

News at Post 72

August 2014

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2nd Vice Commander: Dean Jacobson

Adjutant: George Morgan

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: Lora Riggins

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Sergeant at Arms: Chris Ritchie

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Adjutant: Clint Bolt

Finance Officer: Clint Bolt

Sergeant at Arms: Steve Ralls

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:

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Paul Baker

Bill Buck

Joe Grimsley

Jack Flood

The Commander's Corner



Once again it is my sad duty to announce that we have lost another member, Past Post 72 Commander Tom Glasco. Tom went to the Supreme Commander of us all on July 03, 2014. Let us keep Tom and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

The hot and hazy days of August are upon us, and as anticipated, but not hoped for, the post AC system had to be repaired again. Fortunately, we had a spare compressor unit in the shed that we utilized. Also, as of this writing, another of the upstairs units has tripped the circuit breaker, and is not functioning. This will require still another repair and more expense to our post.

As discussed in last month's business meeting, we are annually spending considerable monies to fix these old and antiquated AC units. We simply can't keep ignoring this problem and hope it goes away. Until we can agree about getting some financing to replace or upgrade the units, I will be asking for members to donate whatever their can to help fund a new HVAC system for our Post home.

Now for some good news! Claude Davenport, Sam Jesselson and myself, recently attended the 16th District Organizational meeting in Purcellville, VA. At this meeting Post 72 was presented with the 16th District Americanism Award. We also received an award certificate for last year's membership goals. Although we fell short of the final 100% target, we managed to meet the other criteria. Our thanks go to Past First Vice Commander, Jesse Montgomery, as membership chairman in 2013-2014, for his hard work in reaching these goals.

I'm both proud and happy to announce that in addition to Comrade Sam Jesselson being voted as the Post 72 legionnaire of the Year, he was awarded the **16th District Legionnaire of the Year, and also the Northern Region Legionnaire of the Year!** Congratulation Sam!

In my opinion these awards are long overdue. Sam has finally been recognized and awarded for his extremely successful Patriotic Card Project.

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We still 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 of each month. Our next breakfast will be held on August 03, 2014.

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

Our thoughts and prayers go to Andy Andrew's wife who is in a nursing home in Warrenton, and to Kyle Pinelli, the son of one of our SAL members, who was seriously injured recently.

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on the first Thursday again this month, on August 07, 2014 at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

As your Commander, if there are any questions or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact myself or any of the other officers, at your convenience.

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

Adjutant's Corner



Next time you see John Sinclair, be sure to shake his hand, buy him a beverage, and let him know how much you appreciate all the time and effort he dedicated to the Post as our Adjutant, and for so many years! I grow more impressed everyday with the amount of work I now realize John did for the Post and for its members. Though he recently retired from the Adjutant position, he's taking up new jobs and projects to continue serving. **So please pass on your gratitude to John for a job very well done!**

As the new guy transitioning into this important job, I ask not only for your patience, but more so for your inputs and ideas as to how I can improve your interaction and communications with the Post and with the Legion. Let me know what kinds of information

you'd like to see provided routinely from the Post, District, other Posts, and the community we serve.

For God and Country

George Morgan - Adjutant



Auxiliary News

We want to thank and recognize all of our volunteers who help out here at the Post.

Not much going on with us this month. However, our next Auxiliary second Sunday breakfast will be August 10, 2014, so please come out and give your support. Also we want to thank "Miss Judy", for cooking at our recent breakfast.

Please keep Ginni Mills, Barbara Miles and Crissy Ritchie in your thoughts and prayers, and wish them all the best.

We are thinking about having another bake sale, possibly in September, with the exact date to be determined.

Our next Auxiliary meeting will be held on September 14, 2014 at 2:00pm.

For God and Country

Donna Webb - President



Sons of the Legion News

It is my sad duty to announce that squadron 72 has lost a member of SAL, Charles Carroll. Let us all keep Charles and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

We had a great turnout for the SAL breakfast. Thanks go out to Mike, Donna, Joe, Rusty and Teddy.

Also please remember to pay your 2015 dues early and receive your early bird stamp.

The next SAL meeting is Tuesday August 5th 2014 at 7 p.m... The next SAL breakfast is Sunday August 17th 2014.

For God and Country

Jules Juliano - SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

August is here already, with lots of great rides coming up. Please, check your email for additional information.

Remember that Aug. 6th is our next ALR Monthly meeting starting at 7pm. Come out and

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enjoy a beverage and hear about some rides and events coming in the next couple of months.

