

News at Post 72

September 2013

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The Commander's Corner



It's hard to believe, but another summer has come and gone! Labor Day is upon us and fall is just around the corner.

As your Commander I recently attended another meeting of the Fauquier Veterans Council. As I reported last month, an LLC has been formed, the "Fauquier Veterans Bridge Council, Inc.". This organization is composed of nine members, with the majority being the five representatives from the various American Legion and VFW Posts here in Fauquier County. I have invited Council President, Jay Pinsky to attend out September business meeting to discuss this project.

At the August business meeting, Vice Commander Bill Gouldthorpe suggested that we form a committee and do some strategic planning. For far too long we have been content to sit by idly, and maintain our "status quo". Unfortunately, our present facility needs a lot of repairs, and our financial situation is precarious at best. If we want to grow and prosper as an organization, we need to set some attainable goals. All ideas should be considered, such as any possible new revenue generation, building addition or replacement, etc. None of these will be easy, and I will be asking for volunteers and will solicit input from all of you.

I am also asking that all of our members support out Post Social Quarters, whenever you can. The meals are both affordable and delicious. Invite your friends and family, and take advantage of the prices for Sunday breakfasts, daily lunches and of course our Friday night steak and seafood dinners.

Don't forget to thank Donna for all of her hard work. Also, thank 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 September 01, 2013. We have also taken back the "fifth" Sunday breakfast, when it occurs. It will happen

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on September 29, 2013, so we will need volunteers to work this as well.

Remember to support the other groups of our Post Home, as well as the AUX, SAL, ALR, Junior Shooters and the Boy Scouts.

Last month, myself, Adjutant John Sinclair and our Sergeant at Arms, Ed Deneale went to a Nursing Home in Culpeper and visited Miss Tootie. She is doing as good as could be expected and seemed happy for the card and flowers from Post 72.

Also "Mr. Frank" (Marino), and John Livesay are both recovering from recent surgery. Let's keep them both in our thoughts and prayers.

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on the first Thursday again this month, on Thursday, September 05, 2013 at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

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.

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

Nothing much to report this month, other than the VA representative will be here at the Post on the usual third Wednesday. **This month he will be here on Wednesday September 18, 2013.**

For the good of the Legion, and God Bless America

John H. Sinclair - *Adjutant*



Auxiliary News

Summer is almost over and there are not a lot of activities to report on again this month.

I want to personally thank Judy again for her outstanding job of cooking at our recent

Sunday breakfast. Also thanks to all the others who routinely help out as well, to make our social quarters function. The labor they provide may go unnoticed but it is much appreciated by all of us. A special thanks goes to SAL member Mike Anderson who provided fresh fruit dishes for all to enjoy.

Also thanks to Dee Johnson, and Commander Mike Freeman who put together our flyers, announcements, etc, on the computer to put up around our Post.

Last month we chanced off a 45 caliber S&W MPC handgun. It was very successful, and we were pleasantly surprised by the requests to have another drawing as soon as possible. The proceeds from this and the previous drawing will go to support Girls State of the American Legion, Department of Virginia.

I also want to recognize and thank Clark Brothers Gun Shop for their continued support of American Legion Post 72.

We will continue to serve our breakfasts on the second Sunday of each month. Our next one will be Sunday, September 08, 2013. Please come out and help if you can. We will also be holding our next business meeting this same day at 2:00pm, so please plan to attend.

Remember that we will still be holding raffles for donated items that are located behind the bar, such as "goodie baskets", etc. Show your support and buy chances when you can.

We are all glad to see Betty Lou is feeling better and has been able to come by our Post.

Remember to keep Miss Tootie and Freda in your thoughts and prayers.

For God and Country

Donna Webb - *President*



Sons of the Legion News

Our Sal Breakfast on August 18, 2013 had 32 guests. Donna, Jules, Joe, Clint and Mikie gave us a great effort. Judy Shoemaker stepped in and did a great job on the grill for us, once again.

