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Laurel Post 60 Newsletter

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"The Fun Post"

June 2025



Josie Lohman Commander, AL Post 60



Congratulations Post 60 Family! Our elections are almost done, and I look forward to all of us working together as a team. I cannot express enough how we depend on one another to accomplish our goals. Being able to provide for our veterans, their families and our community, takes the entire Post Family. None of us can do this alone and Post 60 has the best dedicated family within the Department of MD. I look forward to working with all of you. Please remember, if you need to speak with us or just vent, we have an open-door policy. At times it can get rough, but you are not in this alone and always remember - the outcome is worth it!

I'm sure some of you have noticed the permit signs that have been posted on our doors. We are hoping to begin our ADA accessible modifications in the near future. Please be considerate while this work is being done as our back bingo entrance will probably be closed during these modifications and our customers will have to come in through the lounge in order to access the hall. Your cooperation is appreciated.

This month, June 5th through the 8th, is the Veterans and Children's Foundation Ride. You might remember this popular event as The Legacy Scholarship Ride. Lee and I will be driving to Cumberland on June 7 to present a sizable donation from the Post 60 Family.

Thank you everyone for supporting Post 60 in various ways thus giving us the opportunity to provide for our Legion Programs.

June 14th is Flag Day, and our SAL will be conducting a flag retirement ceremony. Joining them will be Cub Scouts from our community and our Color Guard. If you have a worn or tattered flag that needs to be properly disposed of, please consider joining us. If you would like to attend and participate, we will have plenty of flags on hand that need retiring.

Our Installation of Officers for the 2025-2026 year is on June 19. Please consider joining us as we welcome aboard

our newly elected Post 60 Officers and thank those who are retiring from their positions. It's an exciting time, since all four units will be installing new officers this year. Cocktails and socializing will be from 6PM to 7PM, at 6PM a buffet dinner will be served, and the ceremonies will start promptly at 7PM. Please RSVP at the kiosk desk or contact your unit leader and let them know so we can get an accurate count for food.



The Detachment of Maryland will hold its 52nd Annual Convention on June 20 – 22. This year it will be held in White Marsh at the Hilton Garden Inn & Hampton Inn. The weekend starts with some fun events, Friday June 20 is the annual golf tournament, and the SAL has always represented us well. Saturday is filled with outdoor activities for attendees of all ages. Sunday it's down to a little business; this is the day Mike Obremski relinquishes his title of SAL Detachment Commander. Mike has been extremely busy during his time in office and our Post 60 Family is exceptionally proud of his accomplishments. Way to go Mike! Now enjoy your free time



Lee Luby 1st Vice Commander





Post 60 Entertainment Tim Thomas 2nd Vice Commander



It's June and the end of the 2024-2025 Legion year is coming to a close. I am happy to report that the Post 60 Legionnaires, the SAL, the ALR and the ALA have all reached 100% memberships, and we have achieved our goal for the year.

Everyone can be proud of their Unit for the hard work that made this possible. Several Posts in District 5 did not reach 100% so we can give ourselves a big pat on the back for our efforts as we look forward to meeting next year's goals.

I received the membership cards for 2025-2026 at the DEC meeting so I am ready at any time to start working toward our next year's goal and will gladly provide you with a new card whenever you are ready. Cards to PUFL members will be given as soon as I see you in the lounge, so come find me to get your card. Let's keep going and reach 100% again next year so that we can hang another 100% banner in our lounge.

Remember that the installation of our new officers will take place in the hall on June 19. Join us as we have drinks and dinner, present achievement awards to members and welcome our officers for 2025-2026.













Hello Post 60. I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying the spring. The Memorial Day picnic was a HUGE success, thanks to everyone that helped! I don't think I've ever cooked so many hamburgers and hot dogs, 120 of each! The best part was all the great side dishes and desserts that all our members brought in. It was the biggest turn out Post 60 has had in years for a picnic or potluck event. Keep those recipes handy for the 4th of July cookout, more info will be posted soon.

Our Color Guard represented us so well at The Ivy Hill Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony. We received a lot of compliments about them from many of the dignitaries and attendees of the event. Thank you for doing us proud!

The SAL has wrapped up their Wednesday game nights until the fall. Thank you to all that helped make it run smoothly, with a special thanks to Eddie Souder. He is most definitely the voice of game night, keeping us entertained and making sure we have fun! You don't need to worry about what to do on Wednesday nights though, our Unit 60 Auxiliary will be taking over on June 11th for the summer. Please be sure to come out and support them!

