



# The American Legion



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## Laurel Post 60 Newsletter

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April 2025



**Josie Lohman**  
**Commander, AL Post 60**



What a wonderful spring we have sprung into! It is really nice to have all that cold weather behind us and sit out on the deck enjoying the sunshine.

### NOMINATIONS

### ARE OPEN

We always have so much going on at Post 60 and this time of the year the most important item on the agenda is our election. It is hard to believe that it is only a little over six weeks away! The nomination forms have been available since March 1st and nominations will close on April 1st, until the General Assembly Meeting on April 17th. The forms were collected weekly by David Privott, chairman of the Committee, and Chris Davis or Ray Torres both members of the Nomination Committee. Any forms that were received that were not signed by both the nominee and the nominator were disqualified by the Nomination Committee. Nominations may be made from the floor on April 17th, but the nominees must be present and must be approved by the General Membership before being placed on the ballot. The election will take place on May 15th between 3:00-7:00 pm. All voting is closed at 7 pm and the election will be a part of the General Assembly meeting on that same night. We are expecting our Post to have a very busy year. As an officer you will have the opportunity to take part in the planning of the activities for the new Legion Year, plus you will show your support for Post 60 and the American Legion.

Our Color Guard has been busy fundraising for their competition at the 106<sup>th</sup> National American Legion Convention in Tampa Bay. We are very proud of our color guard and wish them the best. As of this writing they are the only Color Guard from Maryland competing. If you see any of them, please take a few minutes to speak to them about it, they would love to know that you support their efforts.

It's also time to be thinking about our Department of Maryland Convention. Once again it will be held in Ocean City on July 14th through the 18th. Please consider attending by being part of the festivities, comradeship and awards, whether you are a Legionnaire, SAL, Auxiliary or ALR member everyone is encouraged to attend.

If you have not been in Allen Hall lately, be sure to stop in and check it out! Our ALA paid for the painting of the entire hall. It looks fabulous and bright. Thank you, ALA Unit 60!

You might want to check out the calendar and flyers for all the events coming up this month. One particularly popular event is the Oyster Bowl. Don't miss your chance to get tickets, they are \$50.00 per person. The flyer in this newsletter has more information about this event, and there is also one for the Children's Easter party on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Lots of fun stuff happening at Post 60!



**Lee Luby**  
**1st Vice Commander**



April and only two months remain to reach 100% membership for the Legionnaires. We are now at 90%, which leaves 70 members needed to reach our goal for the year. If you have not paid your dues please do, so that we can put a 2025 100% flag in our lounge. Let's not miss our goal this year. If we do, it will be a first!!!!



**Post 60 Entertainment  
Tim Thomas  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander**



Hello Post 60, spring is upon us! I hope everyone has a great Easter with their family and friends. If you don't happen to have anything planned on April 13th, the Post will be having an Easter Party from 1-3pm. This event will be open to the public, and lunch is just \$2.00 for the adults. I'm really looking forward to seeing the Easter egg hunt, let's just hope the weather holds out so we don't have to disappoint anyone.

The first Superbowl Pool sold out quickly, squares for the second pool are now being sold! To purchase squares on the second pool, you **MUST BE PAID IN FULL** for all squares you have on the first one.

I would personally like to thank everyone who took time out of their day on March 23rd and helped with our Post Cleanup Day. It was so nice of you to give up your Sunday morning to help us out. Everything looks great! The success of Post 60 is all because of all our volunteers, thank you to everyone that finds time out of their busy schedules to help when it is needed.

I hope everyone has a great Spring Break! For those traveling please be safe and always be aware of your surroundings. Come back home to us safe and sound.

**Here are some of the great bands coming to Post 60 in April:**

- Friday, April 4, 2025 DJ Butch**
- Saturday, April 5, 2025 InToneNation**
- Friday, April 11, 2025 Groove Quest**
- Saturday, April 12, 2025 Wild Grey Hairz**
- Friday, April 18, 2025 Gary Brown**
- Saturday, April 19, 2025 Doug Lester Band**
- Friday, April 25, 2025 DJ Butch**
- Saturday, April 26, 2025 Greater Image**



**Post 60  
Color Guard  
John Musgrove**



Post 60's Color Guard wrapped up their **Lots of Loot** fundraiser, with the pull-tab game garnering tremendous support from the Friday night bingo crowd. A total of \$5,700 in cash was awarded throughout the seven-week event. Our two big \$500 final prize winners were Joanne Jess (below left) and Josie Lohman (below right).

