#### News at the Post November 2012

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#### Commander's Corner:

Fall is now coming to an end and we are approaching another Veterans Day Observance, with Thanksgiving just around the corner! As they say, time marches on.

We will hold our annual Veterans Day Service this year on Monday, November 12, 2012. Plan on meeting at the Bistro Cafeteria, in Fauquier Hospital, at 10:00 am. There will be a continental breakfast provided. At approximately 10:45 am, we will walk down to the Veterans Memorial for our service. Immediately afterwards, we will go to Post 72 for a luncheon, to be sold for \$5.00 per person. Hope to see you all there.

As reported in the October business meeting there will be representatives from Aging Together, here at Post 72 on Thursday, November 08, 2012, from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. These representatives will be on hand to take down the oral and written service history of our World War II and Korean War Veterans. This information will then be compiled, and stored in a permanent database; so all future generations can understand and appreciate the costs and sacrifices made to protect our country's freedoms. If you have any questions, please contact myself or John Sinclair, Adjutant.

Last week I had the honor and privilege of going to the Tapscott family cemetery, along with John Sinclair and Dave and Julie Gordon, (photo above). While there, we placed a footstone on Carl Hughes grave, to recognize his service during World War II.

As many of you remember, Carl was an outstanding member, and although he is greatly missed, he will never be forgotten.

Also, please continue to support our Post and Social Quarters. Miss Donna and her helpers will fix many fine and affordable meals, both during the day and on weekends. While there don't forget to thank Donna and for all of her hard work. Check the attached calendar for additional information and some of the many special events.

Everyone, please keep Miss Tootie and her family in your thoughts and prayers, and wish her a speedy recovery from her recent illness and hospitalization.

As many of you have seen, we are making additional progress on our Veteran's Plaza Project. Thanks to all of those members who have help with this construction. Also, we have received the initial shipment of brick pavers.

We still have much work left to do, but it is nice to see some more progress is being made.

Remember, the Veterans Plaza project is to honor all veterans, both the living and deceased. There is a misconception that this is only for those who have passed away. Please clarify this with anybody who has questions about this project.

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on the November 13, 2012 at 19:30 hours, (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.

Also, thanks to Comrade Dave Gordon, the sign out by the road has been completely redone, with a reflective paint. This project was long overdue, but again, it is one of many steps we are taking to make this a better post we can all enjoy.

I am again asking each and every member to volunteer your time and skills, if you can, and serve on one of the numerous committees. These committees are our lifeblood and with your continued help we can make this post successful, financially stable and a place that we can all be proud of.

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

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

Mike Freeman — Commander

# Adjutant's Corner

We recently hosted Project Stand Down, here at the Post. This project provided clothes, blankets, etc, to needy veterans. Also, there were representatives from numerous agencies on hand to give assistance. Remember to get out and vote on Tuesday, November 06, 2012!!!

For the Good of the Legion

GOD BLESS AMERICA

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

#### House Chairman News:

Once again, I want to thank all our volunteers who come out every week, work hard and help out wherever they can. As always, we appreciate your efforts.

Our Octoberfest was a success, and a great time was had by all. There was plenty of good food and drink to enjoy with friends, family and fellow veterans. We also had horseshoe and corn hole competition outside that provided additional entertainment. Thankfully, the weather cooperated for us once again.

Remember there are chances available for a 12gauge shotgun, Model 870, hanging in the lounge, above the bar. Please come in and show your support for both our Post and Social Quarters by purchasing chances on this gun. Ticket prices are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00.

Also, don't forget that we will be serving a Veteran's Day luncheon on November 12, 2012, here at the Post, immediately after the memorial activities held on Hospital Hill. The price of this luncheon will be \$5.00 per person.

Our 3rd Saturday dinner in November will be oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy and a vegetable.

We all want to send our thoughts and prayers to Tootie. Sad to report that she has been "under the weather", lately. We all hope she gets better soon. We all miss you Tootie!

We still have raffles behind the bar, most of the time. Fall is now coming to end, and with another winter just around the corner, things are a little bit slow., so please come out and support our Social Quarters, as much as possible.

For God and Country

Joe Grimsley — House Committee Chairman

BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

Troop 600 website: www.troop600.org

## **Activities:**

Things are hopping at Troop 600. On Saturday, September 27, the Troop delivered the largest volume of fall mulch since 2009. It was a great effort by all involved. Many thanks to all of you for your efforts both on the day and in the lead up work organizing the mulch, delivering the flyers, and having food and drinks available on the day! A special thanks to all of the American Legion family who made this fundraiser so successful.

