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Post Officers 2023

Commander — Robert M. McFadden

1st Vice Commander — Rob Kranz

2nd Vice Commander — John Engel
Finance Officer — Bobby Smith
Historian — Blair Mallonee
Chaplain — Brad Knaub
Sgt-At-Arms — Ron Roberts
Adjutant — Jerry Barbour
Post Service Officer — Mark Arnold
Meeting night - 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm

Executive Committee

Tim Stevens, Lindsay Crook, Christine Miller-Lane

Squadron 182 Officers 2023

Commander — Steve Tarbert

1st Vice Commander — Carl Glackin

2nd Vice Commander — Rick Coleman

Finance Officer — Jim Crook

Historian — Vacant

Sgt-At-Arms — Rich Tarbert

Chaplain — Jim Koerner

Adjutant — Vacant

S.A.L. Advisor — John Engel

Meeting night- 2nd Monday of the Month at 6:00pm

Riders Officers 2023

Director — Jerry Barbour
Assistant Director — Brad Knaub
Secretary — Lisa Glackin Caroll
Finance Officer — Andre' Miller
Historian — Eric Louderback
Membership Chairman — Joseph Glackin
Chaplain — Jim Koerner
Ride Captain — Robert Kranz
Sgt-At-Arms — Tim Stevens

Thursday of the Month at 7:00 pm Unit 182 Officers 2023

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 Chairwoman — Janet Knox

Executive Committee -

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

Commander's Message

Fall is just around the corner. Please use caution out there with the school year starting in Harford and Southeastern school districts. Watch school buses picking up and dropping off children in the mornings and afternoons. We must also be considerate of the individuals still riding their motorcycles. Please, if you are mowing your lawns make sure you blow off the loose grass in roadways. This makes the road very dangerous for motorcyclists.

I would like to congratulate all of the newly elected officers for the Post, Squadron, Auxiliary, and Legion Riders. All programs for the Post have been filled with chairman to oversee that these programs are completed on schedule. Installation of the Post and Legion Riders officers took place at the Post Aug2023 Regular Monthly meeting. Installation was completed by Kraig Dean, Department Treasurer.

The Post Executive Committee consists of all elected Post Officers and 4 regular post members at this time. 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 2023/2024 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. This year we will be awarding 4 Scholarships, 2 to North Harford High and 2 to Kennard-Dale High Schools.

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. 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/slateridge. There

http://post182.tripod.com/slateridge. 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.







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Riders Meetings – 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00PM SAL Meetings – 2^{nd} Monday of every month at 6:00PM Post Regular Meetings – 2^{nd} Tuesday of every month at 6:30PM Auxiliary Meetings – 3^{rd} 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 Crab Feast 16Sep2023 1:00-5:00PM (Cost \$60 per ticket)
- 4. Auxiliary Spaghetti Dinner 7Oct2023 Time TBD
- Legion Riders Bingo 21Oct2023
 OPM
- 5. Flag Disposal Ceremony 4Nov2023 10:30AM
- 6. Veterans Day Service at the Post Home 11Nov2023 at 11:00AM
- 7. Auxiliary Bingo 9Dec2023 Time TBD

Post membership continues to be one of the largest issues within The American Legion. Our membership numbers are down a bit, so please help your Post in recruiting new members. 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 him at 2217 Whiteford Road, Whiteford, Maryland 21160. Let's pull together and work on getting all of our members paid.

Currently we pay all dues for WWII and Korean Vets. The section below is from our Post Standing Rules: This was mentioned in the April2023 Newsletter as well. **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

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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 25Aug2023, Northern Central Region is in 2nd position at 51.206%, District 3 is in 4th position at 51.593%, and Post 182 is in 48th position a 53.846%. Thanks to all members 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 3rd position at 13.205% and Squadron 182 is in 77th position at 0.000%. 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 1Jan2024 you are classified as delinquent, however, if paid before 1Feb2024 that classification is dropped. If still delinquent after 1Feb2024 you are suspended from all privileges. If still under suspension on 30Jun2024 your post membership is forfeited. Your membership may be reinstated to active

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membership in good standing by a

vote of the Executive Committee

and payment of current dues for the year have been paid.

***SERVICE DOGS ALLOWED

IN THIS FACILITY***

FOR INJURED SERVICE

PERSONNEL AND VETERANS

PER RESOLUTION NO 134

MUST COMPLY WITH ADA (AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT)

AND RESOLUTION NO 357

(The law requires the animal to be under the control of the handler at all times by harness, leash or voice control. Dogs are protected under the ADA and no veteran with one should be denied access to this post. The only exception is if the dog is NOT under the control of the veteran and is a direct threat to others.)