First Friday in August is a big get together for a lot of the riders. Our goal is to get out in the community on first Friday, talk with our fellow citizens and maybe get a membership or two. We can also to show off some of our projects. If you can make it come join us for a couple hours... 5-9, on the First Friday each month.

Our recent Sunday breakfast was once again a success. Judy made her French toast, yummy of course. Come join us for our next breakfast Aug. 24th, and volunteer to help if you can. Out thanks always goes to the Donna and her helpers for helping ALR with their breakfast.

Anyone with T-shirt ads please get them to Paul immediately. Our drop dead date was originally the end of July, but Paul has extended it for a few more days. We are still asking each ALR member to get at least one T-shirt ad. Without these ads the Bike and Car cannot be a huge success like it has been in the past. So please, you have a couple of more days to get those ads in, lets' make it happen!

We are also looking for vendors, and raffle prizes for our Bike and Car Show. If you have either of these two, please contact Sam or myself to set things up.

I would like to thank all of the Riders that went on the ride this past Saturday, for the CVA combat veterans Association. We all had a great ride there was a huge amount of people. We had police escort all the way to Shenandoah from Manassas and it was a beautiful day to ride, as the weather was perfect.

For God and Country

Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Boy Scout Troop 600 & Crew 600:

Troop 600: Boy Scouting, one of the traditional membership divisions 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 fifth grade and are at least 10, or who are 11, but not yet 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:

- The troop has continued working on the canoe merit badge turning their regular schedule Monday night meetings into merit badge nights.
- Fun was had by all scouts that attended Summer Camp from July 13-19 either at Powhatan, Claytor Lake, or Mountain Man. A total of 12 scouts went to Powhatan, 7 scouts went to Claytor Lake and 6 scouts went to Mountain Man.
- Scouts were able to learn how to drive a boat, be a captain on a large sail boat, and operate a personal water craft, paddle board and water ski at Claytor Lake.
- At camp Powhatan scouts earned merit badges such as rifle shooting, chess, first aid, game design, space exploration just to name a few merit badges.
- At Mountain Man, the scouts enjoyed learning how to build a fire and then cook on an open fire, muzzle load rifles, and an assortment of additional basic outdoor survival skills.
- The Troop completed the Legion Service project of washing chairs and tables in late June.

Recent Rank Advancements: The summer continues to be a great time for scouts to work on advancements. Josh O, Chris and Carter A, Jeffrey P. and Hugh R. all had successful rank advancements in the month of July 2014.

Upcoming Scout Events:

Fall Mulch September 27th

Meeting information: The Scouts general meetings are every Monday evening with the exception of the 2nd Monday of the month, from 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) upstairs meeting hall at Post 72. 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.

Recent Notable Activities/Events:

The Crew will be departed for their Northern Tier trip on 28 July. Best wishes for an excellent experience.

Upcoming Venturing Events:

TBA

Meeting information: Venturing meets on Monday evenings with the exception of the 2nd Monday of the month, from 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) in the meeting hall at Post 72. We invite young people to come by and see what Venturing is all about.

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Barb Nooger & Michelle Hermsdorf - *Editors*
Claude Davenport - *Troop/Crew 600 Charter Organisation Representative*

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:

The Post 72 Air Rifle Team is operating on its Summer Volunteer Practice Schedule. The 2014/2015 season will start on Thursday, 21 August, 2014.

Match Results: The Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) No competition this month. Next season starts in October 2014.

Qualifications: No new qualification to report
New Personal High Score: No new personal high scores to report.

Upcoming Events:

31 July, 14 August 2014: Voluntary practice
16 August 2014: 4-H Northern District of Virginia Fall Match, Culpeper, VA

21 August 2014: Start of the Post 72 ALJSSP 2014/2015 season

27 September 2014: Shot Group Challenge during the Post 72 Bike & Car Show, American Legion Post 72, Warrenton, VA.

October 2014: Start of the 2014/2015 Old Dominion Junior Rifle League season

Practice Times:

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

For God and Country,

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

House Chairman News

This is YOUR Social Quarters and it is here for the members, their families & friends as well as the guest of the membership. However as anything if you don't use it you could lose it.

Please come in and enjoy all the Social Quarters has to offer. Without the membership supporting the club it could come to be that the doors could close and we will not have a place to enjoy. Support your Posts!!

Thanks to everyone who have stepped up to help in keeping our club a place to enjoy. We hope you all have seen the sofa we have as a raffle item to support the Post. This is a High Grade Leather Sofa with two electric recliners, one on each end of the sofa. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We would really like to get this raffle done however ticket sales have been very,

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very slow, so after talking to the Commander we have decided that we will draw the winner on Oct 1st no matter if all 2000 tickets are sold or not. We would have hoped that the membership would have taken tickets out to sell their family and friends as this is one outstanding peace to have in your home, but that has not been the chase. So now you will only have to Oct. 1st to buy or sell tickets.

