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Post Reports

Important *Chin Strap* Announcement

Beginning in January 2023, the *Chin Strap* will only be published on the odd-numbered months, i.e., January, March, May, July, September and November.

William S. Mund, Jr.
Editor

Eder-George Post 85, North East, MD
Maryland Region

Commander: Howard Bond

Greetings to all from the members of Eder-George Post 85!!
Our next meeting will be December 7, 2022. We will be holding elections at this meeting. We will be meeting at the North East VFW. The meeting will start at 10am.

We are hoping to get some new members interested in joining our Honor Guard, please let me know if you might be interested. Our current members are looking for some younger members to be able to carry on the tradition. We have made the decision to greatly reduce the opportunities for our Honor Guard. Unless we get new members for the Honor Guard, we will be holding 3 events each year. The next one will be on Memorial Day Weekend. If more information is requested, please contact me.

Stay healthy and safe as possible. The next meetings will be January 4, February 1, and March 1, 2023. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Dues for Post 85 are \$10 a year. Please make check payable to: Post 85 and mail to: Valerie Simmers, 5 Shore Drive, North East, MD 21901-3327.

Valerie Simmers, Adjutant
vhawk0926@gmail.com

Lantern Post 729, Waynesboro, PA
Maryland Region

Post 729 annual Christmas party will be December 6 at the Parlor House restaurant at 5:30 PM. Dinner will be served at 6:00. Cost is \$20.00 per person. Call 717-762-2259 to make reservations.

Lantern Post 729 meets the 3rd Thursday at 8:00 AM at the Parlor House. Guests are always welcome.

Dues for Post 729 are \$15 a year. Please make check payable to: Lantern Post 729 and mail to: Lantern Post 729, P.O. Box 831, Waynesboro, PA 17268-0831.

George Hill, Vice Commander
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Harry M. Richardson Post 64, Roanoke, VA
Southern Region

Commander: Richard Carr

Our **Holiday Meal** will be at the **Hotel Roanoke** on **10 December** at **12 noon**. Please come and join us.

Dues for Post 64 are \$20 a year. Please make check payable to: Post 64 and mail to: Dean Jones, 931 West Point Road, Salem, VA 24153-2727.

Richard Carr, Commander
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Stonewall Post 116, Staunton, VA
Southern Region

Commander: Barent Parslow

No report.

Dues for Post 116 are \$12 a year. Please make check payable to: Post 116 and mail to: Post 116, 566 Lee Highway, Verona, VA 24482

Jimmy Kilbourne, Finance Officer
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Jerome L. Day Post 48, Westminster, MD
Maryland Region

Commander: Frank Rauschenberg

Greetings Comrades, January 2023 is fast approaching. Annual dues are due in January. Several comrades have not paid their dues for 2022 and are delinquent. Whether you are active in Post 48 or not, you're still important to us. Please take a moment and send your dues to P.O. Box 1564, Westminster, MD 21158.

The post is active in numerous veteran's activity's such as the dedication of the Farinholt bridge sign. We need you.

The October 27th meeting was well attended and upcoming events were discussed.

Upcoming Events

The November 3, bus trip to National Army Museum, Virginia was well attended. Many good comments of the Museum.

November 17th, Post 48 meeting. Final plans for the dedication of the highway sign.

November 19th @ 11am dedication of TSgt. Joseph Farinholt Highway sign, American Legion, Westminster

December 17th, 12 noon, Wreaths Across America for veterans. Saint Luke's Church, New Windsor. All members and guests are welcome to attend and participate in the laying of wreaths at the veteran's head stone.

For additional information, contact Frank M. Rauschenberg 240-367-6110.

Welfare

Post Adjutant, Walt Dyky is recovering at home from surgery. Members of Post 48 wish him a speedy recovery.

Comrades, if you see or meet a veteran, please take the time and effort to acknowledge his or her service to our country and ask if they would be interested in joining the 29th Division Association.

Please let me or the Welfare Officer, Charles Foreman know of any veteran(s) dealing with an illness or a deceased family member.

Meetings

Next monthly meeting for Post 48 will be November 17th, at the American Legion in Westminster. Dinner at 6pm and meeting at 7pm and out by 8:15pm.