The money raised goes towards supporting Post 60 Color Guard's trip to compete in the American Legion National Convention in Tampa, Florida in August.

The Color Guard, thanks everyone who helped support this project.





**Auxiliary Unit 60**  
**Nancy Slavinski**  
**ALA President**



*April Showers Bring May Flowers*



*Homeowners are sprucing up their landscapes, children are enjoying the outdoors as Spring break is happening in various school districts, and walkers are out walking! Mother Nature has turned the page, and it is so welcomed.*

**Craft Corner:** If you have a specialty craft to share with others, ALA would like to hear from you.

**50/50 on Fridays** – we are still in need of volunteers to sell the tickets each Friday. There is a sign-up sheet in the Lounge so please help if you have time to do so.

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:** We are off and running for 2025 memberships. As of March 10th, we were at 94% membership – please renew at your earliest convenience.

1. <https://www.legion-aux.org/Renew> -or-
2. (317) 569-4570. The hours to call are Monday-Friday, 8AM-4:30PM EST

Questions? [carlymon4@gmail.com](mailto:carlymon4@gmail.com)

**Track It Forward:** Please remember to enter your hours. It is important for all Legion units to record hours to support National. We emphasize the importance at our monthly meetings.

Give 10 to Education program for 2024-2025 will benefit Backpacks of Love. We will also continue to support LARS so please consider donating dry or canned goods...container in the Lounge.

**The St. Patrick's Day Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 16,** was successful with 34 attendees enjoying a variety of offerings. Thanks to all in attendance for your support of ALA Unit 60.

**March Raffle Basket of Cheer** winner was Danny Jeffers. Congrats!

**Upcoming Events:**

**ALA will have a raffle basket at the Legion's Coach Purse Bingo on Sunday, April 6th.** So, for those attending the event, please project, at the Spring basket and support us. Tickets will be 1 for \$1 and 6 for \$5.

**Children's Easter Party** will be Sunday, April 13th. If you are interested in helping with this event, please let Denise Person know as she'll need help with decorating, setup/clean up, crafts and more for the children.

**Fall Craft Show** will be Saturday, September 13 – for more information or if you know of vendors who may be interested, please contact ALA President Nancy Slavinski at, [craftshowunit60@gmail.com](mailto:craftshowunit60@gmail.com).

**Crab Feast:** This year's event will be held on Saturday, October 18th, so mark your calendars. Joe Lohman will handle ticket purchases through Eventbrite or directly with cash (no checks, Zelle, Venmo or Paypal). We are pondering adding a Cake Wheel and will also have a 'crab basket' to raffle off. More details as we get closer to the event.

**The Allen Hall renovation project has been completed. The walls were painted and the hall looks brighter and refreshed! A lot of effort went into this project, so please drop by and take a look!**

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[secretaryunit60@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryunit60@gmail.com)

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice – Carolyn Monko's** [carlymon4@gmail.com](mailto:carlymon4@gmail.com)

**AMERICAN  
 LEGION  
 AUXILIARY**



## Squadron 60 Martin Caslow Adjutant



### The Honor of Dual Membership

Unique among our Post membership are dual members. Dual members are those who served our country and are part of a legacy of doing so. They have a family history of service through their father, mother, grandfather, uncle, etc. The American Legion states that “they are quite often an important link between the SAL and the American Legion Post...”

Being a member of the SAL is about honoring those that have served. Being a dual member is about giving a nod to those in your family that served before you. If you have this legacy of service in your family and do not belong to the SAL, please consider joining. We acknowledge all dual members at every SAL meeting. The fee for this honor is only \$10/year.

Often seen on the deck with the cigar society and other unofficial deck committee members, Bill Baker is usually called upon to settle factual disputes. When Bill is around, there is no real need to do a search on your phone.

Bill is a newly minted member of the SAL and is now a revered dual member here at Post 60. Having served from 1982 to 1988 in the Army National Guard and then the Air Force, Bill is also a 1982 graduate from the University of Pittsburgh Johnstown with a degree in chemistry. Bill's eligibility for the SAL comes from his father.

Staff Sgt Ronald E. Baker served in World War II as a turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber, flying 30 missions and 47 sorties over the European theater. Bill still has his father's flight jacket and his personal log of missions which starts in August of 1944 and concludes in April of 1945; listing bombing missions over Italy, France, Germany, Austria, Romania and many more. He was part of the great Class of 46.



