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Post Officers 2025

Commander -----Robert M. McFadden 1st Vice Commander --2nd Vice Commander ----- John Engel ---- Bobby Smith Finance Officer -Historian ----- Brad Knaub Chaplain -Sgt-At-Arms -----Tim Stevens Adjutant ----- Jerry Barbour Post Service Officer ----- Mark Arnold Judge Advocate -- Scott Virden Meeting night - 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm

Executive Committee

Lindsay Crook, Christine Miller-Lane

Squadron 182 Officers 2025

——Steve Tarbert
Carl Glackin
Rick Coleman
Jim Crook
Vacant
Rich Tarbert
Jim Koerner
Vacant
John Engel
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Riders Officers 2025

Director -	Jerry Barbour
Assistant Director -	
Secretary-	Lisa Glackin Caroll
Finance Officer -	Andre' Miller
Historian-	
Membership Chairn	
Chaplain -	
Ride Captain	
	Tim Stevens
	night lst

Thursday of the Month at 7:00 pm

Unit 192 Officers 2025

	Officers 2025
President	Melissa Shreve
Vice President	Fran Barbour
Secretary	Janet Knox
Treasurer	Donna McFadden
Chaplain	Caryn Jones
Historian	Brandi Arnold
Sgt-At-Arms	——— Debbie Stevens
Flag Bearers	Debbie Stevens,
	Janet Knox, Janice Lafon
Membership Chai	ewoman Janet Knov

Executive Committee -

Donna McFadden, Joyce Johnson, and Lisa Glackin Meeting night - 3rd Monday of the Month at 7:00p

Commander's Message

Summer is now upon us. Now is the time to be extra cautious and alert with children now out of school and the amount of bikers on the road. While mowing your lawns make sure you blow off the loose grass in roadways. This makes the road very dangerous for motorcyclists. Please be a DEFENSEFUL driver. Take extreme caution while going to and from campgrounds. If swimming follow all of the pool rules and stay safe. Enjoy the summer.

I would like to congratulate all of the newly elected officers for the Post, Squadron, Auxiliary, and Legion Riders. All programs for the Post will be filled with chairmen/chairwomen to oversee that these programs are completed on schedule. Installation of the Post and Legion Riders will take place at a Post Regular Monthly meeting to be determined.

The Post Executive Committee consists of all elected Post Officers and 4 regular post members at this time (subject to change, based on future changes to our Post Standing Rules). The Executive Committee is the main decision making body of the Post, so it is a vitally important committee to be a part of. Any member can attend the Post Executive Committee meeting, however, no voting is allowed if not on that committee. If any decisions are made and placed in effect by this committee and if anyone has any issues with the decisions that are made by the Committee, please come to the meetings and express your concerns.

Talking to customers in the canteen does not resolve these issues or concerns. No disciplinary actions will be taken unless an incident report is provided to the PEC.

The new programs for the 2024/2025 administrative year will remain the same. High School Scholarships for high school seniors, Boys State for high school juniors, 5th grade Patriot Programs, Adoption of needy families over the holidays, Flag Disposal Ceremonies (of which we have 2 per year), the Decoration of Flags on our veterans' graves for Memorial Day, etc. We also have Post services for Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

We need to continue our support of our Veterans, Emergency Personnel, Elderly, and our Local School. Students. If you would like to help and support these programs please notify me at the Post Home or attend our next regular Post Meeting. You can leave a message in the canteen and they will see that it gets to my mailbox. Another method of getting in touch is to send email to the post email address at legion182md@lycos.com. This method can also be used to voice your opinion on any item you feel necessary. I urge ALL members to attend our monthly Post meetings so you can understand exactly what we do and what we have done at Post 182.







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We would also like you to come to voice your opinions on any topics that you feel needs to be discussed and/or help to make decisions on these topics. All members are truly welcome. Let us all work together to resolve issues. The meetings are posted on our directory boards in the canteen and on our website under "calendar of events" at http://post182.tripod.com/slateridg e. There is also a suggestion box in the canteen that you can write a note and drop it in. The box is checked regularly. Complaints and ideas are always welcome.

Riders Meetings – 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00PM SAL Meetings – 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00PM Post Regular Meetings – 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:30PM Auxiliary Meetings – 3rd Monday of every month at 6:00PM

Upcoming Events and Ceremonies include:

- 1. SAL Breakfast 1st Sunday of each month 8:30AM -- 11:00AM.
 2. Bingo every Wednesday at the Post Home from 7:00PM 10:00PM. (Doors open at 6PM)
 3. SAL Blue Grass 3Aug2024 2:00-7:00PM
 4. SAL Crab Feast 21Sep2024 1:00-5:00PM (Cost \$60.00 per
- ticket)
 5. Legion Riders Bingo
- 5. Legion Riders Bingo 19Oct2024 7:00PM

Post membership continues to be one of the largest issues within The American Legion. See Mr. Jerry Barbour, Post Adjutant, on membership issues and if interested in becoming a Paid Up For Life member. You can email him at bardoc379@msn.com or drop a line at the Post attention to

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him at 2217 Whiteford Road, Whiteford, Maryland 21160. Proper completed paperwork must be received before voting and accepting a new member or transfer. Let's pull together and work on getting all of our members paid. Post dues for 2025/2026 are now \$40.00 per year due to increases by National.