Finally, the holidays are fast approaching. I extend my heartfelt wishes to you and your family for a happy, healthy and a blessed Christmas.

As always, if you know a veteran (s) in need during the holidays, please let me asap and I will reach out to resources available to them.

"Keeping the Spirit Alive that never knew defeat and to glorify our dead and to further keep before our country, the record of the 29th Division." 29th Let's Go

As always, I can be contacted by calling me at 240-367-6110 or E-mail, fm32@erols.com.

Dues for Post 48 are \$15 a year. Please make check payable to: Jerome L. Day, Post 48, and mail to: P.O. Box 1564, Westminster, MD 21158.

Frank Rauschenberg, Commander
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Florida West Post 2, Sarasota, FL

At-Large Region

Commander & Finance Officer: Sean Malloy

Happy Thanksgiving! As I write this to our 29ner's out there; our loyal members of Florida West Post 2, I humbly realize how much I personally have to be thankful for. First and foremost, I am very thankful for being allowed to hold on to the reins of Florida West Post 2 for the past 8 years.

It was a very sad day when we lost our beloved past Post Commander, Taylor Wilson Thomas. I was inspired to help steer the ship, along with Vice Commander Mr. Eric Smith into the future. We continue on, despite the heavy winds of attrition now. The legacy of the 29th Infantry Division soldier will be carried on as long as new generations are anxious to hear this amazing story.

I am supremely grateful for my life, after enduring the wrath of a very powerful hurricane here recently in Southwest Florida. Through the Grace of God, I was lucky, so many more were not. I have promised to carry our Post into the future, for as long as I can, but we need help from all of you. While new members are free to join, we are gladly welcoming donations toward luncheons, our proposed Florida West Post 2 monument and other activities.

While we are still holding live meetings, they are sparsely attended. Please let your families know that they are welcome to attend and share their stories of the heroes in their lives. Vacationers to Siesta Key are always welcome! **Our next meeting is on December 21st.** Please join us! "29 Let's Go!"

Dues for Post 2 are \$12 a year. Please make check payable to: Post 2 and mail to: Sean Malloy, P.O. Box 511364, Punta Gorda, FL 33951-1364.

Sean P. Malloy, Commander
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Limestone Post 1-72, Baltimore, MD

Maryland Region

Commander: PNC Robert E. Lee Wisch

Since this is the last *Chin Strap* for 2022, I would like to offer a salute to BG Ted Shuey from all of the officers and men of Limestone Post 1-72 for his service to the 29th Division Association during the last year. He was there when the Association needed a leader to save our beloved Blue and Gray Patch.

Our Finance Office, Bill DeHaven, continues to improve from being on sick call for several months and Brian Becker has volunteered to take over the responsibilities of the Finance Officer until Bill is fully recovered. All Limestone members can help Brian immensely as well as saving the Post postage money by paying your 2023 dues promptly. Please mail Brian Becker, 11120 Douglas Ave., Marriottsville, MD 21104 a \$15.00 check payable to Limestone Post 1-72, 29th Div. Assoc.

We will be celebrating Christmas in a few weeks. Don't forget that in addition to exchanging presents and partying, we are also celebrating the birth of Christ. Thank Him for the freedom that we have and for the many blessings He has given us.

All Limestone Post meetings are held on the third Monday of each month except December at 1100 in the Veteran Corps Quarters of the Fifth Regiment Armory.

Dues for Post 1-72 are \$15 a year. Please make check payable to: Limestone Post 72, and mail to: Brian Becker, 11120 Douglas Ave., Marriottsville, MD 21104

Bob Wisch, Commander
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Eastern Shore Post 88, Cambridge, MD

Maryland Region

Commander: Jon Black

Greetings from Delmarva,

The Post recently held the Fall meeting at Katie's Diner located at the Cambridge Airport. This diner has supported the Post for years opening on meeting days just for us. If in the area, please support the business and mention the 29th Division Association. Adjutant Liswell gave a full brief to the membership on the National Convention attended earlier in October. Specifically mentioned were the presentations by former Commanding Generals on Saturday and the memorial service on Sunday with all of our departed Ladies and Comrades honored.

