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#### Post 72 Officers

#### American Legion Post 72 Officers:

Commander: Claude Davenport 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Mike Freeman 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Dan Seibel Adjutant: George Morgan Finance Officer: John Bush Judge Advocate: Jonathan Lienhard Sergeant at Arms: Eris Wusthof Chaplain: Steve McLeod Service Officer: Dean Jacobson Historian: Stan Adamowicz

#### Auxiliary Officers:

President: Donna Webb Vice President: "Shell" Fergusons Secretary: "Shell" Ferguson Treasurer: Patty Freeman Chaplain: Elaine Deneale Sergeant at Arms: Vacant Historian: Vacant

#### Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Ted Kilby 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Jules Juliano 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Adjutant: Clint Bolt Finance Officer: Clint Bolt Sergeant at Arms: Steve Ralls Chaplain: Service Officer: Historian:

#### American Legion Riders:

Director: Terrie Harne Assistant Director: Mike Freeman Adjutant: Paul Baker 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

Well, summer has come to an official end and fall is upon us. It's a good time to take a look around the Post and see what we need to do to "spiffy' up the building and grounds. If you have spotted something that needs some attention or a suggestion to improve our Post, please email it to our Building and Grounds Chairman at:

<u>2ndvicecommander@legionpost72.org</u>. Dan will be putting a list together and forming some work parties to tackle your observations & suggestions.

The property development project is moving along nicely. The partnership agreement is in final revision for review, approval and signature by the corporate Board of Directors. We are still on track for starting the project in the spring of 2017. This project will generate a much needed residual income to the Post for many years to come. My thanks to the Board of Directors for their thoughtful review and input into the partnership agreement.

I would like to ask all members in the Fauquier county area to attend our monthly business meetings whenever you can. It is imperative that we conduct our business as required and address any ideas or concerns to help our post and organization perform better.

Our own Warrenton Rifles participated in the 2016 4-H State of Virginia Shooting Sports Championships last month and earned a first place finish in the 3 position air rifle event. Please join me in congratulating our junior shooters on a job well done! I am very proud to associated with such a fine group of young men and ladies.

My personal thanks to the volunteers who put in their valuable time to help out around the post. Their contributions ensure that our home remains open for everyone to enjoy. If you have some available time to help out with building & ground, or help in the Social Quarters, it would be greatly appreciated.

Our Al-You-Can-Eat breakfast in our Social Quarters continues to be a hit! Breakfast is every Sunday, from 09:00am until 12:00pm. The Legionnaires serve breakfast the first

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Sunday of each month. Our next breakfast will be held on October 02, 2015. Friday night Steak & Seafood has been a resounding success. Come on out and enjoy the excellent chow and great fellowship.

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, 18 October, 2016 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The next executive meeting will be on the second Thursday, 13 October, 2015 at 19:00 hours, (7:00pm).

As your Commander, if there are any questions or suggestions to improve our Post, please contact me at

<u>commander@legionpost72.org</u> or any of the other officers.

Never forget that we are all members of the world's greatest brotherhood, we are American Veterans! For God and Country *Claude Davenport* – *Commander* 

### Adjutant's Corner

Bradley Elementary School would like to extend an invitation to members of American Legion Post 72 to attend a patriotic program on Friday, November 11, 2016, at 7 p.m. in the school's gymnasium. The 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes will be performing "This Is America." The program will last about 30 minutes. The students are dressing in patriotic colors, and for one of the songs, "I Love My Country," students will be using sign language as they sing.

Bradley Elementary School's students and staff would love for members of American Legion Post 72 to attend this performance. The school is located at:

674 Hastings Lane

Warrenton, VA

Please email music teacher Arlene Thorpe at athorpe@fcps1.org you will be able to attend. 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 also want to thank Commander Claude Davenport and our Post 72 Junior Shooters who helped transfer our food out, when our front freezer broke down. The shooters also returned the food once the freezer got repaired.

I don't have anything new to report this month. Our next breakfast is Sunday, October 09, 2016, with our monthly meeting to immediately follow afterwards.

I'm pleased to announce that one of our junior members has become a senior member, Savannah Christian. Congratulations Savannah!

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

Thanks to John Andrews, Mike Crockett, Clint Bolt and Mike Anderson for their efforts at the last SAL breakfast. I attended the American Legion college, August 11-13 in Richmond, had discussions and met with many SAL and Legionnaires. It was very educational and I thoroughly enjoyed it. I strongly suggest each SAL and Legionnaire attend this event at least once.

Clint Bolt attended an outing the same weekend sponsored by SAL 247 and \$1200 was raised for Operation Comfort Warriors.

Our next SAL meeting is at 7:00 September 6, 2016. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

For God and Country *Ted Kilby* – *SAL Commander* 



Fall is a coming so it's getting cold for some us riders, although there are still lots of

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Fall riding coming up, so don't put those bikes away yet!

