News at the Post January 2011

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Commander's Corner:

Happy New Year to all of you! We are now into a new year; I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas & a Happy Holiday Season. Let all of us do the best we can to make 2011 a very good year for the Legion and our Service Men and Women everywhere.

We had a very good Christmas Party on the 11th of December and I must give out thanks to all that helped, with a very big thanks to Donna & Tootie. Without the help of all it would not have come off as well as it did, THANKS!

We are still looking for a bayonet for the rife in the POW/MIA corner. If anyone has one we can use please let me know.

All Legion members should plan to join us up stairs at the Post on January 11th for our Monthly Legion meeting at 7:30pm. We had our Post Everlasting Ceremony in December and plan to have it again next year. Thanks to all who helped with this.

I also ask that all members of the Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion, and Legion Riders support their respective meeting nights.

Please remember, there are a number of ways to get your monthly Post Newsletter. You can pick it up at the Post Social Quarters or log on to the Post WEB page at www.LegionPost72.org. You can sign up for a subscription @ \$6 a year to have it mailed to you via US Post Office, or send me an e-mail at kpb382@earthlink.net and ask to be put on the list to have it e-mailed to you each month.

Once again: Due to a large request from our membership we have introduced the Queen of Hearts back in the Social Quarters. I don't know if it is that people are not remembering to get their tickets or people are holding out until the pot gets bigger, but it is not getting the support needed to keep it running. If you are one of the people holding out until the jack pot gets bigger don't forget that it will never get that way if people don't play it.

For God & Country

Paul Baker — Commander

Adjutant's Corner

I thank my Comrades, SAL members (Clint Bolt & Bob Lemon), Auxiliary members (Dottie Howell) & Donna Webb (Lounge) and others outside the post (Comrade John White, Anne Jenkins & Tracy of Cecil's) who helped distribute the tickets as well as those that purchased tickets for the Raffle for December 17, 2010. It was another successful fund raiser netting \$1,000 to the general fund. The winning number was 881 and the winner was Paul "Lucky" Baker who I understand waited by the TV/computer until the drawing appeared Friday evening.

Now we concentrate on a successful Golf Tournament scheduled for Monday May 9, 2011 at Stonewall Golf Club in Gainesville. There are registration forms in the lounge for players. The Golf Committee includes: Comrades Andrews, Adamowicz, Gillen, Sinclair, Stanley Tapscott and SAL rep. Steve Taske. They will be working together to solicit sponsors and advertisers for our program. We welcome any help to make this the most successful golf tournament/fund raiser for the Post. Please contact any one of us should you want to help, play or if you know of willing sponsors and/or

advertisers. We also have a flyer to send to any business requesting sponsorship and advertising. Contact any Committee member and/or John Sinclair (349-9331) with any inquires.

For God & Country *John H. Sinclair* — Adjutant

House Chairman News:

We now have a Smith & Wesson 38 Special Revolver Commander for our gun giveaway. Drawing will be on March 18th at 7pm. Tickets are only \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Come by the Post Social Quarters and see the pistol as well as get your tickets.

I want to again thank all our members that volunteer to help out around the Post. Without volunteers we will not be able to have a Social Quarters everyone can come to and enjoy, as well as a nice Post building and grounds!

Due to a large request from the membership we have introduced the Queen of Hearts back in the Social Quarters; however it is not being supported by some of the people that requested its return. I don't know if it's that people are not remembering the game night is on Tuesdays and their forgetting to get their tickets or if people are holding out until the jack pot gets bigger. If you are one of the people holding out until the jack pot gets bigger don't forget that it will never get that way if people don't play it. I would hate to see the game stopped due to the lack of support.

For God and Country

Stan Adamowicz — House Committee Chairman

Auxiliary News:

On December 12th, Santa came to town and had breakfast with about 30 of our future Auxiliary/American Legion/SAL members. They had breakfast with their families and then Santa appeared at 11:00 am to spread joy and happiness. It appeared that everyone had a great time.

The Unit hosted a Silent Auction which closed on December 15th. The items that were auctioned off were provided by our loyal Unit members. We want to thank all of you who bid on our items and made this such a success.

Our Unit is helping a needy family here in Warrenton this year. We want to thank the American Legion, the SAL and the Legion Riders for their generous contributions. We know that a family will have a little brighter outlook this year. This working together is how a successful Legion starts.

Our Unit has worked so hard together so that the Christmas party and the Silent Auction were successful. First, thank you Tootie and Donna. Dottie deserves a special thank you for providing all the beautiful crafts that were auctioned off. Thank you Barbara, Terri, Deb, Crystal, Sandy, Virginia, Emma and Ginni. These are the ladies that help out all the time and who contribute not only their resources but their valuable time.

