

## THE AMERICAN LEGION









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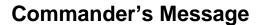
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It's June and as in past years, we will be holding our annual election of Post Officers. At the present time, we are in need of a Historian, Chaplain and Commander. The election will be held at the June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

We are in great need of a Commander. The Post cannot exist without a Commander and Adjutant. We ask that ALL members attend the meeting and vote to elect the leaders of your Post.

On June 3<sup>rd</sup> we will hold our monthly Steak & Shrimp dinner. Come out and join in the fun and camaraderie. We also welcome your help with prep and serving of the dinner.

Post 82's Installation of Officers Banquet will be held on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, here in the Post banquet hall. Rita B's will be catering the event. Make plans now to attend. More details will be shared in the July Newsletter.



On June 17 & 18 we will once again be hosting the Paralyzed Veterans of America Capital Clash Bass Tournament. Again, we can use your help prepping and serving food on those two days Let me know when you are available to help. Call me at 301-399-1240.

The Post is looking for delegates to the Dept Convention in Ocean City, MD July 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. If you are available, let me know.

As always, I ask you to keep our men and women serving in harms way in your prayers. We are living in turbulent times. Our enemies want us to cower in their shadows. We, the American people will not let that happen, nor will the American Legion. Stand and show the world how proud we are of these United States of America. God bless us, our military, and our great country!

I'll see you at the Post, Post 82!

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

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



At the Squadron's regular monthly meeting on May 3, the members voted to donate \$50 to the Children's Organ Transplant Association and \$50 to the American Legion Veterans and Children's Organization. In addition, the members voted to purchase ten chances (\$40) for the JR's Journey Cruise raffle. Also approved were \$50 to sponsor a hole at the S.A.L. Detachment of Maryland Golf Tournament on June 17, and \$150 for an Ad in 49th Annual Detachment Convention program.

Squadron officers for the 2022-23 Administrative year will be Commander Dave Tatman, 1st Vice Commander Gale Willett, 2nd Vice Commander Kevin Bryant, Chaplain Roy Yanosh, Sergeant-at-Arms Ed Tatman, and Adjutant Gary Shupe. David Quade has agreed to be the Squadron Advisor for another year. The Finance Officer and Historian positions are still open. If anyone is interested in becoming an officer, please let me know.

The winner of the 2022 Squadron 82 Veterans Memorial Scholarship is Morgan Gayon. Morgan is a senior at La Plata High School and plans to attend the College of Southern Maryland in the fall. Congratulations Morgan.

Squadron members joined with members of the Auxiliary to prepare and serve breakfast on Mother's Day, May 8.

On May 10, 1st Vice Commander Gale Willett and I had the honor of presenting the Squadron's First Responder of the Year award to Charles County

Sheriff's Office PFC Jonathan Kelly at a meeting at the Sheriff's Office in La Plata.

First Vice Commander Gale Willett and I worked the S.A.L. Southern Maryland Region bingo at the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home on May 16. There were only 24 residents in attendance but it's great fun for the participants. As usual, \$200 in prizes were given out.

On May 12, the Squadron catered the Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) Banquet at the Post. Members of the La Plata High School Navy JROTC and the McDonough Army JROTC were honored with medals, plaques and certificates from a variety of Service and Patriotic organizations. Commander Buddy Hindle presented four of the awards from the members of Post 82. Thanks to Gale Willett, David Quade, Gary Shupe, Cathy Grimm, Kathleen Quade, and Roy Yanosh for their help.

The Squadron hosted a baby back rib dinner on May 20. We served 145 dinners. Thanks to Gale Willett, Roy Yanosh, Alana Lentz, Cathy Grimm, Ed Tatman, and Lenny Lentz, for volunteering.

The Squadron will not have a dinner on June 17 since the Post is hosting the Paralyzed Veterans of America fishing tournament that weekend.

As of May 20, the Squadron membership for the 2022 membership year stands at 211. If your membership card doesn't have 2022 at the top, your membership is delinquent. If you have not paid your 2022 dues yet, please do so ASAP. I hope to see you at the Post.

Yours in Service,
Dave Tatman
Commander, Squadron 82
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## S.A.L. 2021 First Responder of the Year CCSO PFC Jonathan Kelly



From left CCSO Capt. Charles Baker, Commander Dave Tatman, CCSO PFC Jonathan Kelly, 1st Vice Commander Gale Willett, Charles County Sheriff Troy Berry

#### **Legion Membership Report**

The new membership year is about to begin. If you haven't sent in your 2022 dues, please do so by the last week in June. It is very important to get the dues in before the new membership year begins in July. This will ensure the continuation of all of your Legion benefits and continued years of service when you pay your 2023 dues after July 1st.

Harry Tafe First Vice

#### **Wreaths Across America**



Did you know you don't have to wait to order wreaths for Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery this year? Wreaths can be ordered at any time and credited to Post 82's 100-wreath goal.

Use this link <u>wreathsacrossamerica.org/MD0136</u> to order your wreaths any time.

#### **American Legion Auxiliary**

Auxiliary Monthly Meetings are the Second Tuesday of Each Month at 1800hrs



Happy Flag Day; Happy Father's Day:

This will be my last newsletter as your Auxiliary President. It has been an honor and privilege to hold this position for the last five years. As a unit, we have accomplished many great things and made tremendous contributions to both our active duty and veterans of our Armed Forces as well as to our community. None of our achievements over the last five years would have been possible without the couple of dozen volunteers who made every effort to keep our Unit one of the best in the District, Department and Nation. I know under the leadership of your new President, Lesley Radcliff and all the other officers you will continue to strive to always be there. Here's hoping a few more new and younger members have the spirit move them to get involved also.

