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#### Post 72 Officers

#### American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Mike Freeman 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Vacant

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Dean Jacobson

Adjutant: George Morgan

Finance Officer: Claude Davenport Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard Sergeant at Arms: Ed Deneale Chaplain: Steve McLeod Service Officer: Bill Patchet Historian: Stan Adamowicz

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Donna Webb Vice President: Cindy Ennis

Secretary / Treasurer: Patty Freeman

Chaplain: Vickie White

Sergeant at Arms: Sandra Kilby

Historian: Karen Rawls

### Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Jules Juliano 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Ted Kilby 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Joe Lechwar

Adjutant: Clint Bolt Finance Officer: Clint Bolt Sergeant at Arms: Steve Ralls

Chaplain: Service Officer: Historian:

#### American Legion Riders:

Director: Terrie Harne

Assistant Director: Claude Davenport

Adjutant: Mel Cannon Treasurer: Steve Ralls Sergeant at Arms: Run Coordinator:

Membership Chairman: Steve Ralls Chaplain: Samuel Jesselson

#### American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

Jim Rankin Paul Baker Bill Buck Sam Jesselson Jack Flood



#### The Commander's Corner

Spring has finally arrived and it is so welcome after this past winter's record breaking blizzard.

Spring is also the time that we begin to think about our annual elections of new officers. As your Commander I have appointed Jack Flood as the nominating committee chairman. His committee will present a slate of nominees at the April business meeting. If you would like to volunteer to serve in any capacity and want to run for an elected position, please contact Jack or any of the current officers. These positions are crucial to the overall success of our organization so please consider serving as an officer.

Myself, Claude Davenport and "young" Andy Andrews, and several members of our Junior Shooter's Team recently attended at Friends of the NRA banquet. There we were not only recognized for the outstanding success of our shooting program, but also we were presented a symbolic check for another NRA grant that we were awarded. We will once again be attending the Civilian Marksmanship Regional Competition in Camp Perry, Ohio the first week in April. Again, Post 72 will be well represented, with two teams, and we are all proud of their accomplishments.

I want to personally thank SAL Commander Jules Juliano, and SAL member Cale Bowers, for the repair work on our Veteran's Plaza. If you recall, Cale is the bricklayer that has so generously volunteered his time and skills for the masonry work on this memorial. Thanks quys!

I want to also recognize Tom and "Mr. Andy", for their volunteering to cook on Friday night while our usual staff, of Paul and Stan were on a much deserved golf outing in Myrtle Beach last month. Also thanks to all of our many other volunteers, who help out around the post. Their contributions ensure that our home remains open for all to enjoy.

We still 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 of each month. Our

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next breakfast will be held on April 03, 2016.

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

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on the third Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next executive meeting will be on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

As your Commander, if there are any questions or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact myself or any of the other officers, at your convenience.

Never forget that we are all members of the world's greatest brotherhood, we are American Veterans!

For God and Country

Mike Freeman – Commander



### **Adjutant's Corner**

Remember elections for new officers are coming soon. Please volunteer to serve as an officer or corporate member if you can. 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.

Thanks goes to Tom and "Mr. Andy" for cooking on a recent Friday night while Paul and Stan were away.

We still have the military recognition bracelets for sale at only two dollars each!

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

Our next Auxiliary Sunday breakfast will be April 10, 2016, with our monthly meeting to be held immediately afterwards.

For God and Country

**Donna Webb** - President



#### Sons of the Legion News

I would like to thank Mike Anderson, Mike Crockett, and John and Jimmy Andrews, and Donna Webb for helping with SAL breakfast. The next Sal meeting will be April 5th at 7 p.m. the next SAL breakfast will be April 17th at 9 o'clock. Please come out and support the SAL breakfast.

Your participation is vital to our organization's continued success. Thank you! For God and Country

**Jules Juliano** – SAL Commander



### **Legion Riders News**

Hi everyone hope everyone had a wonderful Easter! The Riders breakfast was on Easter and what a wonderful breakfast we had. Thanks to our cook Brian and our other volunteers for making our breakfast special! Thanks goes to everyone who came out to help serve and to eat. Thanks also to Donna for all her help getting items prepared.

