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The Commander's Corner

Once again it is my sad duty to announce that we have lost another fellow veteran, Walt Nagorske. Walt was a member of Post 72, and a fixture around here at our Social Quarters, and was universally liked by all. Let us keep Walt, his wife Pat and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

As discussed in last month's business meeting, we are annually spending considerable monies to fix these old and antiquated AC units. We simply can't keep ignoring this problem and hope it goes away. Until we can agree about getting some financing to replace or upgrade the units, I am asking for members to donate whatever they can to help fund a new HVAC system for our Post home. I am very pleased to inform everyone, that we have received an initial donation of one thousand dollars to start this fund! The donor wishes to remain anonymous, but his donation is much appreciated and is a great example of a member supporting our Post!

I hope that everyone can see that we are again making progress on our Veteran's Plaza project. Claude, Sam, SAL member Rusty, and myself have set the edging granite stones. Stan has gotten the bollards, (posts), made and donated to us at no cost by Andy Andrews' son John. Stan also purchased the chain necessary to complete this phase of the project. Way to go Stan! Next we will be digging the holes, getting the bollards and chain painted, and hopefully getting some asphalt to finish off the outer edge.

Once again I am pleased to announce that Claude and I, and three of our Post 72 Junior Shooters participated in a recent 4H Shooting event. All three of our shooters placed in the top ten of the contestants!

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 September 7, 2014

Remember to support the other groups of our Post Home, as well as the AUX, SAL, ALR,

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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, September 09, 2014 at 19:30 hours, (7:30pm). The Executive meeting will be held on the first Thursday again this month, on September 04, 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 emailed to you or buy a subscription to have it mailed to you.

For God and Country

Mike Freeman - Commander

Adjutant's Corner

Hope all enjoyed their summer. Lots of great events coming up this fall at the Post so read your newsletter for all the happenings or check the bulletin board in the Social Quarters.

Contact me with your ideas on how we can improve your interaction and communications with the Post and with the Legion. Let me know what kinds of information you'd like to see provided routinely from the Post, District, other Posts, and the community we serve.

This is YOUR Post, so be heard. 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.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our planned September Bake Sale, as some of our members will be out of town and unavailable to hake

However, we will be taking donations for our upcoming Silent Auction, planned for

early December. So ladies, if you have anything that you would like to donate, please feel free to being them in to our post.

Our thoughts and prayers go to Walt's Nagorske's wife Pat, and their family. Walt will be missed by all. Also, please keep Ginni Mills, Barbara Miles and Crissy Ritchie in your thoughts and prayers, and wish them all the best.

Our next Auxiliary second Sunday breakfast will be September 14, 2014, so please come out and give your support. Our next Auxiliary meeting will be held immediately following our breakfast on September 14, 2014 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 and Miss Donna for getting us started on the Sunday morning breakfast. I'd also like to thank Joe, Chip, Clint and Teddy for helping out with the SAL breakfast.

I want to remind all to try to renew early for your 2015 membership.

Everyone remember our next SAL meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 02, 2014 at 7.00pm. Please try to attend! For God and Country

Jules Juliano – SAL Commander



Legion Riders News

For some of us, riding season is coming to a close. For the rest, it's time to strap on those chaps and let's go riding!

I first want to Thank Paul, Claude and Steve for stepping up and helping so much this year doing my job so I could heal up a little.

We are hosting our biggest fundraiser of the year on September 27th, our annual Bike and Car Show. The Bike and Car Show tee shirts we ordered are in and wow, they are really good this year! Trophies will have arrived as well, thanks to Paul and Claude.

I've been seeing a lot on Facebook about all of these ice bucket challenges. Wow what a cause, and the donations are pouring in!

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I would like to challenge anyone who reads this or any ALR member to step up.

We still need vendors and raffle prizes. When you get your haircut, ask for a donation of possibly a free haircut, and if a service member wins maybe a donation of two.

Also next time you go to Walmart, consider purchasing and donating a personal raffle bucket of cleaning supplies. Car and bike people love to clean their vehicles. If it comes from your pocket, it is for a great cause and guess what, it is an allowable tax deduction on this year's taxes!

Please invite and talk about our bike and car show to everyone. As always, remember that your donations help veterans right here at home! Post 72 ALR has donated money towards the electricity for fisher house, in Richmond, that provided for months of service. We have also donated to a recipient of the Homes for Troops, TAPPS, and the mailings of thousands of Thank You Cards to our troops and veterans overseas. So invite them all to the show, and put up our flyers also.

I would like thank our breakfast crew Donna and her helpers for preparation. Also thanks to all the ALR members and friends of the Post. Our next breakfast is September 28th, so come out and or volunteer, bring a guest, we'll feed them.

Don't forget that our monthly meeting is Sept 3rd, the first Wednesday of every month.

There is the 911 9/7th ride coming up, OC. Bike week Sept. 11-14th. Check emails for info.

