



# The American Legion



1932 *Serving Veterans and the Community for 90 Years* 2023

## Laurel Post 60 Newsletter

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*"The Fun Post"*

July 2023



### Commander's Message

**Lee Luby**



Happy Birthday to our country, The United States of America! Born on July 4th, 1776, America has become a symbol of freedom and democracy and we have enjoyed both of them more than citizens in any other major country in the world. As it always is, our annual 4th of July picnic is on that very day- the 4th of July. Its one of the U.S. Holidays that has not been moved to Monday because the holiday never changes, so we will see you on Tuesday, July 4th for our celebratory picnic. Please use the sign up sheet in the lounge so that we will have enough food for everyone.

Boy's Nation, the American Legion program following Boy's State takes place July 21 through the 29, and is composed of all the "winning" boys from Boy's State. The Boy's State elected governor's and other officers get together for an additional week of competition in Washington, D.C., and have dinner at Greenbelt Post 136 at the end of their week. Attendance is by invitation, but I have been twice, and it's a great pat on the back to have the American Legion sponsor this program. It's great to know that we have boys out there who want to be the best leaders that the country offers.

The Department of Maryland will hold their 2022-2023 Convention in Ocean City this year beginning on July 10th with the Fish Fry at The Convention Center in Ocean City and ending on the 14th with the State Elections. Post 60 has 12 delegates signed up to go from their General Assembly and will also be well represented by members of our three other Units. During the week it will be a privilege to receive the honor for the largest contribution to the Legacy Scholarship Fund--\$50,000.00, we will be represented by members of all units during the presentation. Remember to give us a big LOUD clapping of hands on Thursday when we receive the plaque!

All of you going on vacation this July have a wonderful time and take your Legion T-shirt with you so that you can spread the word about our great organization. All it takes is wearing the shirt one time and you will be able to get the word out to a lot of people who have the wrong idea about us "old folks" who sit and talk about fighting in the great wars. Invite them to join a Post close to their home and tell them about the great work that we do. They will appreciate it and you will feel great. Have a wonderful time wherever you may find yourself this July!

### POST 60 COLOR GUARD

Post 60 is looking for Color Guard members---untrained, inexperienced, green, but willing to be taught and anxious to learn. It's easy. All you have to do is approach a Color Guard member, Mac McNally, Eddie Souder, Chris Davis or John Musgrove, and they will help you. OR, you can come to ME and I will HELP you!!! Whoever you approach, we will help. Everything is furnished by the Post, including the uniform. Because the uniform is expensive, you will need to prove to us that you plan to stick around and be a part of the Guard BEFORE getting the uniform. Come and join us! Although they proudly represent us in the community, most of your work is done at the Post. Please consider becoming a Guardsman, and you will not be disappointed, it is one of the most rewarding positions in the American Legion. Members of all Units over the age of 18 will be considered.





## Auxiliary Unit 60 ALA President Nancy Slavinski



*July 4 commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Also known as American Independence Day from the Library of Congress website that shares details for us to absorb and appreciate our freedom*



All our ALA events and dates will be on the American Legion Post Facebook page calendar ([Laurel American Legion Post 60](#)) and on the website ([laurelpost60.org](https://www.legion-aux.org/social-media)). Check out the National American Legion Auxiliary page on social media to learn more about programs and committees. <https://www.legion-aux.org/social-media>

As of June 14th, the ALA is hosting Game Night with Bar Bingo and Pull-Tabs on Wednesdays until August 30th. All proceeds go to the Children & Youth program.

We encourage any members with daughters to look into the Juniors program. It is a great opportunity for them to learn more about the history of the legion, how to help our military and veterans and to socialize with other girls in a positive, helpful environment. It is also an opportunity to receive service hours through volunteer work. <https://www.legion-aux.org/juniors>

The Department of Maryland Convention Week will be from July 9<sup>th</sup> through the 14<sup>th</sup> in Ocean City. We'll have more information to share in the August newsletter so stay tuned!

Wine and Craft Night is on July 19<sup>th</sup> and the participants will make and take home a cheery Sunflower Wreath or an Earring holder Sunflower Wreath (pick one). The cost is \$35.00 per person and includes two glasses of wine (or beer), dessert, materials and instructions to make the wreath. We always have a lot of fun on craft night! See Nancy Slavinski or Carolyn Monko if you are interested in participating.