Members of the Post actually visited numerous cemeteries across the Eastern Shore on Veterans' Day. The Commander took part in the ceremony for the Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery which was moved the Federalsburg VFW due to weather with the Wreath depicting the 29th Division. The wreath this year brought much attention asking what the 29th was. Others from Post 88 also attended.

The Post this year with a local Daughters of the American Revolution will send cards to those in local nursing homes around Salisbury. Awaiting responses from Dorchester County.

The next meeting will be in March 8th, 1300 at Katie's at the Airport, Cambridge. Bernie Liswell will send out the information. If you are not receiving information from the post please email at cdrb2115@comcast.net. Hope to see everyone there at the next meeting.

Dues for Post 88 are \$12 a year and \$5 for Auxiliary members. Please make check payable to Post 88 and mail to: **Bernie Liswell, 24690 Pealiquor Road, Denton, MD 21629-2301.**

*Jon D. Black, Commander
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Rudolph M. Price, Jr., Post 5, Norfolk, VA
Southern Region

Interim Commander: Fred Bolton

Member Dues: Dues for renewing members of NP5 are \$15 for one year, \$12.00 per year if you renew for 2 or more years by mail. There are no dues required for new members the first year. Dues for 2023 is fast approaching and renewal letters will be sent out shortly.

You may renew on line via PayPal for \$15 at www.29thdivisionassociation.com. This online portal distinguishes between new (no dues) and renewing members. Website renewal payment limits dues to only one year with a charge of \$15.

Please be sure to describe the online renewal payment as "Post 5 Dues." Otherwise, make checks payable to "Norfolk Post 5", and mail to me: Mr. Randy Hess, 2076 Timmerman Rd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29588-5472.

*Randy Hess, Adjutant
rjshess@verizon.net*

Larkspur Post 110, Pikesville, MD
Maryland Region

Commander: PNC David Ginsburg

Our Post Holiday luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, 14 December at the NCO Club in Pikesville. We will have a catered meal and look forward to a great turnout.

Congratulations to Post member and 29th Division Colonel Jared Lake. Jared just came back from the Kuwait deployment with the 29th as the Chief of Staff and is taking over the 116th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (ICBT) this Spring. It was great to see him at the 116th Muster this past weekend in Staunton.

It is with sadness that we report the Post lost a good one in Butch Fuller (BG - Maryland). Butch passed away last month and we believe he was an OCS classmate of Ed Rodier. The family had a private ceremony for him last month hence, we were not contacted for the final salute.

Post Member Marvin Barrish will be on TV yet again! Marvin will be speaking during one of the episodes of The Bermuda Triangle: Into Cursed Waters about the loss of the USS Cyclops. The tentative airing date is 11/29 at 10pm ET on the History Channel.

Update on the Future of the Pikesville Armory

The Pikesville Armory Foundation is shooting for the transfer of the

Armory from the Maryland Military Department to the Foundation in the March 2023 timeframe. It will include all the buildings and all 11 acres of the Reservation. The Foundation is continuing its fund-raising efforts (\$11m so far) and will be putting \$1.8m into the NCO Club for renovations as soon as the transfer is complete. The goal is to complete the NCO Club and the front lawn of the Armory (to be named Armory Park) in the 12 months following the transfer, to be followed by the back of the armory (soccer fields, pickleball courts, outdoor classrooms, walking paths, and gardens) in the 2024 timeframe.

Future meetings/events:

Holiday Luncheon – 14 December at the Pikesville NCO Club (Time TBA)

Donation checks to Post 110 should be made payable to: **Post 110** and mailed to: **Ed Rodier, 13344 Cove Landing Rd., Bishopville, MD 21813-1102.**

If you are not getting the email updates on the Post or the electronic version of the Chin Strap, please contact the Commander at dginzu@gmail.com"

*PNC David Ginsburg, Commander
dginzu@gmail.com*

New England Post 93, Northeast & Worldwide

At-Large Region

Commander: Fran Sherr-Davino

On Veterans Day, Post 93 member Jan Regis honored the memory of 29th Division soldiers buried in the American Cemetery in Brittany. The grave of Medal of Honor recipient Sherwood Hallman is among those he decorated.

Jan is among those Post 93 members whose sacred service as grave keepers in Europe is noted in an article in the next edition of *The 29er*.

