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## Post 72 Officers

### American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Claude Davenport 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Mike Freeman 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Mike Hays Adjutant: George Morgan

Finance Officer: Vacant

Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard Sergeant at Arms: Brian O'Loughlin

Chaplain: Steve McLeod Service Officer: John Bush Historian: Mike Wilson

### Auxiliary Officers:

President: Odetta Dietz Vice President: Samantha Hays

Secretary: Vicki White Treasurer: Michelle Hays Chaplain: Julie Anderson Sergeant at Arms: Vacant Historian: Lisa Kemper

#### Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Ted Kilby 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Jules Juliano 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Darryl Lee

Adjutant: Clint Bolt
Finance Officer: Clint Bolt
Sergeant at Arms: Joe Lechuar
Chaplain: Corky Church
Service Officer: Vacant
Historian: Vacant

#### American Legion Riders:

Director: Terrie Harne Assistant Director: Bruce Harvey

Adjutant: Gil Gilbert Treasurer: Steve Ralls Sergeant at Arms: Deb Olsen

Run Coordinator:

Membership Chairman: Steve Ralls Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson

## American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

Jim Rankin Paul Baker Vacant Sam Jesselson Jack Flood



## The Commander's Corner

I hope everyone had a fantastic Thanksgiving. There will be several activities in the Post Social Quarters in December, so keep an eye on your email for the upcoming events.

We are almost done with the Post 72 Newsletter email list we validation & verification. If you have not responded to my email requesting you reply with your first and last name to validate your email address, please do so as soon as possible.

The Executive Committee is still looking for a legionnaire with QuickBooks experience to serve as Finance Officer. We need support from the membership to continue moving Post 72 forward. If you would like to be considered for this opening, please contact one of the Post Officers.

The property development project has been approved by all parties and has started!!! You will be seeing the construction on the entry road and back on the football field during the fall and into the winter. Parking lot construction is expected in mid-spring. As soon as we set the date for the official ground breaking I will broadcast the date and time.

We have received a generous donation from the construction LLC to do updates and repairs in and around the Post home. At the Legionnaire meeting on 20 November, the membership voted to authorize the Executive Committee to solicit and approve bids for the repair and updating around the Post involving the donated funds. The roof shingle replacement project was also approved and should be completed the week of 26 November. Our most humble thanks go to one of the Post members who donated the commercial grade shingles for the project.

I will update the membership on projects as they are as bids are solicited and approved. The Post is currently soliciting bids to replace the stove hood and fire suppression system in the kitchen. Other projects include the replacement of the steel double door in the Hall, the repair/updating of the ceiling in the Hall and the lighting in the Hall. If you know of anyone in these industries who may want to bid on a

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project, please leave the information for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Mike Hays at the Social Quarters.

My heartfelt thanks to all of 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. If you have some time, please check with 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Mike Hayes to help around the building and grounds or Social Quarters Manager Cathy Rossi to help in the Social Quarters.

I encourage all Post 72 Legionnaires 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, 18 December, 2018 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next Executive Committee meeting is Thursday 13 December, 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 <a href="mailto:commander@legionpost72.org">commander@legionpost72.org</a>. My best wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! For God and Country

Claude Davenport – Commander



## **Adjutant's Corner**

A few weeks ago, the Post received a simple thank you note from a WWII veteran. He was a participant in one of this year's Honor Flights and commented on how moving the experience was. But the real reason he wanted to thank the Post was for two cards he received from our local school children. He said he was so touched by their simple words that he was moved to tears. These cards often put into perspective why we serve. Folks, please remember that it's the little things we do for our brothers and sisters in arms that make the biggest differences. Like the Patriotic Cards project, our post has a number of meaningful outlets for service and community outreach

where every member can get involved and make 'their' difference.

For God and Country

George Morgan – Adjutant



## **Auxiliary News**

Please join the Legion Auxiliary as we rebuild! We meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 at the Legion.

Come join us the 2nd Sunday of the month for all you can eat breakfast, just \$7.00. We need help, so don't be shy. Hope to see lots of new faces.

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

For God and Country

**Odetta Dietz** – President



## Sons of the Legion News

Our Adj Clint Bolt still has quite a few of the new SAL membership cards. Please get your renewals into the post before the last day of December. As they expire on New Years Eve.

Squadron 72 recently made a donation to the Food bank. This is one of the most effect programs that we donate to every year. For every \$1 you donate they can obtain \$4 worth of food to feed the less fortunate in our area. If you would like to donate they are located in the old Vepco Building.

Squadron 72 once again selling raffle tickets to help support the 3 Fisher Houses here in Virginia. Our drawing for the 3 prizes which are Safeway gift cards , will be pulled at the post at 12:00 on December 16, 2018 winner need not be present to win .