Laurel Elementary School will be the beneficiary of the Give 10 to Education school supply drive that is underway and there is a collection box in the Lounge.

The list includes boxes of crayons, glue sticks, #2 pencils, spiral notebooks, and more. Bookmarks with the requested supplies can be found in the Lounge. Please help us to help them – they are our future!!

Please keep saving your aluminum pull-tabs/pop-tops from food and beverage cans. We are saving them to benefit the Ronald McDonald House for sick children and their families. There is a container in the Lounge to put them into or you can leave any that you have bagged next to the container on the ledge.

Our Unit is looking for volunteers to run the 50/50 on the first and fourth Fridays of the month. You can sign up to help with one or more. The first Friday of each month is 50/50 for Children & Youth and the fourth Friday is an ALA basket raffle. Sign up with a friend and make a fun evening of it.

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:** Total members paid to date for FY 2023 are 292, exceeding our goal.

1. <https://www.legion-aux.org/Renew> -or-
2. (317) 569-4570 The hours to call are Monday-Friday, 8AM-4:30PM EST -or- Questions? [carlymon4@gmail.com](mailto:carlymon4@gmail.com) (Carolyn Monko)

**From our Chaplain:** Prayer requests can be sent to [Unit60Chaplain@gmail.com](mailto:Unit60Chaplain@gmail.com)

The 988 National Suicide and Crisis Hotline which can be accessed 24/7/365 and is available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. This is accessible in both English and Spanish. Be the One is the Legion hotline.



**ALA UNIT 60**  
**New Unit Meeting Date**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Every Month**

**Bring your big smiles and even bigger ideas. Lite Dinner will be provided @ 6:30 Meeting starts promptly at 7pm.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Meeting August 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**No Meeting in July**







## SAL Squadron 60 Commander Robert Monko



Greetings,

The month of July is one of celebration, our United States Constitution was ratified, our Declaration of Independence announced, the Civil Rights act was signed into law in '64, Leroy (Satchel) Paige was born and became the first African American pitcher in the American League at the age of 42, the 14th Amendment was ratified, and a global audience watched on TV as Apollo 11 Astronaut Neil Armstrong took his first step onto the moon. "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind" he proclaimed.

I would like to take this time to congratulate and celebrate Past Squadron Commander Souder's leadership of our organization the last two years and I hope to continue to build and strengthen the organization as he and all past squadron commanders have done while at the helm. In addition, I also want to celebrate the members of our squadron who have now assumed leadership roles for the very first time, John Britton (third vice) and Jeff Harkum (at-large executive committee). And finally, congratulate and celebrate our own, Joe Lohman who will be the Commander and Mike Obremski, First Vice Commander for the Detachment of Maryland, the highest honors at the state level.

We have a lot of work to do, and together we can achieve another successful year but first let's talk about renewing your membership to the SAL. That's right, membership renewals begin on July 1st so come down to the post and renew your membership to the squadron. In addition, we have a crab feast to prepare for on the 29th, and one week later, on Sunday, August 6th, our Annual Car Show Event takes place on Marr Field. Please consider volunteering some time to either one or both events and help make them a success as we have in years past! Check Track It Forward and sign up. If you don't know what that is, send me an email:

[robert.monko@verizon.net](mailto:robert.monko@verizon.net).

Here's to small steps for the coming year and for God and Country.

Squadron Commander Monko



Sons of the American Legion, Laurel, Post 60

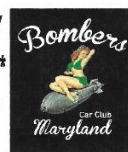
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## Annual Car & Bike Show

Sunday, August 6, 2023...From 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Registration 9:00 am - 12:00 pm...\$20.00 Day of Show

Hosted By



\*Rain Date TBD\*

Music by DJ "K"

Unique Dash Plaques

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This is a Family Friendly Event & Free to the Public  
For More Info...Contact the Event Chairman,  
Mike Templeton (443) 336-3700

# FRIDAY FOOD FESTIVAL

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT FROM 5:30 - 8 PM AT POST 60

<p>1ST &amp; 3RD (&amp; 5TH) FRIDAY</p> <p style="color: orange; font-weight: bold;">CANTEEN 60</p> <p><i>Where Something Good Is Always Cooking</i> By Squadron 60</p>	<p>2ND &amp; 4TH FRIDAY</p> <p style="color: orange; font-weight: bold;">P &amp; G CATERING</p> <p><i>Classic Favorites with a Modern Twist</i> By Patricia King</p>
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BECAUSE VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE!