2 QUESTIONS THAT MAY BE ASKED UPON ENTRANCE

- 1. Is the animal required because of a disability?
- 2. What work or task has the animal been trained to perform

HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CANTEEN

MONDAY - FRIDAY 2:00pm -2:00am SATURDAY and SUNDAY - 12:00 noon - 2:00am

Closed the following holidays: Easter, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day,

Commander's Message (cont.)

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 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 15Apr, 15Aug, and 15Dec each year. Thank you in advance for everyone's input to this publication.

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

Auxiliary News

Hello I hope everyone is doing well.

As some of you may know this is my first year as Auxiliary President and I couldn't be prouder of this unit. They are an amazing group of people with new ideas and the experience and enthusiasm to get things done.

As we head into fall, unit 182 has some very exciting things coming in the near future. 7October2023 we will be having our spaghetti dinner. 9December2023 we will be doing our first annual basket bingo.

The ladies are working very hard in the kitchen on bingo nights with different specials each week. We will be hosting ice cream socials at PerryPoint in the next couple months. Also we are so proud that post 182 including the Legion, SAL, and Auxiliary

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were able to help Harford County School District with the Stuff the Bus project for this year. I'm super excited for all the new ideas to help our veterans, their families, and our communities.

I (BELIEVE) we can make great things happen when we all work together.

For God and country Melissa A Shreve, President

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 Fall 2023

I hope everyone has had a nice summer, as it is coming quickly to an end. One reminder though, as summer comes to an end, the school year is starting for our kids and grandkids. Please be aware, we now have children standing along the road, waiting for or getting off the school bus. Please drive safely and be extra aware of the kids, so they go to school and return home safely. We are now in a new membership year. There are still a few members who have not renewed their dues for 2023. If you have not paid your 2023 dues, please get them paid promptly. If not paid, you will lose your consecutive years as a paid member. The new membership year, 2024, has officially started and we are currently at 53.8% members paid, for 2024. Dues can be mailed to the post at, 2217 Whiteford Rd., Whiteford, MD 21160, dropped off at the post, or paid online at <mdlegion.org> and click on renew.

Looking for something to do on Wednesday evenings? Come out to the post and join members of our community playing bingo. You'll have a chance to win between \$25 and up to \$1000 cash. Plus door prizes. All while supporting your post. Proceeds made from our bingo help us support many veterans organizations, active duty military, youth and needy in our community, plus maintain our post.

Also, I would like to encourage members to come out to our monthly meetings. The meetings start at 6:30pm, the second Tuesday of each month. Your participation will help us grow and maintain our post in a positive direction. We welcome your input, but you have to show up at the meetings to give us that input.

On another note, we have recently had incidents of canteen customers being disrespectful to some of our bartenders. We want all members to know that you are always welcome in our canteen, but please be respectful to our bartenders. We have a good team of canteen employees and we want to keep them. Anyone being disrespectful to them will be dealt with accordingly. And please, refrain from using profanity while in the canteen. Our customers come in to relax and share comradery with other members. They do not come to listen to disrespectful,

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profane language. Please, let's keep our post respectful and a welcome place for all veterans and their families.

I'd like to remind everyone that we have a very important, upcoming election in November. Make sure you are registered to vote and get out there and vote. As veterans, we have served our country to keep it free. One nation, under God, Indivisible, With justice and freedom for all! Many have paid the ultimate sacrifice, to keep that freedom. Do not allow them to have died in vain. Get out and vote! Your country, your freedom, depends on it!

In ending, I hope everyone enjoys the upcoming fall and the cooler weather that comes with it. Be safe and healthy!
For God and Country,
Jerry Barbour, Adjutant

LEGION INFORMATION

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.

VA awards \$1 billion to boost homeless veteran programs

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced today more than S1 billion in grants to help homeless and at-risk veterans through the <u>Supportive Services for Veteran Families</u> and <u>Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem</u> programs.

Additionally, VA announced it has permanently housed 26,470 veterans through July, on pace to exceed its goal of housing 38,000 homeless veterans this year.

Under the Supportive Services for Veteran Families program, VA is awarding 256 grants totaling about \$799 million to community organizations that help rapidly rehouse veterans and their families, prevent the imminent loss of veterans' homes, or identify more suitable housing situations for veterans and their families.

Through the <u>Grant and Per Diem</u> program, VA is awarding 454 grants totaling about S257 million to community organizations that provide veterans with transitional housing and case management — including connecting veterans to VA benefits, community-based services, and permanent housing.

