

News at the Post February 2012

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Commander's Corner:

As you all know we said our final good bye to one of our outstanding members, Carlton Hughes. We had a very nice service for him here at the Post on the 21st of January, which was well attended.

Cathy, our Club Manager has quit her position as Social Quarters Manager. The House Committee is stepping in to help make sure things continue to run at the Club. You should also note that Stan has asked to step down as House Chairman. He will remain on the Committee but wishes not to act as the Chairman for personal reasons. I have appointed Joe Grimsley as House Committee Chairman. Please give him your full support.

The February Legion meeting will be on the 14th at 7:30pm. Don't forget to support the other groups of our Post Home as well, the AUX, SAL, and ALR with their scheduled meetings. Check the calendar for dates and times.

I would like to thank Barb Truitt for stepping in to get the News Letter together this month for distribution.

Don't forget we have the WEB site up and running with all the information about the Post, and scheduled events. Visit it at www.legionpost72.org. 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 & Country
Paul Baker — Commander

House Chairman News:

The Queens are back; the Post Club will put in some funds to get the Jack-pot up in an amount that will support the game to take off and be played. The Post E-Board agreed that the Club would put in \$200 to the Jack-Pot and get it back by the end of the game. We hope that this will have the players start to buy tickets and get this game under way.

We also have lots of other drawings and games at the Post for your enjoyment, so please come in and support you Post Club.

Stan has asked to step down as House Committee Chairman and just serve on the Committee as a member. Due to this request I have been appointed as the new House Committee Chairman and will do my best at this position.

As you all know by now Cathy has quit the position as Club Manager and we will start to work on how we will handle this action by her. I ask for your help in getting things done around the Post Club.

For God and Country
Joe Grimsley — House Committee Chairman

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

The Troop has another Eagle Scout! Earlier this month, Warren Nooger was awarded Boy Scouts of America's highest rank, Eagle Scout. Many congratulations to Warren, and his parents, on his accomplishment.

As always, the Post's BSA Troop and Crew were very active. The Troop held its second Webelos (Cub Scouts) Welcome Night. 7 Webelos from two packs (pack 91 and 1016) attended to evaluate Troop 600 as a possible troop home. Their feedback was overall positive and it looks like several of them will consider Troop 600 as a home when they are old enough to become Boy Scouts.

In support of the Post's activities, the Scouts are considering several service project to benefit the Post, including assisting with the Post 72 Legion Riders Chili Cook-off (24 March), provide assistance to the Post American Flag recognition project, serving Sunday breakfast on the 5th Sunday this year, and possibly building a cover over the patio area outside of the Social Quarters kitchen.

Scout Rank Advancements: Warren N. to the rank of Eagle Scout and David P. to the rank of Life Scout. Congratulations to the boys for a job well done.

Upcoming Scouting Events:

Post 72 Sunday Breakfast (29 Jan)

Piedmont District "Chill Out" Camporee (27-29 Jan)

Shepherdstown Road clean-up (29 Jan)

Merit Badge Midway (24 Mar)

Spring Mulch Flyer Distribution (6-17 Feb)

Climbing, Caving or Camping (17-19 Feb)

Corbin Cabin Hike (19 Feb)

Harlem Globetrotters (24 March).

Summer Camp: Consideration of possible sites are Goshen, Sethmack or Tuckahoe. No dates set as yet, but likely to be the same as Sea Base event.

"Summit Shakedown" event at the new Scout Reservation in West Virginia, (July 12 - 17) has 15 Scouts signed up from Troop 600.

The Troop meets Monday nights, 1915 - 2030 hrs, upstairs at the Post. The Crew meets the 2nd Sunday each month, in the Auxiliary Building at 1730hrs.

Come "Feel the Thunder at Troop 600".

For God and Country
Claude Davenport — Troop 600 Representative

Report to the Nation

Each year, as part of its congressional charter, Boy Scouts of America is required to present a "Report to the Nation." During the week of February 13, a contingent of Scouts from across the country will

journey to DC for this annual ritual and meet with leadership at the U.S. Cabinet, House and Senate; CIA; Pentagon; Supreme Court; Secret Service; and, of course, with President Barack Obama, who is the Honorary President of BSA. This year I am proud to share with you that one of our own – Eagle Scout Nicholas Kulick from Troop 600, which is chartered by American Legion Post 72 in Warrenton, VA – has been selected to be part of this privileged group. The Scouts will meet with our nation's leaders to share with them who we are and what we do as a community – from the national organization as a whole down to each individual unit. It is an honor to be selected for this delegation, and we wish Nicholas well as he represents Scouting and National Capital Area Council.

