

News at Post 72

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The Commander's Corner

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2nd Vice Commander: Bill Gouldthorpe, Jr.

Adjutant: John Sinclair

Finance Officer: Claude Davenport

Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard

Sergeant at Arms: Ed Deneale

Chaplain: Steve McLeod

Service Officer: Wesley Simms

Historian: Stan Adamowicz

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Donna Webb

Vice President: Julie Gordon

Secretary: Rochelle Ferguson "Shell"

Treasurer: Rosie Limerick

Chaplain: Dottie Howell

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Historian: Patty Freeman

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Commander: Ted Kilby

1st Vice Commander: Joe Lechwar

2nd Vice Commander: Justin Labell

Adjutant: Clint Bolt

Finance Officer: Clint Bolt

Sergeant at Arms: Jules Julian

Chaplain: Tom Carter

Service Officer: Tom Carter

Historian:

American Legion Riders:

Director: Terrie Harne

Assistant Director: Claude Davenport

Adjutant: Paul Baker

Treasurer: Steve Ralls

Sergeant at Arms: Mark Burdette

Run Coordinator: Mark Burdette

Membership Chairman: Steve Ralls

Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson

American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

Jim Rankin

Paul Baker

Bill Buck

Joe Grimsley

Barry Dibble



Summer is fast approaching its end and it has been unusually hot and wet, for us here in Virginia. Along with the intense heat, we have unfortunately had more than our fair share of expenses to keep the AC up and running at our Post.

We recently had the meeting hall rented for a wedding reception. Of course this was one of the days that it was near 100 degrees, and subsequently the AC went out. I had to run out and purchase some floor fans, and thankfully the wedding party was sympathetic to our predicament. Also thanks to Randy and Mike for helping control the water damage; clean up, assembly and placement of the fans.

We will discuss this problem at our upcoming August business meeting on the need to upgrade our heating and cooling systems. As always, funding is going to be a major issue.

July also marked the 60th anniversary of the ceasefire in the Korean War. In the aftermath of WWII, this was the "forgotten war", and there were no victory parades for those who served. Let us pause, reflect and say a prayer if you are so inclined in remembrance of those who made the ultimate sacrifice during this conflict. Also there are several members of our Post who defended our country during this war and we all owe them our personal thanks.

I want to thank Joe Grimsley, and of course Donna Webb for their hard work on our July Fourth cookout. The weather was not as hot as last year and, a good time was had by all in attendance. Everyone seemed to really enjoy the newly renovated "Tiki Bar".

I was informed by Donna, that we would be having another cookout on Saturday, August 31, 2013, from 1:00pm until-. As on July Fourth there will be free food provide by the Social Quarters and a cash bar. Also thanks once again to Comrade Barry Dibble there will be live music for our entertainment. Come out and bring friends and family and socialize and enjoy the benefits of Post 72.

As your Commander I recently attended a meeting of the Fauquier Veterans Council. Besides the usual discussion on Veteran's Day

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and Memorial Day activities, we also talked about the proposed naming of bridges for decorated veterans in Fauquier County. Steps are being taken to form an LLC and obtain tax exempt status to collect donations for this worthwhile project. The Fauquier County Board of Supervisors had previously endorsed this undertaking. I will provide more information as it becomes available.

Remember to keep Miss Tootie in your thoughts and prayers. Also, let us all wish the best for Freda Labell, and hope she is recovering from her recent illness.

Please continue to support our Post and Social Quarters, and don't forget to thank Donna for all of her hard work. Also, thanks to our many volunteers, who assist Donna and help keep the Social Quarters functioning.

We continue to have all you can eat breakfast in our Social Quarters, every Sunday, from 09:00am until 12:00pm. The Legionnaires serve breakfast the first Sunday, each month. Our next breakfast will be held on August 04, 2013.

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on the August 13, 2013 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on the first Thursday again this month, on August 01, 2013 at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

Remember to support the other groups of our Post Home as well, the AUX, SAL, ALR and Boy Scouts.

As your Commander, remember, if there are any questions, or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact myself, or any of the other officers, at your convenience. Also please support our new officers and serve on one of the many committees if you can.

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.

