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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

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#### Auxiliary Officers:

President: Donna Webb Vice President: Cindy Ennis

Secretary / Treasurer: Patty Freeman

Chaplain: Vickie White

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Historian: Karen Rawls

## Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Jules Juliano

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Ted Kilby

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

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#### American Legion Riders:

Director: Terrie Harne

Assistant Director: Claude Davenport

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

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## American Legion Post 72 Corporation:

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#### The Commander's Corner

We survived another winter and spring is just around the corner. After this winter's record breaking snowfall, the warm weather will surely be welcome.

Congratulations to WWII Veteran "Mr. Andy Andrews, on his recent birthday. We held a surprise birthday party for him, here at the post and a good time was had by all.

I want to brag about our Post 72 Junior Shooters Team once again. Our Post 72 team won another invitation to the CMP regional Match in Camp Perry, Ohio, in April. Way to go guys, we are all proud of you!

Also thanks to all of our many 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 next breakfast will be held on March 06, 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, March 15, 2016 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next executive meeting will be on Thursday, March 10, 2015, 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**

The Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services Center is soliciting participants for a survey on topics related to veterans and hearing loss. If interested, the survey and details can be accessed at

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https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DH2T226 or call 540-999-5033.

The American Legionand the Virginia State Police's annual Youth Cadet Law Enforcement Program is scheduled for 17-22 July in Richmond. The program will accept 50 cadets that have completed their junior year in high school and have a valid driver's license. The cost is \$200 per cadet. Contact Bill Feasenmyer at 804-337-8753 or email billfeas@comcast.net for more information.

Post 290 is celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a golf tournament on 2 May at Quantico. Contact Ken White at 540-846-4053 or email <a href="mailto:commander@staffordpost290.org">commander@staffordpost290.org</a>. Cost is \$80.

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.

I don't have anything new to report on for the month of March.

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 March 13, 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 the Sal members Donna Webb, Mike Anderson, Mike Crocket and John Andrews for helping out with the Sal breakfast. Thank you to all the people who participated in the Sal gun raffle.

Congratulations Jerry. Our next meeting is 7 o'clock in the auxiliary room on March 1st 2016. The next Sal breakfast is Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

As the commander of the SAL, I am

personally asking for volunteers to help with the breakfasts and to show up at the monthly business meetings. Your participation is vital to our organization's continued success. Thank you, Sal Commander Jules Juliano For God and Country

**Jules Juliano** – SAL Commander



### **Legion Riders News**

Our breakfast this month was great once again. A big thanks to everyone that worked the breakfast and also thanks to the ones that came out and enjoyed breakfast with us riders. Remember to invite friends and family to our Sunday breakfast the more the merrier. Thank you to everyone that helps us prepare for our Sunday riders breakfast also.

Sam and I have been working really hard on our 6th annual " Thank You Card Project" This year we are hoping to hit our new goal of 10,000 card collected. So everyone get the word out come to our monthly meeting to hear about all the new idea's we are planning.

A few riders did a charity ride to Front Royal to support Ruff Ranch Sanctuary which is an organization where their *mission is to bring veterans and "harder to place" dogs together in a program that will provide housing and employment for veterans and safe haven for challenged and aging canines.* With help from Dubhgealach MC and many other supporters they raised about 2500.00 dollars so thank you riders that participated!

Riders Brent and Cindy Carter have been working hard on our annual Bike and Car Show please volunteer your services to help them out with our upcoming event.

There are a lot of events coming up that I would like to share with all the riders. To all of those with Birthday's in Jan., and Feb, and March Happy Birthday and next month I'll be calling you out by name so look out...

Our next monthly meeting will be held on March 2, 2016 at 7pm sharp. Bring on spring!!

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Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders

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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 self-reliance and the importance of community spirit.

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

- The Scouts went on an exciting fishing based campout last month.
- Allen and Joshua concluded their National Youth Leadership Training.
- Look for more about their training experience next month.

The flyers for the Troop 600 Spring mulch drive have been mailed and should have arrived in your mailboxes. If you live in the 20186 and 20187 zip codes, and did not receive a flyer to order your mulch, just let us know and we will get one to you. Please have your order in by 27 March.

 We will be delivering your mulch to your home on Saturday 2 April.

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

- Ski Day Trip TBD
- 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 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 three-part program that combines the Basic Marksmanship Course, Qualification Awards and Air Rifle Competition into a well-rounded activity.

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

- The results are in on the 2016 Civilian Marksmanship 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 at Camp Perry, OH on 7-9 April. An added surprise was receiving an individual invitation for Carson! And on top of all that, the Cobra Team is allowed an alternate, who will be able to shoot for personal score. We are happy to announce that Dylan will be attending the CMP match as the team alternate.
- 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

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- 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!!
- Eight shooters and 17 parents, guests and coaches will be attending the 2016
   Piedmont area Friends of the NRA banquet in Culpeper.
- Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) ORION RESULTS (February):
  ODJRL February individual Orion scoring results are below. Match results will posted when published by ODJRL: Sean, 263-5; Sam, 262-7; Abram, 259-3; Savannah, 258-4; Jacob, 217-1; Dylan, 148-4; Carson, 242-4; John, 240-3; Jake, 236-4; Hunter G, 231-4; Ryan, 229-2; Hannah, 187-2; Harry B, 204-4; and Jackson, 97-0. The Warrenton Rifles took the first, second and third place team positions this month. A very stellar performance. Congrats Warrenton Rifles!!

**Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Results** (**January**): ODJRL League results for January are:

Sean, 1<sup>st</sup> place AAE class, 273.111; Abram, 2<sup>nd</sup> place AAE class, 254.006; Dylan, 2<sup>nd</sup> place A class, 226.005; Ryan, 3<sup>rd</sup> place B class, 217.002;

Tristan 4<sup>th</sup> place B class, 203.002; Jacob, 3<sup>nd</sup> place A class, 218.002; Hunter G, 1st place B class, 219.002; Harry, 3<sup>rd</sup> place TYRO class, 187.003; Jackson 7<sup>th</sup> TYRO B class, 114.001. Once again an outstanding performance by all of the Warrenton Rifles team members!!! **Qualifications (NRA):** Jackson earned Marksman 1<sup>st</sup> Class and Dylan earned the Expert ranking. Nice job Dylan and Jackson! **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:**

- 12 March 2016: Old Dominion Junior Rifle League match (3x10), Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 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)

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## Social Quarters / House Committee

Hopefully we are heading into spring! I know everyone is thinking of hotter weather but Neal won the snow blower.

We also have a Glock 19 pistol up for raffle in your Social Quarters ready for you to buy a chance. 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 a friend.

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, Dee, Stan, Jules, Mike, and of course, "Mister Andy" for your help. 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 Committee Chairman

Articles for the March Newsletter are due by February 25, 2016. Please email them to <u>Off2oc1@comcast.net</u> Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

#### **Photos from around the Post:**



"Mr. Andy's" Birthday Cake



"Mr. Andy" cutting his cake while a capacity crowd watches.



L-R, Commander/Coach, Mike Freeman, Jr. Shooter Savannah, (holding her Distinguished Expert Award), Finance Officer/Coach, Claude Davenport and Past Commander Paul Baker