



PARKVILLE POST No. 183
60 Years of Service to the Veterans and Community



THE PATTEN PARADE

51 Continuous Years of Publication

MAY - JUNE

2006

**Worlds' Third
LARGEST Post**

Post Home of Jack Milburn, Past Dept. Cmdr. and Bob Wheeler, Cmdr. N.C.D.

Candidates for Legion Year 2006 - 2007

Jack Milburn - Alt. National Exec. Comm.

Mike Mooney - Dept. Sgt. At Arms

POST COMMANDER

John CARPENTER

VETERANS REHAB

Thomas SHUSTER, Chmn.

Nominations for Post Offices and Delegates to the Department Convention in Ocean City are being accepted now through the Post Meeting of May 10th. Post Elections will then be held on Saturday, June 3rd from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.

The Memorial Day Program will begin at 9:00 am on Monday, May 29th at the Moreland Memorial Cemetery followed by a ceremony at the Taylor Avenue Plaza between Harford and Old Harford Roads.

Refreshments will be served afterward at the Post and good weather has been ordered, so come on out and wear your Legion cap.

Joe Cascio has also requested good weather from Chaplain Ray Peluso for our Carnival week of June 12th through 17th on the west-side of our parking lot. We definitely need your support for this major fund raiser. Please come and bring your family, friends and neighbors to enjoy the many fun activities for "Kids of All Ages".

If you are at least 65 years old and healthy, you may be eligible: The Center for Vaccine Development at the University of Maryland School of Medicine is studying an investigational avian influenza vaccine. The study will require eight outpatient visits over seven months, call (410)706-6156 for more information.

May God Bless Our Troops and the United States of America.

We will soon be preparing for our annual visit to Perry Point Hospital on June 27th. We will leave the Post at 5 pm and return at 9 pm. We are looking for a good turnout as usual. We need grill cooks (for the hot dogs and hamburgers) and players for the softball game.

Our future visits will be:

May 11 th	Loch Raven VA
May 22 nd	MD Rehab
June 8 th	Loch Raven VA

Remember, we leave the Post for MD Rehab at 7 pm and the VA Hospital at 6 pm.

Note: We are visiting the MD Rehab one week early due to the Memorial Day Holiday. It is also our last visit to MD Rehab until September.

SANDBLASTERS

The next meeting for the Sandblasters Golf Club will be held on June 20th, starting at 7:30 pm.

Anyone, who is interested in joining the Golf Club is welcome to attend the meeting or they may contact: Al Derrenberger.

SUPER 1000 RAFFLE

Bob LANTZ,
Chmn.

For the February, 2006 Super 1000 Raffle drawings at the Post, the winning number was 403 and there were six (6) satellite winners for a total of \$1,100. The Paid-In-Full number was 401 and paid \$500.

For the March, 2006 Super 1000 Raffle drawings at the Post, the winning number was 251 and there were six (6) satellite winners for a total of \$1,100. The Paid-In-Full number was 493 and paid \$500. All winning tickets were paid up-to-date or in-full and we hope to continue awarding prizes during the coming months for each eligible number. So keep the payments on your ticket(s) current or purchase a new ticket for \$90.

Tuesday nights are now done at the Post, so please see a committee member at all regular Post meetings, one hour before and after meetings. Of course, you may always mail your payments to the Post or leave your payments any time with the barmaids (they have special envelopes). If mailing your payment always remember to put your ticket number on your check. Thanks and good luck!

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MEMBERSHIP

Fred ROCK, Chmn.

This year has been very interesting. We are sitting at a little over 3,400 members. This is due to non-renewals & members who have moved on to Post Everlasting. In the last two articles I asked members who were not going to renew to contact the Post and please tell us why. We received at least 50 replies and they all basically said the same thing, "I am getting too old and cannot get out to the Post anymore" or "I am on a fixed budget and had to cut corners somewhere". We are sorry to see anyone leave the Post, especially those with so many years. If we can be of any assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Just another reminder, when a member passes on to Post Everlasting we will not drop the member until we are notified by a family member. Due to past notifications, that were not correct, we had to resurrect a few members. So if you know of a deceased member, please ask a family member to either drop us a line or call us. Also, remind the families that it takes a while to get notifications up through National about deceased members so they will still receive materials for a few months.

Membership still meets on Tuesday nights from 6 pm to 9 pm.