Currently we pay all dues for WWII and Korean Vets. The section below is from our Post Standing Rules: This is a reminder.

Application for membership shall be made in writing under such regulations as may from time to time be adopted by the Post at a regular or special meeting. Effective 11Oct2022, new members will get a \$25.00 Legion gift card that can be used in our canteen or bingo. This is a onetime incentive. Members buying a lifetime membership will receive a 33% discount from the post. Any recruiter of a new member, will be eligible for a 40% discount on buying a life membership for himself. Members who join and are on active duty, will continue to have their membership dues paid by the post while they remain on active duty. After they are honorably discharged from active duty service, they will then be responsible for paying their own dues. Dues will be paid by Post for members who have 50 years continuous service who are not PUFL's effective with the renewal of dues for 2023/2024.

As of 12Jun2024, Northern Central Region is in 3rd position at 102.210%, District 3 is in 6th position at 102.076%, and Post 182 is in 65th position a 101.775%. Thanks to all members

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who continue getting their dues paid early. I would also like to share the membership stats for Squadron 182 as well. Northern Central Region is in 2nd position at 103.507% and Squadron 182 is in 78th position at 97.170%. Remember that Post 182 is a Non-Profit, VOLUNTEER, Veterans Organization and we serve the community, state, and nation strictly on a Volunteer Status and our efforts should all be applied to donating our funds to help them as much as possible. If you do not pay current years' dues by 1Jan2025 you are classified as delinguent, however, if paid before 1Feb2025 that classification is dropped. If still delinquent after 1Feb2025 you are suspended from all privileges. If still under suspension on 30Jun2025 your post membership is forfeited. Your membership may be reinstated to active membership in good standing by a vote of the Executive Committee and payment of current dues for the year have been paid.

As a volunteer non-profit organization we must continue to support our veterans, servicemen and women currently on active duty, and the families within our community. That is what we stand for and should be focusing on. Let's continue to do these good deeds for these people and feel proud while we are doing them. Please come out and support the fund-raisers and programs that are maintained by the Post, Sons, Auxiliary, and the Riders.

Let us continue to work together as a Legion Family and help in any way you can to help make your Post grow as we have done in the past. Please continue to

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support our Veterans and the residents in our community. Remember, "Helping is our Goal".

Any information that you would like to include in our newsletter must be sent to Bobby Smith who is the chairman for the newsletter. He would prefer electronic mailings of your inputs if you have access to email. You can email him at sbobbyjr54@yahoo.com. The newsletter publication is mailed to all members and is also available for viewing on the post website that was mentioned above. Newsletter information is due to Bobby by 15Feb, 15Jun, and 15Oct each year. Thank you in advance for everyone's input to this publication. We are also looking into other programs of communication to make sure everyone gets all the necessary information about the post (Events, meetings, etc.). We also do Buddy Checks to make sure our members are okay and to see if they need any type of support from us.

I would like to mention that if you see another Veteran, please take the time to THANK THEM for their service. It makes a big difference to acknowledge our Veteran brothers and sisters.

For God and Country Veterans serving Veterans

Robert M McFadden, Commander

POST 182 NOTICE TO EVERY MEMBER

Anyone wishing to add to the newsletter can do so by dropping them off at the Legion Canteen, Attention: Bobby Smith sbobbyjr54@yahoo.com.

Deadlines: 15 April, 15 August & 15 December

Adjutant Newsletter Summer 2024

Well, here we are into a hot summer. And first of all, I'd like to thank all those members who voted for Commander McFadden and myself for year 2024-2025. We continue to serve with what we feel is best for our post and our community. Thank you for voting to keep our post a pillar of the community. And I'd like to emphasize, we are here to support our veterans, military, youth and community. We are much more than a just a bar. Through our Legion, SAL, Auxiliary, and Legion Riders, we donate thousands of dollars to charitable causes each year. And that's what being a Legion member is all about. Veterans serving veterans and community!

There is one change coming with your membership this year. Dues are being increased to \$40.00/yr. This increase is due to an increase in National dues and a proposed increase in Department of Maryland dues. We've held our dues at \$30/yr. for as long as we possible could, and with these increases from National and Dept., we had to do the increase. And just as a reminder, we currently pay the dues of all WWII and Korean War veterans, so those individuals will receive their 2025 membership cards in the mail soon.

Do you know a veteran who is not a member of the American Legion? If so, please ask them to join. New members, upon being voted in will receive a \$25.00 gift card that can be used either in our canteen or at bingo on Wednesday evenings. We're always looking for new members who can bring new ideas and support to our post.

The American Legion National
Commander Daniel J. Seehafer is
continuing with the theme of "Be The
One". A program for destigmatizing
asking for mental health support. It's
estimated that between 17 and 22
veterans or servicemembers commit
suicide each day. Log into
www.legion.org/betheone/about to
see how you can "Be The One" and
help save a veteran or servicemember's

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life.