The Wal-Mart gift card was won by Stan, one of our legionnaires at Post 72.

On Monday the 19th Joe Lechwar and I spoke briefly to the Boy Scouts that meet at

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Post 72. Joe and I thanked the following Scouts for being honor guards at our past Memorial Day service. Those scouts who participated were Jake, Allen, Peter, Logan and JJ.

For God and Country

Ted Kilby – SAL Commander

Special article submitted by candidate Clint Bolt, "From the Campaign Trail "

While writing this article, I am packing to go to Houston Texas, the site of the American Legion's National Convention. What makes this year even more special is that we are going to elect Virginia's past Dept. Commander, Dan Dellinger from Post 180 in Vienna, to be the American Legion National Commander for 2013-14. The Son's are also prideful because he is also a dual member. Yes, just like each of you, Dan is just has proud of his Dad's service as his own in the Army. Promoting the American Legion Family (Legion, Aux. Sons) will be high on Dan's agenda.

In Houston, I will be finishing my term on the National VA&R Commission. My new duty will be Chairman of the National Children & Youth Commission. Our focus this year will be on Special Olympics' and the Josh Dog program along with Child Welfare Foundation, CMN, OMK, COTA, Temporary Financial Asst. and many other American Legion programs. In September, I will be apart of the American Legion's Children and Youth Conference held in Indianapolis, IN. This is the 2nd year that the Son's have been asked to participate. It will give me an opportunity to share with the Conference participants (youth groups, Dept. C&Y Chairman) some of the C&Y programs of the Son's, the amount of money we raise and the number of hours worked on behalf of our Veterans Children and the Children of our country.

Of special note, in July I launched my own campaign for National Commander of the Sons Of the American legion at the Detachment of Virginia's Convention. I introduced my campaign mgr. Jeff Evan's from SQ. 327, asst. campaign mgr. Bob Borkovich SQ. 28, Fin. Off. Linwood Moore SQ.284 and the Area Capt's. from each region around the state. I shared with everybody my story. My first meeting at SQ.72 Warrenton, my first office SQ.

Chaplain. My first Post liaison and mentor Nick Applegate, other mentors Tom Carter, Carlton Hughes, Ed Dauster. I spoke about what it was like to become Commander of SQ. 72. I talked about the scholarships and the Veterans families who we helped, and about the Veterans and other members who have passed on.

I was able to talk about my Grandfather Kennard Bolt, a Navy Veteran of WWII, and my Grandmother Marie Bolt, who I lost just a couple of months ago. She operated a lathe at the Torpedo factory in Alexandria. I also talked about all of the experiences and every job up to National Vice Commander that I have held, which shaped and molded me to be a candidate for SAL National Commander.

A National Office campaign is going to be a long slow grind. However, I believe Virginia can make it because we have people experienced with National Campaigns, (Peggy Thomas and Dan Dellinger). Though small in numbers (4625), our experience is where we have an edge.

From this point, my campaign is in fundraising mode and my Team will work with all Squadron's to make sure they are all an important part in this Campaign. In the near future there will be a link on the Detachment's website to the "National Campaign". This will keep everybody informed on what is happening and where my travels are and the team's contact info.

I have worked hard for 16 years to put myself in a position that only 45 others to date have held, and that is National Commander of the Sons of the American Legion. I look forward to the journey and representing all of the Son's who work hard to make the American Legion the great organization it is.

For God and Country,

Clint Bolt



Legion Riders News

September, already!, can you believe it? School has already started. The riders have been invited to Gangster choppers in Richmond on Sept. 7th. They are going to open their shop and show the inner workings of the bike building business. If you buy a t-shirt; you will receive a

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signed t-shirt for free! Anyone that wants to ride, we are meeting at the post. KSU @ 8am. There are a few more rides this month, and I will let you know more at the meeting and through your emails. So keep checking those emails

Just a reminder, we have a new email address legionriders72@aol.com.

