

News at the Post September 2011

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Commander's Corner:

We had two major thing happen in August, one good and one bad.

First the bad; we had to say farewell to our friend, Legionnaire and comrade. Tom Bishop, one of our Past Commanders, passed away and we had services for him on Aug. 28th. We will miss him at our Post.

Now for a very good thing; we had another Scout from our sponsored Troop 600 go in front of his Eagle Scout Court of Honor. **Nicholas Kulick**, the son of one of our members, Jim Kulick, received the rank of Eagle Scout. I was honored to be there and present him with the Legion Good Citizen Award. Nicholas is the young man that briefed us on his Eagle Scout project to supply computers and other technology to a school in Kenya Africa. It should be noted that his project was a large success. Please give him, as well as his mother & father, your congratulations when you see them. Good work Nicholas & Troop 600!

Please continue to try and sign up two new members each to the American Legion, AUX, & SAL. Remember to let them know that the American Legion is the biggest lobbyist group for U.S. Veterans' rights and benefits. That is the reason the Legion was started, and they have had a big role in getting our veterans benefits from the Government. Our Government has been taking some benefits away in the past year, so we need to have a strong group to make sure it stops that.

There is a poker run scheduled for Sept. 3rd at the Post, please 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 September Legion meeting will be on the 13th 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 emailed to you, or buy a subscription to have it mailed to you.

For God & Country
Paul Baker — Commander

House Chairman News:

The Thompson Center Hawkins 50 caliber black powder cap & ball rifle drawing will be on Sept. 3rd, 2011 at 7pm. Come by the Post Social Quarters and see this rifle as well as get your tickets. This drawing is open to everyone! So take some tickets and sell them to your friends as well. Remember

this is one of the ways the club gets money to stay up and running for your enjoyment. Not sure what item we will do next, so stay tuned.

We found the water leak at the Post. It was where the water comes into the building. We are taking action to have it repaired.

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.

We have made some changes at the club. We hope they will benefit everyone. We needed to make these changes because we are not getting the membership coming in to enjoy the club and without this support we require cuts to be made. Please come back and bring a friend or two.

For God and Country

Stan Adamowicz — House Committee Chairman

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Now that school has started, things are settling in to a routine with the Troop and Crew. The Troop meets every Monday evening from 1845 - 2030 hours in the community room upstairs. The crew will begin meeting on Sunday evening, time to be announced shortly.

This should be a fantastic year for the Scouts. They will be doing a couple of service projects to help us here at the Post and if all goes well, there should be a couple of nice Eagle Scout Projects that will be nice additions at the post.

Troop 600 Scout Nicholas Kulick, his parents, family, friends and a couple members of Post 72, celebrated his obtaining the rank of "Eagle Scout" with an Eagle Court of Honor at Highland School on Saturday August 27. Nicholas' Eagle Scout Project provided and installed computers and supporting power supply to a sister school in Kenya.

At the Court of Honor, Nicholas was presented with a Citizenship award from Post 72 by Post Commander Paul Baker.

For God and Country

Claude Davenport — Troop 600 Representative

American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP)

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program has started its second year. The team will be practicing on Thursday evenings from 1830 - 2030 hrs in the community room upstairs. This season we will be following the Fauquier Public School schedule, so whenever the Public Schools are closed, the team will not be practicing. This year we will also be following the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) curriculum to recognize individual shooter proficiency and advancement.

We have a good core of 5 shooters returning from last year, but would like to have our team staffed with at least 7 competitive shooters and a few more first year shooters in training, so we are looking for a few more team members. Team members can be any boy or girl, between the ages of 11 and 17 who have an interest in competitive air rifle shooting. If you have any kids, nieces, nephews, grand-kids or neighbor kids who are interested, please pass on our invitation. We also invite any Post family member to come up and watch the team practice to see what the program is about.

We are on the national 3 Position Air Rifle notifications list, and hope to participate in at least four or five local competitions this year. The big event will be the American Legion Regional competition in May 2012. The shooters dues are \$15.00 for the year which helps defray the cost of targets and pellets, but we will need to hold some fundraisers during the year to fund team items, rifle maintenance, transportation and lodging. 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 — ALJSSPO Team Coordinator

Auxiliary News:

First of all I would like to thank all our Volunteers for helping our on Fridays and any other day that we need them. Thank you all!

As you may have noticed, our new cards have the wrong year on them. So we had to mark through and write in your correct year. We are sorry for the mix-up.