As always, we have entertainment every Friday and Saturday nights. If you have friends or family in town for a visit, be sure to bring them to your Post for a night of fun. The Low Keys, a new band to Post 60, will be joining us on June 28th. Come on in and check them out, give them a warm welcome. Let's show them why we have the title of "The Fun Post"!

June Entertainment at the Fun Post!

Friday, June 6, 2025 DJ Butch

Saturday, June 7, 2025 Out of Order

Friday, June 13, 2025 Groove Quest

Saturday, June 14, 2025 Jerry & the Heartaches

Friday, June 20, 2025 Rockabilly Rebels

Saturday, June 21, 2025 InToneNation

Friday, June 27, 2025 DJ Butch

Saturday, June 28, 2025 The Low Keys

Auxiliary Unit 60 Carolyn Monko ALA 1st Vice Commander



Greetings to all of our Unit 60 members. Our elections for the 2025/2026 season have been delayed until the June 9th meeting. If you are interested in a position or being a committee chairperson, please join us at the meeting. Dinner will be available at 6:30 and the meeting is at 7:00 p.m. A reminder that, for this meeting, members must have their current membership card with them to vote. If you would like more information on the Board and Committee Positions, you can find out more on the American Legion website: https://www.legion-aux.org/

You will need to create an account using the membership number on your card. There are many resources to help you learn more about the Auxiliary and ways to participate.

Installation of Officers will take place on June 19th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending, please sign up at the Post Lounge.

Congratulations to Unit 60 for reaching their Membership Goals! We have reached 100% for the 2024/2025 season. Renewals for the 2025/2026 season will start after the Convention in July. A reminder that there will be no Unit 60 meeting in July because of the Convention. If you are interested in being a delegate at the Convention, please let me know by the June meeting when we will be voting on delegates. (unit60laurel@gmail.com).

The Unit will be taking over Wednesday Game Nights for the summer, starting June 11th after a break for the Memorial Day weekend and Honor Flight. Bring your friends and come out to play Bar Bingo, Pull Tabs, and enjoy Winey Wednesday.

On Saturday, June 21st we will be hosting a Craft Night featuring Kumihimo Japanese Bracelet Braiding from 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. This event is for children and adults. Price: Adults - \$20.00, Children \$5.00

Price includes instructions, materials, and dessert. One complimentary beer/wine for adults, soft drink or slushie for the children. Contact Denise Person 443-486-2299 for information and registration.

Looking for ways that you can help your Auxiliary and the Legion......Volunteer for upcoming events! We will be sending out emails with details on what is happening at the Post for those that don't use Facebook. Several ideas are:

The Post is collecting can pop-tops/pull off tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and LARS needs pantry staples. Items especially needed for LARS are baby products such as diapers, wipes, etc.

We need volunteers to help run 50/50 on a Friday Night. It is a one-time commitment, and you can enjoy the band and chat with friends while you help the Unit raise money for projects.

Volunteer Hours with Track It Forward. Hours do not need to be from just Post events. If you volunteer at church, schools, helping neighbors, food banks, or any other opportunity, we would like to know. National and Department need volunteer hours to show Congress what their American Legion does for the Veterans and Community. We can gladly set you up with a Track It Forward account or hours can be emailed to unit60laurel@gmail.com or texted to 301-641-9007. We will be having a Craft Show on September 13th. If you love crafting and would like to participate, 8 ft. tables are available for \$40.00. For more information, email Penny Garrett at fallcraftfairunit60@gmail.com.

For questions and/or inquiries on any events, volunteer hours, membership and more, please contact Carolyn Monko @ unit60laurel@gmail.com.





Squadron 60 Martin Caslow Finance Officer



2025 Little League Baseball is here!!

There is not much better than a spring evening on the Post 60 deck watching a baseball game. The games are entertaining, and the commentary is always fun. So far it has been a rainy spring, but that only means that there are still plenty of baseball games left.

This year, the field is in fantastic shape thanks to Joe Lohman. We finally found him something to do around this place. These must be the best field conditions for Little League baseball in central Maryland.

Watching a game and keeping track of it on the scoreboard provided by the squadron... that's bringing the community to the American Legion.



Wednesday Game Night/Queen of Hearts

Squadron 60 wants to thank everyone for supporting our Wednesday gaming this past year. We are one of the most successful squadrons in the state of Maryland thanks to all of you. Eddie and his crew of faithful volunteers are taking the summer off, but they will see you in September for more happenings as we kick off the Queen again. In the interim, please continue to come on Wednesdays as the games continue courtesy of Unit 60.