BALLADIERS

John F. RYAN, Historian

The Balladiers are privileged to headline "The Irishman's Chorale" and "Capri" - an International Finalist as we schedule our first "Afternoon of Harmony" on May 21, 2006. This program will be our 22nd Annual Harmony event to benefit The Epilepsy Foundation of The Chesapeake Region.

We are anticipating a large audience turn-out to help make the afternoon a great success. We are counting on former attendees to enjoy the daylight hours and add to swelling our crowd. Doors will open at 1 pm and show time will be 2 pm.

The Balladiers were part of The Post Everlasting program honoring our deceased members and will continue with the same respect on Memorial Day at the Cemetery on Taylor Avenue and the Memorial Monument between Harford and Old Harford Roads.

The Balladiers will entertain at the Kiwanis Club at St. Peters Lutheran Church, Overlea on May 8th. On June 26th, we will perform at the Morningside Assisted Living Home on 8800 Old Harford Road.

We welcome back past Chairmen, John Suter and Howard Rusk, also Henry King after recovering from medical absences. Great to have Dick Hefright return to the group.

The Balladiers offer condolences to the Balcerak family on a family loss. Also, those of us who knew Dick Ott were saddened to hear of his death at a young age. We extend sincere condolences to his family and friends.

Annual Afternoon (Night) of Harmony **Sunday, May 21, 2006**

Please plan to "attend, listen, and enjoy"

The Irishman's Chorale • Capri - An International Finalist
The Legion Balladiers of Post #183

The afternoon will benefit the Epilepsy
Foundation of the Chesapeake Region

Cabaret Seating with a Cash Bar Available
Donation at Door - \$5.00 for Epilepsy
Main Hall Doors Open at 1:00 pm • Showtime at 2:00 pm

S.A.L. NEWS

Larry FORD, Commander

I hope everybody had a good holiday! What are you doing on Saturday, May 13th? Make plans to attend the fifth annual SAL Comedy Night. There will be a Platter, Open Bar, and hours of laughter. The doors will open at 7:00 pm, dinner will be served at 7:15 pm until 8:15 pm, and the Comedy Show will start at 8:30 pm. Join us on the 13th from 7:00 pm until 11:30 pm, as we present "Big" Ben Kennedy with Emcee Brian McClure and featuring Matt Wilder & Clay Miles. We offer all of this for a modest sum of \$22.00. Tickets are selling quickly so contact me, Don Young, or Gene Nicholes. I hope to see you there.

Nominations for next year's Officers are:

Larry Ford - Commander

Ed Cox - 1st Vice Commander

Hank McQueeney - 2nd Vice Commander

Mike Read - 3rd Vice Commander

Don Young - Finance Officer

Bob Manzo - Sgt. At Arms

Bob Filippi - Historian

Jim Lolley - Judge Advocate

Elections will be held at our next meeting on Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:30 pm. Be sure to attend this meeting.

The North Central District Rally will be Saturday, June 3rd at Reisterstown Post #116. Let me know if you would like to attend.

The SAL Convention for the Detachment of Maryland is being held in Hagerstown from Friday, June 9th until Sunday, June 11th. Plan to attend. Call me for details.

We will hold a Flag Retirement Ceremony at the Post, before the Legion meeting on Wednesday, June 28th at 7:00 pm.

GOD BLESS YOU AND GOD BLESS AMERICA

Dates to Remember:

May 2 nd	SAL Meeting 7:30 pm
May 13 th	Comedy Night 7:00 pm-11:30 pm
May 30 th	Exec. Board Meeting 7:30 pm
June 3 rd	North Central District Rally
June 6 th	SAL Meeting 7:30 pm
June 9 th -11 th	Detachment SAL Convention
June 27 th	Exec. Board Meeting 7:30 pm
June 28 th	Flag Retirement Ceremony 7:00 pm

SERVICE OFFICER

John KAUFMAN, Service Officer

Ray PELUSO, Chaplain

SICK LIST

Al Claypoole	Ivy Home Rehap Center
Paul Walega	Home
Bill Carlile	Home
Helen Sutton	Franklin Sq. Hospital
Bob Wheeler	Home

POST EVERLASTING

James J. Casserly
Henry Fiorini
William H. Ford
Charles D. Marshall
Howard Murray
Francis J. Petersen
Allen L. Stickle
Gordon R. Thompson
Milton H. Willey
John Wilson
George W. Wolbert
Francis M. Wynn

MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE

Families of deceased Parkville American Post 183 Legion members desiring funeral home visits from the visitation team should have the Director of the funeral establishment contact, (1) the Service Officer, or (2) the Chaplain, or (3) the Commander. Family members may, if they wish, contact the Service Officer. If calls are not return within a four hour time frame, contact the Chaplain. The Commander, Service Officer, and Chaplain's Telephone number are listed in the Patter Parade.

