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#### The Commander's Corner

Another fall season has arrived and there is distinct chill in the evening air. Soon, Mother Nature will once again display her colorful foliage for all of us to enjoy, here in Virginia.

First I want to announce that Comrade Ed Deneale has resigned as Sergeant at Arms due to health reasons. Ed did an outstanding job for several years we all wish him the best and hope that he gets well soon. Jack Flood has graciously volunteered and has been appointed as his replacement. Thanks Jack for stepping up, and lets all give him our support.

Things around the Post have been really busy here of late. We had the" Cash Bash" on September 20, 2014. This was another very successful event, and a good time was had by all who attended. The weather was perfect, the food was great and the Social Quarters did an outstanding job as was expected. I want to personally thank all of those who helped.

Our Post 72 Legion Riders held their annual Bike and Car Show. This was also another successful event. The weather was picture perfect, and again thanks to all of those who helped make this a great show.

Also our own Past Commander, and current House Committee Chairman Paul Baker and ALR Director Terrie Harne were the big winners in the show. Way to go guys!

I hope that everyone can see that we are again making progress on our Veteran's Plaza project. Claude Davenport and I have set and painted the bollards and the chains. Comrade Neil Labell, and his friend John have gotten the asphalt installed and donated to our Post at no cost! Kudos to both Neil and John, as this is a prime example of members taking that extra step to benefit our Post home.

Once again I am pleased to announce that Claude and I, and six of our Post 72 Junior Shooters participated in a recent Virginia State 4H Shooting event, in Appomattox, Virginia.

Our senior team of Sam, Sean and Abram came in second place in the State, in the Senior Sporter Class! Also, one of

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our other contestants, Savannah came in first place in the state in the Juniors, three position overall, and was awarded a Gold medal!

I am so proud to be one of the coaches and a part of this team. These young boys and girls not only did outstanding job, but they once again represented our Post well!

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 October 05, 2014.

Remember to support the other groups of our Post Home, as well as the AUX, SAL, ALR, Junior Shooters and the Boy Scouts.

Our thoughts and prayers go to Andy Andrew's wife who is in a nursing home in Warrenton, and to Kyle Pinelli, the son of one of our SAL members, who was seriously injured recently.

The next regular Legion business meeting will be on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on the first Thursday again this month, on October 02, 2014 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.

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 and Country

Mike Freeman - Commander

#### **Adjutant's Corner**

On Oct 9, 2014, the Boy Scouts of America will hold their annual 'Fauquier Good Scout Award Dinner'. This year's honoree is **Roland Tapscott, a veteran and Past Commander and member of Post 72**. The award will be presented posthumously to his family. This is an honor not just for Roland Tapscott but also for our American Legion Post. This is for a great cause and all proceeds will go to the Boy Scouts. Information on registration

and additional ways to contribute are found in the provided flyer. We need an accurate count for the event by Oct 1 so please let us know if any Post members, family, or friends would like to support us in honoring a great Warrenton citizen and veteran. Information on this event is as follows:

When: Thursday, October 9, 2014

6:30 pm Reception 7:15 pm Dinner 7:45 pm Program

**Where:** Stoneridge Events Center, 7373 Comfort Inn Dr., Warrenton, VA 20187

For God and Country

George Morgan – Adjutant



### **Auxiliary News**

We want to thank and recognize all of our volunteers who help out here at the Post. Also a really big thank you goes to everyone who supported and worked so hard on our recent "Cash Bash". It was an overwhelming success, and a great time was had by all who attended. Additionally, the weather couldn't have been any better for this outside event.

We are planning on having another bake sale, next month. It is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 21st and 22nd, 2014.

Please keep Ginni Mills, Barbara Miles and Crissy Ritchie in your thoughts and prayers, and wish them all the best. We all hope they will be in good health soon.

Our next Auxiliary Sunday breakfast will be on October 12, 2014, so please come out and give your support. Our next Auxiliary meeting will be held immediately following our breakfast at 1:00pm. Please feel free to come in and join us!

For God and Country

**Donna Webb** - President



### Sons of the Legion News

I would like to thank Mike, Chip, Joe and Clint for helping out with the breakfast on Sunday, September 21, 2014.

Once again the same five dedicated Sal members showed up for the September 2014 business meeting. I am personally asking all of the Sal members to show up for the October 07,

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2014 meeting. This is your organization and we need everyone's participation and ideas to remain successful. Please try to attend!

Our next SAL Breakfast will be on Sunday, October 19, 2014. For God and Country

**Jules Juliano** – SAL Commander



### **Legion Riders News**

WOW, What a successful day for our Bike and Car Show this year! The weather was great and fun was had by all.

