the food, especially the ribs (a 50% increase from the last dinner in



Unit 82 Auxiliary Officers for the year 2021-2022



Post 82 Sons officers for the year 2021-2022

early 2020), we will be increasing the price of the dinner to \$14.

At the Squadron sponsored American Red Cross Blood Drive on July 26, 26 units of blood were collected. The next blood drive will on September 27. Sign up early because reservations are limited and they will not accept walk-ins.

The Squadron 2022 membership goal is 206. The 2022 membership cards are now available. Dues are \$20. Dues for dual members and those under 21 are still just \$15. Dues may be mailed to the address at the top of the newsletter or dropped off at the Post.

Stay well and I hope to see more of you at the Post.

Yours in Service Dave Tatman
Commander, Squadron 82
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Queen of Hearts Update



The Queen of Hearts Jackpot as of July 28th is \$588. Drawings are at 6:45 each Wednesday in the lounge. Tickets are on sale all week until 6:30 Wednesday night. Come out and join the fun and possibly go home a winner.

JOE WILLIAMS MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thanks to everyone who participated in, and supported, the 15th Annual Joe Williams

Memorial Golf Tournament, sponsored by the Harry White Wilmer American Legion Post 82 and the Sons of The American Legion Squadron 82. In addition to being a past Commander of Squadron 82 numerous times, Joe was a long time educator and football coach in the Charles County School System. With a score of 59, the team of Dan Nagle, K.D. Dickerson, Charlie Smith, and Jeff Tschudi took first place honors. Second place went to the team of Mike Sturman, Ryan Pizzeck, Phil Cuellar, and Gabby Cuellar. Third place winners were the team of Mike Nash, Steve Willett, Dan Donnick, and Brent Wilson.

Winners of the men's and women's longest drive were Dan Donnick and Diane Hicks, respectively. Closest to the pin winners were Joe Cooksey, Ryan Pizzeck, Billy Wade, and Chris Simpson.

Gold sponsors included Jill and Brad Williams, Tony, Bob, Mary, and Tim Williams, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 82, United Metro Golf Carts, Frank Arrington, Middleton Heating & Air Conditioning, Trusted Title Services LLC, Chick-fil-A, Joson Fine Jewelry & Home Boutique, Inc, Flagsin, LLC, Jeff Suttin, RPI Group and FGS, LLC. Bronze sponsors included Raymond Funeral Home, Southern Maryland Title, Colonial Liquors, Newburg Service Center, and the Charles County Retired School Personnel Association.

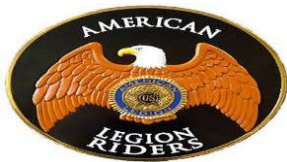
In addition to the Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors, the following individuals and organizations made donations or donated products or services which were given as door prizes during the dinner at the Post following the tournament: All Season Aire, Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar, Apple Spice Junction, Joanie Roberts, Rucci's Italian Deli, Target, Jeff Suttin, Texas Roadhouse, Giant, Blue Dog Saloon & Restaurant, Port Tobacco Marina Restaurant, Auto Zone, Martin's Service Station, Outback Steakhouse, Port Tobacco

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Players, Captain Billy's Crab House, and Katie Jackson.

Over \$9,184 was raised for American Legion and community programs, including the \$2,500 Sons of The American Legion Squadron 82 Veterans' Memorial Scholarship which is awarded annually to a graduating senior of La Plata High School. Congratulations to Jeffrey Reece Leonard, the 2021 scholarship winner.

Since its beginning in 2006, the tournament has raised over \$113,000. Thanks to Kevin Miga and the staff at the White Plains Golf Course for all their help. Once again, thanks to the sponsors, the many volunteers, and everyone who participated, for making the 15th Annual Joe Williams Memorial Golf Tournament a great success.



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS
Post 82, La Plata, Maryland

Meetings - Second Thursday of Each Month at 6:00 PM

Hello everyone!

Hopefully everyone is having an exciting summer so far, the riders have been busy enjoying multiple rides with more to come in the month of August!

As you read this we will probably be right in the middle of our spaghetti dinner on July 30th, I look forward to working with our riders and seeing our legion family. Our next dinner after that will be on October 29, just in time for Halloween!

I would like to Congratulate Post 82 for being awarded the Legion Family Top Donor Award at this year's 103rd MD State American Legion Convention in Ocean City MD. Your American

Legion Riders from Post 82 were invited to convention by the Chairman of the MD Gold Star Legacy Scholarship Run, Joe Gladden, to receive this award. You can be very proud to know our post collectively donated a total of \$12,471 to this most worthy cause. I would like to personally thank our Legionnaires, Sons of the American Legion, Auxiliary and our Legion Riders for coming together and setting the standard for the state of Maryland. These awards will be hung in our Post for all to see how generous and dedicated to veteran's causes we are. Be PROUD Post 82! Special thanks to Joanie for selling tickets for our American Flag raffle, Lou Keeler for making and donating the flag and all the personal donations from our Post members and their families.

Together the Maryland Gold Star Legacy Run donated a total of \$65,690 this year, which will be presented to National. Lastly we must give a huge THANK YOU to Mayor James, the Town Hall of La Plata, the La Plata Police Department, the Public Works Office and the Charles County Sheriff's office for an awesome welcome as we came into town and the most fantastic send off on Saturday morning that this event has ever seen!

Our riders just returned from an overnight ride to Bill's Old Bike Barn in Bloomsburg, Pa where we enjoyed an awesome museum and the beautiful countryside of Pennsylvania. Thanks to Victor, Vivian for putting this ride together and John Flatley for leading us around PA. Our riders are not slowing down, we have two rides scheduled for August so please try to join us.

Coming up the weekend of August 14-15 (overnight ride) we will be going to the memorial site of Flight 93 near Stoystown PA led by Randy Markley. Should be another great

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ride to a sacred place, meeting location, times, hotel info to follow.

After that on August 21st we will be participating on the Healing Heroes Ride which happens to be the East Coast's largest ride to support Veterans! Meeting at the Dunkin Donuts 15793 Livingston Rd Accokeek MD, 0730 with KSU at 0745, plan on returning that night at 1730.

As your director I keep you all in my thoughts and prayers, please be safe so that we can ride together soon. Safe Distance? Yes. Disconnected? Never!!!

Our next meeting is Thursday, Aug 12th at 6pm, Post 82, La Plata, MD.

“We ride in **HONOR** of those who have served”

James Zayas (Jamie Z), Director
Alrpost82md@gmail.com

Director Jamie Zayas at the Flag Ceremony for the Gold Star Memorial in Annapolis, Maryland.



Riders in Bloomsburg, PA



103rd MD State American Legion Convention in Ocean City MD

News from the Auxiliary



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Stroke on 7/14 has made typing difficult so this is short.

1. Executive committee meeting on 8/3 at 5pm.
2. Membership meeting on 8/10 at 5pm.
3. Please bring any unwanted birthday or Christmas cards to the meetings on the 3rd or 10th so Amelia can have them as she has volunteered to take over the CHVH card processing.

Kathleen Quade, President

Feeling A Little Under the Weather



Kathleen Quade is recovering from a stroke at home. She says she's feeling better and just trying to adjust to all the new medications she now has to take.

Doug Clark - Fighting COPD. He now has some family help at home. The good news is that Doug is a Marine. They know how to fight!

Richard "ACE" Stutz suffered a stroke on June 11th, 2021, but is doing much better and would like to thank everyone for their concern and well wishes.

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SPAGHETTI DINNER



Friday, July 30, 2021
5-7pm - \$10
(Free – Ages 5 and below)

Dine In/Drive-Thru/Orders to Go

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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