

News at the Post October 2011

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Veterans Day Observance

Past 16th District Commander A.D. Carter Department of Virginia, America Legion will be the guest speaker at the Veterans Day Observance at the memorial on Hospital Hill on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, Friday. The Fauquier Veterans Council is hosting a reception on the Bistro on the Hill at 10:15 that morning, with a march to the memorial beginning at 10:50am. **

The ceremony will begin promptly at 11am in honor of the Armistice ending World War I, which came on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. Veterans Day was observed as Armistice Day until 1954.

After the ceremony American Legion Post 72 is hosting a chicken luncheon for \$5 a plate. The public is invited.

For more information please contact Stan Hunter at 540-347-1093

** If there is in climate weather, the ceremony will be held at Harvey L. Pearson's National Guard Armory, same time.

Commander's Corner:

I hope everyone has a very good Thanksgiving with your family and friends. Please in your celebration take a minute remember our veterans serving away from their families during this time.

Sorry to the ones that missed the Halloween Costume Dance on the 22nd, you missed a good time with good music, good food, had by all, and very good costumes. I would like to thank the members and their friends that supported this Post event.

The Post will be honoring our veterans on the 11th up on Hospital hill with a lunch after at the Post for a small fee. Please turn out for this and bring a friend.

The November Legion meeting will be on the 8th at 7:30pm. 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.

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

Congratulations to Chris Hawks our Oct. 14, 2001 Raffle winner with \$617.

Many thanks to those of you who helped distribute the tickets, and a hardy thank you to those of you who purchased them. I would like to say a great time was had by all those who attended our **fundraising** Halloween Dance on Oct. 22, 2001. Thanks for your support!

GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!!

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

House Chairman News:

We have a little pocket pistol drawing at the Post, please come by and check it out. The Queens are back up and running with a change that due to the game coming pre-packed the employees and any Officers of the Post can now pick their own numbers, etc. just like any other member. Remember if you don't play the pot will not build up. We also have lots of other drawings and games at the Post for your enjoyment, so please come in and support your Post Club.

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

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

This September and October have been very active months for Troop 600. The Troop had a thrilling ride down on the New Gauley River in West Virginia at ACE Resorts Whitewater Rafting during a camp out weekend. There was great food, great times and only one scout fell out of his raft, but we recovered him and brought him back alive!

Our Fall Mulch Fundraiser was smaller than usual, but everyone showed up enthusiastic which made for a quick morning delivering two flatbed trailers of mulch.

The Fall Court of Honor was held in which the Scouts received their merit badges, ranks and awards earned since the spring. The new troop neckerchief which displays the BSA and American Legion logos were unveiled and handed out to the scouts by honored guests, Post 72 representatives Comrades John Sinclair, Mike Freeman and Tom Glasco. Troop presented the Post a framed, commemorative version of the new neckerchief. The Troop would like to give special thanks Comrade Glasco for taking some excellent pictures of the event. A special BSA 100th anniversary honor, The Founders Award, was presented Comrades Claude Davenport and George Morgan for their founding of and continued work with Troop 600 over the past 10 years.

The big event for November will be the annual “Turkey in the Hole” on the weekend camp out Nov 4-6. The scouts and leaders work together to prepare a large hole to cook 6 turkeys for the Saturday night dinner. Troop families bring pot-luck side dishes and the patrols prepare desserts in Dutch ovens. A great family event that we look forward to every year!! If we are lucky, maybe the Commander and members of the Executive Board would like to do some turkey with us?

We are looking for some good ideas for fund raisers this year, so if you have any good suggestions, please pass them on to Team Coordinators Claude Davenport (ssa_davenport@yahoo.com) or Mike Freeman (mike2oc2@comcast.net).

For God and Country

Claude Davenport — Troop 600 Representative

American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP)

Things are going well with the Posts Junior Shooting Sport Program. The team will be competing in at least three competitions this fall season. We have applied for team membership with the nationally recognized Civilian Marksmanship Program (Three Position Air Rifle) which will give us exposure to several educational resources, certifications and shooting events. Our shooters dedication to excellence is being reflected in their improving score. At present, our seven team members and room for a couple more dedicated kids.

We will be deciding on a couple fund raisers to raise the money we will need for the competitions, and will be hoping for your support in upcoming months.

The team would like to give a shout out to our Range Officer, Comrade Bill Gouldthorpe who is recovering from hip surgery. Get better soon Bill, we miss your presence and participation with the team.

The team practices upstairs on Thursday evenings.

For God and Country

Claude Davenport — ALJSSPO Team Coordinator

Auxiliary News:

We want to thank everyone for baking and buying our bake sale goods! A hardy hand clap to you all!

I would also like to thank all of our volunteers that come in and help out on Friday nights and weekdays and our special events, we really appreciate all you do.

Our next bake sale will be Nov. 18th so get your sweet taste buds ready again, and spread the word we would love to have the support of all our Legion members. Our auxiliary ladies rock when it comes to baking! Just bring yourselves and find out!

The next Auxiliary meeting will be Nov. 13th at 2:30.

For God and Country

Donna Webb — President

Sons of the Legion News:

For the Sal breakfast, many thanks to Mike the egg chef Anderson, Clint Bolt, Joe Lechwar, and Donna. Hope many of our American Legion 72 members are with us for the November breakfast. With cool weather coming on we hope more people will have an opportunity to attend our breakfast as we hope to add new things to the menu.