Thanks to everyone that did such a great job setting up, organizing and showing up on Sept. 27th. A list of many helpers Paul, Claude, Mike, Sam, Steve, Faye B., Mark B, Deb O, Judy, Cathy, Dennis, Debby B. and Adriene. We also had a wonderful volunteer cook Rusty, and Donna, and Patty working the Food for the Legion. Please thank all that helped out, and if I forgot or omitted anyone, it was unintentional, so please accept my apology, and let me know.

Thanks also go to the many vendors that we had and hopefully their day was good.

Just a reminder of our first ALR monthly meeting is on Oct. 1 starting at 7pm come early for dinner. We will be going over lots of business at our meeting this month so try to make it if you can.

One of our Riders Michael E. had to have some surgery here to a speedy recovery. Your riding season may be over but we'll still be thinking about you. We missed you at the Bike and Car show but understand.

Don't forget our Chili Cook off this month. Bring in your best and see if you can beat out the winner from the last two years. Oct. 18 is the date for the Cook Off, so mark your calendar. his is a just for fun event so come, bring some friend and family and enjoy yourselves.

Hopefully some of you got to go to the two day event to escort the for Sgt. Beans remains to Quantico National Cemetery on Oct. 1st and 3rd. Sgt. Bean had been MIA for seventy years and he was found and on Oct. 1st. His remains arrived at Reagan National Airport. Full Military Honors were given by the US Army and he was escorted to Piece Funeral Home. On Oct. 3rd he was laid to rest at

Quantico national cemetery. May you rest in peace kind Sir!

Watch emails about upcoming fall rides. Also, Oct. 11th is the Colonial Beach Bike Fest run. Emails will be sent out for times and meet ups.

Our next legion Riders breakfast is Oct. 26, 2014. Volunteers will be needed. Come out and help if you are available. Our next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 01, 2014, at 7:00pm. The November meeting will be held on November 05, 2014.y meeting Nov. 5th. For God and Country

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

# BSA Troop 600 & Crew 600

### **Boy Scout Troop 600 & Crew 600:**

**Troop 600:** Boy Scouting, one of the traditional membership divisions 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 fifth grade and are at least 10, or who are 11, but not yet 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:**

- Andrew W. has been working on his Eagle Scout project at the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church; he is installing a new in ground basketball hoop plus some benches.
- Fun was had by all that recently attended the Whitewater rafting trip. It proved to be one of the most exciting trips ever. The water was high from recent rains and it was the first day the dam was opened. David M. was the lone scout with the Guide that stayed in the raft on one occasion, everyone else was tossed out into the river at one point or another.
- The higher ranking scouts (Star and above) did a great job working with the younger scouts on their rank advancements during a recent meeting.

**Recent Rank Advancements:** It is very exciting to see the scouts continuing to work on

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advancements even though the school year has just started and as many are adjusting to middle or high school. Last latest rank advancement

are:

Daniel: Scout rank
Clayton: Scout rank
Brett C: Scout rank
Ronald B: Scout rank
C.J.: Second Class rank

Zachary O: Second Class rank Matthew M: Second Class rank Carter A: First Class rank Joshua O: First Class rank Peter N: First Class rank

Hunter W: Gold Eagle Palm **Upcoming Scout Events:** 

17 – 19 October: Fall District Camporee
20 October: Webelos Open House
27 October: Webelos Open House
14 – 16 Turkey in the Hole campout

**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'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.

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

- The Crew continues to work hard at recruiting. In the coming months they will be planning next year's adventure.
- The Crew will be holding elections soon.

#### **Upcoming Venturing Events:**

No events planned at this time.

**Meeting information:** Venturing meets on Monday evenings with the exception of the 2nd Monday of the month, from 1915 – 2030 hours (7:15pm – 8:30pm) in the meeting hall at Post

72. We invite young people to come by and see what Venturing is all about.

For God and Country

Barb Nooger & Michelle Hermsdorf - Editors Claude Davenport - Troop/Crew 600 Charter Organisation Représentative

Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Program



# 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 Post 72 Air Rifle Team's 2014/2015 season is running at full speed. We would like to welcome our newest shooter, Atili M. to the Team. Our new shooter will be completing the completing their Basic Marksman Certification this month and are well on their way learning the fundamentals of three position shooting.

### Additional practice time:

In order to facilitate the active schedules of our shooters, the Post 72 Air Rifle Cadre will be holding a backup practice on Wednesday's from 1900 to 2030hrs. This practice time is set aside for those shooters who have a temporary conflict with the regular Thursday practices.

### **Match Results:**

**4-H State Rifle Match:** Six members of the Post 72 Air Rifle Club (Abram, Sam, Sean, Jake, Savannah and Tristan) participated in the 2014 4-H State Shooting Sports Match at Holiday Lake 4-H Center in Appomattox, VA on 14 September. This was only the second 4-H match the team has participated in. The Team performed marvelously in the Sporter Class among the 62

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shooters competing, obtaining the following results:

- Post 72 Team (Seniors) came in 2nd place out of 10 teams in the Sporter class
- Overall 3 Position (Seniors): Sam 4th place, Abram - 7th place, Sean 11<sup>th</sup> place, Jake 38<sup>th</sup> place in the State for 4-H in Virginia
- Overall 3 Position (Juniors): Savannah 1<sup>st</sup> place, Tristian – 6<sup>th</sup> place in the State for 4-H in Virginia

Please join me in congratulating Abram, Sean, Jake, Sam, Savannah and Tristian on an outstanding performance and representing the Post 72 Air Rifle Team so well!! Great shooting Team!