The riders have been preparing for our Bike and Car Show hope everyone came out for the Oct.1st. show. More next month about the Bike and Car Show...

Breakfast last month was very good, thanks to Brian for his Belgian Waffle'! Thanks to everyone that came out for breakfast and also the ones that helped cooked and serve.

Next month's meeting is on October 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. Riders our next breakfast is the 23rd of Oct. Please come out and enjoy breakfast with us.

For God and Country

Terrie Harne – Director, America Legion Riders

#### American Legion Baseball Committee

Our baseball season is over for the year. We expect to be back in action in May 2017. *Jim Lilek – Baseball Committee/* 



#### 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 selfreliance and the importance of community spirit. **Recent Notable Activities/Events:** 

- The Scouts have put a team together to help the Post 72 Legion Riders at their annual Bike & Car Show at the Fauquier County Fairgrounds on 1 October.
- On 12 November, the Troop 600 invites the Post 72 Family to participate in their annual Turkey In The Hole dinner. The event will take place on the Post 72 grounds. Please let us know if you would like to attend.
- Scouts have been busy planning the camp out, and working on rank advancements.

#### Upcoming Scout Events:

- 1 October: Car Show Concessions
- 8 or 9 October: Roadway clean up
- 28-30 October: Fall camp out
- 30 October: Halloween party
- 11-13 November: Turkey in the Hole

**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.

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

No events planned at this time. *Michelle Hermsdorf – Committee Chair* 



## 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 threepart 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 is getting to a great routine on their 2016/2017 season. We would like to welcome five new shooters,

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Seth, Jacob K, Gage, Colt and Garrett, to the Warrenton Rifles team. They are working on their Basic Marksmanship Course and fine tuning their three shooting position.

- Six Warrenton Rifles shooters participated in the 4-H State of Virginia Shooting Sports Match at the Holiday Lake 4-H facility. The 3 Position Air Rifle final results were fantastic! The Warrenton Rifles won first place with a team score of 757-16 (team score based on top three shooters). Congratulations to Carson, John & Dylan for a great team effort! Congratulations to Carson for his score of 254-6 won him a second place overall finish. The other "Rifles" produces excellent personal scores with John 253-5 (4<sup>th</sup> place), Dylan 250-5 (6<sup>th</sup> place), Jacob 246-6 (9<sup>th</sup> place), Hunter G. 246-3 (10<sup>th</sup> place) and Jake 202-1 (17<sup>th</sup> place). Congratulations to Carson, John, Hunter G, Dylan, Jacob and Jake on a great job representing the Warrenton Rifles!!
- The Rifles are selling raffle tickets for a pair of Zeiss binoculars and 10 Browning 4" fixed blade knives. Please see Donna in the Social Quarters for tickets.
- The Rifles will be assisting the Post 72 Riders with parking at their annual Bike & Car Show, at the Fauquier County Fairgrounds on 1 October.

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**Qualifications (NRA):** No qualifications this month.

**New Personal High Score:** No report during the summer voluntary practice.

#### Upcoming Events:

- 6 October, 2016: Start of the Old Dominion Junior Rifle League (ODJRL), postal match at Post 72.
- 5 November, 2016: ODJRL match, Post 290, Stafford, VA
- 20 November, 2016: US Army Jr. Marksmanship Qualifier, IWL, Centerville, VA
- 3 December, 2016: ODJRL match, Post 72, Warrenton, VA

#### **Practice Times:**

The Post 72 Junior Shooting Sports Team primary practice is on Thursday evenings, 1800-2030 in the Legion Hall. The Team follows the Fauquier County School calendar. We welcome visitors and the Post family to come by to see the program.

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

We are now into fall and the weather is getting cooler, not a problem as we have controlled temperature in your Social Quarters.

Bring your friends out to dinner on Friday nights, good food at a good price!! We also have a very nice S&W 45cal pistol up for raffle in your Social Quarters right now some get your chance ASAP. 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 again always 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 to all of you!! We can always use more volunteers!! It takes all of the volunteers to help 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, just remember the kitchen is small and sometimes it takes a little time to get served. We are working to try and get your breakfast out to you faster. Don't forget the people that are working the breakfast are volunteers!!

These breakfasts are hosted by all of our groups within the American Legion, so please come out and eat to show your support.

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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 November Newsletter are due by October 25, 2016. Please email them to <u>Off2oc1@comcast.net</u> Please mark them "Attn: Newsletter Editor."

#### Photos from around the Post:



Post 72 Junior Shooters compete in the Virginia State 4H Championship at the Lahe Holiday 4H Center. Post 72 came in First Place for the State Championship in the 3 Position Air Rifle Competetion!



Post 72 America Legion Riders pose at the Bike and Car Show held on October 01, 2016 at the Fauquier County Fairgrounds

