

News at Post 72 February 2018

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American Legion Post 72 Officers:

*Commander: Claude Davenport
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2nd Vice Commander: Brent Carter
Adjutant: George Morgan
Finance Officer: Mike Hays
Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard
Sergeant at Arms: Ed Deneale
Chaplain: Steve McLeod
Service Officer: John Bush
Historian: Stan Adamowicz*

Auxiliary Officers:

*President: Donna Webb
Vice President: Laura Riggins
Secretary: Patty Freeman
Treasurer: Patty Freeman
Chaplain: Savannah Christian
Sergeant at Arms: Savannah Christian
Historian: Vacant*

Sons of the American Legion:

*Commander: Ted Kilby
1st Vice Commander: Jules Juliano
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Adjutant: Clint Bolt
Finance Officer: Clint Bolt
Sergeant at Arms: Steve Ralls
Chaplain:
Service Officer:
Historian:*

American Legion Riders:

*Director: Terrie Harne
Assistant Director: Faye Brewster
Adjutant: Brent Carter
Treasurer: Steve Ralls
Sergeant at Arms: Brian O'Loughlin
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Membership Chairman: Steve Ralls
Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson*

American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

*Jim Rankin
Paul Baker
Brian O'Loughlin
Sam Jesselson
Jack Flood*



The Commander's Corner

I would like to thank the Legionnaires, Auxiliary and SAL members who have stepped up to volunteer for committee positions needing filled. I have appointed the Post Finance Officer Mike Hays as the Finance Committee chairman. Mike has enlisted the assistance of Steve Ralls and Dirk Wyckoff for the committee. I will be announcing additional chairman appointments soon. If you would still like to throw your hat in the ring for a committee, please contact me at my email, commander@legionpost72.org or my cell, 540-270-1442.

The property development project is moving along with soil core samples being taken this month. The official start of "turning dirt" is expected soon. We are moving forward as rapidly as possible. As always, I will keep everyone updated as additional information is received.

The slab for the new Tiki bar area has been poured and looking good. As the weather improves, we will be finalizing the next phase of the Tiki bar renewal. As always, my heartfelt thanks to the Post 72 volunteers who put in their time to help out around the post. Their contributions ensure that our Post home remains open for everyone to enjoy.

The Post's All-You-Can-Eat breakfast in the Social Quarters is still a great way to start a Sunday! Come in for breakfast every Sunday, from 09:00am until 12:00pm. Enjoy the excellent chow and great fellowship.

Remember to support the other member groups of our Post Home; the Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, American Legion Riders, Junior Shooters and the Boy Scouts.

I would like to encourage all Post 72 Legionnaire members to attend the monthly business meetings. It is imperative that we conduct our regular business and address any ideas; suggestions or concerns to help our post and organization perform better. The next regular Legion business meeting will be on the Post home on the third Tuesday, 20 February, 2018 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next Executive Committee meeting at the Post home,

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on the Thursday before the business meeting, 15 February, 2018, at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

Never forget that we are all members of the world's greatest brotherhood, we are American Veterans! As your Commander, if there are any questions or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact me at commander@legionpost72.org
For God and Country
Claude Davenport – *Commander*



Adjutant's Corner

All members are invited to review and comment on proposed changes to the Post 72 Constitution and Bylaws. In addition to several text and format corrections, the modifications reflect the change in date of the General Members Meeting from the 2nd to the 3rd Tuesday. The proposed draft will be posted for review in the Social Quarters, as well as on the Post's website. The amended version will then be brought to next month's meeting for vote and approval by the membership.

Two new member applications were approved at this month's meeting. Please welcome Salvatore Filippi (USMC) and Jesse Jones (USA) to Post 72.

At the Members Meeting, we were provided information on the 'Homes for Heroes' program which has risen over \$25M to benefit first responders. Participating real estate agents and mortgage lenders contribute a portion of their commissions to assist veterans, police, and fireman with purchasing or refinancing a home. If interested, John Bush or George Morgan can provide you with a contact.
For God and Country

George Morgan – *Adjutant*



Auxiliary News

We want to thank our volunteers that help all the time. Your efforts are much appreciated by all of us.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Patty Freeman's brother, who is ill and we all hope that he gets well soon. Patty has been out of town on numerous occasions to help care for

her brother for the past several months.

Our next breakfast is Sunday, February 11, 2018, and we could use some additional volunteer's help. Our monthly meeting will be held immediately following breakfast. I want to recognize Brian for cooking breakfasts for the Auxiliary.

