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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

May is the month that we take time to honor our country's heroes for their sacrifice, on Memorial Day. If you are so inclined, take a moment to say a silent prayer and remember them all. We can never forget that their service and sacrifices ensure the very freedoms that we enjoy on this special occasion.

At the April business meeting nominations were presented and taken from the floor. Those nominated will be elected at this month's, (May), meeting, be installed at the June meeting and will assume their responsibilities on July 01, 2016.

The nominees are as follows:

Commander Claude Davenport 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Cmdr Mike Freeman

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr (vacant)

Adjutant George Morgan

Finance John Bush
Historian Stan Adamowicz
Service Dean Jacobson
Chaplin Steve Mcleod
Judge Adv Jonathan Lienhard

Sgt at Arms Eric Wusthof

Corporate Board Nominees for 2016/2017 are: Jim Rankin, Paul Baker, Bill Buck, Jack Flood, and Sam Jesselson.

I want to recognize and thank all of those members 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 May 01, 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, May 17, 2016 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next executive meeting will be on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

As your Commander, if there are any

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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**

Over the past few months, we have a number of new folks join Post 72. Please welcome the following new members and transfers:

New Members: George Jansen (USMC), James Lilek (USAF), William Ennis (USA), Michael Wheeler (USAF), Keith Reisenweber (USCG), Michael Brown (USA), and William Glascock (USA)

Transfers from other Posts: Samuel Cilley, Richard Losa, Earnest Austil, Joseph Majewski, Yvette Vanos Evans, and David Larson (USA)

Comrade Jim Rankin is celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rankin's Hardware. Festivities will be at the store on 6 May, beginning at 1000. All are invited.

Don't forget that the post membership will be electing new officers in June. The slate of nominees for the 2016/2017 year (listed below) is posted in the Social Quarters.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr (vacant)

Adjutant George Morgan Finance John Bush

Historian Stan Adamowicz Service Dean Jacobson Chaplin Steve Mcleod

Judge Adv Jonathan Lienhard

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Board Nominees for 2016/2017 are: Jim Rankin, Paul Baker, Bill Buck, Jack Flood, and Sam Jesselson.

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.

Our thanks go out to Tom and "Mr. Andy" for cooking, and helping out around our legion Post.

If anyone is interested in serving as an Auxiliary Officer for 2016-2017, please let me

Our next breakfast is Sunday, May 08, 2016.

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

For God and Country

**Donna Webb** - President



## Sons of the Legion News

I would like to take this opportunity to express some of my feelings, as my tenure as your Commander is almost over.

First, I would appreciate it if all of our members come to my final meetings as your Commander. Lack of participation has been an issue for many years, even prior to my administration. We need our membership to get and stay involved, in order for us to prosper.

Additionally, please come out and help at the next SAL breakfast, on Sunday, May 15, 2016. We cannot succeed as an organization unless we all pitch in and help when possible. Unfortunately, we have been placing this effort on a small cadre of members, who could use some assistance and possibly a break.

In closing, I would like to thank Mike Anderson John Andrews and Donna Webb for working the recent, April 2016, breakfast.

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

**Jules Juliano** – SAL Commander



# **Legion Riders News**

What a way to end April and start May! The Thank You Card Project is in full swing. On April 29<sup>th</sup> the ALR had 9 Schools hand make

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thank you cards given to us for our veteran's. May 6<sup>th</sup> will be the second part of this project to collect cards so if you can make it please talk with Sam or Terrie. We had numerous motorcycles, military vehicles, and a police escort to all the schools. The weather was not perfect but it was a great event enjoyed by all. Please check out WWW.fauquier411.com for promotion of ALR Thank You Card Project.

Breakfast this month was a success thanks to all that stepped in to help out. A huge thank you goes to Mike Anderson who took on the job to step up to help the riders with being our cook last month. Thank you to Mike F., Brent, Cindy, and Donna for also stepping up to help. Our next breakfast will be May 22 so come join us, bring a friend and the ride afterwards is always welcome.

Our monthly meeting is May 4<sup>th</sup> all riders are welcomed to come. Remember that we have elections this month. All positions are open to any member who wants to take on the challenge and become an officer. All members please be a little early this month, as we have a lot to go over. The meeting begins promptly at 7:00PM.

I would like to know of any volunteers for first Friday in the Town of Warrenton. A good showing from our members is always welcomed. It's only one Friday of the month for about 5 hours, so riders come out and enjoy the community.

A number of events and rides are coming in May. Rolling Thunder is right around the corner and Memorial Day is at the end of the month. Let's celebrate and remember the ones that are no longer with us and remember their sacrifice.

For God and Country

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

### **American Legion Baseball Committee**

Congratulations to SAL member Steve Toske, who was the winner of the \$1,000 Baseball Raffle.

