

News at Post 72 July 2021

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Post 72 Officers

American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Claude Davenport

1st Vice Commander: Dirk Wyckoff

2nd Vice Commander: Mike Jenkins

Adjutant: George Morgan

Finance Officer: John Frederick

Sergeant at Arms: Vacant

Chaplain: Dennis Di Mauro

Service Officer: Mike Esso

Historian: Doug Gorham

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Odetta Dietz

Vice President: Samantha Hays

Secretary: Lisa Kemper

Treasurer: Lora Riggins (acting)

Chaplain: Haldeen Wilson

Sergeant at Arms: Lora Riggins

Historian: Lisa Kemper

Sons of the American Legion:

SAL Commander John Kemper

SAL 1st vice Vacant

SAL 2nd vice John Juliano

SAL Adjutant John Bush

SAL Finance Officer John (Boogie) Kemper

SAL Chaplain Vacant

SAL Sgt.at Arms Vacant

American Legion Riders:

Director: Paul Baker

Assistant Director: Mike Freeman

Adjutant: Ryan Blankenship

Treasurer: Steve Ralls

Sergeant at Arms: Deb Olsen

Run Coordinator: Paul Ralls

Membership Chairman: Steve

Ralls

Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson

American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

Jim Rankin

Paul Baker

Mike Freeman

Sam Jesselson

Jack Flood



The Commander's Corner

Things are getting better and the light at the end of the tunnel is getting brighter. If you have received your COVID inoculations, you are not required to wear a face covering while in the Post. We can now host gatherings in the Hall not to exceed 150 inside and/or 250 outside, so we are good to go with meetings and rentals.

At last month's Legionnaire meeting the following Legionnaires were elected as the 2021/2022 Post Officers and Corporate Board of Directors; Commander – Claude Davenport; 1st Vice Commander – Dirk Wyckoff; 2nd Vice Commander – Mike Jenkins; Adjutant – George Morgan; Finance Officer – John Frederick; Sergeant at Arms – vacant; Chaplin – Dennis Mauro; Service Officer – Mike Esso; Historian – Doug Gorham. Corporate Board of Directors are Paul Baker; Jim Rankin; Jack Flood; Sam Jesselson; and Mike Freeman. The newly elected officers will be installed at the regular members meeting in July and will take office immediately following final adjournment of that meeting.

The Post and White Springs Adult Living Center sponsored a Car Show on Father's Day, Sunday 20 June 2021, which was an absolute success for us, the car enthusiasts and the public. Over 150 cars, trucks and motorcycles were shown. Our car show guru and SAL member, Dave Lucash, estimated between 1,500 and 2,000 spectators visited the show. I would like to personally thank all of the Post 72 family members and their families who showed up, helped out, and made the car show an absolute success.

We have received the design(s) and blueprints for the Tiki bar cover. With the cost of lumber being so high, we have decided to stand by on the permanent cover and have purchased sunscreen material to cover the Tiki Bar area this summer. Once the price of lumber comes down, we will solicit bids for the patio cover. If you know of a licensed contractor able to do the build, please have them contact the Post. We hope to start the construction mid-May.

I would like to reiterate that for the Post to succeed, especially in these tough times, everyone who can, should try to do a little volunteering to make the Post all it can be. We can use additional assistance around the Post. Please consider becoming involved in any way you are comfortable and volunteer just a couple hours a month. It will make the Post a better place to enjoy. We

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have had some folks step up, but we sure can use some more to keep thing running smoothly.

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. Our next regularly scheduled Legionnaire membership/business meeting will be Tuesday 20 July at 1930 hours, (7:30pm).

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

Elections for the 2021-2022 Post Officers and Corporate Board were held at the 15 June Membership Business Meeting and the results are listed below. New officers will be installed at the July meeting:

Executive Committee:

Commander – Claude Davenport
1st Vice Commander – Dirk Wyckoff
2nd Vice Commander – Mike Jenkins
Adjutant – George Morgan
Finance Officer – John Frederick
Sergeant at Arms – (to be appointed)
Chaplin – Dennis Mauro
Service Officer – Mike Esso
Historian – Doug Gorham

Corporate Board Nominations:

Paul Baker
Jim Rankin
Jack Flood
Sam Jesselson
Mike Freeman

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George Morgan – Adjutant



Auxiliary News

Please join the Legion Auxiliary as we rebuild!
July meeting will be held Tuesday, July 20, at 6:30. We need to discuss a path forward, so please plan to attend.