Our next breakfast will be on Jan 9^{th} from 9:00 to 12:00 and our meeting will be at 2:30 pm the same day.

Hope you and yours have a safe and wonderful holiday.

For God and Country *Judy Shumaker* — President

Sons of the Legion News:

We had the SAL breakfast December 19 and had a fairly good turnout. We want to extend a very special thanks you to Tootie & Donna for all of their help! And we want to thank to Clint Bolt and Jim Reid (Jim's in his 80's and works the younger folks under the table!) for their hard work during the last breakfast of 2010!

I'm happy to report Clint Bolt's wife is doing well after her recent illness.

There is a special project we'll undertaking in January. We'll be trying to help a young family in Manassas. The 22 year old husband, serving his country in the U. S. Army, was killed in Afghanistan. His wife is 4 or 5 months pregnant with their first child. We'll be coordinating our efforts with the Auxiliary, the Riders and the Legion for their combined assistance in this endeavor.

Both Clint & I donned our Santa garb at breakfast to help spread the Santa mood. We wish all of you the merriest of Christmases, and a very Happy New Year! See you in 2011!

Our January meeting will be on Tuesday, January 4^{th} at $7{:}00~\text{pm}$.

For God & Country *Ted Kilby* — Commander SAL 72

American Legion Riders News:

We want to thank all of our Volunteers for their continued help and support with our monthly breakfasts. Without you, we wouldn't be able to do this.

And, we want to extend a very special 'Thank You' to Tootie, Donna and Judy for their continued support and culinary expertise. Without them our monthly breakfasts surely would be a new adventure in dining for all who attend!

Legion Rider Activities:

Legion Rider Breakfasts:

The Riders will continue hosting monthly Breakfasts during 2011. The Riders Breakfasts are held the 4th Sunday of each month from 9:00 am until Noon. Spread the word among your friends, family and fellow riders and invite them to join us!

Toys for Tots:

The Riders once again collected donations for the "Toys for Tots" campaign! Our Post made another great showing and helped lots of local children to have a happier holiday season! Thank you all for your generous support!

Honor Flight Escort:

Our Legion Riders unanimously voted to adopt the Honor Flight Escorts as a function of the Legion Riders for 2011.

Bike and Car Show:

Work continues on our Annual "Show What You Ride, Show What You Drive" Bike & Car Show, scheduled for June 11th, 2011! Several of the Auxiliary Silent Auction Service items will be done during the Show!

The next Legion Riders meeting is on Wednesday, January 5th at 7:00 pm. I hope to see all of you there.

For God & Country **Barbara Truitt** — Vice President

Social Quarters:

Thanks to all who support our Social Quarters!

We have the Kooleraters American Band booked for the 4th Saturday each month, and we have DJ Dillon on the 2nd Saturday, with Terry's Karaoke on the 3rd Saturday; so come on out and enjoy the fun and entertainment.

Thanks to all our members who pitched in to help out around the Social Quarters; your help is very much appreciated.

Our Pool Tournament is on Thursday nights at 7pm. Please come in and enjoy the fun at the post club.

Don't forget our schedule of Saturday Night Events:

The 1st Saturday each month

we have our Fried or BBQ Chicken Dinner night from 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

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. We will have entertainment as well that night performed by DJ Dillon from 7 pm to 10:30 pm.

The 3rd Saturday each month

we have <u>Karaoke</u> with Terry at the club from 7pm to 10:30pm. Come out and check this out, it is a lot of fun for all!

The 4th Saturday each month

we have <u>Steak Night</u>, (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. You

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Every Friday night is our Steak & Seafood night which has been going every well, so come out and see what it is all about and enjoy some good food and company.

Don't forget our 18 item Bar Menu! You can order from this menu any time except Friday nights.

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.

Horseshoes will come back when we go back to day light savings time.

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We would like to start up another **Darts Tournament** as well. Anyone interested please sign up at the Post club. Come out and have some fun with us!

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For God & Country *Paul Baker* — Manager

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Editors Note:

Do you have an interesting story of interest to other members of the post? Do you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share? It's YOUR Newsletter - your input is welcomed and invited!

Articles for the February Newsletter are due by January 25, 2011. Please email them to PolkTruitt@aol.com, (in word format) or give them to Donna. Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor." Thank you! Barb Truitt, Editor

Happy New Year

Due to the New Year Holiday,



the Post will be closed on

January 1st and January 2nd, 2011.

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