

News at the Post May 2013

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Commander's Corner:

The month of May holds a special significance to us veterans, as we take time each Memorial Day to remember our comrades in arms who made the ultimate sacrifice, in defense of our great country. While it may be painful for some of us to recall the memories, and even the incidents of the fallen, we honor them all by ensuring that **they will never be forgotten!**

Whether you participate in one of the many events held each Memorial Day, or choose to stay at home, please take a moment to remember them, and if so inclined to say a prayer. As we all know, **“Freedom isn't Free!”**

On April 20, 2013, myself, Claude and Lance Davenport, accompanied the Post 72 Junior Shooters team, which participated in the American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program, Northern Region Competition, held in Manassas Virginia. Our team shot a new Post 72 record high, with an approximately twenty percent improvement over last year! Overall, they did **OUTSTANDING!**

One of our shooters, Sean, placed second out of all the competitors in the standing position and qualified for the Virginia ALJSSP State Competition to be held in Charlottesville on May 04, 2013. These fine young men represented Post 72 well once again! Our congratulations go to shooters Blake, Sean, Mike, Abram and Max, as well as to Claude and Lance Davenport and Bill Gouldthorpe of the Post 72 ALJSSP Staff.

On April 25, 2013, myself, Adjutant John Sinclair, along with Rev. Richard "Dick" Winter, Past Commanders Roland Tapscott and Jim Rankin, attended a Valor Awards dinner at Fauquier Springs Country Club. This event was held by the Fauquier Chamber of Commerce to honor Fire, EMS and Veterans.

Comrades Roland Tapscott and Jim Rankin received a plaque and a certificate to recognize their service to our community and our nation. John Sinclair and myself had the honor and privilege to have recommended both of these men for this prestigious award, and also to have represented our post at this function

If you haven't noticed, House Committee Chairman Joe Grimsley is hard at work once again making improvements to the Post 72 “Tiki Bar”, for all of us to enjoy.

Elections for the new officers will be held at this month's business meeting. I am again honored that I have been nominated to serve another term as your Commander. Please show your support to all of the elected officers and if possible, volunteer to serve on one of the many committees.

Officer Nominees:

Commander: Mike Freeman
1st Vice Commander: Jessie Montgomery
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

Corporation Nominees:

Jim Rankin
Paul Baker
Barry Dibble
Bill Buck
Joe Grimsley

Everyone, please remember to keep Miss Tootie in your thoughts and prayers.

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 May 05, 2013.

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on Thursday, May 02, 2013, at 19:00 hours, (07:00pm).

Remember to support the other groups of our Post Home as well, the AUX, SAL, ALR and Boy Scouts, with their scheduled breakfasts and various fund raisers.

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.

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
Mike Freeman — Commander

Adjutant's Corner

Congratulations to Comrade Edward Dauster as winner of our April 12, 2013 \$1,000 raffle with ticket # 154. I understand he arrived at the Post bright and early the next morning after a few phone calls. Many thanks to those that helped distribute the tickets and purchased tickets. Your efforts are vital and greatly appreciated in helping support various Post activities.

Our annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday May 13, 2013 at Stonewall Golf Club. We will still take any foursomes/players so get those applications in quickly. The rate will go up if you come the day of the event. We will need volunteers to work the tournament and you will be provided lunch and goodies. This is our major fundraiser each year so step up to the plate and help any way you can.

Remember it is nearing time for the Consolidated Report so give me what you can for your time and expenditures or I will have to use my imagination.

Thanks to Comrades Sam Jesselson, Wes Simms and Bill Buck in getting the Boys State Program in order. I understand we will be sending two (2) boys to Radford this year.

The May 14, 2013 General Membership meeting is time to vote for the next term Executive Committee as well as Corporation Board. So come out and cast your vote!

WE will be playing horseshoes every Tuesday, (excluding the 2nd Tuesday each month for the General Membership meeting) beginning May 04, 2013, at 6:00PM and every Saturday (excluding Saturday May 18, 2013 as the ball field and picnic areas are rented for a family picnic) beginning at 4:00pm.

For the good of the Legion, and God Bless America
John H. Sinclair — Adjutant

House Chairman News:

Again, we want to thank all of our volunteers who help around the Social Quarters. As always, their hard work is appreciated by all of us.

We will be having a "Lock Up Party", in our Social Quarters on June 08, 2013, from 6:00pm until 9:00pm. Come out and have fun with us at this event. At this "Lock Up", we will have a small jail, so some of our members can be temporarily incarcerated. The members in attendance will have to pay to get that person out of jail, than another can take their place. We will also have a DJ, a raffle and free food will be provided, during the event. Come out, have a laugh or two and help support our Post. This function is another attempt to try something new and different for our enjoyment on a Saturday afternoon and evening. Bring a friend or family member to enjoy the excitement of someone being jailed and help raise money for our Post Home.

Soon the outside "Tiki Bar" will be open. You will be able to come in, sit on our veranda or at the "Tiki Bar", play horseshoes, any time we are open.

This month the VA Representative will be here at Post 72 on May 15, 2013, at 10:00am, to assist all veterans and their families.