I want to personally thank all of those who distributed and purchased tickets.

**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 self-reliance and the importance of community spirit.

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

- The four Scouts participated in the annual Merit Badge Midway in Culpepper on April 9th.
- Jeffrey attended the district call out for the Order of the Arrow.
- Allen and Zachary were also elected but unable to attend the call out. The ordeal is scheduled for the beginning of May.
- Mulch delivery went very well, with six plus trucks of mulch being pre-sold. It was a two day effort, but Troop 600, the Legion Junior Shooters, Troop 911 and all the other folks helped with the delivery of mulch did a fantastic job. We would like to thank EVERYONE who ordered mulch and helped make this a successful fundraiser. A special thanks to Rankin's Hardware for providing a base of operations and use of their forklift. Our success would not have been possible without Rankin's support!!

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

- April 22-24 Campout rescheduled for May 20-22
- May 2 Court of Honor rescheduled for May 21 to be held at campout
- May 23 Swim Test at the WARF

**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.

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#### 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 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 Warrenton Rifles Cobra & Python Teams participated in the 2016 Civilian
   Marksmanship Programs, Northeast
   Regional championships to qualify for the upcoming CMP National Championships.
   Abram, Sean, Sam and Savannah) ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the region, 12<sup>th</sup> nationally which qualifies them to participate in the 2016
   National Championship. This will be the second time in a row the Cobra team will be heading to Camp Perry for the National Championship, 24-27 June. Good luck and straight shooting.
- Carson, Dylan, Jacob and Hunter G ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in the CMP Regional championship and

- 21<sup>st</sup> nationally. This was an outstanding performance for their first time at a nationally recognized match.
- Our most sincere thanks to Coach Andy, Coach Robert and Mr. Hardy and the Groggs for providing transportation for the shooters to the CMP Regional Competition!
- The Warrenton Rifles fielded two teams for the 2016 American Legion Department of Virginia State Championship, North Region qualifier match. Cobras (Sam, Sean, Abram, and John) placed first and the Pythons (Carson, Dylan, Hunter G, & Jacob) placed third in the Sporter division, both qualifying to compete in the upcoming State championship. The AL Dept. of VA match will be in Charlottesville, VA on 7 May.
- Nine shooters from the Warrenton Rifles will be attending State of Virginia Junior Olympic qualification competition in Hampton, VA on 30 April. This is a 3x20 sanctioned match.

Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) ORION RESULTS (March): Five Warrenton Rifles shooters participated in the ODJRL March match. Individual Orion scoring results are: Abram, 268.008; Dylan, 237.002; Carson, 249.005; John, 223.003; & Harry, 197.001. The Warrenton Rifles took the first and second place team positions this month. Once again, an excellence performance. Congrats Warrenton Rifles!!

**Old Dominion Junior Rifle League Results (March):** ODJRL League individual results for March are: Abram, 1<sup>st</sup> place AAE; Dylan, 2<sup>nd</sup> place AAE; Carson, 1<sup>st</sup> place AAT; John, 3<sup>rd</sup> place AAE; & Harry, 2<sup>nd</sup> place C class, moving up to B class. Another outstanding performance by all of the Warrenton Rifles team members!!! Our congratulations to all of you on your individual and team accomplishments.

Qualifications (NRA): Jacob Expert. Congratulations Jacob on a job well done. New Personal High Score: Hunter G 245-7; Hannah 233-3; Sam (tied) 277-11; Ryan 237-2; Jacob 247-5; and Carson 271-4. Congratulations shooters on your well-earned personal accomplishment.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

7 May 2016: (Cobra and Python Teams)
 American Legion Junior Shooting Sports

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Department of Virginia State match (3x20), Charlottesville, VA

- 26-28 June 2016: (Cobra Team) CMP
   National Championship & Junior Olympic
   National Championship (3x20), Camp Perry,
   OH
- August 2016: 4-H North Region Shooting Sports competition, Culpeper, VA.

#### **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

Spring is here and it is time to start using the Tiki Bar again! We will do a Saturday Tiki Bar outing on May 21st. from 1:00pm till we are done with fun. Your Social Quarters will provide hot dogs for the event.

We have a nice spring set of hardware; leaf blower, weed trimmer, & hedge trimmer up for raffle. These will help you get your yard looking good. Sales are not going very fast for these items, so I need your help for ideas of items we can raffle that you would like to buy tickets on.

We also have a very nice S&W M&P 9mm with a green laser pistol up for raffle in your Social Quarters 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

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**Paul L. Baker -** Past Commander & House Committee Chairman

Articles for the June Newsletter are due by May 25, 2016. Please email them to Off2oc1@comcast.net Please mark them

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Photos from around the Post:



Remember our fallen heros.
They are the reason
that we are free.