

News at Post 72

November 2014

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American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Mike Freeman

1st Vice Commander: Sam Jesselson

2nd Vice Commander: Dean Jacobson

Adjutant: George Morgan

Finance Officer: Claude Davenport

Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard

Sergeant at Arms: Jack Flood **

Chaplain: Steve McLeod

Service Officer: Wesley Simms

Historian: Stan Adamowicz

** Interim Appointment

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Donna Webb

Vice President: Lora Riggins

Secretary: Rochelle Ferguson "Shell"

Treasurer: Patty Freeman

Chaplain: Dee Johnson

Sergeant at Arms: Chris Ritchie

Historian: Judy Christian

Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Jules Juliano

1st Vice Commander: Joe Lechwar

2nd Vice Commander: Ted Kilby

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:

Jim Rankin

Paul Baker

Bill Buck

Joe Grimsley

Jack Flood

The Commander's Corner



November has arrived and another year is almost done. November is a very special month for all of us veterans. It's the time that we honor and recognize all who have served their country. We are all part of the greatest fraternity in the world, we are American Veterans!

We will be celebrating Veterans Day on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 up on Hospital Hill, at 11:00am. There will be some refreshments served in the Hospital cafeteria, just prior to the commencement of ceremonies.

Also immediately after this event, Post 72 will have another service at our Veterans Plaza. Once again we will be placing pavers to honor those who have served our country. Additionally, there will be a ham luncheon afterwards, upstairs at the post home. The cost is unchanged from last year, at \$5.00 per person.

Remember that November 4th is the Election Day here in Virginia. Regardless of your political affiliation, exercise your right as an American Veteran and citizen to vote for the candidate of your choice.

It is my sad duty to announce that Connie Ann Furr, wife of Roy D. Furr, one of our SAL members has passed away. Please keep Connie, Roy and their friends and family in your thoughts and prayers.

On a positive note, it was great to see Kyle Pinelli, the son of one of our SAL and ALR members, Greg Pinelli, at a recent breakfast. Kyle had been seriously injured in an accident, and we are all happy for him and the entire family to see that he is recovering.

I want to thank, Miss Donna and Dee Johnson, for hosting another Halloween Party, here at Post 72. A good time was had by all who attended.

I am again proud to announce that the Post 72 Junior Shooters Rifle Team came in first place at a recent Columbus Day ODJRL match. It is both an honor and a privilege to be a coach and a part of this team. These young boys and girls not only did outstanding job, but they once

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again represented our Post well!

As announced at a recent business meeting, we have sent post cards to our members requesting donations to maintain and replace our aged heating and air condition systems. Comrade Jim Rankin graciously volunteered to pay for this mail out. To date we have received several donations. Although there is not enough to begin the upgrade, we have taken some positive steps in meeting our goals. Thanks to everyone who have contributed.

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 October 05, 2014.

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 Tuesday, November 11, 2014 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on the first Thursday again this month, on November 06, 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



Hope you are all enjoying this fall season. If you need leaves raked, the scouts are trying to earn money for the upcoming year. If interested, contact George Morgan or Claude Davenport.

Hey, it's football season! Come on out to the post and join other football fans and root for your favorite teams. Sadly, the Tiki Bar is closed for the winter. However, you can still come to the post all day on Saturdays and until 2:00pm on Sundays, so during the half-time, you can get

in on a game of horse shoes. And it's a whole lot more fun than sitting at home!

If you'd like to visit with some middle schoolers and talk about your military experiences, Cedar Lee Middle School is looking for veterans to speak to students on Veteran's Day. If you know of anyone who would be interested in visiting, let me or Commander Mike Freeman know, and we'll put you in touch with the school.

Yours in continued service,
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.

Remember that we are having a Bake Sale on November 21st and 22nd here at our post home. Please come out and support the Auxiliary by contributing or buying some of these items.

Please keep Barbara Miles, Ginny Mills and Crissy Ritchie in your thoughts and prayers and wish they all will return to good health soon.

Once again we are asking for donations to support our Silent Auction. We are planning on setting the auction up on December 1st, so if you have any items you would like to donate, please bring them to the post no later than November 30th. As always we thank all who assist in making this another successful event for our Auxiliary.

We are again having our annual Children's Christmas Party on December 14, 2014. There will be a sign up sheet available in our social quarters. Please make sure you sign up and indicate the number of children who will be attending.

