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Post Home of Jack Milburn, Past Dept. Cmdr. and Nat. Exec. Comm. and Mike Mooney, Dept. 2nd Vice Cmdr.

POST COMMANDER

John KAUFMAN

Greetings to all American Legion Post 183 members and our other family members, the Auxiliary Unit and the Sons of The American Legion Squadron. I don't know what happened to spring, but by the time you read this article we will be heading towards summer. Yes, another Legion Year is closing down and numerous activities have taken place since the last issue of The Patter Parade. For example, the St. Patrick's Day dance was a success and it was quickly followed up by a huge turn out for our annual traditional St. Pat's party. It quickly sold out, so next year come out early and have fun. Many thanks to all the volunteers that have made all of our social functions a pleasant outing to attend.

Plan to attend our Mother's Day Buffet breakfast on May 10th, time is from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. May 16th is Armed Forces day, another reason to take pride in being a Veteran. Join us at Frank's Preakness Party at the Post the same day. In addition, our annual Memorial Day Service is scheduled for Monday, May 25th at 9:00 am at Moreland Cemetery. Bring the grandchildren so they may observe a long standing tradition of the Post as we honor our fallen members. Refreshments will be served at the Post afterwards.

Membership Chairman Hank McQueeney reports we now have 2775 members.

Reporting for The Balladiers, we are sorry to note the death of Past Balladier Chairman, Richard Hefright. Dick was a Pearl Harbor Survivor. Condolences also go out to the families of Rita Trageser and Marge Seim. In addition, Richard Dix is in Manor Care Nursing Center. Thanks to The Balladiers for performing at our Open Meeting of March 25th, Post Everlasting and the upcoming Memorial Day Services.

At our May 13th meeting, we will hold Nominations of Officers for the 2009-2010 legion year. If you plan to run for office you must attend this meeting or have a Letter of Intent on file with the Post if you are unable to make this meeting. Elections will be held on June 6th. Come out and vote.

Proceeds from our Carnival (June 15th - 20th) and Carnival Raffle will go to our Scholarship Fund. Tickets and return envelopes will be mailed out shortly. Please support this worthy cause. Additional tickets are available by calling or visiting the Post. Remember this is your Post, please support it.

"Pay Down the Debt", needs some jump starting, returns are slow coming in. Thanks to all who have participated this year.

In closing, always remember our troops, those overseas and here in their own country. Keep them in your prayers and may God Bless them, you and your family, the Legion and the U.S.A.

VETERANS REHAB

Thomas SHUSTER, Chmn.

I am in the process of preparing our Perry Point cookout in June. The date and time will be announced at the Post Meetings.

Our future visits will be:

May 14 th	Loch Raven VA
May 18 th	MD Rehab
June 11 th	Loch Raven VA

We are visiting the MD Rehab one week early due to the Memorial Day Holiday and it will be our last visit there until September. Leave the Post for VA a 6:00 pm and for MD at 7:00 pm.

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S.A.L. NEWS

Bob SPENCER, Commander

Hello Fellow SAL Members, I hope this finds you and your families well and that you all had a blessed Easter. Remember, any illness or prayer requests should be forwarded to your Chaplain, Jim Kearney (410 426-4523).

Election of officers for next year is at our May 5th meeting. Please attend and support your SAL. Remember that membership is crucial to our Squadron in order to support our charities. Anyone who has not renewed for this year, it is not too late. We are so close to becoming 3 Star.

It may seem early but it is not too soon to start thinking about our Fall Bull and Oyster Roast Fundraiser. This gives you plenty of time to get a table reserved.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our meetings. Don't just write a check, get involved.