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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:

- David Parry has completed his Eagle Scout project of a small deck at the Fauguier SPCA.
- Andrew Whittington has started his Eagle Scout project at the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, he is installing new in ground basketball hoop plus some benches.
- SPL, Hunter W. held a very nice fun themed pizza and ice cream meeting on August 11th. At the meeting Hunter recognized several scouts from the troop for their dedication and leadership. Scouts recognized were Andy M, Allen H, Peter N, Kyle T.

Recent Rank Advancements: The summer continues to be a great time for scouts to work on advancements.

- Brent C. Scout
- Luke W. First Class Scout
- Andy M. Life Scout

Congratulations to Brent, Luke and Andy on their rank advancements.

Upcoming Scout Events:

- Whitewater Rafting September 5th
- Fall Mulch September 27th

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.

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• There were nine crew members from Crew 600 and one crew member from a Culpepper Crew that participated in the Northern Tier Adventure. It was a very challenging adventure. The fishing was awesome and the Crew would consider going back just to fish. The fish that was caught each day were cleaned and prepared for that evening's meal.

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.

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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 has started its 2014/2015 season. Returning shooters this season are Abram, John, Sean, Jake, Sam, and Savannah. We have four new shooters joining the team this season: Triston, Jacob, Hunter, Carson and Cole. Our new shooters will be working on completing their Basic Marksman Certification and learning the fundamentals of three position shooting. We would like to wish

our returning and new shooters a safe, fun and successful 2014/2015 shooting season.

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 Northern Regional Rifle Match: Three members of the Post 72 Air Rifle Club (Abram, Sam & Savannah) participated in the 2014 4-H Northern Region Shooting Sports Match in Culpeper County on 16 August. This was the first 4-H match the team has participated. The match was held outside which added a few different conditions for the Team to adapt to, such as sweat bees, wind, grass and a bit of heat. The Team performed very well in the Sporter Class among the 32 shooters competing, obtaining the following results:

- Post 72 Team came place in 2nd out of 14 teams in the Sporter class
- Overall 3 Position: Sam 3rd place,
 Abram 4th place, Savannah 6th place
- Prone Position: Abram 3rd place, Savannah - 4th place, Sam - 8th place
- Standing: Savannah 3rd place, Sam -4th place, Abram - 7th place
- Kneeling: Sam 3rd place, Abram 5th place, Savannah - 8th place

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

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:

- 12-14 September: 4-H State of Virginia Shooting Sports Match, Appomattox, VA
- 27 September 2014: Shot Group Challenge during the Post 72 Bike & Car Show (Post 72)

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 October 2014: Start of the 2014/2015 Old Dominion Junior Rifle League season

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, Quentin Peach, Bob Roda, Andy Andrews, Patty Freeman, and Bill Gouldthorpe (in Memorial)

House Chairman News

Please remember this is YOUR Social Quarters and it is here for the members, their families & friends as well as the guest of the membership. Once again, remember as with anything if you don't use it you could lose it!

Please come in and enjoy all the Social Quarters has to offer. Without the membership support, it is hard to keep things going strong. We are making money but we could do much better with everyone's help.

A big thanks goes out to everyone who have stepped up to help in keeping our club a place for all to enjoy.

We hope you all have seen 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 would really like to get this raffle done however ticket sales have been very, very slow, so the Commander and I have decided that we will draw the winner on Oct 1st no matter if all 2000 tickets are sold or not. So plan to be there and see if you are the big winner. There is still time to get your tickets and understand that you can sell them to your family and friends, as this is one outstanding piece of furniture to have in your home.

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.

Big news is that we are having a CASH BASH in September 20th! Tickets are going fast and there are not that many left to be sold! Make sure you are not left out on this fun event, as food, drink are included and you can win cash or possibly even a gun.

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 Sunday we have a Chicken Dinner.

Keep your eye open to see if we put up a flyer to do the Tiki Bar Party on the 3rd week as well

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Paul L. Baker - Past Commander & House Committee Chairman

Social Quarters

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 the 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. So again please buy tickets on it when you are in the Social Quarters.

Also, see the House Committee Chairman's input on the state of the Sofa.

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

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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 Aug. you really missed a good dinner. I have received many praises on how good the chicken is, so mark it down on your planner and be there in September.

There will also be a Bike & Car Show September the 27th. Should be fun as always!

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! Also don't forget to say hi to Donna, (our hostess), as she is doing an outstanding job holding down the kitchen and bar at the same time as we don't have a cook. It would be nice if some of you would volunteer to help around lunch times.

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

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

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Cash Bash!!

Saturday September 20th

5:00 pm \$500.00

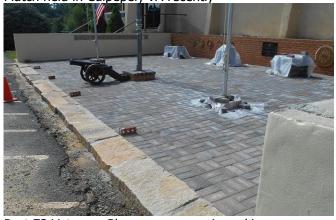
\$20.00 per Ticket: includes dinner, draft beer, soda, or tea

Need not be present to win!!

Only 300 tickets sold



Post 72 Junior Shooters, L-R, Abram, Sam and Savannah compete at the 4H Northern Region Match held in Culpeper, VA recently



Post 72 Veterans Plaza, we are again making progress. The granite blocks for the outer edge, are now in place