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 and Country

Mike Freeman - Commander

Nothing much to report this month, other than the VA representative will be here at the Post on the Fourth Wednesday, this month, instead of the usual third Wednesday. **This month he will be here on August 28, 2013.** For the good of the Legion, and God Bless America

John H. Sinclair – Adjutant



Auxiliary News

Summer is still here, and we don't have a lot of activities to report on again this month.

Thanks to all of our retiring officers from the past year. Also thanks to our newly elected officers for assuming their positions and responsibilities. Please give them all of your support and help make our Post successful.

Last month we chanced off a 9mm handgun. It was very successful, and we were pleasantly surprised by the requests to have another drawing as soon as possible. After receiving input from several of our members, I had Commander Mike Freeman again contact Clark Brothers Gun Store, and we are now selling chances for a 45cal S&W MPC handgun. The proceeds from this and the previous drawing will go to support Girls State of the American Legion, Department of Virginia. Please support this once again and help our Auxiliary.

I also want to recognize and thank Clark Brothers Gun Shop for their continued support of American Legion Post 72.

We will continue to serve our breakfasts on the second Sunday of each month. Our next one will be Sunday, August 11, 2013. Please come out and help if you can.

As always, we want to recognize and thank all of our volunteers who work so hard around the Post.

Remember that we will still be holding raffles for donated items that are located behind the bar, such as "goodie baskets", etc. Show your support and buy chances when you can.

Remember to keep Miss Tootie in your thoughts and prayers.

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Donna Webb – President

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Sons of the Legion News

The July SAL breakfast was a great turn out. We served 36 of our friends. Thanks to all who came out and assisted, Cale, Joe, Clint, Donna, Patty and Mike. A special thanks goes to Mike Anderson who also brought in a nice looking fruit tray, for all to enjoy.

Clint brought in some get wells cards for our friends Tootie and Freda, and got everyone to sign. Freda came in to have breakfast, and we were all glad to see her.

This Last month was the summertime American Legion Convention held at Dulles. Those attending from our SAL Squadron were Finance Officer Clint Bolt and myself, Commander Ted Kilby.

The title of state SAL commander was passed from A.D. Carter to Doug Farrell who is a member of the Dan River American Legion. I met Doug 3 years ago in Hampton, and I think he will be an excellent SAL Commander. Congratulations Doug.

Our July 4th celebration at Post 72 was well attended. And thanks go out to Donna and Chef Boy R Grimsley for all their work. The highlight of the day was SAL member Joe Lechwar showing in complete costume as Uncle Sam.

Our next SAL Breakfast is August 18, 2013. Hope we have lots of members attend as we are also having a car wash. It's a great deal you can get your car washed while having breakfast. Hope our SAL members can attend the next month meeting, which will be August 6th, 2013.

For God and Country

Ted Kilby - Commander SAL Squadron 72



Legion Riders News

July is now history. August is upon us once again! Where has this summer gone?

Our July 28th breakfast went very well. Please remember to thank Donna and her helpers for always preparing what we need at our monthly breakfast. Without their support our breakfast would not be a success.

A special thanks goes to Judy, for her

culinary skills in cooking, once again. Also a big thanks to Larry, Mark and Colin and for their help as well.

As reported last month the Patriotic Card Project was another outstanding success. We received a pleasant surprise this year from some of the school participants. They made cards thanking us, the American Legion Riders! How cool is that?

The September 28, 2013, Bike and Car show needs your help with sponsorships on t-shirts, vendors and Raffle prizes! Remember this is our MAIN moneymaker for the year. Your help is needed Now!

Our next ALR meeting will be held as usual on Wednesday, August 07, 2013 at 7:00pm. Come early for dinner here at our Post, as we have a lot to go over. If you can, please attend the meeting and discuss our future events.

Our next breakfast is August 25, 2013, so if you can lend a hand let me know. Also remember to come in and support the other breakfasts along with ours.

For God and Country,

Terrie Harne - Director, American Legion Riders, Post 72

BSA Troop 600 &

Crew 600

Boy Scout Troop 600 & Crew 600:

Activities:

As reported last month, two Eagle Scout Candidates are proceeding with projects to directly support the Post with the construction of dugouts at the Post baseball field and the construction of a portico on the front of the Auxiliary building. These Eagle projects will save the Post several thousand dollars in capital improvements.