Our thanks also go out to Leroy, Brian and of course Neil for being here and constantly helping out with our post dinners.

If you know of anyone else that is ill or needs some assistance, please contact me at the post on 540-347-7740.

For God and Country

Donna Webb – *President*



Sons of the Legion News

At our January breakfast we were happy to welcome Victor Gralean, Northern SAL Commander. Also in attendance were past Department Commander Rick Pregnall, his wife Maggie, 16th District Vice Commander Robert Yowell and Paula Mullins Aux President, both of Remington Post 247.

We held our 50/50 drawing, unfortunately, the winning holder ticket was not present. The 50/50 prize is available at the Post 72 social quarters for the winner. The proceeds earned on this event are going to help Clint Bolt in his quest to become SAL National Commander in 2 years.

Thanks to Mikie, John, Mike, Darryl and Donna for all their help at the SAL breakfast.

The next SAL meeting will be Tuesday February 6, at 7:00pm. The next SAL breakfast will be Sunday, February 18, 2018.

SAL members are encouraged to attend the 16th District meeting at Post 290 in Stafford, on March 18, 2018, at 2:00pm. Hope you are all keeping warm and looking for an early spring.
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Ted Kilby – *SAL Commander*



Legion Riders News

Hope everyone is keeping warm and is doing well with all this Flu going around. Ready

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to get some hot weather and get those bikes out to go riding!

The Rider's monthly meeting is February 7th at 7pm. We have a few things to discuss one being our upcoming Poker Run more details will be available soon.

Rider's Sunday breakfast went very well last month and we are hoping to do the same this month our breakfast will be on February 25th. Thanks to all of those that take the time prepare, cook, wash dishes, serve, and eat every single month.

We still have a couple of boxes of Thank You Cards that need to find a soldier so if anyone has family members or friends that are serving now please email WldRebRose@comcast.net with info: and I will get a package together and send them some cards from our Thank You Card Project from Fauquier K-12 Kids. Hope to see you soon. For God and Country

Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders



BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Scout Troop 600: Boy Scouting, one of the traditional membership division of the BSA, is available to boys who have earned the Arrow of Light Award and are at least 10 years old; or have completed the 5th grade and are at least 10 years old; or who are 11, but not 18 years old. The program achieves the BSA's objectives of developing character, citizenship, and personal fitness. Scouting helps boys grow, understand self-reliance and the importance of community spirit.

Recent Notable Activities/Events:

- Scouts are planning for spring and summer events and upcoming Court of Honor.

Upcoming Scout Events:

- 7 April: Spring mulch delivery

Meeting information:

The Scouts general meetings are the 2nd and 4th Monday evening of the month, from 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) upstairs at the Post 72 meeting hall. All boys interested are welcome to join us at any meeting. Any and all guests are asked to check in with a uniformed scouting member upon arrival.

Crew 600: The Venturing program, which is also a branch of BSA, is for co-ed youth 14 thru 20 years of age. The purpose of Venturing is to provide practical, positive experiences to help mature young people and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adult's leaders. Their activities are mainly focused around high adventure outdoor activities, team building skills, fitness, and citizenship. Those skills are not only learned, but mastered in a way so they are able to teach their skills to others.

Upcoming Venturing Events:

No events planned at this time.

Michelle Hermsdorf – Committee Chair



Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program

American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP):

The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program is a gun safety education and marksmanship program that encompasses the basic elements of safety, education, enjoyment and competition. Shooters use the .177 caliber air rifle. Both males and females can participate, through Legion sponsorship. Junior Shooting Sports is a three-part program that combines the Basic Marksmanship Course, Qualification Awards and Air Rifle Competition into a well-rounded activity.

Recent Notable Activities/Events:

- January has been a very busy shooting month with three competitions, the January ODJRL, the 2018 Civilian Marksmanship Program Regional Postal Qualifier, and the 2018 American Legion National Postal Qualifier.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL)

January 2018 Individual Results: 28 shooters participated in the January match. The Warrenton Rifles athletes individual results were: 1st place – Jacob 262-7; 2nd Hunter G 259-6; 3rd Seth 258-6; 4th John 255-4; 5th Ryan 254-5; 6th Dylan 248-4; 8th Gage 247-3; 14th Alexis 237-2; 16th Hunter B 222-1; 17th Julia 222-1; 18th Toly 217-4; 20th Brandon 179-0; and 24th Daniel 148-0.