Note, At least a twenty four hour notification should be given to the visitation team so they may make calls to our team members. Any Questions: contact the Service Officer.

As a courtesy to the families of our past members, we are sending them at least one issue of The Patter Parade after our member goes to Post Everlasting.

Note: Legion Families, when notifying the Post of the death of a Legion Member, please give the following information: Last Name, First Name, M. I. and any Suffix(Sr., Jr., etc.) and Address. This will allow us to process any paperwork in a timely manner.

Thanks, John Kaufman

AUXILIARY NEWS

Joan CASCIO, President

Dear Auxiliary,

It is hard to believe my second year as President is almost over. In June, we will have election of New Officers for the year 2006 - 2007. Our Nominating Committee is Cecelia DeGraves and Lucy Roeder. You can give them a call or they may call you. Please consider taking one of these positions.

Our Americanism program was very enjoyable. We had eight of the nine winners there to read their Essays. One was better than the other. They all did a great job. We did have two first place winners in the District. They are Chris Macon and Allison Riegger, both from Immaculate Heart of Mary School. In May, at the District Dinner, they will receive their awards. We hope they will also win a Dept. award. Good Luck to both of them. Thank You Donna Ches for all your hard work with this program.

In April, we had our Dept. Chairman Doris Reynolds speak to us on our Children & Youth program. Doris was very informative. Thank you Carole Manzo for inviting Doris to speak.

May will be our Poppy, Gold Star, and Memorial Program. Please come and support our Chairmen. This gives us a chance to remember our Veterans and our Deceased Members. It takes a lot of work to put these programs together.

Another reminder, our election will be at our June 8th meeting so come out and support your candidates.

The Post Carnival will be from June 12th to June 17th. The Children always have fun and the parents enjoy seeing old friends and neighbors.

Past Presidents are having their annual bus trip to Fisherman's Inn and Midway on June 22, 2006 from 10:30 am to 9:00 pm Give Alice Bell a contact for more information.

We still need members to pay their 2006 dues. We need around 57 more to make our goal. If you know of someone who has not paid their dues, please have them do so soon. Our 2007 membership cards will be here before we know it.

In July, our meeting will be on the Fourth Thursday due

to the convention that will be from the July 10th through the 14th. Please mark your calendar.

Dates to Remember:

May 1 st	BRECC
May 3 rd	District Dinner
May 11 th	Junior Meeting at 6:00 pm Unit Meeting at 7:30 pm
May 22 nd	Rehab
May 23 rd	Bingo
June 1 st	District Meeting
June 5 th	BRECC
June 8 th	Junior Meeting at 6:00 pm Unit Meeting at 7:30 pm
June 27 th	Bingo

SPECIAL NOTICE TO AUX MEMBERS

Please contact Oneda Donato, Chmn., if you wish to continue receiving *The Patter Parade*. This will be your last issue.

BINGO - BINGO - BINGO

Come and enjoy the fun! Sit and relax, play BINGO, and have a nice lunch. Doors open at 10:00 am and \$5.00 covers your lunch and one card. Additional games and cards are extra. Bingo will be held on May 23, 2006 & June 27, 2006.

Bingo Gift Certificates are available for any denomination.

For information, contact Kathy Mooney.

Gold Star

A Gold Star Member is any Auxiliary member who is a mother, sister, wife, or daughter who had a son, brother, husband, or father who perished during a wartime period as declared by Congress.

If you are one of these ladies (or know of one), then you/they may be eligible to be a member of our Unit's Gold Star Program.

Please contact Lois Kaufman, for further information.

POST ACTIVITIES

Bob MONGAN, Chmn.
Joe POLLIZZI, Ass't.

CHICKEN NIGHT

Wed., May 17, 2006
\$7.00/adult - \$4.00/child

Tickets for Chicken Night go on sale
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Service 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Reminder: No Ham & Oyster,
Chicken, or Fresh Ham Nights from
June thru August

Come into the Lounge
- for Dinner (Thurs. thru Sat.)
Specials each night!
Expanded Menu

- for Lunch (Tues. thru Sat.)
Soup & Specials (Sun. and Mon.)
will be posted in the Lounge Lobby.
Sorry, no carry-outs.

