

**News at the Post April 2012**

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Director — Barbara Truitt  
Assistant Director — Keith (Wally) Burdette  
Adjutant — Mike Freeman  
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**Commander's Corner:**

Memorial Day is fast approaching and all American Legion Family (AUX, SAL, ALR, and Scout Troop 600) should be

**ELECTION NOTICE!**

As Chairman of the 2012 Post 72 Executive Board Nomination Committee, I would like to report the

making their plans to attend the events of the day and be in the parade. More information will be posted in the Club.

We are doing a [Veteran's Dedication/Memorial Plaza](#) Project here at the Post. The location will be in front of the Post around the flags. Bricks will be on sale at an introductory offering of \$150.00 each until May, and then they go to \$200.00 a brick. Please see the attached application for more information and ordering.

Please continue to support the Post Social Quarters and bring a friend or two.

The April Legion meeting will be on the 10th at 7:30pm. Don't forget to support the other groups of our Post Home as well, the AUX, SAL, and ALR with their scheduled meetings. Check the calendar for dates and times.

I would again like to thank Barb Truitt for her work getting the News Letter together for distribution as well as her work with the ALR and efforts around the Post. We will miss her when she departs to sunny Florida.

Don't forget we have the WEB site up and running with all the information about the Post, and scheduled events. Visit it at [www.legionpost72.org](http://www.legionpost72.org). You can also pick up a copy of the Monthly News Letter at the Post, have it e-mailed to you, or buy a subscription to have it mailed to you.

For God & Country  
**Paul Baker** — Commander

#### BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Troop 600 website: [www.troop600.org](http://www.troop600.org)

**Troop 600 March Events/Activities:** It seems like March was busier than usual, but that just adds to the excitement of Scouting. This month the Troop's activities included: the Spring Mulch Flyer Distribution; a Lenhocsin Shakedown overnight hike; the Lake Brittle clean up by the Cobras Patrol (a special thanks to Ms. Hermsdorf, Mrs. McNeill, and Matt M. for also helping out); the Piedmont District's Merit Badge Midway at Culpeper Middle School (congratulations to our Scouts who participated); a trip to watch the Harlem Globetrotters at GMU; a cycling camp out at Prince William Forest Park; and Crew/Troop Scouts assisted the Post with the 1st Annual American Legion Riders Chili Cook-Off. Great going Scouts, Scouters and parents!

**New Scouts:** We would like to welcome several new Boy Scouts to the Troop 600 Family, C.J., Nicholas V., Ronald B., Chris K., and Joshua O.

**Rank Advancement:** Andy McNeill successfully completed his First Class rank. Congratulations Andy!

recommendation for the following slate of candidates for the upcoming Post 72 Executive Board election in the positions as indicated.

Executive Committee Nominations  
for July 1, 2012  
through June 30, 2013

Commander:  
Mike Freeman  
1st Vice-Commander:  
Larry Ritchie  
2nd Vice-Commander:  
William H. "Bill" Gouldthorpe, Jr.  
Adjutant:  
John H. Sinclair  
Finance Officer:  
Donald "Don" Harsh  
Judge Advocate:  
Jonathan Lienhard  
Sergeant At Arms:  
Ed Deneale  
Chaplain:  
Steve McLeod  
Service Officer:  
Jack Flood  
Historian:  
Stan Adamowicz

Each candidate has agreed to serve if elected. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor prior to the scheduled election.

Corporation Directors' Nominations  
for July 1, 2012  
through June 30, 2013

Comrade Mike Freeman reports that the Post 72 Board of Directors Nomination Committee would like to recommend following slate of candidates for the upcoming Post 72 Board of Directors election;

Thomas "Tom" M. Glasco  
Gordon E. Howard Jr.  
Claude Davenport  
Paul Baker  
Barry Dibble

Each candidate has agreed to serve if elected. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor prior to the scheduled election.

**\*\*NOTE\*\***  
NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM  
THE FLOOR AT THE GENERAL  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING, TUESDAY, APRIL  
10, 2012.