April is here and us Riders are hoping for warmer days with no rain. April is filled with many different rides. Our signature event is coming up April 29<sup>th</sup>, as this is the first day of our Thank You Card Project!! Thanks to the efforts of Sam and Terrie this event ends up being huge every year for Post 72 riders our 6th year goal is to receive 10,000 Thank You Cards this year! Would love to see all the riders support this event. April 29th is going to be a very long day so pack a lunch we have the majority of the schools on this day. We are going to try to have some water and snacks available if anyone would like to donate items please let Sam or Terrie know. This year we are starting at the McDonald's in Bealeton KSU at 8:30am both days we will have police escort.

The monthly riders meeting is April 6th starting at 7pm please come if you can we have new members to vote on and also Bike and Car show plans. Start thinking about businesses in the area that may want to donate to the Bike and Car show by putting their business name on our T-shirts. Also think about Raffle prizes for the B & C show, we have a shed at the legion so if you would like to store items there until Oct. 1 please bring them. Next breakfast is April 24th we will some volunteers so if you can please do to give the regulars a break. For God and Country

**Terrie Harne** – Director, America Legion Riders

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## **American Legion Baseball Committee**

Once again, we are having a \$1,000 Raffle for April 22, 2016 just \$2.00 donation per chance. This raffle is to benefit our Post 72 American Legion Baseball Team for the 2016 baseball season., See Donna for tickets and/or call John Sinclair at 540-270-3148", for additional information.

**John Sinclair –** Baseball Committee/Post 72 Schools Award Chairman



#### 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 selfreliance and the importance of community spirit.

#### **Recent Notable Activities/Events:**

April 2nd is annual Troop 600 Spring Mulch delivery. We will be based out of Rankin's True Value Hardware, 251 Lee Highway. We will start at 7 a.m. Bring your own snacks and we will be providing pizza will be for lunch.

- April 9th is merit badge midway in Culpeper. The Troop 600 scouts will be doing the opening flag ceremony.
- April 17th is the Troop 600 road cleanup. Please meet at Lake Brittle at 10 a.m.
- April 22-24 is the troops River Run camp out. We will be doing the maze and the zoo.
- May 9th is the Troop 600 Spring Court of Honor.
- May 23rd is the swim test at the Warf.
- The scouts will start making shirt designs for the new class B T-shirts so we can have them for summer camp.

#### **Upcoming Scout Events:**

- Joining Troop 911 TBD (postponed because of Blizzard)
- Spring Mulch Delivery April 2nd

**Meeting information:** The Scouts general meetings are every Monday evening with the exception of the 2nd Monday of the month, from 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) upstairs meeting hall at Post 72. 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.

For God & Country

Nicole Jones - Editor

Michelle Hermsdorf - Committee Chair Claude Davenport - Troop 600 & Crew COR



# 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:**

The results from the 2016 American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program, National Postal Match are in. The Post 72 Warrenton Rifles had an exemplary performance. Of the 9 teams qualifying for the Department of Virginia, the Warrenton Rifles Cobra Team came in first in the state of Virginia!!

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But that's not all, the Python and Viper Teams came in third and forth in the State! Congratulation to the Sean, Sam, Abram, & Savannah (Cobra team); Carson, John, Dylan & Jacob (Python Team), Hunter G, Ryan, Jake and Harry (Viper Team) on a fantastic performance!!