END OF MONTH DANCES

May 27th - Straight Ahead

June 24th - The Continentals

Costs: \$15.00 per person

For tickets:
End of Month Dances
Contact Jack Madden

Sunday May 28th
Sunday June 25th



It's KARAOKE time in the Lounge
with Linda Bishop
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Come & have a great time!
Lite fare and beverages
will be available.

**Mother's Day
Specials**

Sunday, May 14, 2006
2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

DINNER SPECIALS *
12 oz New York Strip Steak
two - 4 oz. Crab Cakes
Flounder Francais

* Includes 1 veg., baked potato,
salad, dessert, and coffee / tea
\$15.00

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S MENU *
Chicken Tenders
Shrimp Basket
Hot Beef

* includes French Fries & dessert
\$7.00
(must be under 12)

Reservations are suggested

**Father's Day
Special**

Sunday, June 18, 2006
2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

DINNER SPECIALS *
Soft Crab Platter
Stuffed Shrimp
12 oz. New York Strip Steak
1 lb. Steamed Shrimp

* Includes 1 veg., baked potato,
salad, dessert, and coffee / tea
\$15.00

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S MENU *
Chicken Tenders
Shrimp Basket
Hot Beef

* includes French Fries & dessert
\$7.00
(must be under 12)

Reservations are suggested

Post 183 Picnic on
May 28th - Canceled

Post & Lounge Closed on
May 29, 2006

Coming Affairs for
JULY & AUGUST

End of Month Dances

“Hawaiian LUAU”

July 29th Key Revue

Regular Dance

August 26th Mixed Company

For tickets to:
End of Month Dances
Contact Jack Madden

SPRING RAFFLE

Watch the mail closely at the end of
April. We will be sending you your 2006
Spring Raffle Tickets. The Drawings will
be held on June 17th, the last night of the
Carnival.

Please return the stubs with your check
as soon as possible.

You could be the BIG Winner!

Bill Soutar, Chairman

Everyone is encouraged to fly their
American Flag from
May 29, 2006 until
July 4, 2006
to honor our Armed Forces.

Veterans Advisory Group

Mike Mooney, Chairman

Congressman Dutch Ruppersberger and his Veterans Advisory Group will hold a Town Hall meeting at the Parkville American Legion Post 183 on Monday May 8th. The meeting will run from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm.

Speakers will be from various Veterans agencies including Dennis Smith, Director of VA Health Services in Maryland and Congressman Ruppersberger and others. After presentations by the speakers, there will be a Question and Answer session.

This is your chance to ask the questions you have been wanting to ask but have not had the opportunity to do so. Let's see if we can have a good turn out for this event.

HISTORY LIVES

The History Committee of the Greater Parkville Community Council needs your personal recollections of treasured memories, family histories, documents, and photographs of this area.

Through your memories and photos, the committee seeks to compile a historic legacy and make a documentary tape and a written publication. The work necessary to accomplish these goals is already underway.

Please contact:

Joyce Trageser
History Committee Chairperson
9603 Alda Drive
Parkville, MD 21234
jtrageser@mdsci.org

INSTALLATION TICKETS

Paul NOLDER, Adjutant

Requests for tickets to the Joint Installation of Officers, scheduled for August 5th, will be accepted beginning after the close of the Post meeting (June 28, 2006). Cost of the tickets will be \$10. Each member of the Post, Auxiliary, and the SAL (who voted) is entitled to two tickets. Ticket distribution will be done from the list of requests given to the Adjutant.

Honorary Life Membership Club

Mike MOONEY
(410)668-4724

The Honorary Life Membership Club will meet on May 31st at 7:30 pm. We will be planning the next Chicken Pluckers Feast for Sunday, August 6, 2006. In order to make this a success, we will need all of our Club Members assistance. More news to follow.

New / Transferred Members

Sheldon Askin
John L. Bennett, Jr.
Parhael F. Cilento
James L. Dudley
Walter L. Dunsmore
James A. Frederick
Joney A. Jackett, Jr.
Daniel W. Licht
Charles A. Lyon
Larry W. MacNeal
Todd McGraw
Elon C. Monnin
Martin V. Pyle
William G. Reisz
Ronald E. Saunders
Gordon Sluss
Joseph Smith

New 17

Philip G. Brand
Raymond Tartal

Transferred 2

Welcome to Post 183. We are looking forward to your visits and participation in Post Activities.

