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Post 72 Officers

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Commander: Claude Davenport 1st Vice Commander: Mike Freeman 2nd Vice Commander: Mike Hays Adjutant: George Morgan Finance Officer: Vacant Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard Sergeant at Arms: Brian O'Loughlin Chaplain: Steve McLeod Service Officer: John Bush Historian: Mike Wilson

Auxiliary Officers:

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The Commander's Corner

I hope everyone has had an opportunity to enjoy the several fantastic activities in the Post Social Quarters. The New Year Party was awesome, I hope you were able enjoy the great times, food, fellowship and comradery.... And even though the New Year baby made a delayed visit to the Post, the following Friday nights steak and seafood dinner, it was a "unique" start to the New Year.

The Executive Committee is still looking for a legionnaire with QuickBooks experience to serve as Finance Officer. We need support from the membership to continue moving Post 72 forward. If you would like to be considered or know a comrade who may be qualified for this opening, please contact one of the Post Officers.

I'm sure most of you have experienced the infrastructure construction of the roadway into the Post. I appreciate the cooperation and patients of all while we work past this little "bump in the road". The road entrance should be finished in the next couple of weeks.

We are moving forward with maintenance and repair of items in and around the Post home. We have received some excellent discounted pricing and volunteer assistance with lighting and door updates. As we move forward, we will be asking for volunteers from time to time to save costs on additional items to improve the Post home. I will update the membership on the projects as bids are solicited and approved. We are still soliciting bids to replace the stove hood and fire suppression system in the kitchen. Other projects include the replacement of the steel double door in the Hall, the repair/updating of the ceiling in the Hall. If you know of anyone in these industries who may want to bid on a project, please leave the information for 2nd Vice Commander Mike Hays at the Social Quarters.

My heartfelt thanks to all of the Post 72 veteran and new volunteers who put in time to help out around the post. Their contributions ensure that our Post home remains open for everyone to enjoy. If you have some time, please check with 2nd Vice Commander Mike Hayes to help around the building and grounds

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or Social Quarters Manager Cathy Rossi to help in the Social Quarters.

I encourage all Post 72 Legionnaires 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, 19 February, 2019 at 1930 hours, (7:30pm). The next Executive Committee meeting is Thursday 14 February, 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

2019 marks the 100 Anniversary of the American Legion. The Department of Virginia is planning a 'gala' in Richmond on 16 March. However, because of the high cost to our members to attend (dinner, hotel, travel, etc), the three Fauguier Posts (72, 247, 360) met recently to discuss holding our own local celebration. Post 72 will host the event, planned for 23 March, 1900-2300. The cost will be only \$5 per person and will be open to all members, families, and friends. This will be a fun opportunity to connect with friends while recognizing the great accomplishments of the American Legion over the past century. If interested, we need volunteers to help plan the event.

For God and Country

George Morgan – Adjutant



Auxiliary News

Please join the Legion Auxiliary as we rebuild! **We are changing our meeting night to the third Tuesday, 6:45, at the Legion.** Our next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, February 19, 2019. Come join us.

Come join us the 2nd Sunday of the month for all you can eat breakfast, just \$8.00. We need help, so don't be shy. Hope to see lots of new faces.

Our membership is expanding, but if you know someone you think may be eligible and interested, please have them contact me or Kim Davenport, or stop by the Post and pick up a form.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on April 14th, our regular Sunday for breakfast. Spread the word. Kids eat free with the Bunny! And he will have treats, of course. We will also be hosting a formal Mother's Day Tea on May 11 from 3-5 in the upstairs area.

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

For God and Country

Odetta Dietz – President



Sons of the Legion News

The Sons of American Legion, like all others, is starting a brand-new year. At 7:30 a.m. Sunday, February 24, 2019 many SAL members from across the land will be congregating at Arlington National Cemetery and at the Korean War Memorial for wreath laying services as part of the yearly Washington Conference.

The Spring conference will be held March 1-3 in Portsmouth VA, at the Renaissance hotel. Clint Bolt will be attending, and we are hoping to get updates on quite a few topics concerning many legion and SAL topics.

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The February SAL meeting will be held Tuesday, February 5th at 7:00 at the post. I would like to thank Darryl Lee for once again being involved in Wreaths across America program, decorating and collecting wreaths from Veterans graves at the Fredericksburg Cemetery.

There are many people that appreciate his efforts.

Ted Kilby – SAL Commander



Who's is tired of all this rain, snow, wind, and cold? I know all of us Riders are very tired of it! Even though the weather has not been what we've wanted, the Riders are making plans for a early spring poker run on May the 11th. Read your emails for more information. Our next Monthly meeting is the 6th of Feb. Back in Dec. a few riders went to Fauguier High School to pick up Christmas cards the kids made for our troops. There were close to 2600 cards. Most were distributed to Martinsburg, West Virginia VA. Thank you to the Riders that showed up to visit the schools, collect the cards and meet the kids. Riders have the next gun raffle which will be delivered very soon, so be on the lookout for this raffle to support the riders. As always, hoping for warmer weather so we can get to ride. Our next breakfast is the 24th of Feb. Come in and eat and enjoy the day with the riders. If you want to volunteer, r let Terrie know even if it's only for a limited time. Lots of events coming in the social quarters, so come in and enjoy the different events. Any questions you can email WIdRebRose@comcast.net

For God and Country *Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders*

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

Recent Notable Activities/Events:

- 11 members of the Warrenton Rifle participated in the Eastern View High School CMP Cup in Culpeper, VA. The Cobra team finished a very respectable 3rd place out of the field of some 20 teams. Jacob finished 4th and Seth 6th in the Veteran shooter division out of some 60+ participants. An excellent job representing the Warrenton Rifles!
- In January, the Warrenton rifles also competed in the American Legion National Postal qualification, the Civilian Marksmanship Program's National Postal qualification, and the Old Dominion Junior Rifle League's January match. Placement and results will be posted mid-February and we will publish then next month.
- On 17 January, 2019, Jacob became the third Warrenton Rifles member to shoot a perfect 100 from the prone position during the American Legion National Postal Qualification! Congratulation Jacob on your very significant accomplishment!!