ODJRL January 2018 Team Results:

4 teams participated in the January match.

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Warrenton Rifles Cobra Team comprised of Jacob, Hunter G, Seth, & John, placed 1st place with a 1,023-23.

ODJRL December 2017 League Results:

Results awaiting publication.

Qualifications (NRA): The following advancements were made in January 2018: Sharpshooter: Alexis & Daniel. Our congratulation to Alexis and Daniel on their personal accomplishment!

Personal High Score New personal high 3x10 scores were achieved by: Hunter B 248-5, Hunter G 262-7, Alexis 237-2, Dan 205-0, Brandon 217-1, & Jacob 276-9. New personal high 3x20 scores were achieved by: Hunter B 466-8, Alexis 437-5, & Ryan 518-8.

Congratulations to all on their awesome accomplishments!!

Upcoming Events:

- 3 February: ODJRL match at Post 290
- 25 February: Junior Olympic National Qualifier, 3x20, IWL, Centreville, VA
- 3 March 2018: ODJRL match at Post 290 (last ODJRL match of season)
- 7 April 2018: Troop 600 Mulch Delivery
- 12-14 April 2018: CMP Regional Match, Camp Perry, OH (by invitation)
- 21 April 2018: Dept of Virginia, North Region Championship
- 5 May 2018: Dept of Virginia, State Championship (by invitation)
- 21-23 June 2016: CMP National Championship (by invitation)

Practice Times:

During the regular season, the Post 72 Warrenton Rifles Teams primary practice is on Thursday evenings, 1800-2030hrs, in the Legion Hall. Secondary practice is on Wednesday evenings, 1830-2030hrs in the Legion Hall. The Team follows the Fauquier County School calendar. We welcome visitors and the Post family to come by to see the program.

For God and Country,

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team

Cadre: Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman, Lance Davenport, Andy Andrews, and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)

Social Quarters / House Committee

First off I would like to give out a big thank you to Deborah Olsen for painting the

two bathrooms here at your Social Quarters. She did this on her own time and provided the paint herself. When you see her give her a big thank you!

We have been able to have the concrete pad poured out back to have a place to move the Tiki Bar. We wouldn't have been able to do this without the help of Mark Florence who lined up one of the contractors he works with to do it at a very good cost. A big thank you to Mark for his help.

We will not be doing our normal Valentine Dinner this year due to the day falling on a Wednesday this year, sorry to all that look forward to this event.

Help from our members that volunteer to help around the Social Quarters as well as the Post are the ones that make this a place to enjoy with your family and friends.

Don't forget to come in for a lunch at a very good price during the week. You are welcome to bring in your family and friends to enjoy good food at a very good price! Also remember we have our dinner each and every Friday night from 5:00 to 8:00pm, come on in and enjoy the fun and food. Kim Tapp our new cook is working out very well and all the feedback on her food has been very good. Her being here has helped out a lot and gives Donna a break from trying to do the bar service and the kitchen at the same time.

When the weather gets warmer we will be having a big clean-up at the Social Quarters to include the walk-in cooler. We will then be able to pull out the shelves and power spray them outside. We can use help during this spring cleaning by anyone that would want to volunteer.

We are still doing the Gun raffles, and at this time the Post ALR group has a very nice one up for raffle, come on in and get your chances as soon as you can. We also have our pull tap games going on! Please don't forget about the Sunday breakfast each Sunday from 9:00am to Noon! Each Sunday we have one of the Post groups run the breakfast, so come out and support them and enjoy a very good breakfast. A big thanks to Brian O'Loughlin for cooking for the Legion, Aux and ALR breakfast and making the Belgium Waffles that have been a very big hit!

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For now we still have still permit smoking in the Social Quarters, but only during designated times. No Smoking during the Friday Dinner hours, Breakfast hours, and during the day for lunch there is smoking at the bar only. Once we have completed a nice place out back for the smokers this summer we will be readdressing the smoking rules for the Social Quarters.

We still have Wi-Fi at no cost in the club area and don't forget the Post Web page for much more information about the Post, visit www.legionpost72.org

Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House Committee Chairman

Articles for the March Newsletter are due by February 25, 2018. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

Photos from around the Post:



Post 72 Junior Shooters display some of the medals won recently, L-R, front row, Seth, Julia, back row, Commander / Coach Claude Davenport, Ryan, Dylan and Gage



Our new pad has been poured! Thanks to all who helped and for Mark Florence who made it happen.

