

# Kent Island American Legion Post 278

## July 2015



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### Post Everlasting

David Wheeler  
Thomas L. Price

### Please keep these Legion families in your thoughts and prayers:

Suds Hicks  
Gordon Wheeler

Sunday

July 26th Mystery Bus Trip

Bus will depart the Legion  
around 0900 and return  
around 6 pm \$40 per person,  
pay in the Lounge or day of!

**WEAR COMFORTABLE  
SHOES!**

Aug 22nd and October 4th  
Orioles Game.

Sign up sheet in the Lounge  
bulletin board next to office.

\$40 per person (Both Games)  
Collecting Money Now, Pay  
in the Lounge,

Welcome New Members:

Joseph McCahill

William Henninger IV

Another year has gone by, and it's time we start looking ahead for the future. Meaning... this is my last year as Commander. This coming year, I have lots of things planned, some may happen, some may not and that is just due to the nature of the beast of my schedule, my challenge with time and dates, and just plain ole forgetfulness! But regardless, it's gonna be a fun year!

We have put some considerable discussion in our parking lot issues, and because it's going to take an arm and a leg a couple of eyes, feet and fingers to get the parking lot on the South side fixed as well as the side on the North, we are going to have to do some fundraising! Ideas, suggestions as always are always appreciated.... And if some one has some money lying around they aren't going to use.... Donate it to our parking lot fund! This has become a priority, and it's up to the entire Legion Family to make this happen!!! Just keep that in mind!

Integrity: We have had some integrity issues lately at the Post. That in itself is sad, but I cautiously remind every member of this post, that how you act, behave, interact is always under scrutiny, no one is better than anyone else, no one has any more power than any one else, we all must abide by the same rules. We are obligated as a members of this post to conduct ourselves in a manner that does not reflect badly on this post. Furthermore, if you see or aware of anything happening that is not allowed in this post you are obligated to report the incident or if you are an officer of this post to step in and handle the issue if you are so able.

I certainly am going to give a huge shout out to Super (Jim Suder and his lovely wife Sherry for turning our flag pole flower bed into one of the most lovely tributes for our post! They have done an outstanding job!! (Do you wanna come to my house and fix my flower beds?) You rock and behalf of the entire Legion Family.... Thank you!

Everyone have a great July!!! Hope to see many of you in Ocean City at the NESD Party on July 15th at Post 166 at 2 pm (Free food and drinks for the entire NESD Family at convention!! God Bless You! Nikki

(psst...Thursday Night Bike Night is a coming.... More info to follow..... )

### Up coming Entertainment and Events

**July 4th: Happy Hour All Day and Night**

**July 10th: Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Shrimp Feast**  
Buck Shot Creek will be playing!!

**July 17th: Happy Hour Entertainment**  
Trader Vic 5-8 pm

**July 11th: Crab Palace Opens**

**July 12 -18th: American Legion Convention at Ocean City**

**Augusts 15th Early Bird Picnic (more**

Bar Prices will increase July 1st. This is not new news, as we expressed this in the last couple of newsletters, so don't be shocked when you come in for a cool refreshment.

With the addition of our new register and inventory system, we will now be accepting Credit cards. Yes I said it, the Legion will now be accepting Credit Cards!! However we will not accept American Express cards.



## NOTES FROM THE LEGION FAMILY

Jim Taylor Membership (1st Vice)

We have 553 members who paid their 2015 dues! Your 2015 dues notices are in the mail. If you receive a dues notice for 2014 from the Legion National Headquarters, and you have already paid for 2014 - please disregard as this notice does not come from Kent Island American Legion Post 278!

I keep a file of member's DD 214s in case you or your family would ever need a copy. This document is needed when you require VA services and/or any time your military service information is needed. This is a valuable service as the post receives numerous inquiries during the year for these forms when family members cannot locate them. If you are unsure whether you have submitted a copy, you may send or drop one by the post. FYI – you can also take a copy to the Clerk of the Court in Centreville and it will be available to you or family members at anytime. There is no cost for this service. There is a website where you can get a copy of a DD214 if you have all of the military information required. The website is <http://vetrecs.archives.gov>.

Any member (AL, SAL, or LA) who is under 21 years of age cannot pay to have their names entered in the quarter or dollar books!! When you turn 21 years of age, please notify us, and your name will be put back in the drawing list.