Thank you to both Dottie and Freda for making baskets and baked goods for the Auxiliary and the Social Quarters. I would like to thank everyone for supporting our raffles.

Our next meeting will be September 11 at 2:30 pm. We hope to see you all there.

For God and Country

Donna Webb — President

Sons of the Legion News:

At the last SAL breakfast we had lots of help from Mikie the Egg Chef Anderson, our new member Joe Lechwar, and Donna and Tootie. While outside Clint Bolt was handling most of the car wash duties. Thanks to the members, guests and Legion Riders that showed up for our two events.

However, I was saddened to see that the SAL representation other than those mentioned was practically non-existent. We need to have better participation in our monthly fund raisers if we are to be successful with our various projects.

Fischer House, Boys State and Girls State and the other charities that we donate to can't be helped if we do not have enough members joining in for our events. In future breakfasts look for some perhaps surprises and changes to the menu.

For God & Country

Ted Kilby — Commander SAL Squadron 72

American Legion Riders News:

The summer months have been filled with activities and intense summer heat! I hope September will present some more pleasant riding weather, no more earthquakes and no more hurricanes!

August saw lots of activity with Riders scouring the surrounding areas for poker run contributions to benefit Disabled American Veterans! Great Job Riders!

We have another busy month ahead of us - plans for our September 3rd Poker Run are completed. You all came up with Door Prizes and sponsorships for this event which benefits Disabled American Veterans.

Legion Rider Activities:

September 3rd - Post 72 ALR Fall Charity Poker Run 9 am to 4 pm.
Proceeds benefit DAV. See the flyer at the Post.

September 7th - ALR Meeting - 7:00 pm in the Social Quarters.

September 11th - Rattle the Runway To commemorate the 10th anniversary of 9-11. We'll meet up at the Gainesville **I-HOP at 6:00 am** for breakfast and then we'll proceed to the Air & Space Museum at Dulles to join with the other riders to ride to the Pentagon.

September 17th - Honor Flight Escort

Brushy Creek Honor Flight (IA)

100 Veterans/62 Guardians

Arrives: 10:00 AM

Freedom Honor Flight (WI)

105 Veterans/57 Guardians

Arrives: 10:15 AM

We will meet at McDonalds in Warrenton at 8:30 am - KSU at 9:00 am!

9/17 - Patriot's Tour to Virginia War Memorial, Richmond, VA Flyer available at Post.

September 24th - Honor Flight Escort

Dow Chemical Honor Flight

55 Veterans & Guardians

Arrive: 10:00 AM

Private Carrier (2- 44 seat planes)

We will meet at McDonalds in Warrenton at 8:30 am - KSU at 9:00 am!

9-24/25 - 1st Virginia ALR Rally, Strasburg, VA. Flyer available at Post.

September 25th - ALR Breakfast from 9 am to Noon

I want to thank everyone for coming out for the August breakfast! And I want to extend a very special "Thank You" to Judy, Mike, Patty, Claude, Paul and Donna for volunteering to work this breakfast!

Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 7th at 7 PM in the Social Quarters. It's spaghetti night, so come early for dinner. I hope to see everyone there!

For God & Country
Barbara Truitt — Director

Social Quarters:

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

I want to thank our core of dedicated Volunteers who have stepped up to help serve dinner and help out on Fridays with our Steak & Seafood Nights. We couldn't do this without your help! So thank you, Judy, Dottie, Kitty, Neal, Cliff, Justin, and Deb for all your help! (I hope I didn't forget anyone!) If I did, please forgive me.

Shrimp night is back on Tuesdays! We also play **Corn Hole on Tuesday nights** at 6:30pm outside (weather permitting) so you can have refreshments during the game.

Wednesday evening is Horse Shoes at 6:30pm. Now that the weather is more conducive to being outside, I hope we see an increase in participation! Come on out and throw some shoes with us!

Pool is on Thursdays at 7pm. These are weekly tournaments so come on out to shoot pool!

Thursday Night is also Pizza Night from 4 to 7 pm! Only \$2 a slice for some great pizza! Bring a friend and come on out for a pizza dinner and shoot some pool!

We hope you have been enjoying the **Kooleraters American Band the 4th Saturday** of each month. 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 well for his good work!

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 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.



Spend your night 'out on the town' at the Post! **The Kooleraters** band provides our entertainment that night.

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

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
Barbara Truitt — 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 **October** Newsletter are due
by **September 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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