As always, may God bless out Post family, our troops, America and you

Dates to Remember:

May 5 th	SAL Meeting and Elections
May 9 th	NCD Bike Ride
May 26 th	SAL Executive Board Meeting
June 2 nd	SAL General Meeting
June 6 th	NCD District Rally at Havre de Grace
June 14 th	Flag Disposal Ceremony at 2:00 pm (volunteers needed)
June 26 th -28 th	SAL Convention
June 30 th	SAL Executive Board Meeting

AUXILIARY NEWS

Carole MANZO, President

Greetings, Hope everyone is doing well. With the weather getting nice it sure would be great to see more of you at the meetings. The May meeting will be a time to remember honoring those who have gone to meet their maker this past year and honoring Gold Star members who's family member paid the ultimate sacrifice. Please come out to take part in this very important program.

June is our election and we are looking for a President and Historian, all other offices have been filled. Thank you to those members who are so willing to give their time to our Auxiliary. I would like to say thank you for the honor of being your President this past year.

A big THANK YOU goes out to all my officers and chairmen for all their hard work. I am very proud of all of you! Congratulations to Oneda Donato and all the Past Presidents for a very successful Big Band Dance. Thank you to the all other members who also helped with the dance. Thank you again!

Dates to Remember:

May 4 th	BRECC
May 7 th	NCD District Dinner
May 14 th	Auxiliary Meeting
May 18 th	MD Rehab
May 26 th	Bingo
June 1 st	BRECC
June 4 th	NCD Meeting
June 11 th	Auxiliary Meeting
June 23 rd	Bingo

SERVICE OFFICER Frank DONATO

POST EVERLASTING

Joseph M. Ayres	John A. Frank	*P/C Thomas H. Keyes	*Joseph R. Rachuba
John W. Bechtold	Richard W. Hefright	George S. Lopez	Harold E. Smith
*William F. Cogburn	Milton R. Jones	Kenneth R. Maag	Jacque L. Wills
Charles J. Croghan			

MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE

* Deceased Honorary Life Member

Note: Mr. John Mitcherling was incorrectly listed as deceased in the last issue of The Patten Parade. We regret this error.

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Candidates for Commander

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Hank McQueeney

My name is Henry McQueeney, though many of you know me as Hank. It is my desire to run for Commander of Parkville Post 183 in the upcoming election. I have been a member of this Post for 31 years.

My qualifications, as I see them are: I am presently serving as the First Vice Commander, and previously as Historian, Chaplain (twice), and Third Vice Commander (when we used to have one). I have also served on the Membership Committee for 30 years, a faithful member of the Visitation Committee, and the Life Membership committee. The best thing though, in my mind, is I am privileged to be an Honorary Life Member of this great Post.

As you are aware, our Post has been suffering for the past couple of years. I do not claim to have all of the answers but I do have some ideas, and with the assistance of the incoming Executive Committee, hopefully we can get this Post back to its position of prominence. As I said, I do not have all of the answers, but I am willing to listen.

LEAD with constructive criticism; FOLLOW through on workable suggestions OR GET OUT OF THE WAY. It definitely will not be easy, but climb aboard it's gonna be a helluva ride.

Verizon Velocity Fundraiser

Mission: Raise funds to support the Post's veterans, children and youth, and our local community.

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This is available to all of your family and friends in MD, DC, VA, and WV. Their orders will help us too!

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Candidates for Various Offices

For 1st Vice Commander

To Be Announced

For 2nd Vice Commander

To Be Announced

For Finance Officer

To Be Announced

For Historian

Robert Filippi

For Chaplain

John Ryan

For Service Officer

Frank Donato

For Sergeant-at-Arms

John (Al) Derrenberger

For Post Executive Committee

Leo King

To Be Announced

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

Flea Markets

Vendors Wanted For Flea Markets

Which Will be Held on our Parking Lot
at 2301 Putty Hill Avenue
Between Old Harford Rd. and Perring Parkway

May 23rd, June 27th, & Aug. 22nd
(Rain Dates are the following Sundays)
9:00 am until 3:00 pm

\$10.00 a space (approx. 70 + spaces available)

Bring your own tables and chairs

Contact Bob Filippi for reservations.

