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Post Commander, John Hyde

My wife Maude and I would like to thank all the members who have supported us the last five years. It has been an honor to serve the membership of Post 44, We have made some good strides in supporting our veterans and in letting the community know who we are and what we do. One of the highlights was the introduction of our Post into the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce Historical Hall of Fame. The membership has grown to 1068 Legion members and we have achieved 100% the last four years and it looks like we will achieve our 100% again this year. In addition last year all the units Legion, Auxiliary, Sons' and the riders were given a blue ribbon for 100%. We were one Post in fifteen that achieved this honor in the State of Arizona, Not too bad.

The Club what else can I say, we have is a little country club without the dues. The food, Service entertainment. Thank you David and Crew. I cannot thank Ellen and the Auxiliary for all the improvements to our building and the support they have given me.

I thank the Officers of 2015-2016 for the job they have done and I cannot thank three of them enough for their dedication Tom Hughes, Don Shannon & Mike Hattounian. Don did a lot for the Club under a lot of criticism but looking back you can see the improvement. Tom was tireless on the Books the lottery & the Web site, Mike took over the entertainment and did a great job. I also thank Larry Gingrich for his support and keeping the office running. We have a very good staff of Post Officers please thank them when you see them. I thank you all very much, you are the best

I want to thank Chief Rodbell and Assistant Chief's Walther & Popp along with Commander's Ciolli and Minor for their support the last five years. You are the best. Thank you and Stay safe.

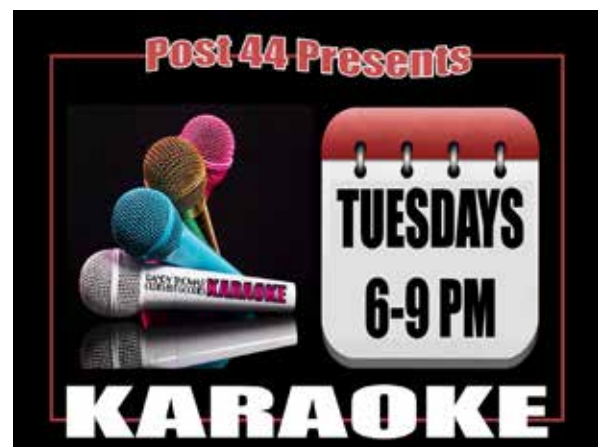
The last, but the Best, was My Wife, Maude was with me all the way working a full time job and giving up time to be assisting me at the Post every weekend and all special events, along with her job as Auxiliary treasurer and working bar bingo. We tried to do our best for the Post I hope all understands this. We say Thank you to all and we wish you success in the future.

I leave with this advice: there is a small element in our Post that really likes to throw rocks in the road of your elected officers. I hope that this 1% of our membership finds another Post, as it does no good to voice your criticism and half-truths and innuendos like this 1% does at the bar.. The General meeting is the place for this and not with a belligerent attitude, especially when they do not want to "quote "GET INVOLVED "Support your Post you have the best Damn Post in the West.

God Bless and stay healthy—Maude and John

"I am Concerned for the security of our Nation: not so much because of any threat from without, but because of the insidious forces working from within"-- General Douglas MacArthur

Keep our Troops our First Responders and their families in your prayers. God Bless the USA
To all our Veterans-----"We'll leave the light on"



Sr. Vice Commander – Mike Hatounian

Soon our winter visitors will be leaving and we hope you enjoyed your time at Post 44. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you again next year.

Just a reminder that we do have Karaoke every Tuesday night after the Queen of Hearts drawing until 9 PM. If singing is not your thing then try your luck at Bar Bingo every Thursday night in the lounge starting at 6:30 or Progressive Bingo every Monday at 3PM in the Banquet Room.