Bill did his basic training and most of his service at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, TX. He finished with the rank of Staff Sgt. in 1988. After his service he returned home to Pittsburgh but soon answered an ad for work here in the Baltimore/Washington area. Clean Harbors offered him a job similar to his Air Force training and duties. It has kept Bill here locally for the last thirty-seven years, managing the disposal of hazardous waste.

Besides his collection of baseball cards, estimated to be around 50,000, Bill enjoys the camaraderie of Post 60.



So, have you met Bill Baker?





**AL Riders**  
**Lenny Francioni**  
**Director**



Now that spring is in full swing, it is time to dust off them motorcycles, and ride like the wind!

We have had a great winter season cooking for the Queen's Kitchen and Plaque capturing, thank you to all who have helped make it a great winter. At one point in the day, we had five wonderful plaques graciously displayed on our Post fireplace mantle. Thank you to the post for allowing us to display them.



Plaques collected during ALR 60's March Booty Run

April 5 will be our Bike Blessing at 1100 in the parking lot of Post 60. All are welcome, so please come out and support us.

I want to thank the riders who came out to help support the post cleanup on March 23, I know the help was appreciated.

I look forward to riding with you all throughout this Spring, Summer, and Fall.



**Saturday, April 5,**  
**2025. 11:00 AM, AL**  
**Post 60 parking lot.**  
**2 Main St. Laurel**

## Blessing of the Bikes

Open to all Riders and vehicles. Complimentary coffee and donuts will be served.

## AMERICAN LEGION EASTER PARTY



**Sunday, April 13**

**1 – 3 pm**

*Open to the Public*

*Loads of games and a free lunch ...*

*Hot Dogs, Chips, Drink*

*for the first 100 children*

**Parent Lunch \$2.00**



**American Legion Post 60**  
**2 Main Street, Laurel, MD 20707**



# April 2025



**Winey Wednesday**  
Every WEDNESDAY  
4 pm - Closing

## The American Legion Laurel Post 60

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Happy Hour</b> Monday - Friday 4 to 7 PM		1	2 Game Night 6 PM Bar Bingo & Pull Tabs	3 SAL Meeting 7 pm	4 <b>DJ Butch</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 C&Y)	5 Blessing of the Bikes 11:00 am <b>InToneNation</b> 7:30 pm
6 <b>COACH PURSE BINGO</b> Doors open at 12:00 pm Games start at 2:00 pm	7	8	9 Game Night 6 PM Bar Bingo & Pull Tabs ALR Meeting 7 pm	10 Exec. Committee Meeting	11 <b>Groove Quest</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 SAL)	12 SOAD OYSTER BOWL 5 - 8 pm ***Tickets Required*** <b>Wild Grey Hairz</b> 7:30 pm
13 <b>KID'S EASTER PARTY</b> 1:00-3:00 PM	14 ALA Member's Meeting 7 pm	15	16 Game Night 6 PM Bar Bingo & Pull Tabs	17 General Assembly Meeting 7 pm	18 <b>Gary Brown</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 ALR)	19 <b>Doug Lester Band</b> 7:30 pm
20 <b>HAPPY EASTER</b>	21	22	23 Game Night 6 PM Bar Bingo & Pull Tabs	24	25 <b>DJ Butch</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 ALA)	26 <b>Greater Image</b> 7:30 pm
27	28 <b>BLOOD DRIVE</b> 1:30-6:30 pm Allen Hall	29	30 Game Night 6 PM Bar Bingo & Pull Tabs	<b>Post 60 Kitchen</b> Every Friday 5:30 to 9 PM  Featuring <b>P&amp;G Catering</b>		
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4	5	6	7 <b>Winey Wednesday 4 pm</b> ALA Game Night 6 PM	8 Exec. Committee Meeting 7 pm	9 <b>Lost and Found</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 SAL)	10 <b>Honky Tonk Casanovas</b> 7:30 pm
11	12 ALA Member's Meeting 7pm	13	14 <b>Winey Wednesday 4 pm</b> ALA Game Night 6 PM ALR Meeting 7pm	15 General Assembly Elections/Meeting 7 pm	16 <b>Acoustic Cafe</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 ALR)	17 <b>Flag Placement Ceremonies</b> 11:00 am Sandra Dean Band 7:30 pm
18	19	20	21 <b>Winey Wednesday 4 pm</b> ALA Game Night 6 PM	22	23 <b>Joint Venture</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 ALA)	24 <b>The Greydog Band</b> 7:30 pm
25 <b>Memorial Day Ceremonies</b> @ Ivy Hill Cemetery 10:00 & 11:00am	26 <b>Veterans Day</b> Post Opens 12 Noon 	27	28 <b>Winey Wednesday 4 pm</b> ALA Game Night 6 PM	29	30 <b>DJ Butch</b> 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 Bingo)	31 <b>Gary &amp; the Groove</b> 7:30 pm
<b>Memorial Day Picnic</b> 1-3 pm w/DJ Butch		<b>Post 60 Kitchen is Open</b> Every Friday 5:30 to 9PM Featuring <b>P&amp;G Catering</b>				