**Upcoming Troop Events:** Cobras has a Service Project at Post spreading dirt for Veterans Memorial Plaza; there will be a Senior Patrol Leader/Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Election; we will have the Spring Mulch delivery on March 31, 2012; there will be Troop Elections for Patrol Leadership Positions; the Districts Spring Camp-o-See will be held (April 13-15, 2012); Scouts from the troop will help with Cub Scout Pack 1016 Camping Round Robin at St. John The Evangelist; we will hold the Troops Spring Court of Honor on April 23, 2012 at the Post, where the Cobras patrol will be hosting a Dutch Oven Cook Off in conjunction with the COH.

**Upcoming Scouting Events:**

Summer Camp: Consideration of possible sites are Goshen, Sethmack or Tuckahoe. No dates set as yet, but likely to be the same as Sea Base event.

“Summit Shakedown” event at the new Scout Reservation in West Virginia, (July 12 - 17) has 15 Scouts signed up from Troop 600.

The Troop meets Monday nights, 1915 - 2030 hrs, upstairs at the Post. The Crew meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month, in the Auxiliary Building at 1730hrs.

Come “Feel the Thunder at Troop 600”.

For God and Country

**Claude Davenport** — Troop 600 Representative

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program

On 8 March, nine shooters from the Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program Team competed in the March 2012, Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Match. The Team came in 4<sup>th</sup> place with an overall score of 757 (7 bulls). Congratulations to Sam O. with a team high of 212 (2 bulls), followed by Blake L. with a score of 199 (4 bulls) and Jake S. with a score of 180 (1 bull). Our next competition will be on 28 April in the Northern Virginia American Legion Regional Match in Springfield, VA.

We would like to invite everyone from the Legion family and friends to test their shooting skills at the Post on **14 April (1100-1300hrs), at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual “Shot Group Challenge”** (flyers available in the Social Quarters). 1st place will walk away with \$100, and 2nd place \$50. The challenge will be to see how tight of a 5 pellet shot group you can shoot. Our Post 72 Shooters will be on hand to coach you along and assure a safe, fun filled environment. The cost is \$5 per target, and you can shoot as many targets as you wish. This is open to everyone from 10 years old on up. You will be shooting from a table, in the seated position so there is no worry of having to get down, (or back up) in the prone position. If you have any questions please speak with comrades Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman or Bill Gouldthorpe.

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports

**Upcoming Team Events:**

April 24: Competing in the American Legion Junior Shooting Sports, Northern Virginia Region Match.

The Post 72 Junior Shooting SportProgram Team practices every Thursday evening, during the school year, from 1830-2030 hrs.

For God and Country

**Claude Davenport** — ALJSSPO Team Coordinator

Auxiliary News:

We are having an Easter Egg Hunt for the Children on Saturday, April 7th from 1:00 to 2:00pm.

Please come in and support our Baked Goods and Baskets. We always have something to chance off!

Our breakfast is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month. Please come in and support our Auxiliary.

We want to thank Joe Grimsley for doing a swell job in our office and Social Quarters.

Thanks to all our volunteers for helping out anytime we need them.

Our next meeting will be April 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 so come and join us.

For God and Country  
**Donna Webb** — President

#### Sons of the Legion News:

The March Sal Breakfast held at Post 72 was a festive event with the Leprechaun, Joseph O Lechwar of the Belfast Lechwar Family was there in full costume. It might have been the day after St Patrick's Day but you not have known it by Joe's attire. Thanks go to Donna, Tootie, Cale, Joe Lechwar and Sandy Kilby pitched in and helped.

Sorry to hear that Larry Ritchie a Legionnaire and Sal Member has been very ill. Prayers and best wishes go out to him and his family. Many thanks to Barb Truitt and her Commanders notes for the past few months. Best wishes and good luck on your journey to Florida. May your orange trees be always full of fruit.

The SAL regular monthly meeting is 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, April 3, 2012 –

For God & Country  
**Ted Kilby** — Commander SAL Squadron 72

#### American Legion Riders News:

[ALR Facebook Page](#) — You will be asked to log into Facebook.