Make sure that you purchase raffle tickets from Miss Donna. These raffles provide much needed additional revenue to support our Post, and our programs.

The Social Quarters and our Post belong to all of us, so please come out and show your support.

For God and Country

Joe Grimsley — House Committee Chairman

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Troop 600 website: www.troop600.org

Activities:

BSA Troop 600 meets on Monday evenings, 7:15pm - 8:30pm in the upstairs hall at Post 72.

Boy Scout Troop 600 & Crew 600:

Activities:

The mulch fundraiser was a huge success. 8 Tractor Trailer loads and over 6,000 bags sold & delivered! We had one of our best turnouts of scouts, leaders and families!

The Troop conducted their annual swim test at the Warf in Warrenton this month. All of the scouts and Scouters did very well. Mr. Johnson directed the swim test with 23 scouts successfully passing. Mr. Armand and Mr. Johnson also gave demonstrations on water survival & rescue with the scout's participation in several "opportunities".

Last weekend, 15 scouts from the troop participated in the Piedmont District Spring Camporee. At the Camporee, one of the highlights was a competition called "Tougher than a Boy Scout". The competition included a round robin of different Scout skills. Also 15 merit badges were taught at the Camporee.

On 13 April, Brad N. and Jake T. held their Eagle Court of Honor at the Warrenton Presbyterian Church. It was great to see many of the Troop 600's older Eagle Scouts return to celebrate Brad and Jake's becoming Eagle Scouts. The event was very well attended and enjoyed by all.

Notices:

Adult Training: May 3-5, 2013: Friday 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM Sunday. It's time to sign up for the once-a-year training experience at Camp Big Mac in Markham, Virginia. Learn the skills to become an effective Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, committee member or interested parent. LST/IOLS stands for Leader Specific Training/Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. Sometimes LST refers to Leadership Skills Training, but it's the same thing. It's a comprehensive introduction to the Boy Scout program. Participants learn not only by classroom instruction and demos, but also by living as Boy Scouts for 3 days. It's intense, it's fun, and you will come away with Scout Spirit as well as knowledge. Since it starts around 8 AM on Friday, you'll need to plan now to take that day off. But the rewards are definitely there; in the quality of the program this training will prepare you to deliver. The costs, including food and council fees, will be \$80.

Mr. Wittington wanted to remind the scouts not to forget their summer camp signup sheet, fees and camp merit badge schedule. Mr. Wittington has copies of the Ranger Challenge Registration with him if any scouts want to participate in that program. The Voyager Trek info has just been supplied. Summer camp is June 16-22 at T. Brady Saunders.

Upcoming Events:

Summer Camp: 16-22 June, Camp T. Brady Saunders.

Rank Advancement:

Jeffery P.

Star

Hugh R.

First Class

Zachary W.

Scout

Peter N.

Scout

Matt M.

Scout

Crew 600:

Mr. Peach offered to hold a free class for the Virginia Boaters License for the crew. This license is needed to operate any motorized boat on waters in Virginia. Please contact Mr. Peach for additional info.

Currently the Crew is finalizing the dates for the Summer Trip, which will be canoeing on the New River. The current best date for the trip is July 28th through August 3rd.

The Crew is also looking into holding a Wilderness First Aid class in the near future, if there are enough participants.

Upcoming Events:

May summer trip preparation camp-out May 24th-26th.

June summer trip preparation camp-out June 14th-16th.

American Legion Sunday Breakfast fundraisers, June 30th, September 29th, and December 29th.

BSA Troop 600 meets on Monday evenings, 1915 - 2030 hours (7:15 - 8:30pm) in the upstairs 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.

Come "Feel the Thunder at Troop 600".

For God and Country

Claude Davenport — Troop 600 Representative

American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP):

Last week our team competed in the American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Programs North Region State Qualification March at Osborn Park High School in Manassas. Post 72, in spite of some minor equipment shortfalls, performance was, in a word, OUTSTANDING!!, on both on a team and individual level. A new Post 72 record and an individual high score was set by Sean with a 239. In addition, the Team set a new Post 72 ALJSSP Regional match Record. At last year's Regional match, the Post 72 Team score was 740. This year, the Team shot an awesome 889, which is 149 points (20.135%) higher than last year. Most Excellent, Team!

Well it just kept getting better, as later that evening, the Team was advised that Sean placed 2nd in the Standing Position, earning him a spot at the ALJSSP Department of Virginia State Match in Charlottesville on 4 May. A major accomplishment indeed! Our congratulation goes to Sean for his achievement. We know he will represent the Team well.

Michael, Blake, Max, Sean, Sam, and Abram, on behalf of the Post 72 family, your parents and the Post 72 Team staff, we want to congratulate all of you on a fantastic performance and accomplishments. You've made all of us very proud. It is an honor to have such an outstanding group of young men associated with Post 72! We wish the Post 72 ALJSSP Team the best of luck at the Department of Virginia ALJSSP Match.

Upcoming Events:

We will be holding our annual Shot Group Challenge in May. 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.

The Shooters will be conducting the 50/50 raffle at the upcoming Post 72 American Legion Riders Poker Run on 4 May.