We welcome another European member this month. Anique Barslag, of The Netherlands, has kept in close contact with the sister of another 29th Division soldier killed in World War II and has been trying to find out where her brother lost his life.

We also welcome Rich Schwanz, of Indiana, and Emily Coffman, of West Virginia

Robert Birmingham was planning a visit to the 29th Division Museum and Archives in Baltimore to continue research on the short combat history of Pvt. Edward Stambaugh, who was killed in the Normandy Campaign.

Our Post Commander, Fran Sherr-Davino, reports her health is improving and is planning a tour for the 80th Anniversary of D-Day in 2024. Let Fran know of your interest: fsd104@icloud.com.

Dues for Post 93 are \$20/year, but \$12/year for veterans. Dues may be paid for two years: \$35/two years, but \$20/two years for veterans. Please make check payable to: Post 93 and mail to: **Neil Ungerleider, 34 Maple Avenue, Boxford, MA 01921-1424.**

*Neil Ungerleider, Finance Officer
neilungerleider@gmail.com*



Cresap's Rifles Post 78, Frederick, MD

Maryland Region

Commander: James Hutts

The Post met on Wednesday, November 9th. We will be assembling our Veterans Christmas gifts at the December 14th meeting and delivering them the week before Christmas. **Our next Post 78 meeting is Wednesday December 14th 2022 at 6:30 p.m. William Talley Rec. Center (Old Frederick Armory).** Meetings are open to anyone. Post 78 wishes all a very Happy and Healthy Holiday season.

*Dues for Post 78 are \$12 a year. Please make check payable to: Post 78 and mail to: **Cresap's Rifles, Post 78, P.O. Box 1882, Frederick, MD 21702-0882.***

*Kelly Toms, Adjutant
kjt063@gmail.com*

HQs Post 29, Richmond, VA

Southern Region

Provisional Commander: Tim Williams

Fellow 29'ers! Thanks to everyone who participated in the launch of the "Ever Forward" beer at Hardywood. It was a great event and good to see you!

Our next event is set for December 17th at the Richmond National Cemetery for the Wreaths Across America. The address is 1701 Williamsburg Rd, Richmond, VA 23231. Please plan to meet there at 1200 to assist with laying wreaths.

If you are interested in joining our Post, please email: hqpost29@gmail.com Please remember to pay this year's dues (\$15.00) at 29thdivisionassociation.com, or mail to Post 29 / Todd Hubbard at 13903 Highpaige Way, Chester VA 23831.

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Silver Spring Post 94, Silver Spring, MD

Maryland Region

Commander: Jay Garrison

No report.

*Donations to Post 94 are encouraged. Please make check payable to: **Silver Spring Post 94** and mail to: **William Mund, 441 Chalfonte Drive, Baltimore, MD 21228-4017.***

*Jay Garrison, Commander,
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Maryland Region

Commander: Dick Snyder

As we move into December, I want to take this time to wish everyone a happy, enjoyable and safe Holiday Season. Please keep in mind the military members who may be serving elsewhere, as well as their families who will miss them during this time. Our thoughts and prayers are with 29th Association Members, and family members, that are not feeling well during this Holiday Season. We wish them a speedy recovery.

I have been very encouraged by several posts that have conducted in-person events and field trips. As I have stated before, nothing can replace the time we spend together when we are able to engage in conversation and share news and ideas.

The next Maryland Region Meeting will be held at the Pikesville NCO Club on 09 January 2023, 11:00 am. Please try to attend. We are very fortunate to be able to meet in this location and to nurture friendships on a regular basis.

Thank you for your continuing support of 29th Division Association.

Happy Holidays! **29 Let's Go.**

*Dick Snyder
MD Region Commander
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Chin Strap Supporters

We have received financial support for the *Chin Strap* from the individuals listed below in the last month. Thanks to those of you who have helped by providing your monetary support as well as the kind words. Both are deeply appreciated. Please continue to contribute so we may continue to provide you a quality newsletter.

All donations are greatly appreciated. Checks for contributions to the *Chin Strap* should be made payable to the: **Maryland Region—29th Division Association, Inc.** and mailed to: **Edward Tolzman, 6A S Belle Grove Road, Baltimore, MD 21228-2204.**

William P. Gaskin, Post 110, Montgomery, PA

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