- The results are in on the 2016 Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) National Championship Qualifying Round Postal Match. The Warrenton Rifles Cobra Team (Abram, Sean, Sam and Savannah) ranked sixth in the Northeast region and earned an invitation to the CMP Northeast Regional Match. In addition bit of great news, a second Warrenton Rifles team (Carson, Dylan, Jacob and Hunter G) has been invited to participate at the Regional Match. Our 8 shooters will shoot at Camp Perry, OH on 7-9 April. Our congratulations and best wishes to the teams.
- Results of the 2016 American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program National Championship Qualifying Round Postal Match earned the Warrenton Rifles a 20<sup>th</sup> place finish out of 180 participating teams, and outstanding accomplishment! 892 shooters participated in Sporter division of the match. Our shooters held their own very well, nine of our shooter finishing in the top half of the nation.
- Sean, Abram, John, & Dylan participated in the 2016 the US Army Junior Marksmanship National championship. They represented the Warrenton Rifles very well, finishing 8<sup>th</sup> in the nation, with Abram and Sean earning CMP Excellence In Competition (EIC) points towards the CMP Distinguished Shooter Award.
- Abram has earned sufficient EIC points to be awarded the Silver CMP Distinguished Junior Shooter Award. Abram is only the third shooter in the history of the Warrenton Rifles to earn this award. Our congratulations to Abram!!
- For the first time is the team's 6 year history, one of our shooters has earned the coveted Civilian Marksmanship Programs Gold Distinguished Junior Shooters badge for air rifle. This award is a national level numbered award. It is our honor to

announce that Sean has received this prestigious award. A superior accomplishment Sean, congratulations!!

Qualifications (NRA): None this month. New Personal High Score: Abram 274-12; Tristan 238-3; Harry 217-3; Hunter G 241-5; Savannah 274-11; and Ryan 234-3. Congratulations shooters on your well-earned personal accomplishment.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- 7-9 April 2016: Cobra Team & Carson: CMP North Eastern Regional Qualifier (3x20), Camp Perry, OH
- 9 April 2016: Assist Post 72's Troop 600 with mulch delivery
- 16 April 2016: American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Virginia North Region Match (3x20): Qualifier for Department of VA State match, Manassas, VA
- 30 April 2016: Cobra and Python Teams, Junior Olympic Virginia State Qualifier, Hampton, VA
- 14 May 2016: (Invitation only) American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Department of Virginia State match (3x20), Charlottesville, VA
- 26-28 June 2016: (Invitation only) CMP National Championship & Junior Olympic National Championship (3x20), Anniston, AL.

#### **Practice Times:**

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team holds practices on Wednesday evening's 1830 - 2030hrs and Thursday evenings 1830 - 2030hrs in the Legion Hall. The Team follows the Fauquier County School calendar. We welcome the Post family to come by to see the program and watch the shooters practice. For God and Country,

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

Social Quarters / House Committee

Well it felt like spring for a couple of days! Hope we get back to it the rest of the month. I plan to open our Tiki Bar very soon, with hopes of using it before the end of the

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month, so keep an eye open for a notice of the first day of uses.

We have a S&W M&P with a green laser pistol up for raffle in your Social Quarters for you and your friends, all ready for you to buy a chance. We also have a nice spring set of hardware for you to get your yard looking good. 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.

We will continue our highly enjoyed lunch each day as well as our Friday night Steak & Sea Food dinners, please come out and enjoy and feel free to bring as many friends as you like. We also will continue with the Sunday breakfast. As always, we want to thank all of our volunteers who come in and work so hard. Thanks Patty, Donna's daughter Judy, Neal, Stan, Jules, Tom, Mike, and of course, "Mister Andy" for your help as well as all the others that contribute. It takes all of them to help keep things running. We can always use help to keep your Social Quarters open and running to be able to give you a nice place to have a little food, drink, & fun.

Again, 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 is \$7.00 for adults. Children twelve and under is unchanged, at \$3.00 each. We have a large Bar Lunch Menu! On Friday evenings we continue to have our steak & seafood dinners.

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. Please remember we have Wi-Fi in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is www.legionpost72.org

Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House

Articles for the May Newsletter are due by April 25, 2016. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

Committee Chairman

#### Photos from around the Post:



Post 72 Veteran's Plaza showing the repairs done by SAL Commander Jules Juliano and SAL member Cale Bowers.



Flagpole base finished by Jules and Cale.