**Bingo Night**  
 AMERICAN LEGION LAUREL POST 60  
 EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT  
 DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM  
 BINGO STARTS AT 7:30  
 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!  
 301-725-2302

23 GAMES - All Cash Prizes Guaranteed  
 Bingo Ball Games \$400 and UP  
 Early Bird Ball Games \$180 - \$350  
 Fun for the Whole Family...  
 Food & Snacks Available for Purchase  
 Like us on Facebook - American Legion Post 60 Friday Night Bingo

**P & G CATERING**

**MENU**

FRIDAYS APRIL 4TH, 11TH, 18TH & 25TH

**APPETIZERS**

- Stuffed Jalapeños \$6
- Fresh Chicken Wings \$12
- Fried Flautas \$6
- Bacon Wrapped Shrimp \$6
- Fries \$4
- Loaded Fries \$7
- Loaded Nachos \$10



**ENTRÉES**

- Philly Cheese Steak \$12
- Quesadillas \$9
- Chicken Salad Sub \$12
- Grilled Salmon \$14
- Cheeseburger \$12
- Bone-In Pork Chop \$15
- Chicken Thighs \$15

**BEVERAGES**

- Canned Soda & Water \$1
- Fresh squeezed Juice \$2.50
- Fresh Brewed Coffee \$2

**FAMILY FAVORITES**

- New weekly dinner special \$15
- Side salad of the week. \$5

[cateringyesplease.com](http://cateringyesplease.com)



**Renew Your 2025 ALA Membership**

If renewing through NATIONAL  
 Call (317) 569-4570  
 Visa or MC accepted.

To print your membership card go to  
[www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org)

For additional information contact:  
[ALAPresidentunit60@gmail.com](mailto:ALAPresidentunit60@gmail.com)  
 or  
[Membershipunit60@gmail.com](mailto:Membershipunit60@gmail.com)

Please note: Dual members must pay through Unit 60 Auxiliary



The need is constant.  
 The gratification is instant.  
 Give blood.



**The American Legion**

**Post 60**

**Allen Hall**

**28 APRIL 2025**

**1:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

To sign up:

<http://redcrossblood.org>  
 in the site block, enter Laurel Post 60

If you need assistance getting signed up,  
 Contact Dave Tyson  
 Email: [dctyson214@gmail.com](mailto:dctyson214@gmail.com)  
 Cell: (410) 491-5028

# REMEMBER THOSE LOST HONOR THOSE WHO FOUGHT



## Remember and Honor

In commemoration of

### Memorial Day

Honoring the men & women who gave their lives in service

Sunday May 25, 2025

Ivy Hill Cemetery, 1201 Sandy Spring Road

10 AM at the American Legion Monument  
*and*

11 AM at the Fire Department Monument

Saturday May 17, 2025 at 11 AM

Remembering the men & women who gave their lives in service, flags will be placed on Veterans graves at Ivy Hill & Saint Mary's Cemeteries.

Open to all Legion Members. Meet at the Legion Memorial located inside the cemetery.

## Memorial Day Picnic

For All Post Home Members & Their Guests (guests must be signed in)

Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>  
1 to 3PM

Please sign-up by  
Friday, May 23

(head count needed for the burgers & dogs)

A \$5 donation or a Covered Dish, Dessert or Snack to share is requested

Please join us as we honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military, and celebrate the start of summer with DJ Butch!