Also, please notify us of any street address or email address changes so that you will receive your newsletter. If you wish to receive your newsletter by email send a request to [cataylor8@verizon.net](mailto:cataylor8@verizon.net).

### Greg Cade : SAL COMMANDER

Calling all Volunteers...., Just minutes away from the Crab Palace opening for this years crab season! Prices have been set and we have "NEW " additions to our Menu.... Snow crab legs and mussels, as well as our Soups, corn, ice cream and of course THE BEST CRABS around! I look forward to this years season and thanks to the entire Legion Family for stepping up in helping !!! July 11th is the day!!! See ya soon!



### AUXILIARY NEWS

July is O.C. Convention time and a down-time month for the Legion, but it is the time our Crab Palace opens. We are always looking for volunteers to work the weekends so that the same few don't always have to work. This is the biggest project for the S.A.L., and we support them by helping out from July to October. August is a busy month because it's Early Bird Picnic time, getting ready for the upcoming events in the fall, and setting up committees for our projects for the year. If you are interested in helping out, just call me with what you would like to do. Craft Show time is coming up in the last weekend of October this year due to a time conflict with the Fall Conference in November when we usually have it. More detail on the Craft Show in a future newsletter. Have a safe summer, and I hope to see some of you at the Crab Palace or just around the Post Home.

God Bless Our Troops—  
Faye Hickman



Greetings Auxiliary Members,

**Just a reminder that your 2015 dues are \$25. Please mail your check to the legion at 800 Romancoke Rd, Stevensville, Md 21666 and I will mail your new membership card to you. If you are paying Junior dues, they are \$5 each. The Early Bird Picnic is scheduled for Aug 15th... Everyone who pays their dues on or before this date will only pay \$20! If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call 410-924-0957.**

**Also, please take time to attend our monthly meetings which are at 7pm on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Come and find out what your auxiliary is involved in.**

Judy Kropfelder



# July 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 <i>Happy Hour all day and Night</i>
5	6 <i>Corn Hole</i>	7	8	9	10 <i>AYCE Shrimp Feast Welcome Home Vietnam Vets 630 pm</i>	11 <i>CRAB PALACE OPENS 12 Noon NASCAR FUN</i>
12 <i>CRAB PALACE OPENS 12 Noon</i>	13 <i>Corn Hole</i>	14	15	16	17	18 <i>CRAB PALACE OPENS 12 Noon</i>
19 <i>CRAB PALACE OPENS 12 Noon</i>	20 <i>Corn Hole</i>	21	22 <i>Meeting Night</i>	23	24	25 <i>CRAB PALACE OPENS 12 Noon NASCAR FUN</i>
26 <i>CRAB PALACE OPENS 12 Noon Mystery Bus Trip 0900</i>	27 <i>Corn Hole</i>	28	29	30	31	

August 15th Early Bird Picnic (more info to follow)

## WITHIN THIS WALL

FIFTY FIVE THOUSAND VOICES  
SILENTLY SCREAMING FROM  
WITHIN THIS WALL  
FIFTY FIVE THOUSAND VOICES  
THAT BRAVELY GAVE THEIR ALL



A GASP, A SIGH, AND A LITTLE MOAN ALL CARRIED  
IN THE WIND  
GENTLY WHISPERING THEIR WISHES AND THOUGHTS FROM WITHIN

FOR OUR COUNTRY WE CARED, WE EVEN FOUGHT,  
LET THOSE THAT WAVERED HAVE JUSTICE BROUGHT,

FOR THEM THAT PROTESTED AND TO OTHER NATIONS WENT,  
BE TRIED FOR TREASON AND AWAY BE SENT

OUR LIVES WERE SPENT SO OTHERS COULD BE FREE  
WHILE SOME RESISTED AND THOUGHT THEIR IDEALS SHOULD BE

REMEMBER US AMERICA WE GAVE OUR ALL  
WE WERE YOUR CHILDREN, THESE VOICES WITHIN THIS WALL

UNKNOWN



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**Auxiliary: President:** Faye Hickman; **1<sup>st</sup> Vice:** Rosalie Kaufman; **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice:** Judy Kropfelder **Secretary:** Barbara Foor; **Treasurer:** Joyce Moore; **Chaplain:** Kathy Dubel; **Historian:** Nancy Gardner **Sgt at Arms:** Becky Barbee; **Exec Committee:** Mary Ann Lange; Melissa Harvey, Gayle Wilcox.

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