Our next next ALR meeting is Sept. 4th @ 7pm. Come early for dinner.

Our breakfast went very well last month. Please thank Donna for always preparing what we need every month for breakfast. With out her support our breakfast would not be a success. Also thank Judy, and Larry and our rider's breakfast volunteers for their continued support.

Remember the Bike And Car show is Sept. 28th. We are in need of a few more raffle prizes. Please let me know if you can help out. Again, raffle prizes needed! Remember riders this is our MAIN event for the year. Your help and support is needed Now! Paul, Steve and a few others have worked very hard for months to make sure this event is a success.

Our next breakfast is Sept. 22nd please let me know if you can lend a hand. Remember volunteers are always needed.

Hope everyone has a great Labor Day
For God and Country,

Terrie Harne - Director, American Legion Riders, Post 72

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Boy Scout Troop 600 & Crew 600:

Activities:

Troop 600 had a significant presence at the 2013 National Jamboree at the new Summit Bechtel Reserve (SBR), WV. The Jamboree ran from 15-24 July and featured a broad format of a of high adventure activities, including BMX, skateboarding, technical climbing, whitewater rafting, the longest zip line in North America, canopy touring, and a full slate of water and boating activities, along with numerous traditional activities, merit badges, and intense scout patch trading.

Starting with the 2013 Jamboree, was A Day of Service for all Jamboree Troops. The

troops participated in a day-long service project in the local WV community, which was gratefully received by the local residents. The Jamboree also went green with sustainability designed into all power and water resources. Almost everyone kept in touch and up to the minute with smart phones and iPods via texts, tweets and live Internet feeds of the Arena Shows.

AT&T provided excellent cellular coverage WiFi for the entire Jamboree area of over 10,000 acres. Solar powered charging stations offered just what the folks needed to keep their devices charged and ready for the latest info. Goal Zero was on site showing off their latest solar products and everyone seemed to have a solar panel in camp or strapped to their backpacks.

Troop 600 had an excellent presence at Jambo with 5 Scouts, 2 Crew and 4 Scouters. Derek S., Andy M., David M. (PL), Hunter W., (QM) and Nick K., (SPL), attending Jamboree as part of Troop B112, which also included scouts from troops all over northern Virginia. Jim Kulick served as SM for Jamboree Troop B112; Tom Wotton and Crew 600 member Brad N. served as ASM's for Jamboree Troop A237; Vince Manzella served as ASM for Jamboree Troop D438; Dan Nellis served on the Jamboree Staff, assisting at the Zip Line; and Crew 600 member Warren N. served on the staff at the Sustainable Tree House.

These five scouts and four of the Scouters also participated in the NCAC Shakedown troop that led scouts from all over the National Capital Area to "test" the Summit in July of 2012, making them very prepared for this year's National Jamboree. Committee members Barb Nooger and Kathy Kulick visited for two days and took in the big Arena Show headlined by band "Three Doors Down" and Dirty Jobs star (and Eagle Scout) Mike Rowe who kept the 70,000 scouts, scouters, staff and visitors entertained!

Congratulations to all who got wet and wild at the Summit!! The weather was a challenge, but the show went on. They all really felt the THUNDER!!!

Star Scout Andy M. participated in Impeesa training over 2 weekends.

Congratulations to Andy!!

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Troop 600 will be whitewater rafting the Gauley River in West Virginia Sept 6-8. This is the 4th year that the Troop has done this outing with an increased number participating each year. Our first year we had 11 (Scouts and Adults) and this year we are a powerful 33! The word has spread that this is a fun packed event. We even have members of the Crew joining us this year. As in years past we have arranged a "split" group with half rafting the Lower Gauley and the other half on the Upper Gauley. The Gauley is recognized as one of the best white water rafting on the East Coast with Class III -V rapids. The Troop has repeatedly used ACE Adventure outfitters because they provide and incredible experience, professional staff and an AWESOME buffet! They also offer other adventure activities such as zip line tours, rock climbing and rappelling, horseback riding, mountain biking, and the Whitewater and Climbing Merit Badge, to name a few. Perhaps next year we will consider some of these activities along with rafting. For now the Troop is "Feeling the Thunder--on the River"!!

