

News at Post 72 December 2015

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The Commander's Corner

I hope that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. Christmas is just around the corner! No matter how celebrate the upcoming holidays, please to take a moment to pause, remember and to say a prayer, if you so choose, for those brave men and women in our military who are serving to protect our freedom!

To all who served on active duty during the Viet Nam War, remember that Congressman Robert Hurt will be at our post on December 07, 2015 at 2:00pm. Congressman Hurt will be presenting certificates of appreciation to everyone who signed up for this event.

Remember that Paul Baker has purchased a new snow blower and is selling raffle tickets for \$1.00 each in the Social Quarters.

Also thanks to all of our many volunteers who help out around the post. Their contributions ensure that our home remains open for all to enjoy.

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 December 06, 2015.

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

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on the third Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next executive meeting will be on the Thursday, December 03, 2015, 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.

Never forget that we are all members of the world's greatest brotherhood, we are American Veterans!

From both my wife Patty and I, we sincerely hope that everyone has a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

For God and Country

Mike Freeman – Commander

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Adjutant's Corner

I don't have anything new to report at this time.

Happy a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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 silent auction will be held from December 01 thru December 20, 2015.

We will be having our annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 13, 2015. Sign up any children you wish to attend so we can get an accurate headcount.

I want to thank SAL member Mike Anderson, who has been cooking for the Auxiliary breakfast for the past several months. I also want to thank the other Auxiliary members who have been helping out with our breakfasts as well.

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

Our next Auxiliary Sunday breakfast will be December 13, 2015, with our monthly meeting to be held immediately afterwards. For God and Country

Donna Webb – President



Sons of the Legion News

I would like to thank all those members who help work our Sunday SAL breakfasts. Also, Auxiliary and SAL member Donna Webb for her help with the SAL breakfasts each month.

The next SAL meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 03, 2015 at 7:00 pm. The next Sal breakfast will be Sunday, November 15, 2015 at 9:00 am. Please come out and help. For God and Country

Jules Juliano – SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! Now with Christmas fast approaching, a lot of us riders are going to be very busy.

Outline of events:

Dec. 2 will be our Monthly meeting starting at 7pm. At this meeting we need to pick date and time for our Christmas Party.

Dec. 4th, on Friday night, the Warrenton Christmas Parade, starting at 6pm.

Dec. 5th, Parade in Bealeton, the ALR was invited to be in the parade. We are meeting at Post 72 at 11:30am. KSU if you want to be in the parade, if not the Parade starts at 1pm.

The ALR have also been invited to Warrenton Moose Lodge on Dec. 5th for a Dance with a band for the SPCA donations of Pet items are needed.

Dec. 11th, Fauquier High School one of our biggest supporters of our Thank You Card Project has asked if we could pick up Thank You Cards for the Troops for Christmas. 10:30 is the pick-up time at the school. It's very quick but if you would like to come please do. I have 700 local troops that will be getting the Christmas Cards.

Dec. 12 Wreaths Across American once again wants help laying wreaths in Culpeper I would like to invite all riders to meet at Denny's in Warrenton at 8am for breakfast or coffee or meet us in Culpeper before 10:30. I will have more at the meeting on Dec. 2nd.

Let's all remember that our next ALR breakfast is Dec. 27th, and volunteers are needed. Thanks to the all the volunteers that work very hard every month.

If anyone has any questions or suggestions for the upcoming year events, email WldRebRose@comcast.net

Hoping everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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

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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:

The fall Court of Honor was held on November 1st at Post 72.

On November 8th, the Troop cleaned up our adopted portion of Lake Brittle Road.

Troop 600 continued our annual tradition of Turkey in the Hole on the Nov 20-22 weekend at Verdun Adventure Bound. This year, some of the turkeys were infused with different sauces resulting in some fantastic tasty turkeys.

Upcoming Scouting Events: The Troop is planning their annual lock in at Vint Hill Gym. Webelo's from local packs will be invited for the initial part of the lock in to enjoy in the festivities.

Meeting Information: The scouts general meetings are every Monday evening at 7:00 – 8:00pm in the upstairs meeting hall. The 2nd Monday of the month the scouts meet for a Patrol Leader's Council at the same time except from 7:00 – 7:30 pm. All boys who are interested in joining the troop are welcome to come and join at any meeting.

Crew 600

The Venturing program, which is also a branch of the BSA is for co-ed youth ages 14 – 20. 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 leaders. Their focus is mainly on high adventure outdoor activities.

Recent Notable Activities/Events: At this time, the Venture Crew members have returned to their perspective colleges.

For God & Country

Nicole Jones – Editor

Michelle Hermsdorf – Committee Chair

Claude Davenport – Troop 600 & Crew COR



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 2015/2016 season is in full swing, with a full team of 16 shooters. This was another busy month for the Warrenton Rifles!
- At the monthly Post 72 Legionnaire General Membership meeting on 17 November, three of our shooters were awarded the National Rifle Associations **Distinguished Expert Award (Air Rifle)**. This is the highest award presented by the NRA. Abram, Sean and Sam are the FIRST shooters in the Team's history to achieve this level of excellence. Our heartfelt congratulation to these young men or their unique accomplishment. An excellent example of persistence and performance gentlemen!
- The Warrenton Rifles will be hosting a sectional match for the US Army Junior Marksmanship (USAJM) National Qualifier Match at Fort Benning, GA in January 2016.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL)

ORION RESULTS: ODJRL November individual results are below. Match results will posted when published by ODRRL: Sean, 274-7; Sam 269-10; Abram 264-6; Savannah, 262-8; Carson, 238-6; John 238-3; Jacob, 231-3 (personal high); Dylan, 227-5; Hunter G, 216-4, Ryan, 204-2; Harry 142-1; Hunter B, 112-0.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Results