ODJRL Team Results (December 2018): Out of the 17 participating sporter teams, Cobra Team (Seth, Jacob, Ryan & John) 2nd place 1034-25, Python Team (Gage, Toly, Brandon & Julia) 4th 963-22, Viper Team (Alexis, Guy, Matthew & Cameron) 7th 812-8. Excellent job "Rifles".

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) Individual Results (December 2018): Seth 3rd 264-11, John 6th 260-4, Ryan 8th 258-5, Jacob 10th 252-5, Brandon 11th 250-6, Alexis 16th 244-5, Julia 17th 243-6, Toly 18th 241-5, Gage 25th 229-5, Cameron 37th 201-1, Matthew 49rd 170-1, & William 56th 133-0, out of 62

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sporter competitors. Congratulation to all the Warrenton Rifles for a job well done! **Qualifications (NRA):** Expert Julia & Brandon. Congratulation to Julia and Brandon on their awesome personal accomplishments. **Personal High Score (3x10):** Julia 251-3, Brandon 250-6, Daniel 226-3, William 150-0. Congratulations to Julia, Brandon, Daniel, and

William on their accomplishment!

Personal High Score (3x20): Julia 491-6, Daniel 448-6, Brandon 497-12. Congratulations to Julia, Daniel and Brandon on their accomplishment!

Upcoming Events:

- 2 Feb: ODJRL match 5, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 23-24 Feb CMP JO Qualifier (Virginia), Centreville, VA, 3x20 Air Rifle
- 2 Mar: ODJRL match 6, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 28-30 Mar: CMP Regional Championship, Camp Perry, OH (invitation)
- 16 Mar: 1730 hrs., Friends of the NRA Banquet, Tuscany Hall, 21225 Kettle Club Rd, Culpeper, VA
- 20 Apr: American Legion Dept. VA. North Region Qualification Match, IWL Centerville, VA
- 4 May: American Legion Dept. VA. State Championship, Charlottesville, VA
- TDB June: 4-H Southeast Region 3PAR
- 27-29 Jun: CMP National Championship, Camp Perry, OH (invitation)
- 20 Jul: 4-H Central Region 3PAR
- 10 Aug: 4-H Northern Region 3PAR

Practice Times:

During the regular season, the Post 72 Warrenton Rifles Teams primary practice is on Thursday evenings, 1800-2030hrs, and on Wednesday evenings, 1830-2030hrs in the Legion Hall. The Team follows the Fauquier 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, Andy Andrews, J.D. Davenport, Rick Lehr, Abram Baer, and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)

Social Quarters / House Committee

Well, the month of January is over, and the busy month of February is here! The Social Quarters has a lot going on this month and we hope everyone will enjoy the activities we have planned.

Our driveway and parking lot are still under construction, so we have given ourselves shorter hours to accommodate the construction crew and large vehicles moving around the area. Post hours until further notice - **12:00 noon until 8pm** -Monday through Saturday, and on Sundays we open at 9 a.m. for our weekly Breakfast. We hope this will help speed the construction and help us get back to our normal business hours.

Super Bowl is right around the corner and we have our Appetizer Challenge at the Post. Bring your specialty to compete. Challenge begins at 4:30 and Super Bowl kick off is 6:30. We will be offering a dinner special beginning at 6pm. Come and enjoy Appetizers, our Rib Dinner and some football!

February 9th is our Valentines Dinner. Tickets are on sale behind the bar. We are offering a Surf and Turf dinner. Ribeye with 1/4 pound of shrimp, garlic mashed potatoes, seasoned baby green beans and dessert for \$20. YOU MUST PURCHASE TICKETS IN ADVANCE. After dinner, there is line dancing and fun upstairs for everyone. The Line Dancing is something new! (you can free style dance too!) Don't forget to vote for our Sweetheart King and Queen. Jug with ballots is on the bar, and all proceeds go to our purchasing a point of sale system. Lowball in January was a huge success! We gave away \$450.00 in prizes and everyone had a great time. We will be holding Lowball in the month of February on Saturday the 16th. 6:00 start up time with a 5:30 sign in time. Hope to see you there!

Come and celebrate Mardi Gras with us. Saturday February 23rd we will have a New Orleans style Dinner in the Social Quarters. Tickets are on sale behind the bar. We will be serving Gumbo, Shrimp Po'Boys, Red Beans and Rice, Corn and Shrimp salad and Beignet for dessert. We will also have line dancing that

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night as well.

A few notes of thanks. Thank you, Ed Deneale, for helping retire flags this past month. 82 flags have been retired, and we so appreciate having his help. Thank you, Doug, Gary and Keith, for the wood for our ceremonial pit. And a special thank you to the members. We couldn't do the things we do if it weren't for each of you!

FEBRUARY CALENDAR WILL BE SENT SEPARATELY

The Staff at Post 72 Social Quarters and the House Committee







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