Here are the highlights from the Troop meetings during the past month. The Hawk Patrol did a presentation on knot tying for the Troop members. All members then demonstrated their ability to complete a wide range of knots. It was a very useful refresher/challenge for all involved. Thanks Hawks!

The scheduled monthly Troop Patrol Leadership Council (PLC) meeting, the Scout leadership undertook planning for events to be held later in October and in November, including the Fall Court of Honor and the Turkey in the Hole Campout and family get together.

Mr. Davenport made a presentation to the Troop on EMS as a possible career path and the training and responsibilities of EMS workers in conjunction with those in the fire department. The Scouts were very interested. Many thanks to Mr. Davenport!

The Troop held elections for Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Patrol Leader/Assistant Patrol Leader for each Patrol within the Troop. Thanks to all who participated in the electoral process!

Special congratulations to David M. and Andrew W. who have both completed Impeesa training and are the new Senior Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader respectively!

The Cobra Patrol presented a training session on Baseball. They learned some excellent presentation techniques that will enhance everyone's teaching and presentation ability.

Two additional members of the Troop have completed BSA Den Chief training, bringing the total to 5 scouts. They have taken on the responsibility of becoming Den Chiefs for local Cub Scout Packs. This leadership position is a very important one for the individual Scout, the Troop and the Packs and their members as it provides the Scouts with significant service responsibility while also helping to publicize the Troop to local Cub Scout Packs for recruitment purposes. Congratulations to Daniel M. and JJ.

Some of the Scouts continue selling popcorn, which assists with funding Scouting at the Council level as well as providing funds to the individual Scout for Scouting related activities.

The Troop is also sponsoring the sale of various nuts as an additional fundraiser for both the Troop and the participating Scouts. Many thanks to anyone who ordered mulch or purchased popcorn and/or nuts, and to the adults within the Troop who have been active in making the fundraising activities possible.

# **Upcoming Events:**

On 5 November, the troop will hold its Fall Court of Honor. The Court of Honor is a time for awards and recognitions for scouts and adult leadership. Family members are invited and encouraged to attend. The Post 72 leadership also cordially invited to attend and join us for dinner.

The annual "Turkey in the Hole" campout and family dinner will take place on Saturday evening, 3 November at Verdun. A campfire program will follow the dinner. The cost is \$15 per scout, no charge for family members attending the dinner or adult scout leaders camping.

Re-registration time for the troop is coming around again. We will be entering the Troops 11th year. In preparation, the adult leaders should check to see that their Youth Protection certification is in force. If it has expired, BSA will not allow you to re-register.

Fall Court of Honor
Monday, November 5, 2012
Turkey in the Hole Camp
November 2-4, 2012
Next PLC Meeting
Monday, November 12, 2012
Next Committee Meeting
Monday, November 12, 2012

#### **Rank Advancement:**

Brett B.
Life Scout
Logan J.
Life Scout
Josh J.
1st Class
Jake C.
Life Scout

Andrew W.

Life Scout

Congratulations Brett, Logan, Josh, and Jake!

Troop 600 meets every Monday evening form 7:15pm - 8:30P at Post 72. Crew 600 meets the third Sunday evening at 5:30pm in the Auxiliary Building.

Come "Feel the Thunder at Troop 600".

For God and Country *Claude Davenport* — Troop 600 Representative

# American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program (ALJSSP):

It has been a busy month for the Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program Team. Three of our new shooters have successfully completed the American Legion Basic Marksmanship Certification. Our congratulations go to John, Abram, and Stephen on their hard work to successfully complete the BMC. They will now be able to participate in Team competitions and matches.

At the Post 72 American Legion Riders "Motorcycle and Car Show" on 29 September, shooters Max, Abram and Sam participated in, and coached the "Shot Group Challenge". The Challenge generated \$60 for the Team and a \$60 first place pot. The first place shot group was 9.5 millimeters, the second place shot group was 10 millimeters, less than ½ millimeter difference. It was decided to split the pot between the first place winner, (Mr. Davenport) and second place (Max). Mr. Davenport donated his winnings back to the Team. Congratulations Max and thanks Mr. D!!

The team competed in our first competitive match of the season on October 20 at American Legion Post 233 in Richmond, VA. 6 shooters, Blake, Michael S., Michael L., Max, Abram, and Sam, participated in the match. They represented the Post very well with a **THIRD place overall, out of nine teams.** This has been their best showing yet, great job guys!

Our congratulations to Michael L. on his overall individual 8th place showing out of 45 participants. This was Michael L's first match with the Team. Most excellent Michael L.!! The Teams individual shooters scores are: Michael S. 181, Max 210, Abram 191, Blake 204, Michael L 226, and Sam 220. The Team Coaches are very proud of the Teams showing at the Match.