BSA Troop 600 meets on Monday evenings, 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) in meeting hall at Post 72.

BSA Crew 600 meets the 2nd Monday of each month, 1930 – 2030 hours (7:30 – 8:30 pm). We invite you to come by and see what Troop & Crew 600 are all about.

Troop 600 is having a great summer so far. As summer continues and long, warm days resume, the troop continues to enjoy the great

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weather with games outside before and after troop meetings.

Troop & Crew 600 are all about.
For God and Country

Claude Davenport - Troop 600 & Crew Liaison

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program



American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP):

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team is still on it's summer schedule. We will have voluntary practice about every two weeks until school starts in mid August.

Last month our team started using the newly purchased Predator PCP air rifles. Both the shooters and us coaches were thrilled to be using these. The results from zeroing in and bench firing the rifles were good as anticipated. Junior Shooter Staff member Mike Spitzer, takes aim with one of the new Predator PCP air rifles, (photo below)



The shooters are still learning the nuances of these new guns, such as safely filling the guns with air, different type of safety and the many adjustments necessary to personalize these for the individual shooter.

Coming Events:

We will be holding our annual Shot Group Challenge in August. This is a fundraiser to offset the costs of the Post's Junior Shooting Sports Program. Please come out and try your shooting skills. More information to follow.

During this summer season, we will be building eight new three position target stands

to facilitate quicker shooting cycles.

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team practices on Thursday evenings, 1830 – 2030 hours in the Legion Hall throughout the school year. We welcome anyone from the Post family to come by to see the program and watch the shooters practice.

For God and Country,

Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman, Bill Gouldthorpe, Lance Davenport, & Michael Spitzer - Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team Staff.

House Chairman News

Once again, I want to thank all our volunteers who come out every week, work hard and help out wherever they can.

As in previous years, summertime is a little slow here at the Post, so please come out, especially on Friday night and support our Social Quarters.

Once the weather cooperates a little bit and things begin to cool down, we want to have one Saturday a month outside at our Tiki Bar. Accordingly, the inside bar will be closed during this event. We will keep everyone posted as a decision is made and more information becomes available.

Remember that the VA Representative will be available, the **fourth Wednesday, this month, on August 28, 2013, at 10:00am**, here at Post 72.

Again, we all want to send our thoughts and prayers to Tootie, and her family. Miss Tootie is now in a nursing home in Culpeper, across from the Hospital. She appears to be doing all right and thankfully seems content.

Also, we still have raffles in the Social Quarters from time to time.

For God & Country

Joe Grimsley – House Committee Chairman

Social Quarters

Remember, we will continue to serve "all you can eat" breakfasts every Sunday, from 09:00am until 12:00pm. These breakfasts are hosted by all of our groups within the American Legion, so please come out and eat to show your support. **The cost for these breakfasts**

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will remain at \$6.00 for adults. Children twelve and under is half price, at \$3.00 each.

The **3rd Saturday each month** we have [Karaoke](#) with Terry at the club from 7:00pm to 10:00pm. Come out and check this out, it is a lot of fun for all!

Don't forget our 14-item Bar Menu! You can order from this menu for lunch or any time. Friday's evening we continue to serve Steak and Seafood dinners. However, we do make exceptions for those that have food allergies that would like to order something other than seafood on that night. We want all to enjoy the night of dining out we will gladly make that hamburger with love!

We also have our popular pool table is open for play after dinner.

We like to turn the jukebox up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! Please remember we have **WiFi** in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is www.legionpost72.org

Come out and have some fun with us!
Articles for the September Newsletter are due by September 25, 2013. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor." Thank you! Patty Freeman, Editor

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Photos from around the Post



"Uncle Sam", SAL member Joe Lechwar at our July Fourth cookout



Barry Dibble, seated, Paul Malone and Larry Shoemaker enjoy a moment on July Fourth.



Miss Donna at work in our "Tiki Bar" .



"Chef" Joe Grimsley, (with tongs), takes food orders.



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Stan and Andy enjoying the July Fourth cookout.