Yours in Scouting,
Les Baron
Scout Executive/CEO

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program

On Saturday 21 Jan, four members of the Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team, Sean H., Blake L., Michael S., and Josh W., competed in the Old Dominion Junior Rifle Leagues (ODJRL) 3 position air rifle match, held at American Legion Post 233, in Richmond, VA. The Team did very well!

The Post 72 team came in 4th place out of 7 teams and Blake L. came in 5th place over all, out of 30 shooters. CONGRATULATIONS BLAKE, and a great job by the rest of the team!!

The Team will compete in the February & March ODJRL Matches and in the American Legion Junior Shooting Sports, Northern Virginia Region Match in April.

To raise some desperately needed funds, the team will be taking orders for Hoodies (just like their signature red Hoodies) for \$25.00 each. The funds will help pay for their upcoming competitions and expenses. An example of the Hoodie will be on display in the Social Quarters.

If you would like to order one, please use the sign-up sheet and we will place your order. We would like to give a special thanks to Sean's dad, Derek, for helping with the transportation to Richmond and taking pictures of the match.

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sport team meets upstairs on Thursdays from 1830 – 2030hrs

For God and Country
Claude Davenport — ALJSSPO Team Coordinator

Auxiliary News:

We would like to thank all our Volunteers for helping around the Social Quarters.

We don't have much going on this month. We always have baked goods or a basket behind the bar to chance off!

Our Social Quarters is having a Valentine's Dinner with D.J. Dillon from 6 to 9pm. Please come out and support Valentine's Day with us at the Legion!

Our next meeting will be February 12th at 2:30 so come and join us.

For God and Country

Donna Webb — President

Sons of the Legion News:

Thanks to Joe Lechwer, Jewels and Chef Cale for their help with the January breakfast. During our December holiday grocery give-away the winners were \$100 to Susan Vandevender, and \$200 to Melissa Chaney. Thanks to Dr. Hobel for her assistance in pulling the winners' names.

For our February breakfast, be sure to join us for something new and different. Chef Cale is cooking up different styles of breakfast burritos along with our regular items. Also for those with adventurous taste buds we will have Joe Lechwer's famous Midwest chili.

We were sorry to hear about the passing of our old friend Carlton Hughes. He was a Legionnaire and also a SAL member, who for many years was a great member of both organizations. Also during his latter years of failing health we extend many thanks to Virginia and her family for all their kindness, care and help with looking after Carlton.

SAL members take note— February meeting will be on the 7th and the February; breakfast will be on the 19th. Hope to see you there!

For God & Country

Ted Kilby — Commander SAL Squadron 72

American Legion Riders News:

[ALR Facebook Page](#) — You will be asked to log into Facebook.

I want to give a very special "Thank You" to Grill Master Chef Claude, Mike, Deb, and Paul for once again stepping up to host the January Riders' Breakfast! And I want to extend our deepest appreciation to Tootie and Donna for all their preliminary prep work and cooking expertise! Without their help, we'd all be doing a double-quick-step on Sunday mornings trying to get everything thawed, prepared and ready for breakfast! Thank you both! Remember, all proceeds from the Rider breakfasts go back to the Post.

Speaking of the Riders' Breakfasts, we *really* need some of the rest of the Riders to step up and lend a hand! If you can turn on the kitchen faucet or distinguish a plate from a coffee cup, you're more than qualified to help out with this!

Riders, mark your calendars, dust off your chili recipes and plan to come out on March 24th (Saturday) to compete in the 1st ALR Chili Cook–Off! It should be lots of fun cooking with our ALR friends, both old and new! Save the date: March 24th!

Our Patriotic Thank You Card Project is moving along nicely – invitations were sent out to all Fauquier County Schools! We’ve had 5 schools respond positively thus far. We’re looking into locating some other recipients for these great cards! If you have any local contacts, please let me know. We’re also exploring the new military/community hospital at Ft. Belvoir, to see if they’ll permit us to share some of the cards with their patients.