Next SaL meeting will be December 4th at 7:00 at post 72. As we are now in the middle of the holiday season, we would hope that many of our friends in military will be able to get home for a brief visit with their families and loved ones. We would like to hope for all of you to have safe travels and a great holiday season For God and Country

**Ted Kilby** – SAL Commander

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### **Legion Riders News**

I Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Not to many of us riders have been getting out and riding between the rain and cold. Be on the lookout through your emails about the Christmas parade in Bealeton. Paul will be letting us know soon, about where to meet up and what time we should be there.

Our next monthly meeting is Dec. 5th. Keep an eye out for the events going on at the Post. Everyone should be thinking about a Christmas party and let me know at the meeting when would be a good time for everyone. The Post is having a Christmas Party on Dec. 15th for all the members.

A couple of Wreaths across America events are near us we will be discussing at our meeting on which one to do on the 15th of Dec. We also have Toys for Tots box at the Post, I would like all the riders to bring in a gift at the next meeting if you can. The box will only be there until the 9th of Dec. I hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a great New Years and I hope to see you at our NYE party at the Post on the 31st, come out and enjoy good food, music and maybe some prizes.

Any questions you can email WldRebRose@comcast.net .

For God and Country

**Terrie Harne** – Director, America Legion Riders



# 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:**

 13 members of the Warrenton Rifle participated in the November ODJRL match. Once again, the Warrenton Rifles were very well represented. Individual and team results are below.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) Individual Results (November 2018): Gage 2<sup>nd</sup> 266-4, Seth 5<sup>th</sup> 258-5, Jacob 6<sup>th</sup> 257-3, Alexis 9<sup>th</sup> 241-3, Ryan 12<sup>th</sup> 237-5, Julia 13<sup>th</sup> 236-3, Toly 16<sup>th</sup> 230-5, Hunter 19<sup>th</sup> 221-3, Brandon 23<sup>rd</sup> 210-0, Guy 35<sup>th</sup> 190-1, Cameron 40<sup>th</sup> 174-0, Matthew 43<sup>rd</sup> 166-0, & William 55<sup>th</sup> 126-1, out of 62 sporter competitors. Congratulation to all the Warrenton Rifles for a job well done!

**ODJRL Team Results (November 2018):** Cobra Team (Seth, Jacob, Ryan & Gage) 2<sup>nd</sup> place 1018-17, Python Team (Hunter, Toly, Brandon & Julia) 4<sup>th</sup> 897-11, Viper Team (Alexis, Guy, Matthew & Cameron) 7<sup>th</sup> 771-4, out of 16 participating sporter teams. Excellent job "Rifles".

## **ODJRL October 2018 League Results:**

Awaiting ODJRL league results.

**Qualifications (NRA):** Sharpshooter: Guy, Cameron, & Matthew L; Expert Alexis. Congratulation our shooters for their personal accomplishments.

Personal High Score (3x10): Gage 266-4, Guy 211-3, & Matthew L 210-3. Congratulations to these athletes on their accomplishment!

Personal High Score (3x20): Julia 462-5, Gage 524-8, Guy 403-4, & Matthew L 416-4. Congratulations to these athletes on their accomplishment!

### **Upcoming Events:**

- 1 Dec: ODJRL match 3, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- Dec: TBA American Legion Junior Shooting Sports National Qualifications Postal match
- Dec: TBA CMP National Qualification Postal match
- 12 Jan, 2019: CMP Cup, Eastern View HS, Culpeper
- TBD Jan: ODJRL match 4, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 2 Feb: ODJRL match 5, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 23-24 Feb CMP JO Qualifier (Virginia), Centreville, VA, 3x20 Air Rifle

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- 2 Mar: ODJRL match 6, Post 290, Stafford,
- 20 Apr: American Legion Dept. VA. North Region Qualification Match, IWL Centerville,

### **Practice Times:**

During the regular season, the Post 72 Warrenton Rifles Teams primary practice is on Thursday evenings, 1800-2030hrs, and 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.

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team Cadre: Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman, Lance Davenport, Andy Andrews, and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)

### Social Quarters / House Committee

The holidays have officially begun and there is so much going on at the post! The month of November was a busy one and the changes at the post are becoming more and more noticeable. Construction crews have been sighted and there is a Foreman's trailer located beside the post building. There will be clearing of trees and grading beginning the 26<sup>th</sup> of November. We are officially under construction. The new roof is looking good and we have some interior ceiling repairs to be done soon.

The event calendar at the post is a busy one as well! December 1st we have an "Eat Drink and be Ugly" party planned. Ugly sweaters are the dress code and the uglier the better! There will be a dinner offered as well. Open faced Turkey Sandwiches with Mashed Taters and gravy with a vegetable for \$7.00.

The Auxiliary is hosting a Breakfast with Santa on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. It will be so much fun! Rumor has it that Mrs. Claus is coming with Santa and should make it even more special. We don't get to see her very often!

The post will be hosting their Members Christmas Party on the 15<sup>th</sup>, too. There will be a Gag Gift Yankee Swap for those that wish to participate. Bring a toy for Toys for Tots and

receive a raffle ticket for a drawing. There will be snacks, fun and prizes all starting at 7pm.