(October): ODJRL League results for October are:

Sean, 1st place AAE class, 270.007; Sam, 2nd place AAE class, 265.008; Abram, 3rd place AAE class, 265.004; Savannah, 4th place AAE class, 255.006; Carson, 3rd place ATT class, 232.006; John, 2nd place B class, 226.001, new class A; Ryan, 3rd place B class, 220.002; Tristan, 4th place B class, 213.002; Dylan, 1st place TYRO class, 224.000, new class B; Jacob, 1st place

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TYRO B class, 220.002, new class TYRO; Hunter G, 2nd place TYRO B class, 217.002; Hannah, 3rd place TYRO B class, 163.00; Hunter B, 4th place TYRO B class, 159.00. What can we say?? An outstanding performance by all of the Warrenton Rifles team members!!!

Qualifications (NRA):

Sharpshooter: Hunter B, Harry, Hannah & Ryan.

Distinguished Expert Award: Abram, Sean & Sam... Awesome job!!

New Personal High Score: Harry – 174-2, Tristan – 235-5, Hunter B – 180-0; Hannah – 182-0; and Jacob – 231-4. Congratulations shooters on your fantastic personal accomplishment.

Upcoming Events:

- 12 December: Old Dominion Junior Rifle League match (3x10), Post 72, Warrenton, VA
- 12 December 2015: US Army Postal match (3X20) sectional match. Start to US Army regional & national matches, Post 72, Warrenton, VA
- 16 January 2016: Old Dominion Junior Rifle League match (3x10), Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 13/14 January 2016: CMP Postal match (3x10). Start to CMP regional & national matches
- 20/21 January 2016: American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Postal Match (3x20). Start to ALJSSP Regional & National matches
- 13 February 2016: Old Dominion Junior Rifle League match (3x10), Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 15 February – 31 March 2016: American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Postal, Round 2 Match (3x20).
- 12 March 2016 : Old Dominion Junior Rifle League match (3x10), Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 7-9 April 2016: (Invitation only) CMP North Eastern Regional Qualifier (3x20), Camp Perry, OH
- 16 April 2016: American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Virginia North Region Match (3x20): Qualifier for Department of VA State match, Manassas, VA
- 14 May 2016: (Invitation only) American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Department

of Virginia State match (3x20), Charlottesville, VA

- May 2016 TDA: Virginia Regional Junior Olympic Qualifier (3x20), Location TBA
- 26-28 June 2016: (Invitation only) CMP National Championship & Junior Olympic National Championship (3x20), Anniston, AL.
- 19-23 July 2016: (Invitation only) American Legion 3 PAR National Championship (3x20), USA Shooting Range, Colorado Springs, CO.

Practice Times:

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team practices on Thursday evenings, 1800 – 2030hrs in the Legion Hall following the Fauquier County School calendar. Second practices are on Wednesday's from 1900 - 2030hrs. This practice time is set aside for those shooters who have a temporary conflict with the regular Thursday practices.

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, Bob Roda, Andy
Andrews, Patty Freeman, and Bill
Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)**

American Legion Baseball Committee

Our baseball season is over, and thanks to everyone who supported our team. Looking forward to next year!

For God and Country,

**John Sinclair – Baseball Committee/Post 72
Schools Award Chairman**

Social Quarters / House Committee

Hope everyone had a very Happy Thanksgiving day with family and friends. Your Social Quarters will be closed Christmas day as well as New Year's Day this year.

Some may have noted that the Social Quarters has been closing early some nights. This is due to the lack of business during the latter hours. We are doing some review of our hours of operation and may be making changes in 2016. For now I have told Donna to close up if we don't have any customers for the latter

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hours. I sorry for any inconvenience to our members, but we have to be cost effective.

The cold snowy days of winter is on its way and even if they are calling for less snow this year, it will be here soon! We have your new snow blower up for a giveaway. There will only be 1000 chances sold at \$1.00 a chance, so get you tickets soon. Tickets are available here in our social quarters. We also have a Glock Pistol up for giveaway, again only 1000 sold at \$1.00 each.

We will continue to have the other favorite games of the membership like the HOGS, Booze Giveaway and baskets of goodies, etc. Congratulations to Mike Freeman for winning the Savage XP 308 rifle. I'm also thinking of doing a pool tournament night again, but need to know if there is any interest in it first, please let me know.

As always, we want to thank all of our volunteers who come in and work so hard. Thanks Patty, Judy, Neal, Stan, & Jules for your help. It takes all of them to help keep things running.

Please don't forget to thank Donna as well for all she does. We can always use help to keep your Social Quarters open and running to be able to give you a nice place to have a little food, drink, & fun.

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 large Bar Lunch Menu! On Friday evenings we continue to have our steak & seafood dinners.

A reminder to all that there is no smoking permitted during Friday's dinner and our breakfast hours. During the lunch hours there is smoking at the bar only. Please remember we have **Wi-Fi** in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is www.legionpost72.org

Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House Committee Chairman

Articles for the January Newsletter are due by December 25, 2016. Please email

them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor." Thank you! Patty Freeman, Editor
Photos from around the Post:



Snow blower raffle tickets, \$1.00 each



Post 72 Junior Shooters receive their prestigious NRA Distinguished Expert Awards, (L-R), Commander/Asst. Coach: Mike Freeman, Past Commander: Jim Rankin, Junior Shooters: Abram B., Sean H., Finance Officer/Coach: Claude Davenport, Past Commander: Paul Baker, (Not pictured, Junior Shooter: Sam O.).