Also, we’re extending invitations to others interested in helping collect and/or deliver the cards to come with us! So mention this to your friends and neighbors!

Post 72 Legion Rider Activities:

February 1st (Wednesday): ALR Meeting - 7 pm (in the Social Quarters)

February 14th (Tuesday): Valentine’s Day Dinner/Party - with DJ Dillon. Steak Dinner for 2 - \$22.00, individually, \$12. Come on out & party!

February 20th (Monday): The American Legion Riders have been asked to attend the **GW parade in Alexandria, at 1:00 p.m.** Plan to meet at Post 24 in Old Town Alexandria and get our instructions from there. They depart for the Parade route around 1:00 p.m. After the Parade, return to Post 24 for some parade ceremonies and festivities. Bring your bike flags if you have them.

February 25th (Saturday): Quantico ALR Chapter 28 2nd annual Winter BBQ (details on Dept. of VA Facebook page)

February 26th (Sunday): Annandale ALR Chapter 1976 2nd annual Daytona 500 Tailgate party
Details on Annandale ALR and Dept. of VA Facebook pages.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 1st at 7 PM. It’s also Spaghetti Night at the Post, so why not come early for dinner? I hope to see everyone there!

For God & Country
Barbara Truitt — Director

Social Quarters:

If you’ve been in to the Social Quarters recently you’ve seen signs posted everywhere! By vote of the Legion Membership, beginning on February 3rd, the Club will be “**No Smoking**” during the dinner hours on Friday and Saturday nights from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

I hope you will notice the other changes in your Social Quarters as far as décor and some new prices on the menu. And there will be some changes as to what is featured for coming Friday and Saturday nights.

Please check the Newsletters provided for you when you come in the door on the table to your right.

Thanks Tootie! for the continued good food from your kitchen.

Let us know if you like the changes being made.

For God & Country
The Social Quarters — Manager

[Winter Pool Tourn](#) Starts 7:00pm Entry Fee \$5.75 on Thursday Night.

Every Friday night is our Steak & Seafood night, we want to thank you for making this our best night of the week! We have great fun after dinner also so consider staying longer to enjoy our new Friday night [Soft Tip Dart Tournament](#); this is becoming a real nail biter! We usually have about 4 teams that make us sit on the edge of our seats, we would love to have you join in and make it even more fun, it's not expensive and the kids can play also. We also have our all too popular bowling game and our pool table is open for play after dinner. We like to turn the juke box up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! You won't regret it.

Thanks to Terry the DJ for our Karaoke night. Karaoke is on the 1st Saturday of the month. This needs your support if we are to continue with it. Remember Terry is doing this for tips only with no cost to the club, so please show your support and tip him well for his good work!

We also have our popular bowling game plus our pool table is open for play after dinner. We like to turn the juke box up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! You won't regret it.

We would love to have you join in and make it even more fun. It's not expensive and the kids can play also.

Don't forget our schedule of Saturday Night Events:

The 1st Saturday each month

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

The 2nd Saturday each month

is our Pot-Luck / Meet & Greet 6 pm to 9 pm. Please bring a covered dish to share or desert and join in the fun.

The 3rd Saturday each month

we will be featuring a Cook's Special Dinner so check the vestibule and see what's cooking!

The 4th Saturday each month

we have [Steak Night](#), (We will cook them on the outside grill when weather permits).

We now offer prime cut New York Strip



as well as prime cut Rib Eye at a little lower cost when ordering for two. The idea here is for you to bring your love one or a friend to the club.

Don't forget our 16 item Bar Menu! You can order from this menu any time, Friday's we do try to only serve Steak and Seafood however, We do make exceptions for those that have food allergies that would like to order other than seafood on that night. We want all to enjoy the night of dining out we will gladly make that hamburger with love!



Please remember we have **WiFi** in the Social Quarters and our WEB page is www.legionpost72.org

GAMES at the Post:

Queen of Hearts drawing is every Tuesday at 7pm.

Pool Tournament is on Thursday nights at 7pm.

Soft Tip Darts is on Friday nights at 7:30pm.

Come out and have some fun with us!



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Barb Truitt, Editor*

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