

The Triple Deuce

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From the Commander

Greetings to all members and friends of Post 222. As Spring approaches swiftly, get your mowers, gardening tools, and seeds ready.

At our most recent meeting, our Post accepted three new members, which puts us at 223 members, fourteen over our 2023 membership. Let's keep encouraging all of our local veterans, especially the younger ones, to join our Post and get involved!

Also at our recent membership meeting, a resolution was passed that effective immediately, in compliance with Maryland State guidelines, the Clear Spring American Legion will prohibit the carrying of firearms and knives, and any other such weapons onto our property, anywhere on the grounds. This applies to all members and nonmembers alike, including those that may have a concealed carry permit. This was passed to protect all our patrons and staff alike, and appropriate signage will be posted at various points of entry to notify all persons entering our facilities. We hope that all of our supporters and guests will understand and help enforce our reasoning for such action.

All members, our Post needs your support by patronizing our Club and other fundraising activities. As with other small businesses, expenses keep going up and we need to keep pace financially to maintain our viability as a Post. Looking forward to an exciting Spring,

Semper Fi,
Jim Hutson – Commander



From the Adjutant

Spring is almost here; the bulbs are starting to pop and our CS Legion 2024 membership continues to grow. Continued thanks to all our members who have reached out to others for renewals, transfers or signing up new Veterans.

As of March, we have 223 members (or 107% of last year's 209) of which 6 are new and 6 have transferred to Post 222 from other Posts. When asked why Post 222, it is always the members, activities, great food and comradery. We have a great Post thanks to YOU! Please welcome our newest transfer members Ronald Bennett USMC from Post 10, Robert Carpenter USAF from Post 171 and Karl "Chuck" Welch from Post 297.

You can check out what is happening at our next regular Post Legion membership meeting on the 4th Monday of March (3/25/2024) at 7 PM in the upstairs ballroom.

Rich Lawson – Adjutant

From the Chaplain

Please contact me at 301-842-3063 if you are aware of any member of Post 222 that is ill or in the hospital.

Sam Snyder - Chaplain



From the S.A.L. Commander

Greetings fellow SAL officers and members! It's hard to believe we are in the month of March already!

I would like to take a moment to thank the employees and volunteers at the legion home. I stop in several times a week and I take notice of the amount of people enjoying the food, drink and the atmosphere. It is great to see all the customers supporting the legion as well.

The SAL has two officers recovering from recent surgeries and another member in the hospital. Please keep them in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

The SAL meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7 PM in the ballroom. Please consider attending the meetings. The roster shows about 220 SAL members and of that 12 or so attend. We need help with events and any new ideas to bring to the table.

Please stay safe and continue to support our legion, community and nation.

Carl Witmer – S.A.L. Commander



From the S.A.L. Adjutant

We have a new S.A.L member, Mark Quesenberry. Thank you for joining Squadron 222.

Saturday, April 20th there will be an AYCE Shrimp Feed. Tickets are \$30.00 per person. Along with the main course of shrimp (eaten on the premises) there will be hot dogs, cheese, chips and an open bar.

The Gun Drawing tickets will be ready to sell in mid-March. You will be able to buy them at the Legion and also the Fire Company. This normally sells out.

Curt Kayser – S.A.L. Adjutant



From the Auxiliary



BINGO/DINNER

Sunday, October 13, 2024

Ticket Sales date to be announced – Watch for more Info.



CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, August 24, 2024

Information on registration and fees will be announced in a future Newsletter

Food/Drinks/Jars will be available for purchase

The Unit has quite a few people to Thank!!

We would like to Thank all who purchased tickets and attended our Bingo/Dinner on Sunday, Feb. 18th helped to make it a success.

A Big Thank You to all the hard workers we had that cooked/served the meals; sold Jars/Raffles; set up for the event and cleaned up afterwards; and Thank You to all the wonderful Bakers who made items for our

“Dessert Donation” table. Each and every one mentioned is Appreciated more than you will ever know!

Last (but certainly not least) the Unit would like to Thank Joseph C. Herbert S.A.L. Squadron #222 for always being there to help the Unit. They just recently made a monetary donation to the Unit to go towards Gift Cards for all the Veteran residents of the Way Station in Hagerstown. With this all residents will be able to purchase whatever they need or want.

THANK YOU S.A.L.!!!

Sharon Ensminger – Secretary/Treasurer

From the Activities Committee

March is the month of Spring and although it has not been a bad winter at all, Spring is always welcome and is my favorite time of the year. Things are fresh, new and alive and I love hearing the birds singing in the mornings!!!

The Activities Committee will be holding a meeting soon to coordinate our summer venues, so if you have any fresh ideas or any questions or concerns about events, now is the perfect time to air them.

Final Wheel Spin Event -

On Friday March 22, the Activities Committee will hold our final Wheel event until September and please note that it is a Friday this month. Next month (April), the ladies Auxiliary takes over this event and will be offering guns each month through the summer, with their final event in August. Please continue to support them. The odds are really great for the wheel spins and you have a choice of the gun or \$700 cash!!!

Activities Committee Members

Danny Clopper, Randy Divel, Debbie Eichelberger, Arnie Gozora, Bill Hose (Chairperson), Mary House, Curt Kayser (Committee Manager), Cathy Mills (Club Manager), Larry Smith, Sam Snyder, Danielle Staley, Karen Vogel, & Jim Hutson (Post Commander).

Please talk to any committee member about your ideas, suggestions or any concerns or questions. If you are willing to volunteer to help at any event, please let us know. Selling tickets for our events is always a welcome effort. We can always use the help and appreciate it very much. Volunteer help makes these events possible.

2024 Activities Schedule – Run by the Activity Committee

*** All events are held in the Pavilion unless noted otherwise***

We would love to have any of our members help sell tickets to these events. Please ask your families, neighbors, & friends to come and enjoy a great time while attending any or all of them!

Friday, Mar 22 - 7 pm Cash/Gun Wheel Spin (in club bar) \$20/ticket need not be present to win

Friday, April 5 - 6 pm Steak & Shrimp Feed (Ballroom) \$22/ticket

Friday, May 3 - 6 pm Steak Feed \$20/ticket

Friday, May 31 - 6 pm Steak Feed \$20/ticket

Friday, June 28 - 6 pm Steak & Shrimp Feed \$22/ticket

Friday, Aug 2 - 6 pm Steak Feed \$20/ticket

Saturday, Sept 21 - Noon Crab Feed \$TBD/ticket

Friday, Nov 1 - 6 pm Steak & Shrimp Feed (Ballroom) \$22/ticket

Saturday Dec 7 - 4 pm Crab Legs & Shrimp (Ballroom) \$TBD/ticket

As always, please remember and support our troops, police officers (**Support the Blue!**) and other first responders in your thoughts and prayers.

Bill Hose – Activities Committee Chairperson