For God & Country

Ted Kilby — Commander SAL Squadron 72

American Legion Riders News:

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

October was a busy month for the Riders. We supported Post 10's Poker Run. Even though it had a really dismal, drizzly beginning, the weather improved throughout the day and everyone had a safe ride and a great time! The Post 10 Riders truly appreciated our support!

Claude and I attended the Quarterly Legion Riders Directors' Meeting at the Lorton Post. We mentioned our idea about the Chili Challenge and it was met with great enthusiasm from most in attendance. Perhaps we should firm up our plans quickly for this event and get information out to the other ALR Chapters!

The Post's Halloween Party was quite successful for a first time event. We had hoped for more support from others here at the Post, but everyone who did attend seemed to have a great time! Food was awesome, the band was terrific, and the costumes were quite creative! Injured Rider Sam Jesselson and his wife came out for the party. Sam's still on crutches, but they both came in costume and had a good time! It was great to see him and Victoria at the party! I want to give a very special 'Thank You' to those Riders and their family members who went 'above and beyond' with their efforts to ensure success for this jointly sponsored event - Dave & Julie Gordon, Sam and Vicky Jesselson, Mike and Patty Freeman, Claude and Kim Davenport, Paul and Kathy Baker, Terrie and Richard Harne, and Deb Olsen; and thanks to our 'Honorary Rider Member', John Sinclair, for all of his hard work and enthusiastic support on behalf of the Legion members. Great Job Folks!

I want to thank everyone for coming out for the Riders' October Breakfast! Once again, all proceeds from the Riders' monthly breakfasts are donated to the Post Social Quarters.

I want to extend a hail and hearty "Thank You" to Claude Davenport – our most recent "Grill-Master" for his culinary expertise! Who knew the Riders were blessed with so many great cooks?! Also,

thanks to Mike Freeman, Greg Pinelli, Paul Baker, Terrie Harne, Deb Olsen and Claude's friend, George Morgan, for all volunteering to work this breakfast! George is not yet a Rider member, but I believe he's seriously thinking about joining us! We owe a special 'Thank You' to Donna and Tootie for preparing the sausage gravy, bacon, sausage and potatoes in advance for us - this is greatly appreciated by all the Riders as well as our breakfast patrons!

After the breakfast clean-up, Mike and Claude led the group (there were a total of 7 bikes) on a really nice pick-up ride, carefully avoiding the hordes of fall 'leaf-lookers.' Thank you, gentlemen! Well done!

If you still have Certificates of Appreciation to distribute from our Fall Poker Run, please try to get this done quickly. We still have lots of our Advertising Booklets so if you need more, let me know and I'll bring them to our next meeting. We want to be welcomed again by those supporters who made this event so successful.

For God & Country

Barbara Truitt — Director

Social Quarters:

I want to give a big thanks to all who attended our Oktoberfest night, it was a blast. We appreciate Mr. Carter and Chrissy Ritchie showing us the German clothing and for Mr. Carter letting us use his CD for some Good Oktoberfest music. I also want to thank Judy, Veronica and Chrissy and Cliff for all their help in the kitchen the food was great!

So by the time you get this note we will have had our annual Social Quarters Halloween Dinner/Party, It was a success with great costumes and great Wings! And of course the music as always, from Stevie was hopping!

The Social Quarters in going to be **extending its Sunday hours** so that you may come and enjoy the Football games with us! **Our first Sunday open with hours till 5pm will be November 6, 2011 so come and enjoy our tailgate feast!** We hope you all will participate and bring a dish for others to enjoy. I am hoping that we can have some volunteer cook to show off their kitchen abilities! Maybe we can have some of the guys do their thing! That will be fun. Don't forget your Bartender for she will be working extended hours also! We love you Donna!

I hope you will notice the changes in your Social Quarters as far as décor and some new prices on the menu, and there will be some changes as to what is featured for coming Saturday nights. Also we will start featuring a daily lunch menu special, Thanks Tootie! for the good food from your kitchen. I will be setting a board out front every day to let you know what the special is for the next day so start watching the vestibule as you come in the side door and let me know if you like the changes being made.

As a side note I would like to extend my thanks to a job well done and ongoing I might add for the **"pink" table for Breast Cancer Awareness at the front of the Social Quarters.** The ladies are really doing a fine collection job from us so that they can send their donations out soon, so please see if there is something on the table that interests you or better yet, Drop a donation in the can. We all

know someone who has been touched by this terrible killer, so do it for Mom, Sister, Aunts and Daughters, heck even the men are not immune to it so support this cause if you can!

Cliff and I wish you Happy Thanksgiving! And the start of a wonderful Holiday season!

Every Friday night is our Steak & Seafood night, we want to thank you for making this our best night of the week! We have great fun after dinner also so consider staying longer to enjoy our new Friday night Dart Tournament; this is becoming a real nail biter! We usually have about 4 teams that make us sit on the edge of our seats, we would love to have you join in and make it even more fun, it's not expensive and the kids can play also. We also have our all too popular bowling game and 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.

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!

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 [Fried or BBQ Chicken Dinner](#) night from 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

The 4th Saturday each month

we have [Steak Night](#), (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.

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

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 6:00pm until we change the clocks and it gets to dark out.

Darts is on Friday nights.

Pool Tournament 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
Cathy Burke — Manager



Get



YOUR pin in the Social Quarters
from Donna or from any Post 72
Legion Rider! Show your
Support! Proceeds benefit
Disabled American Veterans!

*Articles for the **December** Newsletter are due by **November 25, 2011**. Please email them to cmcelwain00@gmail.com, (in word format) or give them to Donna. Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."
Thank you!
Cathy McElwain, Editor*

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