We offer our continued thanks Comrade Hugh Long for his continued presentation of firearms examples and history.

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team practices on Thursday evenings, 1830 - 2030hrs 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 — ALJSSPO Team Coordinator

Auxiliary News:

I want to once again thank all of the volunteers who come in and help me in the Social Quarters. Their efforts enable our Post to function for all of us to enjoy. As your President, I want to thank each and every one of you for all of your hard work!

We did a really good job with our silent auction, held recently. I want to thank everybody who participated, the bidders and the members who donated items. Thanks to all of you who made this function a success.

There is a donated basket of “goodies” behind the bar to be raffled. Please show your support to our Auxiliary and the Social Quarters by purchasing tickets for this raffle. As always the money made on these raffles benefit all of us in the Legion Family.

Remember that the Auxiliary breakfast will be held as usual on the second Sunday, May 12, 2013, from 09:00am until 12:00pm (noon). Please come out and help if you are available.

Don't forget to keep Miss Tootie in our thoughts and prayers.

For God and Country

Donna Webb — President

Sons of the Legion News:

We had a great SAL breakfast for our April birthday celebration. Special guests in attendance were Detachment Commander A.D Carter and his wife from post 53 in Front Royal and Pass Detachment Commander Bob Borkovich, his wife and granddaughter from post 28 Dumfries. Thanks to all the hard work from Jules, Cale, Clint, Joe, Mike and Donna.

I would like to see many SAL members at our May 7th meeting and please remember that May is election month.

During May our Adjutant, Clint Bolt will be spending a week in Indianapolis at the Spring NEC meeting. He will be helping with the preparations for Dan Dillinger to hopefully become the next national commander. Dan is a well-known and well-liked member of Post 180 in Vienna.

This spring the SAL will be having a raffle for a stainless steel gas fired grill. It will be given away at our June breakfast. Chances are one dollar and they will be distributed as soon as I receive them.

For God & Country

Ted Kilby — Commander SAL Squadron 72

American Legion Riders News:

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

We have our spring Poker Run scheduled for Saturday, May 04, 2013, so put it on your calendar. Our annual Bike & Car Show is scheduled in Sept. 28, 2013 from 10am to 2pm. This year we are doing T-shirts for the show and they will be on sale at, before and after the show. To help with the cost of the Ts we are doing Adds on the backside of these shirts. If you would like to place an Add or know someone that would, just get a hold of one of the ALR members for details and cost. How cool would it be to have your Add seen every time someone has the T-shirt on!

Of course along with our events here at the Post we will be supporting other events at different Posts, etc. So keep checking you e-mail and the meeting minutes as well as postings of flyers at the Post Social Quarters.

Our Patriotic Card Projects getting underway. Sam's working on places to take the Cards after receiving from the schools. USMC Wounded Warrior Michael is coming on the 17th to go with us on the TYCP: And Terrie is working on a few more schools and bikers to show up for the pick-up of the Cards... Still working on police help for the ride. Times are 7am on May 17th and 24th at McDonald's in Warrenton KSU 8am Sharp!!

We look forward to another year supporting of events for our Veterans. Please don't forget to support the Post events. Our members were very well represented at our breakfast this last month and we thank everyone for working the event.

Don't forget our Post WEB site at www.legionpost72.org and for all that are on Facebook, go to American Legion Riders Post 72 Warrenton, VA, for additional information. We have a lot of events being posted from us and other post in the area.

Remember, the ALR breakfast is on Sunday, May 26, 2013. Please come out, help if you can, and enjoy our all you can eat breakfast.

Our next ALR meeting is on Wednesday, May 1st, 2013 at 07:00pm. Hope to see you all there.

I want to remind all ALR members that elections are coming up. Everyone please consider serving on one of the elected or appointed positions for the New Year.

For God & Country

Keith "Wally" Burdette — Director, American Legion Riders, Post 72

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

The **1st 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!

Due to the lack of participation, we will no longer be having the “Cook’s Choice” dinner, on the third Saturday, and the Steak Dinner Special, on the fourth Saturday, during the winter months.

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 1st 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!

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!

We also have our popular pool table is open for play after dinner and we hope to have our bowling game back soon.

We like to turn the jukebox up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! You won’t regret it.

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

GAMES at the Post:

Horse Shoes every Tuesday, (excluding the 2nd Tuesday each month for the General Membership meeting) beginning May 04, 2013, at 6:00PM and every Saturday (excluding Saturday May 18, 2013 as the ball field and picnic areas are rented for a family picnic) beginning at 4:00pm.

Queen of Hearts drawing is every Tuesday at 7pm.

Come out and have some fun with us!

Around the Post

Bike and Car Show Flyer, for September 28, 2013

Lock Up Party

Golf Tournament Flier

L to R: Adjutant John Sinclair, Rev. Richard “Dick” Winter, Roland Tapscott, Jim Rankin and Commander Mike Freeman at the Fauquier County Chamber of Commerce Valor Awards Event



Editor's and Webmaster's Note:

Do you have an interesting story of interest to other members of the post?
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