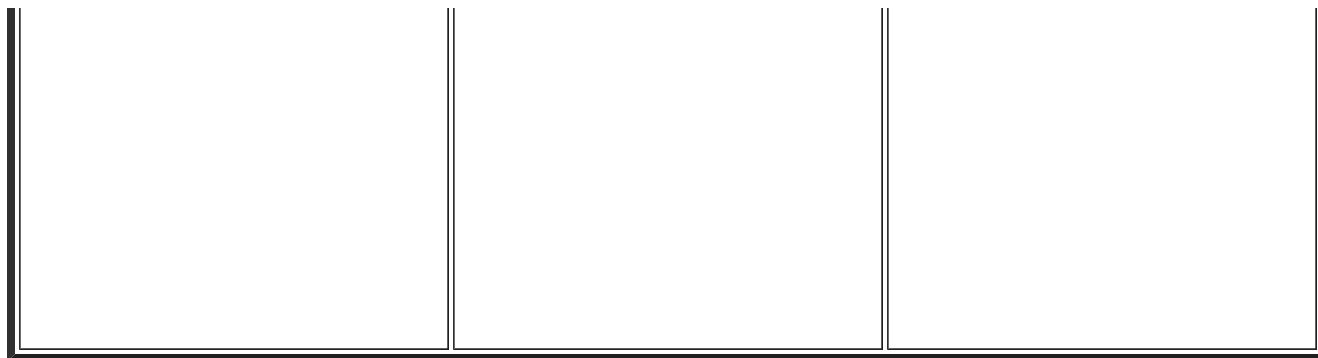
The Riders how much I've enjoyed being your Director and your friend these past years. It's been an honor and a privilege to know each of you. Personal circumstances have changed, so I'm taking this opportunity to move Florida. I want to thank you for your support and friendship, and I wish you all the best with everything you do. Keep it shiny side up!

A special thanks goes out to the March breakfast volunteers - George, Claude, Mike, John from PA came down just to cook for us and visit at the Chili Cook-Off, Dave, and Julie for all their hard work! And we want to again extend a special Thank You to Donna and Tootie for all of their advanced prep work on behalf of the Riders! The Riders and our breakfast patrons truly appreciate all you do for us!

Remember, all proceeds from the Riders' breakfasts are donated back to the Post!

The ALR 1st Annual Chili Cook-Off on March 24th was lots of fun! Paul Baker won Best Classic Red Chili; Best Open category was won by our own Mark Burdette, and Barb Truitt took the Chili Verde (the only entry) category! It was a clean sweep for the ALR Post 72 Chili Cookers! Well done Riders! Congratulations to all the Winners!

Everyone who entered was a winner in our book! Lots of great Chili was made and samples given out to all in attendance.



Best Booth was awarded to George Morgan for his Virginia Road Kill Chili!

The People's Choice Award for Best Chili went to our neighbors at Post 28 (Triangle/Quantico) and their "Team Awesome!"

The Coveted Title of Chili Maker Extraordinaire and the Perpetual Trophy for the Overall Best Chili was won by Paul Baker! The trophy will be on display here at the Post until next year's Chili Cook-Off.

**Post 72 Legion Rider Activities:**

**April 4<sup>th</sup>** (Wednesday): ALR Meeting - 7 pm (in the Social Quarters)  
Nomination for Officers takes place this month.

**April 14th (Saturday) PGR Escort Ride** - Wounded Warriors' Project Healing Waters 2-Fly Tournament - Culpeper, VA to Syria, VA - EDT 4 pm - approx. 21 miles. [www.projecthealingwaters.org](http://www.projecthealingwaters.org) Details to follow as they develop. Or check out this website: [www.thesportsmanchannel.com](http://www.thesportsmanchannel.com)

**April 21st (Saturday) by Post 150 in Sterling - Poker Run.** Jimmy's Old Town Tavern, 697 Spring St., Herndon, VA. Registration and Breakfast begin 8:00-10:00am. Cost is \$20 per rider \$5 for each additional hand. For Questions please contact them at [alrpost150@hotmail.com](mailto:alrpost150@hotmail.com).

**April 21st (Saturday) 2nd Annual Nam Knights' Poker Run** - Start & Stop at Legends Sports Grill, Cosner's Corner, 9969 Jeff Davis Highway, Fredericksburg VA 22407, Registration - 0900 Hours, Last Bike in - 1300 Hours. Donation - \$15 per Driver, \$10 per passenger. Proceeds benefit The Quality of Life Foundation Wounded Warrior Family Care Program.

