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Post 72 Officers

American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Claude Davenport 1st Vice Commander: Mike Freeman 2nd Vice Commander: Brent Carter

Adjutant: George Morgan Finance Officer: Mike Hays

Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard Sergeant at Arms: Cindy Carter Chaplain: Steve McLeod Service Officer: John Bush Historian: Stan Adamowicz

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Donna Webb Vice President: Laura Riggins Secretary: Patty Freeman Treasurer: Patty Freeman Chaplain: Savannah Christian

Sergeant at Arms: Savannah Christian

Historian: Vacant

Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Ted Kilby 1st Vice Commander: Jules Juliano

2nd Vice Commander: Adjutant: Clint Bolt Finance Officer: Clint Bolt Sergeant at Arms: Steve Ralls

Chaplain: Service Officer: Historian:

American Legion Riders:

Director: Terrie Harne

Assistant Director: Faye Brewster

Adjutant: Brent Carter Treasurer: Steve Ralls

Sergeant at Arms: Brian O'Loughlin Run Coordinator: Brent Carter Membership Chairman: Steve Ralls Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson

American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

Jim Rankin Paul Baker Brian O'Loughlin Sam Jesselson Jack Flood



The Commander's Corner

The Post Social Quarter is moving forward! We have a new bartender in place and in April will be have a new Social Quarters manager. I would like to thank Donna Webb for her twenty years working for Post 72 and wish her the best of luck in her next venture. Paul has decided to retire as Social Quarter manager as soon as a suitable replacement can be found. Paul has done a fantastic job with the Social Quarters over the last seven years, and I would like to extend my personal thanks to Paul for his dedication, drive and personal sacrifice to keep the Social Quarters viable. Brent Carter, House Committee Chairman, has successfully identified a candidate to fill Paul's shoes.

Our thoughts and prayers go out the 2nd Vice Commander and House Committee Chairman Brent Carter and family on the passing of his mother in Indiana. As arrangements are made, we will let you know.

As mentioned previously, the House Committee will be assessing what needs to be done around the Post and prioritizing those items for completion. If you know of an item that needs attention, please place your item in the suggestion box in the Social Quarters.

The property development project continues to move forward. Infrastructure plans have been filed with the Town. It is expected the official start of "turning dirt" will be later this summer. We are moving forward as rapidly as possible. As always, I will keep everyone updated as additional information is received.

At the February Legionnaire membership meeting, the subject of making the Post a nonsmoking facility was brought up. We did not have a quorum at the March Legionnaire membership meeting to discuss and vote on the issue, so the House Committee will be collecting additional input from the Post family for review and presentation at the April Legionnaire membership meeting. Please drop any input you may have in the suggestion box in the Social Quarters.

Please join me in thanking Comrade Cindy Carter for stepping up to clear the recent snow from the Post parking lot and steps. As always,

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my heartfelt thanks to the Post 72 volunteers who put in their time to help out around the post. Their contributions ensure that our Post home remains open for everyone to enjoy.

The Post's All-You-Can-Eat breakfast in the Social Quarters is still a great way to start a Sunday! Come in for breakfast every Sunday, from 09:00am until 12:00pm. Enjoy the excellent chow and great fellowship.

Remember to support the other member groups of our Post Home; the Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, American Legion Riders, Junior Shooters and the Boy Scouts.

I would like to encourage all Post 72 Legionnaire members to attend the monthly business meetings. It is imperative that we conduct our regular business and address any ideas; suggestions or concerns to help our post and organization perform better. The next regular Legion business meeting will be on the Post home on the third Tuesday, 17 April, 2018 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next Executive Committee meeting at the Post home is the Thursday before the business meeting, 12 April, 2018, at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

Never forget that we are all members of the world's greatest brotherhood, we are American Veterans! As your Commander, if there are any questions or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact me at commander@legionpost72.org.

For God and Country

Claude Davenport – Commander



Adjutant's Corner

Attention Vietnam Vets: In appreciation for your service and in recognition of National Vietnam Veterans Day on 29 March, the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) have created a coupon book of discounts from local businesses just for you. Please come by the Social Quarters and get your booklet. Some of the discounts will begin expiring, so swing by and pick yours up soon.