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS Change

At a Post Meeting on March 11, 2009, the Membership voted to go to only one meeting a month. This changes:

BY-LAWS Article VIII MEETINGS Section 1. Change the first line to read:

The regular meetings of the Post shall be held at the Post Home on the second Wednesday of each month, ...

This will take effect in August, 2009

William Rochford, Chairman

New & Transferred Members

Patrick Cook Bonaventure J. Mack
Patrick Price

New 3

Morey Berg William H. Crow
Robert Deal Todd Ostheller
Michael D. Singer Charles W. Stickles

Transferred 6

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

Membership Committee

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Al DERRENERGER, Chmn.

The Nominating Committee will be accepting candidates for the June 6th Post elections for the Offices of Commander, 1st, & 2nd Vice Commanders, Historian, Finance Officer, Chaplain, Service Officer, Sergeant at Arms, and three Post Executive Committee Members as well as Delegates to the Department Convention. Nominating slips will available in the Post Lounge at the following dates and times:

Sat.,	May, 2 rd	1 pm - 4 pm
Tues.,	May 5 th	7 pm - 9 pm
Wed.,	May 6 th	“ ”
Thurs.,	May 7 th	“ ”
Fri.,	May 8 th	“ ”

Nominations will close at the meeting of May 13th.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

George GROSSNICKLE, Chmn

If we have an Election on June 6th, Post members who will be out-of state and wish to vote by absentee ballot, must submit a written request for such ballots at the earliest date to:

Parkville American Legion Post 183
(Attn.: George Grossnickle, Chairman)
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 4th thru May 16th. Times will be noted on the Bulletin Board.

SUPER 1000 RAFFLE

Bill Bevans, Chairman

For the February, 2009 Super 1000 Raffle drawings at the Post, the winning number was 023 and there were eight (8) satellite winners for a total of \$1,300. The Paid-In-Full number was 029 and paid \$500. For the March, 2009 Super 1000 Raffle drawings at the Post, the winning number was 424 and there were nine (9) satellite winners for a total of \$1400. The Paid-In-Full number was 120 and paid \$500.

All winning tickets were paid up-to-date or in-full and we hope to award all of the prizes during the coming months for each eligible number. So keep the payments on your ticket(s) current and/or purchase a new ticket for \$90.

Note: Bill Bevans is currently recuperating from back surgery and will be laid up for several weeks. In the interim, please contact:

Jerry Coleman for assistance.


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

Fri. & Sat. 5/01 - 02 7:00 pm Lounge Band - J. J. & Friends
 Sun. - Mon. 5/03 - 04 Lounge Closed at 7:00 pm except where noted
 Tuesday 5/05 6:00 pm Membership Every Tuesday
 Tuesday 5/05 7:30 pm SAL Meeting
 Wednesday 5/06 4:30 pm Shrimp Night
 Wednesday 5/06 7:30 pm Balladiers meet on 1st & 3rd Wed.
 Thursday 5/07 7:30 pm Exec. Comm. Meeting
 Fri. & Sat. 5/08 - 09 7:00 pm Lounge Band - Straight Ahead
 Sunday 5/10 9:00 am Mother's Day Breakfast
 Tuesday 5/12 7:30 pm Sandblasters Golf Club
 Wednesday 5/13 7:30 pm Post Meeting (Nominations)
 Thursday 5/14 5:00 pm Spaghetti Night (Last one until Sept.)
 Thursday 5/14 6:00 pm Loch Raven VA
 Thursday 5/14 7:30 pm Unit Meeting
 Fri. & Sat. 5/15 - 16 7:00 pm Lounge Band - Norm & Carlos
 Saturday 5/16 Armed Forces Day - Post Open
 Monday 5/18 7:00 pm MD Rehab
 Wednesday 5/20 5:00 pm Chicken Night (Last one until Sept.)
 Thursday 5/21 7:30 pm Eagles Golf Club
 Fri. & Sat. 5/22 - 23 7:00 pm Lounge Band - Mixed Company
 Saturday 5/23 9:00 am Flea Market on Parking Lot
 Monday 5/25 Memorial Day - Service at Moreland Cemetery
 Tuesday 5/26 10:00 am AUX Lunch & BINGO starts 11 am
 Tuesday 5/26 7:30 pm SAL Exec. Comm. Meeting
 Wednesday 5/27 7:30 pm Post Meeting
 Fri. & Sat. 5/29 - 30 7:00 pm Lounge Band - Key Revue
 Saturday 5/30 7:00 pm EOM Dance - Mixed Company
 Sunday 5/31 5:00 pm Karaoke with Linda Bishop