Crab Feast

Our annual crab feast is coming Saturday, July 26th. Ticket prices this year will be \$70, which should be one of the best crab feast bargains you will find this year. See Joe Lohman for your tickets. They sell out fast so do not dawdle. We will have a signup sheet for volunteers. If you are interested, please put your name down or see Chris Davis to help. Please come and join us for fun, food and games.

Car show

Returning for an 11th consecutive year, the car show will be Sunday, August 10th. Mike Templeton is looking for sponsors. This is arguably the most popular event at Post 60. If you would like to help, please see Mike.

Meetings

The first Thursday of every month is our Squadron meeting. We start promptly at 7PM. Dinner and a free drink are served after the meeting too! Our next meeting is June 5th. Come and join the effort.

FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY Sponsored by:

AMERICAN LEGION SQUADRON 60

9:00am - Saturday, June 14th
Location: American Legion Post 60 2 Main St. Laurel MD

Join us for our Flag Retirement ceremony and learn the proper way to dispose of a tattered American Flag. After the ceremony which includes American Legion Post 60, Post 60 Color Guard and Cub Scout Pack 1250 the public will be invited to retire a tattered flag in the fire pit. (We will provide tattered flag, or bring your own)















AL Riders Lenny Francioni Director



Happy Summer, Fellow Riders!

First off, I would like to thank Pedro for his leadership as the Assistant Director for the past year!

Secondly, I want to welcome Larry "BamBam" Morrel as the new Assistant Director for Post 60. Anything and everything you need we are here to help.

Thirdly, I just want to thank each of our members for the role they have played in shaping the membership, its one of the most attended chapter meetings at the Post, so thank you!

As we get into the swing of summer and the riding season, just be cautious of all the others out there not paying attention to you.

Very Respectfully, Lenny M. Francioni



20 games, ball games, plus early bird ball games too!

Food & Snacks Available for Purchase Like us on Facebook

AMERICAN LEGION POST 60 FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO



June 2025

Happy Hour Monday - Friday 4 to 7 PM

The American Legion Laurel Post 60

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	Honor Flight Operation: Welcome Home 6:30-7:15 PM	5 SAL Meeting 7 PM	6 DJ Butch 7-10 pm Bingo 7:30 pm (50/50 C&Y)	7 Out of Order 7:30 pm
8	9 ALA Meeting 7 PM	10	11 ALA Game Night 6 PM ALR Meeting 7 PM	Executive Committee 7 PM	13 Groove Quest 7-10 pm Super Bingo 7:30 pm (50/50 SAL)	14 Flag Retirement Ceremony 9:00 am Jerry and the Heartaches 7:30 pm
Father's Day	16	17	18 ALA Game Night 6 PM	Post 60 Installation Ceremony 6-8 PM	20 Rockab illy Rebels 7-10 pm Bingo 7:30 pm (50/50 ALR)	21 Craft Corner: Kumihimo Bead Brac elet Making 1-4 pm InToneNation 7:30 pm
22	23	24	25 ALA Game Night 6 PM	26	27 DJ Butch 7-10 pm Bingo 7:30 pm (50/50 ALA)	The Low Keys 7:30 pm
29	30	6 2	Every Wednesday is Winey Wednesday	Post Kitchen is Open Every Friday 5:30 to 9 PM		



Wednesday 4 pm - Closing

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6	7	8	9 ALA Game Night 6:00 pm ALR Meeting 7 pm	NO Exec. Committee Meeting	The Jamisons 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 SAL)	3 'til Midnight 7:30 pm
13	14 ALA Members Meeting 7 pm	15	16 ALA Game Night 6:00 pm	17 General Assembly Meeting 7 pm	18 Lost and Found 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 ALR)	Greater Image 7:30 pm
20	21	22	ALA Game Night 6:00 pm	24	25 DJ Butch 7-10 pm Bingo 7:45 pm (50/50 ALA)	26 CRAB FEAST 4:00-7:00 pm w/DJ Butch Sharon Dukes & the All-Star Band 7:30 pm
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2025
Post 60
Memorial Day
at Ivy Hill
Cemetery











Photo credit: Lenny Francioni























APITAL REGION

CAPITAL REGION HONOR FLIGHT

OPERATION "WELCOME HOME"

COME OUT TO GREET OUR SENIOR WAR VETERANS AS THEY RETURN FROM THEIR DAY OF HONOR. THIS HONOR FLIGHT IS MADE UP OF VETERANS FROM KOREA AND VIETNAM ERAS.