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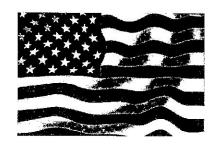
Ending veteran homelessness is a top priority for VA and the <u>Biden-Harris</u> administration. In 2022 alone, <u>VA housed more than 40.000 formerly homeless veterans</u>, prevented more than 17,700 veterans and their families from falling into homelessness, and helped nearly 191,700 additional veteran families who were experiencing financial difficulties retain their homes or avoid foreclosure. Thanks in part to these efforts, the number of veterans experiencing homelessness has fallen by 11% since early 2020 and by more than 55% since 2010.

"We won't rest until every veteran has the safe, stable home that they deserve — because none of our nation's heroes should be homeless in this country they fought to defend," VA Secretary Denis McDonough said. "These grants will allow VA, alongside our community partners, to help provide more housing and wraparound services to more homeless and at-risk veterans than ever before."

If you are a veteran who is experiencing homelessness or at risk for homelessness, call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at 877-424-3838. Visit the <u>VA Homeless Programs website</u> to learn about housing initiatives and other programs for veterans exiting homelessness.

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GO ONLINE TO READ MORE at http://www.legion.org



LEGION RIDERS NEWSLETTER

Legion Riders Newsletter Greetings from your Post 182 Legion Riders. Hope all of you are enjoying the summer, which will be ending soon. But, we do still have a lot of riding season left. So, please, watch for motorcycles. The life you save could be one of our Riders. And we want all our brother and sister Riders, to get back home safely, to our families. And while we're talking safety, please, do not mow your grass out onto the road. This can make a very slick and dangerous situation for all motorcycle riders. The newly mown grass is very slick and can easily cause a motorcyclist to skid and crash. If you do blow grass out on the highway, please blow it back off the edge of the road immediately. And I thank you in advance for following this simple safety tip. July was a very busy month for our Riders. We had the Mason Dixon Fair, where we sold raffle tickets for a Traeger Pellet Grill. Congratulations to Doug Stokes, the winner of the grill. And thank you to all who supported our raffle. Through your generosity and support, we are able to donate to many different causes for veterans, military, youth and needy in our community. And I'd like to say thank you to Delta-Cardiff Vol. Fire Co. for allowing us to set up our stand at the fair again. And helping them with the bicycle raffles was a great way for our two organizations to support each other. Two volunteer

LEGION RIDERS **NEWSLETTER (CON'T)** organizations helping one another. That's how our great community does it. On July 15th, we participated in the 14th Annual Sgt. Micheal Heede Memorial Poker Run. We participate in this ride annually, so that the memory of this brave Marine hero, will not soon be forgotten. Also on July 15th, several of our Riders participated in the Mason Dixon Fair Parade. It's always an honor to represent our veterans and our Legion Post. We are currently making the final plans for our 4th annual Ride For Blue. This ride is in support of our police officers everywhere. With the negative press that our officers get nowadays from politicians and the press, we all need to show our support for all they do for us to keep us safe. All proceeds from this ride are split between Harford Co. Sherifff's Office and Baltimore Co. Police Dept. charities. To date, we have raised approximately \$22,000 for these charities. This years ride is scheduled for September 23, with a rain date of September 30. The ride will begin at the

in Timonium and proceed through Baltimore and Harford Counties, and ending at Eisenhower's Chesapeake Harley Davidson, Darlington, MD. If you or someone you know

Maryland State Fairgrounds

ride, please come out and show our officers your support. 4 wheel vehicles are welcome to participate also. Registration begins at 9:00am, with ride starting at

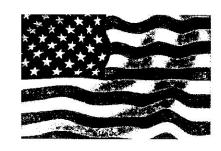
11:00am. \$20/rider or

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driver, and \$10/passenger. And thank you to all the sponsors for this ride. Without you, we couldn't do this ride.

Our annual fundraiser bingo will be Oct. 21, 2023. This bingo has been sold out for many months. This is our major fundraiser for our Riders organization, and I would like to thank all those who donate and sponsor this bingo.

Well, that's it for now. Once again, please watch for motorcycles. Let us return home safely, so that we can ride once again to support our veterans and community.
For God and Country, JERRY BARBOUR, Director



MARK YOUR CALENDARS **NECOMING ENEMLS**

SAL Breakfast

Every 1st Sunday

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OCTOBER 7, 2023 DINNEE AUXILIARY SPAGHETTI

1:00 - 5:00 SEPTEMBER 16, 2023 CRAB FEAST

TICKETS: \$60 EACH

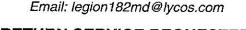
Doors open 6 PM

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