## 2023 Gold Star Legacy Run June 10, 2023



Gold Star Legacy Run benefits the American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund. The proceeds have help helped provide college scholarships to the children of our Fallen Soldiers and the children of our disabled veterans since 9/11. During the three-day, 500-mile trip and escorted by the Laurel Police Department, the GSLR paused at Laurel Post 60 for a brief pit stop. The many Riders were welcomed by Post 60 members, the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and the Young Marines. During the layover, Post 60 Commander Luby presented a check for \$50,000 to assist the American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund.



Photos courtesy of Jeff Thorne Photography





## Post 60 Entertainment

**Josie Lohman,**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander**



As Little League season comes to an end, our snack shack will be closed until next season. This year two juniors, Justyse and Damin Saia learned the ins-and-outs of running a snack shack. I'm proud to say that they did extremely well, on several occasions they worked an entire shift on their own. Thank you both for stepping up and taking charge when needed. I would also like to give a huge shout out to Kevin and Tina Newman, who worked the snack shack during our All-Stars Little League tournament while everyone else was away at the SAL convention in Hunt Valley. You guys were Lifesavers. Thank you so much for taking on this endeavor.

As the temperature outside continues to rise more and more people are looking for a cool, air-conditioned place. Don't forget our lounge is one of the coolest to be found! Come in and enjoy the music, play some darts, shoot some pool, or enjoy the shuffleboard table. The options are endless! There are plenty of things going on during the week at Post 60, starting with the Dart League on Tuesday nights. There is Winey Wednesday, our two-for-one wine night. As a bonus, it is game night with the Auxiliary, too! Don't forget we have Bingo on Friday nights, and live entertainment every Friday and Saturday night with a great variety of bands to listen and dance to. Always a great time at the Fun Post!

We will be starting and finishing the month with a couple of our best events. Our Fourth of July picnic starts at 1 PM, and DJ Butch will be there to play your favorite tunes. Bring your favorite dish to share and join us. Please remember to sign up at the events kiosk desk so we get a headcount of how many people will be attending - we don't want to run out of burgers and dogs! On the 29th we are having our first **CRAB FEAST** of the season, which fortunately or unfortunately depending on if you have tickets or not, **IS SOLD OUT!**

In case you haven't heard, it's all about food, fun, and friends at Post 60. I hope to see you all there!



*Happy Birthday  
Commander Lee!*

Photo courtesy of Josie Lohman



**POST 60  
AMERICAN LEGION  
4<sup>th</sup> JULY**

**Independence Day Picnic**

**1 to 3PM**

**Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Please sign-up at the Events  
Kiosk by Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**  
(head count needed for the burgers & dogs)

Music by  
**DJ Butch!**

*A Covered Dish, Dessert, or Snack to  
share is requested, otherwise a \$5  
contribution will gratefully be accepted.*

**For all Post Home Members & their Family**



# July 2023

## The American Legion Laurel Post 60

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Happy Hour</b> <b>Monday - Friday</b> <b>4 to 7 PM</b>						<b>1 Intonation</b> <b>7:30 pm</b>
<b>The Post 60 Kitchen is Open</b> <b>Every Friday 5:30 to 8 PM</b>						
2	3	<b>4 July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic</b> <b>1-3 pm w/ DJ Butch</b>  <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	<b>5 Winey</b> <b>Wednesday 4 pm</b>  <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	6 SAL Meeting 7 pm	<b>7 DJ Butch</b> <b>7-10 pm</b>  <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 C&amp;Y)</b>	8 <b>Island Breeze</b> 7:30 pm
9	10 <b>NO</b> <b>ALA Member's</b> <b>Meeting 7pm</b>	11 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	12 <b>Winey</b> <b>Wednesday 4 pm</b> <b>Legion Riders</b> <b>Meeting 7 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	13 <b>NO</b> <b>Exec. Committee</b> <b>Meeting</b>	14 <b>Mike, Deb</b> <b>&amp; Bob 7-10 pm</b>  <b>NO BINGO</b>	15 <b>Wild Grey Hairz</b> 7:30 pm
16	17	18 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	19 <b>Winey Wednesday</b> <b>4 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b> <b>ALA Wine &amp; Craft</b> <b>Night 6:30-9 pm</b>	20 <b>General</b> <b>Assembly</b> <b>Meeting</b> 7 pm	21 <b>Escape Goat</b> <b>7-10 pm</b> <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 ALR)</b>	22 <b>Out of Order</b> 7:30 pm
23 30	24 31	25 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	26 <b>Winey</b> <b>Wednesday 4 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	27	28 <b>The</b> <b>Jamesons</b> <b>7-10 pm</b> <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 ALA)</b>	29 <b>Till Midnight</b> <b>7:30 pm</b> <b>Crab Feast</b> <b>3:30-7:00 pm</b> <b>DJ Butch</b>