## CALL FOR VENDORS

### American Legion Post 60

Indoor Fall Craft Fair 10-3pm

Saturday, Sept. 13, 2025



\$40.00 per table  
Sorry, no online  
Payments will be  
accepted

2 Main St. Laurel

301-725-2302

For more info contact  
Nancy Slavinski  
craftshowunit60@gmail.com



## Other Notes/Dates Of Interest

- If you wish to submit articles and pictures for the newsletter, please submit them to the editor at: [oxonhillbilly@comcast.net](mailto:oxonhillbilly@comcast.net). Articles and pictures must be about the Legion Family, veterans or the community Post 60 supports. **All information must be received by the deadline of 8:00 AM, 22<sup>nd</sup> of the month to make it into the current newsletter. Submissions after that date will make it into the following month's newsletter.**

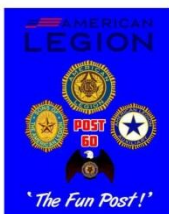
- Please join us on our Facebook page, *American Legion -Laurel Post 60* for Post 60 website links, newsletters, entertainment and activities that are posted on the page.

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/364213691671/>



### Post 60 T-Shirts

With The New American Legion Logo!



On Sale Now - \$25 Each

Available Sizes:

Men - Medium to 4X

Women - Small to 3X



## THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY Ongoing Community Outreach Programs

# FOOD PANTRY



### Laurel Advocacy & Referral Service

LARS supports the Laurel Community and many of the people they serve are veterans and their families. It is one of Post 60's ongoing projects to support LARS, there is a food collection bin set up in our lounge. LARS will accept anything that is non-perishable, but they are always in need of peanut butter & jelly, tuna, pasta & sauce, cereal, and oatmeal. Please consider bringing in at least one non-perishable food item whenever you visit us at Post 60.

### Post 60 Officers

Commander	Josie Lohman
1st Vice	Lee Luby
2nd Vice	Tim Thomas
Judge Advocate	Richard Harding
Finance Officer	Pedro Lopez
Chaplain	Martin Berman
Resource Officer	David Privott
Historian	John Musgrove
Sgt-at-Arms	Melvin Campbell
Adjutant	Mac McNally

### SAL Squadron 60

Commander	Rob Monko
1st Vice	Eddie Souder
2nd Vice	Tom Allen
3rd Vice	Vacant
Finance	Martin Caslow
Chaplain	Tony Scovitch
Sgt-at-Arms	Charlie Turner
Historian	Mark Duff
Adjutant	Joe Lohman
Parliamentarian	Vacant
Advisor	Chris Davis

### Auxiliary Unit 60

President	Nancy Slavinski
1st Vice	Carolyn Monko
2nd Vice	Denise Person
Secretary	Lucy Haggerty
Treasurer	Tris Thomas
Chaplain	Barbara Rhodes
Historian	Vacant
Sgt-at-Arms	Chaitra Chambers

### Legion Riders

Director	Lenny Francioni
Asst Director	Pedro Lopez
Secretary	Christel Lopez-Berryman
Treasurer	Barclay Butler
Sgt-at-Arms	Chris DiPasquale
Chaplain	Charley Buckley
Safety Officer	Pedro Lopez
Road Captain	Lenny Francioni
Membership	Pedro Lopez
Public Affairs	Quinn Harry

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### Commander's Last Shout

Thank you to the City of Laurel and Eddie Souder for trimming the trees at the edge of our parking lot and providing a bin for yard waste.

Thanks to everyone who showed up for Post clean-up day.

Thank you to Ray Torres and Ivette Negrón for the wonderful and yummy corned beef and cabbage for St. Patty's Day.

Thanks to Peggy Purcell, Barbara Rhodes and Diane Spears for decorating and organizing the St. Patty's Day activities.



### Post Meetings

**General Membership**  
7:00 pm Third Thursday

**Executive Committee**  
7:00 pm Second Thursday

*Note: Except the 2nd Thursday  
In July Due to Convention*

**Auxiliary Unit 60  
General Membership**  
7:00 pm Second Monday

**SAL Squadron 60**  
7:00 pm First Thursday

**American Legion Riders**  
7:00 pm Second Wednesday

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**For members who do  
not have E-Mail**

If you want the Post Newsletter mailed to your home, please send the written request by mail to the Post Adjutant.

We e-mail the website link for our Post Newsletter and other items of interest to members that have access to e-mail and the Internet. Please send your e-mail address to: [lubyshirley@gmail.com](mailto:lubyshirley@gmail.com) and it will be added to our email list. Your e-mail will be used for Post 60 notifications only, it will *NOT* be given out to solicitors.

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