WHERE: AMERICAN LEGION POST 60

2 MAIN STREET, LAUREL MD 20707

WHEN: JUNE 4", 2025

PLEASE ARRIVE BETWEEN 6:30 AND 7:15 PM - PLENTY OF PARKING

SHOW UP, CHEER LOUD, SHAKE A HAND!

Greeters will be asked to congregate at your cars or inside the lounge area of the American Legion. The Veterans will be in the dining area eating dinner and not aware of the gathering. At the appointed time, greeters will be escorted into the dining room to cheer and visit with the Veterans. Homemade banners & signs / American Flags / hugs encouraged.

LET'S SHOW THESE VETERANS HOW A GRATEFUL COMMUNITY WELCOMES OUR WARRIORS HOME!

FOR MORE INFO-CALL/TEXT JENNY BRAWLEY AT 571.721.0068



Please join us to congratulate and honor our Post 60 Officers and Legion Members

Cocktails and Dinner for those attending the Ceremony Only

6:00 to 7:00 PM - Cocktails & Socialize 6:00 PM - Buffet Dinner Served 7:00 PM - Ceremonies Start

Dinner Reservations Required

Sign up at the Post Events Kiosk, Message Commander Lohman on Facebook, or contact your Unit Leader

Auxiliary Post 60 Presents THE CRAFT Corner

Saturday, June 21st, 1-4pm

Kumihimo -Japanese Braiding



\$20.00 - Adult Bracelet

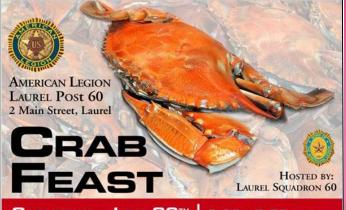
\$5.00 - Children's Bracelet (8 yrs+)

Price includes instructions, materials & dessert. Complimentary - a wine/beer for Adults, and juice/soda or slushy for Children.

> MUST Register by Saturday, June 14th. Contact Denise Person at 443-486-2299

Payment by Cash or Check (Checks payable to American Legion Auxiliary Post 60)

American Legion Post 60 – Allen Hall 2 Main Street, Laurel, MD 20707



SATURDAY, JULY 26TH

3:30 - 7:00 pm Doors open at 3.

\$70/Ticket

Food served at 4 pm

Crabs served from 5 to 7pm

Soda and Draft Beer included Cash bar for mixed drinks DJ, Games and more!

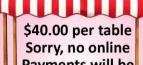
Ticket sales limited to 264 people. Tickets go on sale Saturday, May 31st For parties of 6 or more, email squadron60@verizon.net Tickets available at Post 60 or at laurelpost60.org/events.html 301-725-2302

NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR!

ADULTS ONLY - 21 years minimum

CALL FOR VENDORS

American Legion Post 60 Indoor Fall Craft Fair 10-3pm Saturday, Sept. 13, 2025



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. 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, 22nd 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!







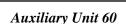
Available Sizes:

Men - Medium to 4X Women - Small to 3X



SAL Squadron 60

Commander Rob Monko 1st Vice Eddie Souder 2ndVice 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



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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 catmeal. Pleas 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 2ndVice Tim Thomas Judge Advocate Richard Harding Finance Officer Pedro Lopez Chaplain Martin Berman Resource Officer David Privott Historian John Musgrove Melvin Campbell Sgt-at-Arms Adjutant Mac McNally

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Commander's Last Shout

Thank you to Eddie Souder and the rest of the SAL crew who did a wonderful job running the Queen of Hearts.

Thanks to our Auxiliary for picking up Game Night-Bar Bingo on Wednesday's starting on June 11.

Thank you to everyone who helped place flags on the Veteran's graves at Ivy Hill and St. Mary's cemeteries.

Thank you to Shirley Jaques, Maryanne Bernett and Shirley Luby for helping band pulltabs during the week for bingo.

Thanks to Tim and Tris Thomas for cooking burgers and dogs for us on Armed Forces Day.

Thank you to ALA Unit 60 for providing Poppies for the Poppy Day Giveaway at Friday Night Bingo.

Thanks to Lucy Haggerty for being available on such short notice for notary services.

Thank you to Dave Privott and Joseph Pruden for taking time out of their evenings to present scholarships and awards at our local schools.

Thanks to Mike Templeton for the new tires and servicing the Post golf cart.

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 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.

Post Phone: (301) 725-2302 Website: http://laurelpost60.org

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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