# August 2023

## The American Legion Laurel Post 60

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Happy Hour</b> <b>Monday - Friday</b> <b>4 to 7 PM</b>		1 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	2 <b>Winey Wednesday</b> <b>4 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	3 SAL Meeting 7 pm	4 <b>DJ Butch</b> <b>7-10 pm</b> <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 C&amp;Y)</b>	5 <b>Greater Image</b> 7:30 pm
6 <b>CAR &amp; BIKE</b> <b>SHOW</b> <b>9:00-3:00 PM</b>	7 <b>Color Guard Mtg.</b> <b>6:30-8:00 pm</b>	8 <b>ALA Members</b> <b>Meeting 7 pm</b> <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	9 <b>Winey Wednesday</b> <b>4 pm</b> <b>ALR Meeting</b> <b>7 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	10 <b>Exec. Committee</b> <b>Meeting</b>	11 <b>DJ Butch</b> <b>7-10 pm</b> <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 SAL)</b>	12 <b>Mars Rodeo</b> 7:30 pm
13	14	15 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	16 <b>Winey Wednesday</b> <b>4 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	17 <b>General Assembly</b> <b>Meeting 7 pm</b>	18 <b>Acoustic Cafe</b> <b>7-10 pm</b> <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 ALR)</b>	19 <b>Gary &amp; the</b> <b>Groove</b> 7:30 pm
20	21	22 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	23 <b>Winey Wednesday</b> <b>4 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	24	25 <b>Lost &amp; Found</b> <b>7-10 pm</b> <b>Bingo 7:45 pm</b> <b>(50/50 ALA)</b>	26 <b>Crush</b> 7:30 pm
27	28	29 <b>Tuesday Night</b> <b>Darts 7 pm</b>	30 <b>Winey Wednesday</b> <b>4 pm</b> <b>Game Night 6:00 pm</b>	31	<b>Post 60 Kitchen is Open</b> <b>Every Friday 5:30 to 8 PM</b>	



## June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Post 60 Installation Unit Awards



**ALR 60 Member of the Year  
Martin "Pops" Berman**



**AL 60 Member of the Year  
Tim Thomas**



**SQDN 60 Member of the Year  
Charlie Turner**



**Commander's Choice  
Award  
Josie Lohman**



**ALA 60 Member of the Year  
Nancy Slavinski**





# June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 American Legion Post 60 Installation



**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander  
Josie Lohman**



**Commander  
Lee Luby**



**Adjutant  
Michael "Mac" McNally**



**Chaplain  
Martin Berman**



**Historian  
John Musgrove**





# June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Squadron 60 Installation



**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander  
Eddie Souder**



**Squadron 60 Commander  
Rob Monko**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander  
Tom Allen**



**Sergeant-at-Arms  
Charlie Turner**



**Chaplain  
Tony Scovitch**



**Historian  
John Musgrove**



**Finance Officer Martin Caslow**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice CMDR John Britton**



**Executive Committee  
Dave Tyson**



# **June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023** **ALR Unit 60** **Installation**



**Sgt-at-Arms**  
**Chris DiPasquale**

**Exec Comm**  
**Bruce Person**

**Chaplain**  
**Charley Buckley**



**ALR Director**  
**Lenny Francioni**

**Secretary**  
**Christel**

**Asst Director**  
**Rona Francioni**

**Lopez-**  
**Berryman**







## June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 ALA Unit 60 Installation



**Treasurer** Tris Thomas  
**Chaplain** Lisa Ertz



**ALA President**  
Nancy Slavinski



**1<sup>st</sup> Vice** Carolyn Monko  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice** Catherine Stearns  
**Secretary** Lucy Haggerty



