News at the Post June 2011

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Commander's Corner:

Here we are and it is already June of 2011. I want to congratulate all the new Officers of the Legion, AUX, SAL, & ALR. I know you will all work to the betterment of the American Legion Post Home and the support of Veterans, their Families, and our Community.

Don't forget that this month we will celebrate Father's Day on the 19th. Please don't forget the many fathers that are serving our country in the armed services and can't be with their families. Please remember them during your Father's Day celebrations.

We have a great honor from our Boy Scout Troop 600 we sponsor. Daniel Edward Anzenberger became an Eagle Scout on May 22nd. He is now the 25th Eagle Scout from the ranks of Troop 600, & the second Eagle Scout since we became their sponsor. He also has two brothers which are also Eagle Scouts from Troop 600. When you see the Anzenberger Family please pass on your congratulations.

We will have the awards celebration this month at our Legion June meeting. At that time the AUX, SAL, and ALR are welcome to come and make any awards they may have as well.

Did you know that you are a member of a lobbyist group for the U.S. Veterans? As a member of the American Legion you are just that! That is the reason the Legion was started, and they have had a big role in getting our veterans benefits from the Government. If you know of a Vet that is not a member, asks them why they are not supporting this effort for more veteran's benefits and the protection of the little benefits that remain? Remember the bigger the lobbyist organization the more the Government Leaders lesson to us. Please join me in getting the word out to as many veterans as you can. Also don't forget the membership of the AUX & SAL also counts in this effort to protect our benefits.

Congratulations to all the ALR in putting on a great poker run for the benefit of the Disabled American Veterans. Good work! Please mark the calendar for June 11th Car & Bike show. Come out and support this event.

Please check out the Box in the Social Quarters and give a helping hand to some of our Marines in Afghanistan. Please show your support for these young veterans.

The June Legion meeting will be on the 14th at 7:30pm, which is also Flag Day. There will be a Flag burning ceremony at 6pm at the Post Home. 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.

Most of you know by now that our Legion 1st Vice Commander Douglas Hazelrigg has found it in his heart to resign from the American Legion and our Post. I'm not sure of the reasons behind his decision, as his letter resigning didn't give a clear reason. However, this is his decision and I ask all to honor it. I only hope one day he will reconsider and join back up with us. With that said, I have appointed past Commander Larry Ritchie as 1st Vice Commander.

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 & Country **Paul Baker** — Commander

Adjutant's Corner

I would like thank my golf committee: Andy Andrews, Stan Adamowicz, Jean Gillen, Stan Tapscott and Steve Toske (SAL) for their support to make the Golf tournament May 9, 2011 at Stonewall a great success.

Golfers are ready to hit the links!

In addition thanks to Tom Glasco, (Photography) and his assistant and chauffeur, Georgia Sabean, as well as Barb Truitt and Terrie Harne of the Riders for their tremendous support at the tournament. Also many thanks, as usual to Jim Rankin in his support for acquiring last minute advertising. Thanks to all the players as well.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!!

For the Good of the Legion *John H. Sinclair* — Adjutant

House Chairman News:

We have a rifle for our gun giveaway. It is a Browning Model 71 348 WIN caliber. Drawing will be on June 18th, 2011 at 7pm. Come by the Post Social Quarters and see this rifle as well as get your tickets. Remember this is one of the ways the club gets money to stay up and running for your enjoyment and this is one rifle everyone will want!

There is a new refreshed look to the garden in front of the Post's main entrance. It seems garden gnomes were busy last Monday evening. A special Thanks to the boys, scouters and parents of Post's Boy Scout Troop 600 for the fantastic job they did revitalizing the garden. Their community service is greatly appreciated!

It is time for others to pitch in and help out around the post home outside the facility building. Let's make our post a place that will look as nice as we can get it, it is our Post Home! See me if you would like to give a hand.