Membership Committee

CONGRATULATIONS

The below members of Parkville Post #183 have been in the American Legion continuously for over:

50 Years Service

Willard C. Beauchamp
Allen R. Kirkpatrick
Edward Lewis
John V. Marchsteiner
Albert B. Seward
Fred P. Townsend

Count 6

60 Years Service

Harry B. Franz, Jr.
John J. Gloss
George P. Korb
John Lazzaro, Jr.
William H. Mayer, Jr.
Marvin R. Southcomb

Count 6

These Legionnaires, in good standing, will be recognized for their dedicated service and support of the principles of The American Legion in a ceremony during our regular Post Meeting of May 10, 2006.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Hank McQUEENEY, Chmn.
Bill CARLILE, Ass't.

The Nominating Committee will be accepting candidates for the Officer, Executive Committee, and Delegate positions for Legion Year 2006 - 2007 on the following dates:

Sat.,	April 29 th	1 pm - 4 pm
Mon.,	May 1 st	7 pm - 9 pm
Tues.,	May 2 nd	“ ”
Wed.,	May 3 rd	“ ”
Thurs.,	May 4 th	“ ”
Fri.,	May 5 th	“ ”
Mon.,	May 8 th	“ ”
Tues.,	May 9 th	“ ”

Nominations will close at the Post Meeting of May 10th, including delegates to the 2006 Department Convention. Post Elections will be held on Saturday, June 3rd from 11:00 am until 5:00 pm.

Candidates running for Office/Delegate require a current Membership card.

Candidates for First Vice Commander

Joe Cascio

Post 183 Member for 30 Years

Honorary Life Member

Carnival Committee Chairman

Honor Guard Patriots

Meeting Night Kitchen Committee

Member of the Dept. Executive Committee (White Hat)

Past Post 183 Commander

Wife Joan 183 Auxiliary President

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

George GROSSNICKLE,
Chmn.

Post members, who will be out-of state and wish to vote by absentee ballot in the June 3rd Election of Officers, must submit a written request for such ballots at the earliest date to:

Parkville American Legion Post 183
(Attn.: George Grossnickle, Chmn.)
2301 Putty Hill Avenue
Parkville, MD 21234-3943

Be sure to include:

- (1) reason for the request
- (2) Current A. L. Card No.
- (3) Complete name, address, & Telephone no.
- (4) signature

Ballots will be forwarded as soon as they are available.

Absentee ballots will be available in the Lounge from May 13th thru May 26th. Times will be noted on the Bulletin Board.

Bob Lantz

I've been 2nd Vice Commander for the past 2 years, on the Visitation team, and a Legionnaire for over 20 years. I enjoy working for Parkville and will keep working for the Post as your 1st Vice Commander. Thank you for your support for the next 2 years as your 1st Vice Commander.

Editor's Note: Candidates voluntarily submitted their statements. By press time, nominations had not been closed, and more candidates may be running for office. - jjc

Candidate for Commander

Fred Rock

Hello, my name is Fred Rock and I am running for the office of Post Commander. I have been an active member of this great Post for over 22 years and have been part of either the Home Committee or Executive Committee for almost as long.

I have worked actively on many committees over the years and assisted on others wherever possible. I have held offices as Executive Committeeman, Assistant Adjutant, 2nd Vice Commander, and most recently 1st Vice Commander. I am also an Honorary Life Member and a member of the Patriots.

Over the years I have had the pleasure to work along side many great Past Commanders and have learned a lot about the workings of the Post. Those that know me know how dedicated I am to the Post as a whole.

If elected, I look forward to serving not only the SAL and Auxiliary but also each of you. Thank you in advance for your consideration.



Special Notice:

Boy Scout Chairman, Ed Huneke, has received his Recognition Certificate, Lapel Pin, and Gold Membership Card for 50 continuous year's service in the Boy Scouts of America. Congratulations Ed.

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POST
ELECTIONS
June 3, 2006
11:00 am to 5:00 pm

Come out!

Vote for the Candidate of your choice for the Offices of Commander, 1st & 2nd Vice Commanders, Historian, Finance Officer, Chaplain, Service Officer, Sergeant at Arms, and three Post Executive Committee Members.



POST CARNIVAL
June 12, 2006 to June 17, 2006
Starting at 6 pm

Rides, games, food
Good time to be had by all

Family Nights
Monday thru Friday
(\$2.00 off coupons are available)