Upcoming Events:

August 26: Troop meeting at 7:15pm

September 2: Troop meeting at 7:15pm

September 6-8: White water rafting trip

Sept 9: PLC

December: Ski trip

Recent ranks advancements:

Andy M. attained Star Scout rank on July 8.

Congratulations to Andy on his accomplishment.

BSA Troop 600 meets on Monday evenings, 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) in meeting hall at Post 72.

Crew 600:

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

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.

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

September 2013

Troop 600 is having a great summer so far. As summer continues and long, warm days resume, the troop continues to enjoy the great weather with games outside before and after troop meetings.

For God and Country

Claude Davenport - Troop 600 & Crew Liaison

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program



American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP):

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team has started the 2013 / 2014 season with 6 returning team members and possibly 4 new shooters. This is the beginning of an awesome season.

During the summer, the Team Staff continued to upgrade our equipment with the constructed 8 three position target stands, which will enhance the number of relays we can run at each practice.

The Team is really adapting well to the new Crosman Predator PCP air rifles now in use and are looking forward to becoming more proficient as this season progresses. We will be competing in six competitions with the Old Dominion Junior Rifle League and perhaps a couple of 4H and/or CMP competitions.

Coming Events:

We will be holding our annual Shot Group Challenge 28 September at the Post 72 ALR Bike and Car Show

Car Wash fundraiser on 14 September at Rankin's Hardware.

These two fundraisers are hoped to generate sufficient funding to cover our competition fees and maintenance for this season. Please come out support our Junior Shooting Sport Program.

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

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Gouldthorpe, Lance Davenport, & Michael Spitzer - Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team Staff.

House Chairman News

Once again, I want to thank all our volunteers who come out every week, work hard and help out wherever they can.

Summertime is virtually over and things are slow here at the Post, so please come out, especially on Friday night and support our Social Quarters.

I want to thank Miss Donna for her suggestion that we sell chances for another gun, this time for our Social Quarters. Last month Dee was the winner of the 45 Caliber S&W MPC handgun. These gun chances have exceeded our wildest expectations and are another much need source of revenue for our Post.

On our most recent gun drawing all of the ticket chances were sold in exactly one week! The 9mm gun was won by Neil, who generously sold it back to our Post at a discounted price. Thanks Neil!

This month we are chancing this 9mm S&W MPC handgun, so support our Post Social Quarters by buying chances and try to win this new gun. Tickets are available behind the bar, so ask Donna to buy some.

Remember that the VA Representative will be available, the **third Wednesday, this month, on September 18, 2013, at 10:00am**, here at Post 72.

Again, we all want to send our thoughts and prayers to Tootie, and her family. Miss Tootie is now in Oak Springs of Warrenton, in room 125. She appears to be doing all right and thankfully seems content.

Also, we still have raffles in the Social Quarters from time to time.

For God & Country

Joe Grimsley – House Committee Chairman

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 twelve and under is half price, at \$3.00 each.**

The **3rd Saturday each month** we have [Karaoke](#) with Terry at the club from 7:00pm to 10:00pm. Come out and check this out, it is a lot of fun for all!

Don't forget our 14-item Bar Menu! You can order from this menu for lunch or any time. Friday's evening we continue to serve Steak and Seafood dinners. However, we do make exceptions for those that have food allergies that would like to order something 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.

We like to turn the jukebox up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! Please remember we have **WiFi** in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is www.legionpost72.org

Come out and have some fun with us!

Articles for the October Newsletter are due by September 25, 2013. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

Thank you! Patty Freeman, Editor

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Photos from around the Post



Miss Donna Webb and Dee Johnson hard at work in our kitchen