We have the Kooleraters American Band for each month throughout 2011 scheduled on the 4th Saturday each month. Please come in and enjoy the fun and a good steak, as it is also Post Steak Night on the 4th Saturday of each month as well.

For God and Country *Stan Adamowicz* — House Committee Chairman

Boy Scout News:

The Post's Boy Scout Troop 600, celebrated its 25th Eagle Scout at an Eagle Court of Honor on May 22, 2011. Daniel Edward Anzenberger, 16 year old Warrenton resident, became the Troop's newest Eagle Scout. Daniel is a junior at Paul VI HS in Fairfax. At the Court of Honor, Post Commander Paul Baker presented Daniel with a Certificate from the American Legion recognizing him for his accomplishment and a US flag, which was flown over Post 72, in honor of Daniel. It should be noted that Daniel has followed his two older brothers, Robert Anzenberger and Christopher Paulus, to the rank of Eagle Scout with Troop 600. Other Post members attending the Court of Honor were Claude Davenport and Jim Kulick, who are Troop 600's Charter Organization Representative and Scoutmaster, respectively.

Commander Baker also presented Daniel's brother, Robert Anzenberger, with an American Legion Certificate of Honor, recognizing Robert for his military service. Robert is a 2006 Liberty High School graduate, currently a student at the University of Kentucky pursuing a double major in history and political science. Robert is presently serving in the US Army Kentucky National Guard as a Sergeant (E-5) in the Military Police and will be deploying for his second tour to Iraq mid-June 2011.

For God and Country *Claude Davenport* — Troop 600 Representative

Auxiliary News:

As you all know, we have a new slate of officers. Installation of new officers will be on June 12th at 2:30pm. Please attend if you can.

In May, three \$500 scholarships were awarded at each of the high schools. Congratulations to all graduating seniors. Congratulations to the recipients of our scholarships. They are as follows:

Kettle Run: Brandy Jenkins Fauquier High: Stephanie Carruthers Liberty High: Suzanna McGee

Even though we will be on hiatus during the summer months as far as meetings go, remember the breakfast each month. We can only continue to support our young people through these scholarships if we have the support of Auxiliary family.

The breakfasts are one of our biggest fund raisers throughout the year, and the showing from our own members has not been as good as it should have been. If you are unable to donate time, please come in and have breakfast. We are there the second Sunday of each month.

The Poppies were distributed on Memorial Day weekend. Thanks to all who assisted us with this endeavor.

Enjoy your summer and remember we meet again in September.

For God and Country Judy Shumaker — President

Sons of the Legion News:

For our May breakfast, I would like to thank Mike "egg chief" Anderson for doing the cooking, Bill Medina for working the front counter, and of course Tootie and Donna.

We hope to see as many of you a possible at Post 72 for the Memorial Day celebration May 30, 2011.

We're looking forward to seeing many more members who will be with us at the June SAL meetingt on Tuesday, June 7th at 7pm.

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

American Legion Riders News:

We want to thank all of our hard-working and dedicated volunteers for their continued support with our monthly breakfasts. May's Breakfast came on the heels of our very successful Charity Poker Run! Even though most of us were totally exhausted from that event, we still had a quite a few of attendees at breakfast! A very special thanks to Mike, Claude and Bruce for their tireless KP duties and to Paul for his 'smoozing' and outstanding salesmanship of pull tabs and the like!

The Poker Run was very well attended! Lots of chicken dinners were served after the event! Thank you doesn't seem enough for all the hard work and dedication that it takes to pull off a successful fund-raiser like the Poker Run! We had more than 50 participants!

Riders are lined up outside the Culpeper Post. This was one of the Card Stops during the 140+ mile ride!

We want to extend a special thanks to Judy & Larry for staffing the Front Royal stop; Cliff, Cathy and Bruce for staffing the Culpeper stop, and Glenn for his presence in Orange!

Legion Rider Activities:

June 11th - 11 am to 2 pm! Bike, Car & Card Show!