Also, please find posted a copy of the official proclamation of the Fauquier County Board of Supervisors that honors our Vietnam-

era veterans. If you are interested, applications are available in the Social Quarters to join the Daughters or Sons of the American Revolution. For God and Country

George Morgan – Adjutant



Auxiliary News

We want to thank our volunteers that help all the time. Your efforts are much appreciated by all of us.

Our next breakfast is Sunday, April 08, 2018, and we could use some additional volunteer's help. Our monthly meeting will be held immediately following breakfast. I want to again recognize Brian for cooking breakfasts for the Auxiliary.

If you know of anyone else that is ill or needs some assistance, please contact me at the post on 540-347-7740.

For God and Country

Donna Webb - President



Sons of the Legion News

Earlier this month the annual Spring conference was held in Virginia Beach. In attendance was our Adjutant, Clint Bolt. Among the donations that we presented to the SAL leadership, were Child Welfare Foundation, The Legacy fund, The Endowment Fund, Soldiers Wish, and the National Emergency fund. We also sent \$150 checks to each of the three Fisher houses here in Virginia.

Clint also attended the yearly Washington conference for the SAL. There he heard speeches given my VA Secretary Shulton, and the senator who is chairman of the armed services committee. All the Sal attendees also went to a service at Arlington National Cemetery.

On St Patrick's day Clint attended a fund raiser in his honor, sponsored by SAL and Legionnaires in Petersburg. Proceeds from a pool tournament and corned beef and cabbage dinner were given to Clint's campaign to be the SAL National Commander in 2019. Plans are currently being worked at other SAL squadrons to help Clint with his campaign. I will keep you

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posted on the events.

We are a few percentage points behind on our membership goal. Anyone that has still not renewed your membership, please come by the post or contact one of us to pay your dues.

Our next SAL meeting will be April 3rd at 7:00pm. The next SAL breakfast will be April 15th. Please come out to support us and bring a friend or neighbor. We are looking for an active Spring and Summer.

For God and Country

Ted Kilby – SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

April is here... Whoohoo warmer weather is coming and can't come fast enough for the Riders. Breakfast was outstanding this month. A big thanks has to go out to all the riders that came and served breakfast you guys rock it!!!

Our Poker Run is April 7th so dust off those bikes and lets ride! Faye and Helpers please be there early to set up.

Please keep Brent Carter and Cindy Carter in your thoughts as he is dealing with his mother passing.

Our next meeting is April 4th this month right before our Poker Run so please come early if you would like dinner we have a lot to talk about. If you haven't been to the Post lately please stop by, there are some changes going on. I look forward to seeing you there.

For God and Country

Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders



BSA *Troop 600 & Crew 600*

Scout Troop 600: Boy Scouting, one of the traditional membership division 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 5th grade and are at least 10 years old; or who are 11, but not 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:

- Troop 600's annual Mulch Fundraiser deliveries will be on 7 & 8 April 2018.
- Joshua is scheduled for his Eagle Board of Review on 12 April. Our best wishes for a successful board of review.
- Allen received the VFW's Eagle Scout of the Year from Warrenton VFW post 9835.
- Scouts are planning for spring and summer events and upcoming Court of Honor.

Upcoming Scout Events:

• 7 & 8 April, 2018: Spring mulch deliverv

Meeting information:

The Scouts general meetings are the 2nd and 4th Monday evening of the month, from 1915 -2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) upstairs at the Post 72 meeting hall. All boys 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.

Upcoming Venturing Events:

No events planned at this time.

Michelle Hermsdorf - Committee Chair



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 threepart program that combines the Basic

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Marksmanship Course, Qualification Awards and Air Rifle Competition into a well-rounded activity.

Recent Notable Activities/Events:

- Seven Warrenton Rifles have been invited to participate in the 2018 Civilian Marksmanship Program, North Eastern Regional Championship. John, Dylan, Jacob, & Seth, with Gage as the alternate, will represent the Cobra team. Carson and Hunter G have been invited as individuals. Rvan was invited but unfortunately, is unable to participate due to other activities.
- On Saturday, 19 May, 2018, the Warrenton Rifles will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner as a fundraiser at the Post home. The Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for kids 11-5, children 4 and under free. Tickets are being sold in advance by team members and in the Social Quarters.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) March 2018 Individual Results:

Seth 269- 10, Jacob 260-10, John 256-6; Dylan 255-2; Hunter G 246-4; Hunter B 230-5; Toly 227-5; Gage 225-3; Julia 222-2; Brandon 174-0; and Daniel 160-0.