We held our election of officers at our May meeting for the 2022 - 2023 year. As stated above, your new President is Lesley Radcliff and she will take over on July 1, 2022. Other elected officers are Vice President - Kathleen Quade, Secretary (appointed) - Linda Rollins, Treasurer - Debbie Simpson, Chaplain - Mary Shaffer, Historian - Debbie Wedding, Sgt. at Arms - Janet Fogle, Executive Committee - Anna Mae Sackie (honorary for life), Kitty Dawson, Carolyn Shelton, Darlene Willett. Please continue to provide these officers with the effort and support that you have always done.

Although not as many as expected, our Mother's Day Breakfast was certainly enjoyed by all who attended. Mother Nature did not help our attendance but, the 155 people that we served were extremely glad it was held after a two-year imposed absence. Well done to all our Auxiliary members who volunteered on both Saturday and Sunday as well as the volunteers from the Sons of the American Legion who are our partners in this annual venture. Just a reminder, due to scheduling conflicts, there will be no Father's Day Breakfast this year.

Flag Day is Tuesday, June 14th. If you have a flag for your home, please make sure it is waving. If you have a flag pin, show your pride in our flag and wear it proudly. There will be a flag retirement ceremony by the Sons of the American Legion on this date at 3:00pm.

On Friday, June 17th and Saturday, June 18th, Post 82 will host the Paralyzed Veterans of America Fishing Tournament. You can check with the Commander to see what you can do to help with this extremely rewarding function.

Dessert Requirements for June: Friday, June 3rd - Steak Night. There is no SAL dinner in June due to the PVA Fishing Tournament.

Our next meeting: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 6pm.

Kathleen Quade President



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



The latest scoop from the Steel Pony Corral: Yearly elections are upon us, all positions are open. If you would like to hold a position, please send in your nomination, or have someone nominate you from the floor of our next meeting June 9<sup>th</sup> at 1800hrs. If you plan on nominating someone, please be sure to get their approval. We will vote the new officers in at our June 9, meeting with the newly elected officers taking office on July 1st.

Saturday May 14th was our Inaugural Gold Star Legacy Scholarship Poker Run. With a not so good weather forecast we still had over 40 motorcycles and 3 cages (cars) participate in the poker run. The winning hand was a 10 high straight turned in by our own Scuba Steve. The poker run was a huge success because of the diligence and hard work displayed by the committee spearheaded by Randy (Gray Dog) Markley. Other committee members included Brian (Gadget) Miller, John (Flatrock) Flatley, Jim (Silent Jim) Therres, and Steve (Scuba) Mead. The committee tirelessly canvassed the area for

sponsors, donors and vendors resulting in an incredible amount of money raised. The final amount raised will be announced and presented to the MD Gold Star Legacy Ride on June 10th at Post 82. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to our participants, sponsors, vendors and leadership for making this inaugural event a great success. Special thanks to the MD Veterans Museum in Newburg for hosting our final stop.

On April 30th ALR 82 answered a statewide call to provide a ride by salute for a 100-year-old WW II Navy Veteran in Perry Hall MD.

The Riders showed up strong with 12 motorcycles and 1 cage to celebrate William Barnes Jr's milestone birthday and thank him for his service to our country. Director Zayas presented Mr. Barnes with a Post 82,100-year anniversary commemorative challenge coin and an ALR Chapter 82 poker chip.

We would like to thank all Riders who showed up to help with our Spaghetti dinner on April 29. Your continued help and support of our fund-raising endeavors helps provide needed assistance to veterans inside and outside of our community. Job well done ladies and gentlemen.

On behalf of Director Jamie "Jamie Z" Zayas

**Submitted by Vice Director Kevin "Big Sexy" Bryant** 

American Job Center Largo Southern Maryland Career One Stop Regional Resources Fair



Saturday, June 11,2022 10:00 am – 2:00 pm American Legion, Post 259 9122 Piscataway Road Clinton, MD 20735

For more information contact Post 82 Service Officer, George Hawley at 240-367-6489 or <a href="mailto:ghawley83@gmail.com">ghawley83@gmail.com</a>



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 Officers

Commander

First Vice
Second Vice
Adjutant

Finance Officer

Buddy Hindle
Harry Tafe
Chris LaQuay
Dave Black
Bill Rees

Judge Advocate Bob Striegel
Historian Vacant
Chaplain Kevin Buckner
Service Officer George Hawley

Sgt. At Arms Jerry Higdon

**Board of Directors** 

Norm Shelton David Quade Cheryl Wedding Donna Baker

#### **Post Everlasting**

Post 82 is sad to announce the passing of the following:

Albert Anderson Pomfret, MD
Thomas C. Parsons White Plains, MD
Richard Myers Port Charlotte, FL

#### What's Going on at the Post?

Friday, June 3rd

Steak & Shrimp Dinner 6:00pm – 7:30pm Hosted by the Legion

**June 10th - 11th** 

Maryland Gold Star Legacy Run Riders Arrive 4:00pm Dinner Starts at 5:45pm Riders Depart Jun 11 at 8:30am Hosted by the ALR

Tuesday, June 14th

Flag Day Flag Retirement Ceremony 3:00PM Hosted by the S.A.L.

June 17th - 18th

Paralyzed Veterans of America Capital Bass Clash Tournament Hosted by Post 82 Family

Friday June 24

Joe Williams Memorial Golf Tournament White Plains Golf Course Hosted by Post 82 Family

**Every Wednesday Queen of Hearts Drawing** 

The pot is over \$700 Tickets are available for purchase in the bar up until the drawing at 6:45pm Hosted by the S.A.L.



# **★ 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.wreathsacrossamerica.org/MD0136





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