Our next Auxiliary second Sunday breakfast will be November 09, 2014, so please come out and give your support. Our next Auxiliary meeting will be held immediately following this breakfast at 1:00pm. Please feel free to come in and join us!

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Donna Webb - President

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Sons of the Legion News

I would like to thank Mike, Chip, Rusty, and Teddy for their help with the SAL breakfast.

On a personal note I'd like to thank Donna Webb for getting all the stuff ready on Saturday.

Our next SAL meeting is Tuesday November 4th, at 7:00 pm. Our next SAL breakfast is November 16th. Please come out and support your SAL squadron.

Ask any SAL member for your chance at the holiday grocery giveaway drawing December 21st 2014. Please come and support your SAL squadron 72.

For God and Country

Jules Juliano – SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

I hope everyone had a fun Halloween and gave out lots of Candy. We only have a few things going on this month. Veteran's Day Nov. 11th is a celebration to honor American's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to sacrifice for the common good. Let's all remember our loved ones that have served and serving now, not only on this day but every day.

As we all know Fauquier High School, a huge supporter of our "Thank You Card Project", has asked us to help them for one of their projects. The FHS Honor Society is getting ready to promote holiday cards for veterans they would like for us to pick up and send to the troops. Pick up dates will be sometime in early December, to be announced.

ALR Post 10, Manassas, VA is having a Safety & Riding Course on Nov 9th. Anyone that would like to go, please let me know. It will be run jointly by Post 10 and the Fairfax HOG Precision Riding Group starting at 11am, so come early.

Wreathes Across American will be in Culpeper at National Cemetery on Sat. Dec. 13 so mark your calendars now, as always fluffing and laying will be done at 10am. There will also be a ceremony to remember those who served.

Our next Sunday Breakfast will be held on November 23rd. Your help is needed, so if you would like to volunteer, let me know. As always lets thank the volunteers every month for breakfast, they give up their time tirelessly to make sure breakfast is there I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving. Our next ALR meeting is November 05, 2014.

For God and Country

Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Boy Scout Troop 600 & Crew 600:

Scout 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:

- Congratulations to Andrew W. and David M. for completing their Eagle Scout projects; Andrews at the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, and David's for Vehicle's for Change.
- About a dozen scouts from the troop participated in the fall district camporee which was held at the Lyon's Youth Camp. The scouts all learned some valuable cooking skills.

Recent Rank Advancements: The Fall Court of Honor was held on Sunday 26 October at American Legion Post 72 where 23 rank advancements as well as 75 plus merit badges & awards were presented.

Upcoming Scout Events:

1 November, 2014: Wood cutting and transportation for Turkey in the Hole.

14 – 16 November: Turkey in the Hole

26 – 28 December: Timberline Ski Trip

Meeting information: The Scout's 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

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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: Three members of the Crew 600 participated in the district fall camporee. The crew advisor and district crew leader visited the Lyon's Youth Camp ahead to check out conditions for a canoe trip. The crew members then planned and participated in a canoe trip during the camporee.

Upcoming Venturing Events:

No events planned at this time.

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.

For God and Country

Michelle Hermsdorf - Editor

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:

Our new shooters have completed the American Legion Basic Marksman Certification this month and are now qualified to compete in all American Legion and other authorized three position air rifle shooting competitions. Congratulations to Jacob, Tristan, Akili, Hunter, Cole and Cameron on their certification! The new shooters are progressing well, learning the fundamentals of three position shooting.

Additional practice time: In order to facilitate the active schedules of our shooters, the Post 72 Air Rifle Cadre will be holding a backup practice on Wednesday's from 1900 to 2030hrs. This practice time is set aside for those shooters who have a temporary conflict with the regular Thursday practices.

Match Results:

CMP Columbus Day Cup: Four members of the Post 72 Air Rifle Club (Abram, Sam, Sean, and Savannah) participated in the 2014 CMP Columbus Day Cup (Sanctioned 3x20), sponsored by the Old Dominion Junior Rifle League, on 11 October, with stellar results. On their first CMP sanctioned match, the Post 72 Team placed first place in the Sporter class with a total of 2013 points and 32 bull eyes. Individually, the Post 72 Team members placed: 1st place - Sam (516-8), 2nd place – Sean (515-8), 3rd place – Savannah (509-8) and 7th place – Abram (473-8). Great shooting Team!