ODJRL February 2018 Team Results: Warrenton Rifles (Seth, Jacob, John, & Dylan) 1,053, 1st place of seven teams.

ODJRL February 2018 League Results: Results for the February ODJRL class places are: Carver, Seth AAE class 273,013 1st

place; Ryan AAE class 262.008 2nd

place; Jacob AAE class 261.003 3rd

place: Dylan AAE class 257.006 4th

place; John AAE class 254.002 5th

place; Hunter G AAE class 252.005 6th

place; Gage AAT class 246.002 7th

place; Hunter B A class 240.002 4th

place, Julia A class 234.002 5th

place, Alexis A class 230.004 6th

place, Toly B class 223.001 3rd

place; Brandon C class 177.001 3rd

place; Daniel TYRO B class 192.000 2nd place

Qualifications (NRA):

The following advancements were made in January 2018:

NRA Distinguished Expert: Ryan. Ryan is the Warrenton Rifles 7th NRA Distinguished Expert. Our congratulation to Ryan on her stellar accomplishment!

Personal High Score:

No new personal high scores this month. **Upcoming Events:**

- 7 & 8 April 2018: Troop 600 Mulch Delivery
- 12-14 April 2018: CMP Regional Match, Camp Perry, OH (by invitation)
- 21 April 2018: Dept of Virginia, North Region Championship
- 5 May 2018: Dept of Virginia, State Championship (by invitation)
- 19 May 2018: Warrenton Rifles Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
- 21-23 June 2016: CMP National Championship (by invitation) **Practice Times:**

During the regular season, the Post 72 Warrenton Rifles Teams primary practice is on Thursday evenings, 1800-2030hrs in the Legion Hall. Secondary practice is on Wednesday evenings, 1830-2030hrs in the Legion Hall. The Team follows the Fauguier County School calendar. We welcome visitors and the Post family to come by to see the program.

For God and Country,

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team Cadre: Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman, Lance Davenport, Andv Andrews, and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)

Social Quarters / House Committee

Hope everyone had a Nice March, myself, I'm looking for some warmer weather in April.

Donna will no longer be working here at the Social Quarters. We all wish her the best in her plans for the upcoming years and thank her for her long service of over 20 years here at the Social Quarters.

Terrie Harne will be taking over the duties of Social Quarters bartender. Please greet her, and support her during her transition in this new job.

As I stated in the March News Letter I would be stepping down as Social Quarters Manager. At the time I gave Claude my notice I also asked him if the E-Board could find someone to take over before the end of June I would like to step down ASAP. It looks like we may have found a young lady to take the position and start working the position the 2nd of April. Her name is Cathy Rossi, please welcome her aboard and give her your support.

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Bring your friends and family out to dinner on Friday nights, good food at a good price! We also have a very good lunch menu for all to enjoy. I need to give out a big thanks to all of you that do volunteer, as well as our employees. It takes all of the volunteers and good employees to help keep <u>your</u> Social Quarters open and running to be able to give you a nice place to have a little food, drink, & fun.

I hope we continue to have guns up for raffles at your Social Quarters. Right now we have a nice 38 up for raffle. We will continue to have the other games etc. at your S.Q. like the Hogs, please support them as much as you can, as they are one of the main fund raisers of the Post. Don't forget the Sunday breakfast. Remember again we can always use help during breakfast! I cannot say it too much, thanks all of the volunteers who come in and work so hard around here.

A reminder to all that there is no smoking permitted during Friday's dinner and our breakfast hours. During the lunch hours there is smoking at the bar only in the designated space. Please remember we have Wi-Fi in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is ww.legionpost72.org

Again, thanks to everyone that supported me during my 7 year off and on as Social Quarters Manager. For the ones that have asked me if I'm leaving the Post, the answer is no, just stepping down as one of the managers at my own request.

Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House Committee Chairman

Articles for the May Newsletter are due by April 25, 2018. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

Photos from around the Post:



Comrade Jan Gillen, (left above), enjoyed a day at the Women in Military Service Memorial and attended the world premiere of "Hello Girls", a documentary film. The film tells the story of the 223 American women sent overseas as telephone operators during WWI. While there she was fortunate to meet Denise Rohan, the first female National Commander of the American Legion, (right above).



Happy Easter 2018

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We cant wait to see you there!