# **Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL)**No competition this month.

**Qualifications:** No new qualification to report **New Personal High Score:** No new personal high scores to report.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- 11 October 2014: Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL) match, Post 72, Warrenton
- 11 October 2014: CMP 3x20 sanctioned match, Post 72, Warrenton
- 8 November 2014: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 13 December 2014 ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 10 January 2015: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 14 February 2015: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 14 March 2015: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- April 2015: American Legion North Region Qualification Match
- May 2015: American Legion Department of Virginia Match (invitation)

#### **Practice Times:**

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team practices on Thursday evenings, 1830 - 2030hrs in the Legion Hall throughout the school year. Backup practices on Wednesday's from 1900 to 2030hrs. We welcome anyone from 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)

#### House Chairman News

I would like to personally thank Donna for all the hard work getting our Cash Bash together. If you came you know it was a very big success! If you didn't make it you missed a good time had by all. The weather could not have been better, and the food and drink was outstanding. Good job Donna! I also would like to thank all the members and friends that came or got a ticket for the Cash Bash that made it the big success! I have had many people ask, when we will do it again? My thoughts are that maybe we'll try it again in the first part of next year.

We are having a Halloween Party, here in our social quarters on Saturday, October 25, 2014, from 7:00pm until. Come out and enjoy the party with friends and family, and costumes are optional.

Don't forget to get your tickets for the sofa we have as a raffle item to support the Post. This is a High Grade Leather Sofa with two electric recliners, one on each end of the sofa. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We will be drawing the winner on Oct 1st. So plan to be there and see if you are the big winner.

Please remember the raffles and games at the Social Quarter help us keep the cost down on food and drink, so support them as much as you can.

As always, a big thank you goes to all that have volunteered to help out around the Social Quarters and more so on Friday nights. Please remember that you may bring in as many friends to the Social Quarters as you like to enjoy the club with you.

Don't forget the First Saturday of the Month is Tiki Bar Party 1pm to 5pm or longer if the membership wants! The 2nd Saturday we should have Terry back with his karaoke, and the 4th Saturday we have a Chicken Dinner. For God and Country

Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House

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Committee Chairman

### Social Quarters

The Cash Bash was a great time for all to enjoy and thanks to Donna for putting it all together. Due to many requests, we are looking at doing it again next year.

The Social Quarters is still having gun pull tabs where you can be the owner of a new pistol for just \$1.00 per chance. Again if you win and don't want the gun I can work something out. I can give you our cost of the gun in lieu of the gun. If you prefer this option, we would try and raffle it off again to someone that wants it for their very own. Please buy tickets on it when you are in the Social Quarters.

The Sofa drawing will be the 1st of Oct. We will continue to have the other favorite games of the membership like the HOGS, Booze Giveaway, and baskets of goodies. This month we are having a CASH BASH September 20th, get your tickets for this event as soon as you can as they are going fast.

As always, we want to thank all of our volunteers who come in and work so hard. It takes all of them to help keep things running. Please don't forget Donna who works so hard to see that everything is running along, she really puts a lot of time in behind the scenes that most people don't know about. Don't forget to show her your support by tipping her as much as you can!

Remember the First Saturday of the Month is Tiki Bar Party, from 1pm to 5pm or longer if the membership wants! The 2nd Saturday Terry will be back with his karaoke. On the 4th Sunday we have a Chicken Dinner. If you missed this in the past, you really missed a good dinner!

Remember, 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! and for how we will keep the grill on after 3pm due to the request of the membership and the agreement by Donna to work the extra work it takes to do so.. On Friday evenings we continue to have our Steak and Seafood dinners. However, we do make exceptions for those that have food allergies and kids that would like to order something other than seafood on that night. So bring as many friends as you like to enjoy dinner with you. We enjoy having your kids and grandkids in the Social Quarters, so bring them in as well. We will try and make their stay with us an enjoyable one.

We also have our popular pool table which is open for play after dinner. Come out and have some fun with us!

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

Articles for the November Newsletter are due by October 25, 2014. Please email them to <a href="Millotto:Off2oc1@comcast.net">Off2oc1@comcast.net</a> Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."
Thank you! Patty Freeman, Editor
Photos from around the Post



Sergeant at Arms, Jack Flood, proudly shows off his Corvette at the Post 72 ALR Bike and Car Show



Post 72 Junior Shooters take aim at the Virginia State 4H Shooting Event held in Appomattox, VA