As I mentioned in the beginning, it's very hot outside. Try to stay cool, and if you have to go outside, be sure you remain hydrated. Drink plenty water and avoid sugary, or alcoholic drinks, which only further dehydrate you. Stay safe, stay healthy, enjoy summer and God bless all!
For God and Country,
Jerry Barbour, Adjutant

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These are headlines that The American Legion recognizes. If you would like to see all of the headlines, go to http://www.legion.org and click on Legion Headlines on the right hand side of the page. Good information.

Legion supports bill to fund veteran construction apprenticeship programs

The American Legion supports the Spectrum and National Security Act, a reauthorization bill that would provide funds for veteran construction apprenticeship programs, improve security of U.S. communication networks and more.

U.S. Sen. Maria Cantwell, chair of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, sponsored the Spectrum and National Security Act, which will modernize the nation's spectrum policy to protect our communications networks against foreign adversaries, restore Federal Communications Commission auction authority, secure critical broadband funding to keep

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Americans connected, and invest in CHIPS and Science innovation initiatives that will boost U.S. technological competitiveness.

Veterans Employment and Education Commission Chairman Jay Bowen said The American Legion looks forward to working with Congress to ensure passage of the legislation.

"The bill promotes both licensed and unlicensed spectrum innovation, removing some of the restrictions to development," he said. "And significantly, this bill will provide funding for education grants related to veteran apprenticeship programs to enhance technical education and opportunities for veterans. We are thankful for Sen. Cantwell's leadership, and the opportunity to expand veteran education in technology fields."

The bill, S4207, is now in a Senate committee.

"By modernizing federal spectrum strategy and restoring auction authority, we can promote innovation, boost U.S. competitiveness, and complete the 'rip and replace' necessary to strengthen our national security," Cantwell said. "Importantly, this proposal will also allow us to make important investments, such as \$500 million to educate, train, and expand our future telecommunications workforce."

Stay in touch with legislative priorities and advocate on behalf of veterans by <u>signing up here</u> to receive Grassroots Action Alerts.



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LEGION RIDERS NEWSLETTER

Hi everyone, and greetings from

your post's Legion Riders. I hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far. Even though it seems to be a very warm one. But here we are in full blown riding weather. For the first thing, I'd like to ask all of you to do us a favor. When you are out driving around, please be extra vigilant and watch for motorcycles. It seems that some folks are driving around blind at times. They can't even see something the size of a car, before pulling out to make a left turn. And when we're on our motorcycle's, we're even smaller and less visible.

I would like to welcome new members, Mike Pickens and Cynthia White to our Post 182 Legion Riders. It's always great to get new members.

And it can all be prevented. Look

before pulling out. Please, we have families too! Let us return home

left, look right, look left again,

safely to them.

Once again, our Riders have been busy this spring. We were once again asked to lead the 2nd Annual Mason-Dixon Ride For Life, in it's fight against suicide. A big thank you to Bruce Norton, for organizing this event.

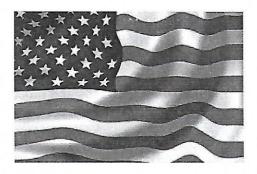
We also donated to the 6th Annual Ride Against Suicide, held at Glen Rock, PA, American Legion. It was good to have a few of our Riders participate in this ride also. We currently have a raffle for a mini-jeep going on. This is a cool looking replica of a military jeep, complete with a gas engine, and can be driven by an adult as well as kids. Tickets are \$5.00/ea. or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Tickets can be bought in the canteen, and we will also be selling them at this year's Mason Dixon Fair. The winning ticket will be pulled at our December Riders meeting. Good luck! We have the distinct honor of participating in the Nation of Patriots, flag tour for the 2nd year in

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a row. This US flag passes through
all 50 states. The flag will arrive at
our post on Aug. 20, coming from
Rommel Harley Davidson in
Delaware. On Aug. 21, our post will
escort the flag to its next
destination at All American Harley
Davidson in Hughesville, MD.
Our Riders are once again planning
on being in the Mason Dixon Fair
Parade on July 13th. Watch for us
toward the front of the parade. And
catch a peek of the mini Jeep we're
raffling off.

Also on July 15th, we are again sponsoring the 15th Annual Sgt. Michael Heede Memorial Poker Run, honoring our hometown hero. And we are still in the planning stages of our 5th Annual Ride For Blue, showing support for our men and women in blue everywhere. Proceeds from this ride go to police charities in both Harford and Baltimore Counties in Maryland. If you ride, come out and show your support for our officers. Further details will be posted on our Facebook page, Ride For Blue. That's all for now. Enjoy your summer, watch for motorcycles and may God bless each and every one of vou!

For God and Country, Jerry Barbour, Director



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UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SAL BLUEGRASS AUGUST 2, 2024 2:00-7:00PM

SAL Breakfast

Every 1st Sunday

8:30 -11:00 AM

CRAB FEAST

SEPTEMBER 21,2024 1:00 - 5:00

TICKETS: \$60 EACH



BINGO Every Wednesday at the Post Home 7-10 PM

Doors open 6 PM



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