<b>ALA President</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>Sgt-at-Arms</b>	<b>Exec. Comm.</b>
Nancy Slavinski	Carolyn Monko	Catherine Stearns	Lucy Haggerty	Tris Thomas	Lisa Ertz	Denise Person	Brenda McDonald



## Maryland Sons Of the American Legion 50th Annual Detachment Convention June 23rd - 25th, 2023

On June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, The Maryland Sons of the American Legion concluded their 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention with the nomination, acceptance and installation of Joseph Lohman as the Detachments Commander for years 2023-2024. Additionally, Michael Obremski was installed as the 1st Vice Chairman of the Detachment. Joe was supported during the convention by his family and many Post 60 members who attended the weekend festivities. Commander Luby was presented a Quilt of Honor. Post 60 members came home with a variety of trophies including the much-valued Golf Trophy. Congratulations to Joe, Mike, Commander Luby and all the tournament winners.



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Jeffrey Thorne



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**ALA Wine & Craft Night**

Wednesday, July 19

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holder

See Nancy Slavinski or Carolyn  
Monka for more information



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Glasses of wine  
or beer &  
Dessert



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Contact Mac McNally  
michael.mcnally49@yahoo.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**. 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

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American Legion Logo!



Sgt-at-Arms  
Chris DiPasquale



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## THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY Ongoing Community Outreach Programs



### 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.

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Thank you for your support!

### Post 60 Officers

Commander	Lee Luby
1st Vice	Vacant
2nd Vice	Josie Lohman
Judge Advocate	Richard Harding
Finance Officer	Vacant
Chaplain	Martin Berman
Service Officer	Fred Mullen
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	John Britton
Finance	Martin Caslow
Chaplain	Tony Scovitch
Sgt-at-Arms	Charlie Turner
Historian	John Musgrove
Adjutant	Dave Manchas
J. Advocate	Vacant
Advisor	Chris Davis

### Auxiliary Unit 60

President	Nancy Slavinski
1st Vice	Carolyn Monko
2nd Vice	Catie Stearns
Secretary	Lucy Haggerty
Treasurer	Tris Thomas
Chaplain	Lisa Ertz
Historian	Vacant
Sgt-at-Arms	Denise Person

### Legion Riders

Director	Lenny Francioni
Asst Director	Rona Francioni
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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## Laurel American Legion Post 60 Sponsorship Space Available

Marr Baseball Field

Fence Space Ads

(April through November)

**YOUR AD  
COULD BE HERE**



### FENCE SPACE ADS

Post 60 Provides 4' x 8' Vinyl Sign for  
\$150 Per Season

\$100 For Each Additional Season  
(With No Changes)

OR

Sponsor Provides 4' x 8' Vinyl Sign for  
\$100 Per Season

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### Commander's Last Shout

Thanks to all the newly elected officers who were installed on June 15, 2023. Let's all jump behind them and give support as they begin their year long attempt to lead our members to a successful 2023-2024 Legion year.

Thanks to our Color Guard, John Musgrove, Mac McNally, Eddie Souder and Chris Davis for the amazing ceremony during our installation program.

Thanks to Dave Manchas for bringing new phones into our Post and for ordering and assembling the new propane tank holder.

Thanks to Josie Lohman and her grand kids Damin and Justyse for selling so much in the Snack Shack that it was necessary to run to Sam's every week to get supplies. Thanks to her daughter Barbie for lending a helpful hand when necessary.

Thanks to the SAL for managing the Little League baseball games and for keeping the field in such awesome condition for them to play.

Thanks to the many members who went to Hunt Valley for the SAL Convention and to Joseph Lohman for making us all so proud as he assumes his Commander of the Detachment of Maryland title.

Thanks to the many members of our Post who participated in the contribution of \$50,000.00 to the Dept. of MD. Legacy Scholarship Fund. All of our Units donated money to accomplish this amazing feat, and it is our pleasure to assist these kids in achieving their goals.

Thanks to Josie Lohman for all she has done to help me this past year and good luck to her getting voted into the Commander's chair next year.

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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### 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 Tuesday  
(Beginning in August)

#### **SAL Squadron 60**

7:00 pm First Thursday

#### **American Legion Riders**

7:00 pm Second Wednesday

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