Please remember the raffles and games at the Social Quarter help use keep the cost down on food and drink so support them as much as you can.

As always, a big thank you to all that have volunteered to help out around the Social Quarters and more so on Friday nights as well. A big thanks to the membership that come in to enjoy the food, drink, & fun. Big news is that we are having a CASH BASH in September, be looking for your tickets for this event!!

Please remember that you may bring in as many friends to the Social Quarters as you like to enjoy the club with you. Don't forget the First Saturday of the Month is Tiki Bar Party 1pm to 5pm or longer if the membership wants! the 2nd Saturday we hope that Terry will be back with his karaoke, and the 4th Sunday we have a Chicken Dinner. Keep your eye open to see if we put up a flyer to do the Tiki Bar Party on the 3rd week as well.

For God and Country

Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House Committee Chairman

Social Quarters

The Social Quarters is still having gun pull tabs where you can be the owner of a new pistol for just \$1.00 per chance. Again if you win and don't want the gun I can work something out. I can give you the cost of the gun in lieu of the gun. If you prefer this option, we would try and raffle it off again to someone that wants it for their very own. So again please buy tickets on it when you are in the Social Quarters. See the House Committee Chairman's input on the state of the Sofa.

We will continue to have the other favorite games of the membership like the HOGS, Booze Giveaway, and baskets of goodies. Big news is that we are having a CASH BASH in

September, be looking for your tickets for this event, they will be on sale starting on July 30th!!

As always, we want to thank all of our volunteers who come in and work so hard. It takes all of them to help keep things running. Please don't forget Donna who works so hard to see that everything is running along, she really puts a lot of time in behind the scenes that most people don't know about. Don't forget to show here your support by tipping her as much as you can!

Remember the First Saturday of the Month is Tiki Bar Party 1pm to 5pm or longer if the membership wants! The 2nd Saturday we hope that Terry will be back with his karaoke. On the 4th Sunday we have a Chicken Dinner. If you missed this in July you really missed a good dinner. I have received many praises on how good the chicken was. So mark it down on your planner and be there in August!

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 is \$7.00 for adults. Children twelve and under is unchanged, at \$3.00 each.**

We have a 14-item Bar Lunch Menu! and for how we will keep the grill on after 3pm due to the request of the membership and the agreement by Donna to work the extra work it takes to do so.. On Friday evenings we continue to have our Steak and Seafood dinners. However, we do make exceptions for those that have food allergies and kids that would like to order something other than seafood on that night. So bring as many friends as you like to enjoy dinner with you. We enjoy having your kids and grandkids in the Social Quarters, so bring them in as well. We will try and make their stay with us a enjoyable one. Thanks to ED for getting a highchair and a booster set for the younger children!

We also have our popular pool table which is open for play after dinner. Come out and have some fun with us! Also don't forget to say hi to Donna, (our hostess), as she is doing a outstanding job holding down the kitchen and bar at the same time now that our cook walked out on us! We all need to give her a big thank

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you! I would like to thanks Judy for stepping up to cook on Friday Nights.

Please remember we have **Wi-Fi** in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is www.legionpost72.org.

Articles for the September Newsletter are due by August 25, 2014. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."
Thank you! Patty Freeman, Editor

Photos from around the Post



Comrade Sam Jesselson, (Left), receives his Legionnaire of the Year awards from 16th District Commander Robert Yowell

*This Saturday!
from 1:00pm till*



*Party
Post 72
Outside the Social Quarters*

American Legion Post 72

345 Legion Dr. Warrenton, VA

Cash Bash!!

Saturday September 20th

2:00 pm: \$100.00	3:30 pm: \$50.00
2:15 pm: \$25.00	3:45 pm: \$50.00
2:30 pm: \$50.00	4:00 pm: GUN
2:45 pm: \$100.00	4:15 pm: \$100.00
3:00 pm: GUN	4:30 pm: \$50.00
3:15 pm: \$50.00	4:45 pm: \$25.00
	5:00 pm \$500.00

\$20.00 per Ticket: includes dinner, draft beer, soda, or tea

Need not be present to win!!

****Only 300 tickets sold****



Commander Mike Freeman receives the Post 72, 16th District Americanism Award, from District Commander Robert Yowell



Post 72 Booth at a recent Town of Warrenton, First Friday event