We would like to give a special thanks to Sam's mom and Abram's dad for providing transportation to and from the Match.

Mr. Hugh Long (a Post 72 member) has been bringing by very interesting pieces of firearms history to show the team prior to practice. Our continuing thanks to Mr. Long for his generous participation and contributions to the Team.

The Post 72 Team practices on Thursday evenings, 1830 - 2030hrs in the Hall. We welcome anyone from the Post family to come by to see the program and watch the shooters practice.

For God and Country

Claude Davenport — ALJSSPO Team Coordinator

# **Auxiliary News:**

We want to thank all of our volunteers who work so hard around the Post, when we are in need. Your continued efforts are appreciated by all of our members, and we again thank you!

We are having a Bake Sale on November 16th and 17th, 2012. Please come out and support the Auxiliary.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Miss Tootie and her family. We all hope she is up and about real soon. She is certainly missed by everyone here at Post 72!

As always, breakfasts will be served every Sunday, from 09:00AM until 12:00PM, here at the Post. Again, the Auxiliary will be serving breakfast the second Sunday of each month. Our next breakfast will be on November 11, 2012. Hope to see you there!

For God and Country **Donna Webb** — President

# Sons of the Legion News:

Sal's October breakfast had Joe Lechwar, Mike Anderson and myself. Since we did not have a large showing Donna was an immense help. It was pretty tough for Mikie to cook the eggs without cooking oil for the grill. But now we are fully stocked and ready to go.

This year Squadron 72 will once again be sponsoring our holiday grocery give away. Chances are \$1 a piece and the drawing will be held at noon on December 16 at our breakfast. I should have the tickets in about a week. I would like to thank Tony and his staff at Piedmont Press for making these tickets for us. As soon as I receive them they will be available at the legion or any SAL officer.

Our best wishes go out to SAL member Bob Lemon and especially his wife Janie on the loss of her sister Mary a few weeks ago. She was a resident of the area most of her life and liked by many people in our community.

Also, please send prayers and best wishes to Tootie as she recovers from her recent illness and also Billy and Diana Plot who are also having health problems.

Next SAL meeting will be November 6, 2012 Election Day. And the November breakfast will be held on November 18, 2012.

Hope everyone has a chance to get out and enjoy our beautiful fall colors.

For God & Country

Ted Kilby — Commander SAL Squadron 72

# American Legion Riders News:

<u>ALR Facebook Page</u> — You will be asked to log into Facebook.

We will be once again hosting the Second Annual Chili Cook Off Contest on March 2, 2012. We had picked a date at our last meeting. However due to some scheduling conflicts with some other posts, the planned new date will be determined at our upcoming monthly meeting.

Remember, the American Legion Riders is an organization for us all. We will be much more effective and successful if everyone gets involved, attends the meetings and volunteers their time and personal resources when you can.

The next ALR breakfast is scheduled for November 25, 2012. Please come out and help if you can.

The next ALR business meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 07, 2012, at 7:00PM.

For God & Country

Keith "Wally" Burdette — Director, American Legion Riders, Post 72

#### Social Quarters:

We want to thank you for making this our best night of the week! We have great fun after dinner so consider staying longer to enjoy our new Friday night Dart Tournament now starting at 8:00pm to allow our guests to complete their meal; 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.

**Thanks** to Terry the DJ for our Karaoke night. Karaoke is on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month we have <u>Karaoke</u> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month

we will be featuring a Cook's Special Dinner so come out and see what Tootie has in store for us! This month we will be having a **Oven Fried Chicken**. The menu will change from month to month! Way to go Tootie!

The 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



**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!

We also have our popular pool table is open for play after dinner and we hope to have our bowling game back soon.

We like to turn the jukebox up and dance and kick our feet up, so make Friday night your evening to spend with us! You won't regret it.



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. Come out and have some fun with us!

# **Around the Post**

Joe Grimsley, in "formal attire", at our famous Tiki Bar, for Octoberfest.



A construction photo, on the wall are Larry, Jules and John.



Post 72 Junior Shooters during a competition in Richmond, Virginia last weekend.



1st Vice Commander Doug Hazelrigg and Commander Mike Freeman at Project Stand Down



#### **Editor's and Webmaster's Note:**

Do you have an interesting story of interest to other members of the post?

Articles for the **December** Newsletter are due by **November 25, 2012**. Please email them to Please mark them "Attn:

Do you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share? It's YOUR Newsletter - your input is welcomed and invited! Newsletter Editor." Thank you! Please send Web Site updates at any time. Patty Freeman, Editor

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