We have lots of activities planned for this event: The Liberty HS JROTC Color Guard will perform, the Fauquier Fire Safety Smoke Trailer will be on-site, the Child Safety Fingerprinting booth will be available; a vast display of patriotic "Thank You" cards done by our local students will be displayed upstairs - we're asking a \$1 donation per ballot so you can help select the top 3 cards from the Elementary School and the High School entries! Later in June many of these cards will be delivered to disabled vets at VA hospitals in the area, others will be sent to our troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan! You won't want to miss the sentiment expressed by these young people! There will also be vendors, food & beverages, a DJ with music and announcements - admission is FREE! Donations will be gratefully accepted and will benefit Disabled American Veterans!

June 26 - ALR Breakfast - 9 am to Noon!

Our next meeting is June 1st at 7 PM in the Social Quarters. This is our last meeting before the Bike & Car Show! We need to firm up all the plans and activities for this event! PLEASE try to be here!

For God & Country Barbara Truitt — President

Social Quarters:

First off, thanks to all who support our Social Quarters! Please remember, the proceeds from the Social Quarters pay all the utility bills for the Post. We need your support and welcome any ideas you might have to bring more people out to visit with us.

Don't forget our "Lunch Card" Special. When you come in for lunch at the club be sure to ask for a Lunch Card. Have it punched each time you have lunch with us. After 6 lunches you will get one free.

Beginning June 7th, we're going to start **"Shrimp Night"** on Tuesdays - fried shrimp baskets and/or steamed spiced shrimp. Come on out for a great shrimp dinner!

We play Corn Hole on Tuesday nights at 6:30pm outside so you can have refreshments during the game.

Horse-Shoes at 6:30pm each Wednesday has seen an increase in players when weather permits. As the daylight hours increase, we'll have time for 2 games, so come on out and throw some shoes with us!

Darts on the Thursday evenings has not had much support! We'll give it another couple to see if interest picks up! If not, we'll find something else to do!

Perhaps we'll start another Pool Tournament or Bowling on Thursday evenings. If this is something you're interested in, please sign up at the Social Quarters.

We hope you have been enjoying the Kooleraters American Band the 4th Saturday of the month. I know I have. Mark your calendar for the 4th Saturday and come in for the fun! It's also the Post Steak Night, so come out and enjoy a great dinner followed by some good music & dancing.

Thanks to Terry the DJ for our Karaoke night. Karaoke is on the 1st 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 for his good work!

Every Friday night is Steak & Seafood night. This has been going very well, so come on out and see what it's all about! Enjoy some good food and good company.

Don't forget our schedule of Saturday Night Events:

The 1st Saturday each month

we have <u>Karaoke</u> 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 2nd 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 3rd Saturday each month

we have our <u>Fried or BBQ Chicken Dinner</u> night from 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

The 4th Saturday each month

we have <u>Steak Night</u>, (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. We also have entertainment by the Kooleraters that night.



Every Friday night is our Steak & Seafood night which has been going every well, so come out and see what it is all about and enjoy some good food and company.

Don't forget our 16 item Bar Menu! You can order from this menu any time except Friday nights.

Right now if you come in for lunch at the club you can get a Lunch Card and have it punched each time you order a lunch with us. Then after 6 lunches you will get one free.



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

GAMES at the Post:

Corn Hole Tuesdays at 6:30pm Horse Shoes Wednesdays at 6:30pm Darts is on Thursday nights at 7pm. Queen of Hearts drawing is every Tuesday at 7pm. Come out and have some fun with us!



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





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Editors Note:

Do you have an interesting story of interest to other members of the post? Do you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share? It's YOUR Newsletter - your input is welcomed and invited! Articles for the **June** Newsletter are due by **May 25, 2011**. Please email them to PolkTruitt@aol.com, (in word format) or give them to Donna. Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor." Thank you! Barb Truitt, Editor

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