JUNE

Monday 6/01 Lounge Closed at 7:00 pm
 Tuesday 6/02 6:00 pm Membership Every Tuesday
 Tuesday 6/02 7:30 pm SAL Meeting
 Wednesday 6/03 7:30 pm Balladiers meet on 1st & 3rd Wed.
 Thursday 6/04 7:30 pm Exec. Comm. Meeting
 Fri. & Sat. 6/05 - 06 7:00 pm Lounge Band - J. J. & Friends
 Saturday 6/06 D-Day - Post Open
 Saturday 6/06 11 am - 5 pm Post Elections
 Sun. - Mon. 6/07 - 08 Lounge Closed at 7:00 pm except where noted
 Tuesday 6/09 7:30 pm Sandblasters Golf Club
 Wednesday 6/10 7:30 pm Post Meeting
 Thursday 6/11 6:00 pm Loch Raven VA Hospital
 Thursday 6/11 7:30 pm Unit Meeting
 Fri. & Sat. 6/12 - 13 7:00 pm Lounge Band - Straight Ahead
 Sunday 6/14 Flag Day - Post Open
 Sunday 6/14 2:00 pm SAL Flag Disposal Ceremony
 Sunday 6/14 U. S. Army Birthday
 Mon. - Sat. 6/15 - 20 Post Carnival - 6 pm - ???
 Fri. - Sat. 6/19 - 20 No Lounge Music during Carnival
 Sunday 6/21 Summer Begins
 Tuesday 6/23 10:00 am AUX Lunch & BINGO starts 11 am
 Wednesday 6/24 7:30 pm Post Meeting
 Fri. & Sat. 6/26 - 27 7:00 pm Lounge Band - Mixed Company
 Saturday 6/27 9:00 am Flea Market on Parking Lot
 Saturday 6/27 7:00 pm EOM Dance - Straight Ahead
 Sunday 6/28 9:00 am Post Caucus
 Sunday 6/28 6:00 pm Karaoke with Linda Bishop
 Tuesday 6/30 7:30 pm SAL Executive Meeting



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POST ACTIVITIES

Bill FRAY, Chmn.

SHRIMP NIGHT

May 6, 2009

1 Lb. Steamed - \$9.00
Fried Shrimp Platter - \$9.00
Shrimp Soup - \$3.00
Desserts Available

SPAGHETTI NIGHT

May 14, 2009

Last one until September

\$6.00 / adult - \$3.00 / Child

CHICKEN NIGHT

May 20, 2009

Last one until September

\$7.00 / Adult - \$4.00 / Child

Tickets for Shrimp, Spaghetti and

Chicken Nights go on sale

4:30 pm until sold out

Service 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday, May 10, 2009

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Adults: \$8.00

Children under 10: \$5.00

Buffet

Bloody Marys and Mimosas
available at an additional cost

End of Month Dances

7 pm - 11 pm

Regular Dance

May 30th

"Mixed Company"

Open Bar Platter

\$15.00 per person

Regular Dance

June 27th

"Straight Ahead"

Open Bar Platter

\$15.00 per person

For tickets to: EOM Dance

Contact Leo King

Sunday May 31st
Sunday June 28th

It's KARAOKE time in the
Lounge with Linda Bishop

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Coming Affairs for JULY & AUGUST

End of Month Dances

July 25th

"LUAU"

"Key Revue"

August 29th

"Mixed Company"

Come into the Lounge
- for Dinner (Fri. And Sat.)
See Specials

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

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