The post will be open on Christmas Day from 2pm - 6pm. There will be a Potluck supper at 3pm. The post will provide the meat, mashed potatoes and gravy - anyone wishing to participate please bring a side.

Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> of December will be an interesting night. The Employee Christmas Party will take place. The Executive Board and volunteers will take care of the Post! (and Friday Night Dinner....) The employees will be customers that night and will be at the post to be served by the Board. Please come out and enjoy dinner and the "shenanigans" of our staff.

Bar Bingo has been such a success that we are ready to add to our evening events. Tuesday Nights are going to become Trivia Night along with our wings. We have 2 volunteers to coordinate the Trivia and it should be fun to match wits with each other. Starting in January, the post will be having Cornhole upstairs on Sundays. Brian our TV genius will be putting a TV upstairs for our pleasure and we will be able to enjoy friendly competition! All of this and so much more to come!

Our Social Quarters has been through some rough times with our equipment. First it was the freezer and recently the Fryer. Thank you for your patience with us. Our equipment gets a real workout daily and we are working hard to keep things running smoothly. A special Thank you to Jon and his team for the new Flag Retirement Pit - It is beautiful! We will get it landscaped in the spring and have it ready for service.

A final note, Our Staff would like to wish a Merry Christmas to you and your families. We look forward to the holidays and the spirit it brings. May you and your loved ones all have the Happiest of New Year's.

See you at the Post!

For more information on these and other post programs, visit our website at www.leginpost72.org.

Cathy Rossi and Mike Hays - House Committee

Articles for the January 2019 Newsletter are due by December 25, 2018. Please

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email them to <u>Off2oc1@comcast.net</u> Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

### **Photos from Around the Post**



Veteran's Day 2018, L-R, Jan, Debbie, Joele, Brenden, Cathy



Veteran's Day, Mike Hays, returns salute from Jim and Charlie Rankin at our Veteran's Plaza paver dedication



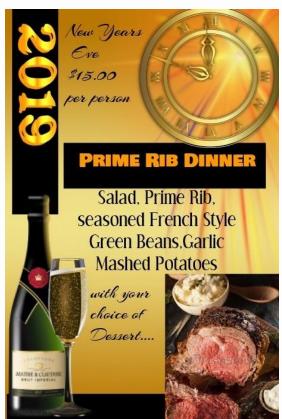
"Missing in America" Ride, Quantico National Cemetery, Paul Baker represented Post 72

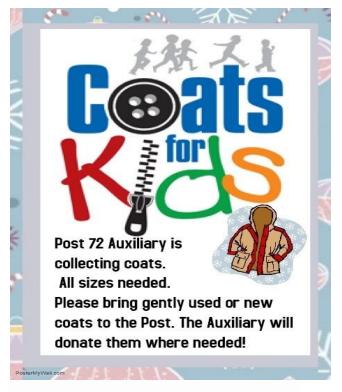




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■ November		December 2018				
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat  1 Ugly Sweater Party And Dinner 5pm (Open Face Turkey Sandwiches)
<b>2</b> Legion Breakfast Comhole Fried Food Menu	3 Coffee Club Taco Bar all day	4 Meatball Sub with Fries Trivia Wings Sons of Legion Meeting	<b>5</b> Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad ALR Meeting	<b>6</b> Turkey Pot Pie Bar Bingo Burger Bar	7 Coffee Club Chicken Noodle with Grilled Cheese Steak and Seafood	8 ½ Id Spiced Shrimp Basket
9 AUX Breakfast Comhole Fried Food Menu	10 Coffee Club Taco Bar all day	11 Italian Hoagie with chips Trivia Wings	<b>12</b> Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Salad	13 Crab Cake Sandwich with Fries Bar Bingo Burger Bar	14 Coffee Club Creamy Tomato with Grilled Ham and Cheese Steak and Seafood	<b>15</b> Breakfast with Santa Post Christmas Party
16 SAL Breakfast Comhole Fried Food Menu	17 Coffee Club Taco Bar all day	18 ½ Club with Tossed Salad Trivia Wings Legion Meeting	19 Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad Aux Mtg	20 Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy and vegetable Bar Bingo Burger Bar	21 Coffee Club 15 Bean Cajun Soup With Corn Bread Steak and Seafood Employee Party	<b>22</b> Hamburger Basket
<b>23</b> ALR Breakfast Comhole Fried Food Menu	24 Coffee Club Taco Bar all day	25 Post closed until 2pm Christmas Dinner Potluck 2-5pm  Merry Christmas  //		27 Catfish Nugget Basket Bar Bingo Burger Bar	28 Coffee Club Cream of Potato with Grilled Cheese Steak and Seafood	<b>29</b> Fried Shrimp Basket
<b>30</b> Legion Breakfast Comhole Fried Food Menu	31 Post closed until 2pm Prime Rib Dinner New Years Eve Party					