**April 28th (Saturday) The Inaugural Officer Down Memorial Poker Run** will take place in Haymarket, VA. at the Lion & Bull Restaurant. Join us as we ride to honor and remember the sacrifices made by law enforcement officers nationwide. Participants will enjoy a great ride followed by live music and great food, as well as motorcycle demonstrations by local law enforcement. Pre-registration closes April 14, 2012! Register now to reserve your spot and free t-shirt! Go to their website to register by April 14th! [officerdownpokerrun.com](http://officerdownpokerrun.com)

**April 28th (Saturday) Honor Flight:** Stars & Stripes Honor Flight - 112 Veterans/ 112 Guardians.

**Our next meeting is Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>** at 7 PM. It's also Spaghetti Night at the Post, so why not come early for dinner? I hope to see everyone there!

For God & Country  
**Barbara Truitt** — Director

Social Quarters:

Thanks to Andy Andrews for filling in on the grill for Stan.

Thanks for all our Volunteers on Friday and any other day you all help out!

We are having a Whiting Fish Fry on April 21st all day, 11am to 8pm.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Larry Ritchie in hoping he will get better soon and come in again.

Come in and enjoy our Lunch Menu, every day from 11am to 7:30pm.

Our yearly early bird Dinner for Members will be on April 7th from 3pm to 6pm. If you are not an Early Bird you can eat for \$5.00 per person.

We are playing Queens again every Tuesday at 7:00 pm.

Don't forget our Steak 'n' Seafood night every Friday night from 5:00 to 8:00pm.

If anyone has any ideas for the Social Quarters, please contact me.



For God & Country  
*Joe Grimsley* — House Committee Chair

[Winter Pool Tour](#) Starts 7:00pm Entry Fee \$5.75 on Thursday Night.

[Dart Tournament](#) Starts 8:00pm Entry Fee \$5.75 on Friday Night.



We want to thank you for making this our best night of the week! We have great fun after dinner so consider staying longer to enjoy our new Friday night Dart Tournament now starting at 8:00pm to allow our guests to complete their meal; this is becoming a real nail biter! We usually have about 4 teams that make us sit on the edge of our seats. We would love to have you join in and make it even more fun. It's not expensive and the kids can play also.

**Thanks** to Terry the DJ for our Karaoke night. Karaoke is on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. This needs your support if we are to continue with it. Remember Terry is doing this for tips only with no cost to the club, so please show your support and tip him well for his good work!

We also have our popular bowling game plus our pool table is open for play after dinner. We like to turn the juke box up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! You won't regret it.

We would love to have you join in and make it even more fun. It's not expensive and the kids can play also.

#### **Don't forget our schedule of Saturday Night Events:**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month

we have [Karaoke](#) with Terry at the club from 7pm to 10:00pm. Come out and check this out, it is a lot of fun for all!



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month

is our Pot-Luck / Meet & Greet 6 pm to 9 pm. Please bring a covered dish to share or desert and join in the fun.



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month

we will be featuring a Cook's Special Dinner so check the vestibule and see what's cooking!



The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month

we have [Steak Night](#). (We will cook them on the outside grill when weather permits). We now offer prime cut New York Strip as well as prime cut Rib Eye at a little lower cost when



ordering for two. The idea here is for you to bring your love one or a friend to the club.

**Don't forget our 16 item Bar Menu!** You can order from this menu any time, Friday's we do try to only serve Steak and Seafood however, We do make exceptions for those that have food allergies that would like to order other than seafood on that night. We want all to enjoy the night of dining out we will gladly make that hamburger with love!



Please remember we have **WiFi** in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is [www.legionpost72.org](http://www.legionpost72.org)

**GAMES at the Post:**

**Queen of Hearts** drawing is every Tuesday at 7pm.

**Pool Tournament** is on Thursday nights at 7pm.

**Soft Tip Darts** is on Friday nights at 8:00pm.

Come out and have some fun with us!

**Veteran's Dedication/Memorial Plaza Project**

You've no doubt noticed the construction taking place in front of the Post. This will be the site of the Veterans Dedication Memorial Plaza. The order form for the memorial bricks is linked on the Front Page.



Challenge the Junior Shooters  
in the "Shot Group Challenge"  
on April 14th.

Golf Tournament is May 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Sign up now.

Articles for the **May** Newsletter are due by **April 25, 2012**. Please email them to Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor." Thank you!  
Editor

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