****We will need to hold officer elections very soon. Please consider returning to the post. And if you are interested in an officer position, please let me know ASAP.**

RENEWALS ARE DUE. PLEASE SEE KIM DAVENPORT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. If you have your membership card/number, you can renew online, which is quick and easy.

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

Sunday breakfast has changed slightly. If we provide at least 3 volunteers to greet, serve, and clean up, the Legion will split the profits with us 50-50. Please let Odetta Dietz know if you can help, even for an hour or so. Our next breakfast is July 11th. Please let me know if you can help, if only for an hour or so.

We are still looking for a volunteer coordinator. If you can help, please contact Odetta Dietz, 703-209-9421.

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Odetta Dietz – President

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Sons of the Legion News

I hope everybody has a great Fourth of July with being able to gather together again with family and friends. This is a great time to have fun and relax.

2022 SAL membership dues are now due. Please drop your payment off at the Legion. We have a box hanging on the wall near the kitchen door. Be sure to include your name and member number. The more information you provide the easier it is for us to identify your membership. Membership dues are \$30.00.

The SAL monthly meeting in person is July 6 at 7 o'clock at the post. Please try to attend.

The SAL breakfast is July 18. We have been doing real well supporting this function. If you have time, please come out.

For God and Country.

John Kemper – SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

I want to thank everyone for their support in the Thank You Card project. It was a whole lot of fun seeing the students out after an at-home long stay! The project was a great effort by all: even with the short notice, the students did an outstanding job. I also need to thank all the supporters of our last Poker Run. We had outstanding weather, a particularly good route to run and on top of all of that we made a good amount of money to be able to pass on to support Vets out there in need.

We also had a good Breakfast Sunday and hope to have more to come. Again, thanks to all for the support shown to the Post ALR.

Paul Baker P.C.

ALR Director



Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program

Warrenton Rifles Junior Shooting Sports

Program: The Warrenton Rifles 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:

- Warrenton Rifles Cobra team (Seth, Alexis, Julia, Hunter & Brandon) participated in the 2021 Civilian Marksmanship National Championships & the Junior Olympic National Championship at Camp Perry, OH on 24-26 June. This was the 7th year the Warrenton Rifles have participated in the National Championships. The rifles finished in 21st place in the Jr. Olympic and 15th in the CMP Championships, an outstanding finish for the Cobra team. Seth finished 6th overall individually in both competitions. Congratulations to Seth and the Cobra team for their accomplishments!!
- We continue to follow the COVID-19 protocols as recommend by the Commonwealth and 4-H. Please remember to wear your face protection and practice good social distancing.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Individual

Results: Season to resume in October 2021

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Team Results:

Season to resume in October 2021

Qualifications (NRA): No report.

Personal High Score (3x10): No report.

Personal High Score (3x20): No report.

Upcoming Events:

- August 2021: 4-H North Region Shooting Sports Championship, Culpeper, VA
- Additional match will be posted as received.

Practice Times: During the regular season, the Post 72 Warrenton Rifles Teams primary practice is on Wednesday & Thursday evenings, 1830-2030hrs in the Legion Hall. We welcome visitors and the Post family to come by to see the program.

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For God and Country,

**Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team Cadre:
Claude Davenport, Mike Freeman, Rick Lehr,
Lance Davenport, Andy Andrews, Abram Baer,
and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)**

Social Quarters / House Committee

Hello from the Social Quarters Crew,

**Watch for the Commander's weekly emails for
menus, and updates as needed from Sean.**

I hope this finds everyone healthy. Things have been running smoothly since our last literary contribution. Our new team continues to get better and I hope it shows when you come in. Breakfast continues to grow. Since

we are one of the only Posts that remains open, we are getting fellow Legion members from around the area coming in to visit, eat and catch up on what's going on. Ed has been doing a great job ensuring maintenance issues are identified and worked on. His energy level is impressive! Thank you, Ed!

The Social Quarters continues to adapt to the ever-changing state restrictions. That said, if you can donate any time at all to help out, please come in. Remember, got time to lean, got time to clean.

The menu continues to evolve with the changing seasons. Watch for the weekly specials email to find out what's going on.

So... that's the latest and greatest from SQ72. Please call 347-7740 to place an order or to just comment on how we're doing. Stay Safe. Sean and the gang.