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL)

The initial results of the ODJRL's October 2014 Match, shot at Post 72 are as follows: Post 72 was represented by Abram, Sean, Jake, Sam, Savannah, Carson & Cole. A new Post 72 Team high score of 1001-14 (Abram 245-4, Sean 248-2, Sam 262-5, Savannah 246-3) was set during this match. Post 72 placed first place out of five teams in this month's match. Individually, Post 72 Team members finished: 1st place, Sam; 4th place, Sean; 5th place, Savannah; 6th place, Abram; 13th place, Carson 188-3; 14th place, Jake 188-2; 15th place Cole 158-2. This was an excellent showing for the first ODJRL Match of

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2014! Nice job Team! Individual Class placements will be provided next month.

Qualifications (NRA): During the last month, the following NRA Air Rifle qualifications were achieved: Savannah achieved the NRA 3 Position Air Rifle Expert qualification by scoring two matches at 220+, two matches at 230+, and two matches at 240+. Way to go Savannah on an awesome accomplishment!

New Personal High Score: The following shooters achieved a new personal high score during the past month: Tristan - 155-2; Sean - 271-6; Savannah - 263-5; Carson 188-3; Cole 169-1. Our congratulations go to Tristan, Sean, Savannah, Carson and Cole on their outstanding personal achievements.

Upcoming Events:

- 8 November 2014: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 13 December 2014 ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 10 January 2015: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 14 February 2015: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 14 March 2015: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- April 2015: American Legion North Region Qualification Match
- May 2015: American Legion Department of Virginia Match (invitation)

Practice Times:

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team practices on Thursday evenings, 1830 - 2030hrs in the Legion Hall throughout the school year. Backup practices on Wednesday's from 1900 to 2030hrs. 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)**

House Chairman News

A big thanks to the members that have been supporting the Social Quarters, remember

this is YOUR Social Quarters and it is here for the members, their families & friends as well as the guest of the membership. Please continue to come in and enjoy all the Social Quarters has to offer. The grill winner was picked, so please check your tickets and clam your grill. **The winning ticket is Number 075.**

Please remember the raffles and games at the Social Quarter help us keep the cost down

As always, a big thank you goes to all that have volunteered to help out around the Social Quarters and more so on Friday nights. Please remember that you may bring in as many friends to the Social Quarters as you like to enjoy the club with you.

We will no longer have the first Saturday of the Month as the Tiki Bar Party due to winter. It will return next year.

We are thinking of Thanksgiving and plan to do some drawing for Turkeys at the Club, so come in and get your chances for one. 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 our 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.

We will continue to have the other favorite games of the membership like the HOGS, Booze Giveaway, and baskets of goodies.

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 Donna your appreciation and support by tipping her as much as you can!

The First Saturday of the Month is usually our Tiki Bar Party. However this is now over, due to winter and it will return next year.

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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 large 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 continue to have our dinners.

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

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



Who let these guys out??? L-R, Paul Baker, Randy Johnson and Ed Deneale

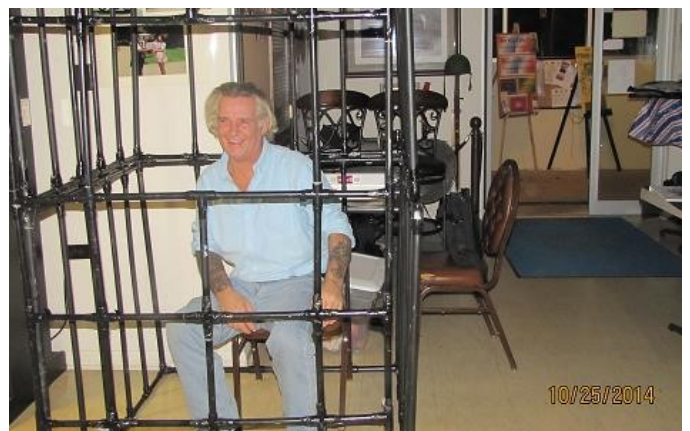


Bartender, "Miss Donna" Webb, at the Halloween Party

Photos from around the Post



Veterans Plaza with bollards, (posts), chains and the new asphalt installed



SAL member Rusty White smiles while behind Bars awaiting his release!