As you may know I book the entertainment and I'm always open to suggestions about people you might like to see entertain here. I sometimes get suggestions about booking bands but please remember we don't have the space for bigger groups in our lounge or the budget. You are welcome to drop me an e-mail at mhatounian@cox.net with their name, number and or web site I can visit to check them out. We have had some good results from some of our member's recommendations.

Thanks and please remember to keep our soldiers in your daily prayers.

Service Officer - Bob Pierce

Where there is a will, there is a lawyer-provided by the DAV at 8 legal clinics a year. Providing, wills, medical and durable powers of attorney on site. There is a financial needs requirement that is pretty generous. The next clinic will be at Mesa Community College on April 30. Make an appointment by calling 480-363-6880. I am still waiting to hear from all WWII veterans for an application for the FREE Three Day Honor Flight to Washington DC. Call BOB pierce (602) 264-2500



SAL Commander – Ed Wallace



I am happy to report that Squadron 44 is well on track to meet it's membership goals for 2016! Welcome to our new members! There's a lot of pride and benefits to being a member of the Son's. For those who haven't renewed this year, don't jeopardize your continuous years of membership or support for our Veterans. Submit your renewal asap and I'll get your card to you.

Our meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Come join us! We're all in this together. Invite a veteran, service member, your friends and family to lunch or dinner at Post 44. Let them meet YOUR American Legion family and see what we're all about.

Auxiliary Corner, President Ellen Etzel

March activities included a terrific and fun St. Patrick's Day with good food and great music. Easter buffet brunch on March 27th was well attended and as is our tradition very, very good!! June Moyer, 1st VP and several members of our Unit represented me at the District 12 meeting on March 20 and gave our Unit 44 report. We reported we again had a very successful year with Bingo as our primary fundraiser, our attendance at the many events in honor of our Veterans, our very successful Surf & Turf fundraiser dinner, our participation in Parada Del Sol Parade along with several other Unit activities during the year.

The Unit Nominating Committee was appointed at the March 14th meeting—Susi Nicholson-Doerr, Lylia Thomas and Peggy Vale. Per our Constitution and Bylaws, the slate of Officers for 2016-2017 should include President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, Chaplain, Historian, Sgt-at-Arms and 5 at-large Executive Committee members. If you are interested in any of these offices, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members. In addition, if you are interested in assisting us as Unit Secretary, please let me know. The slate of officers will be presented by the Nominating Committee at our meeting on April 11th. Election and Installation of Officers will be conducted at our May meeting. Officers assume their duties after the American Legion Auxiliary State Convention June 23-26. 2016.

We will need delegates from our Unit to represent us at the State Convention. Please let me know if you are interested. We have two members who have agreed to be delegates but we can have more than two delegates/attendees. It will be helpful to know if you are interested by the May meeting. Registration fee is \$10 per member and paid by our Unit and you must have a current membership card to show at registration. Thank you for your participation.

For God and Country.

Boy Scouts - Bill Norling



Troop 440 made an overnight backpacking trip to Cholla Tank on the north side of the Superstition Mountains in February. Several important lessons learned along the trail including never to trust a ranger's report of standing water in the desert. We had plenty of water and still made the effort to create a solar still in the moist sand near the (now dry) water tank. No harm, no foul and no plants or animals were harmed on the trip including us! The Troop also welcomed nine new scouts to the Boy Scout adventure Contact: Scoutmaster Bill Norling. 480-626-4915 -bnorling@hotmail.com

Auxiliary Community Service - Sue Fay

No article this month.

American Legion Riders, Post 44

Brian Sheahan, President



No article this month.

Chaplain's Corner - John Parrish

Someone once wrote, "God did not promise us a smooth flight, but He did promise us a smooth landing." In the ride across the divide between now and eternity, there will be many storms, some even monstrous calamities, "into every life some rain must fall.", it shall pass, and IF YOU BELIEVE you will live eternally in a much better place. That is God's promise to all of us caught in the here and now, so hold you head high and fight the good fight, God's will be done!

**BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND 3/23/2016
CAPITAL ASSETS FUND**

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| Marlene Scott | Larry & Carole Gingrich |
| Maire/ John Hyde | Tom Hughes |
| Francine McClung | Jack/ Paula Shemer |
| John/Karley Golden | Ron Ayers |
| Frank/Diane Franco | Greg & Jerry McBride |
| Mike O'Neal | David Taylor |
| R.C Hazen | John /Frederick Manter |
| Eula Gooby | A.J Miyasato-Timothy Derk |
| Gregory Meagher | L I Chamblis |
| Bob Kinghorn | John & Karen Riley |
| Ed Schroot | Ben/Judy Clark |
| Laura Lettieri | Hubert & Barbara McGovern |
| David Carlson | Robert Wachowicz- (Memory) |
| Mary/Vaughn Turner | Helen Lindsay- Memorial David L. |
| David Taylor | Bill & Betty Rose |
| Thomas Maher | The Leonard Group |
| Mary Zolper | Thomas Cook |
| Richard Mannes | Marcel Wiedmier |
| Kevin Haegele | The Leonard Group |
| David/Rita Williams | Auxiliary Unit 44 |
| Dean/ Dee Hamilton | Bob & Oksane Pierce |
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| | Ann Murphy- Memory Bill Murphy |

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Calendar of Events for April

NEXT - E-BOARD - THURSDAY 14 APR 2016 - 6:00 PM
GENERAL MEETING - THURSDAY 28 APR 2016 - 6:00 PM

April

4-----Monday-----Bingo (Every Monday)-----3:00 - 5:00 PM
 4-----Monday-----Club Committee-----6:00 PM
 5-----Tuesday-----Queen of Hearts (Every Tuesday)-----6:30 PM
 6-----Wednesday-----Music @ Vets Home 4141 N. 3rd St. Phx.-----10:30 AM
 -----Thursday-----Bar Bingo (Every Thursday) Except St. Pat's Day-----6:30 - 8:00 PM
 11-----Monday-----Auxiliary E. Board Meeting-----5:30 PM
 11-----Monday-----Auxiliary General Meeting-----6:00 PM
 14-----Thursday-----Post Elections-----6:00 PM
 18-----Tuesday-----American Legion Riders Meeting-----7:00 PM
 19-----Tuesday-----SAL Meeting-----7:00 PM

Mondays - Bingo at 3:00 PM Thursdays - Bar Bingo - 6:30 PM - 8 PM

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Trivia - Sundays 3 pm- 5 pm


April 3 - 10 - 17 - 25

Thank you Tonya + The Preacher + Players

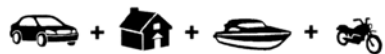


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TUE 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
WED 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM
THURS - FRI 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
SAT 5:00 8:30 PM**

**CLUB HOURS
SUNDAY 9 AM - 7 PM
MONDAY 11 AM - 8 PM
TUES - FRI 11 AM - 10 PM
SAT 11 AM - 10 PM**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					Lunch FISH & CHIPS! Try one today. Dinner <i>Featuring</i> FISH & CHIPS \$11 and a full menu Soup: CLAM CHOWDER "Midnight Moon"	Lunch BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SERVED FROM 11 TO 8:30 Dinner PRIME RIB au jus \$14/\$16 Soup: ROASTED BUTTERNUT SQUASH "Midnight Moon"
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sausage, Onion & Pepper Omelet with Hollandaise Sauce. \$8	Lunch Hot Italian Hoagie! Try one today. Dinner MEATLOAF DINNER W/ DINNER SALAD \$11 Soup: SPLIT PEA "Bingo 3-5"	Lunch CUBAN SANDWICH! Try one today. Dinner GRILLED HAM STEAK w/DINNER SALAD \$10 Soup: POTATO & BACON "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke After the Queen of Hearts	Lunch TRADITIONAL REUBEN! Try one today Dinner FRIED CHICKEN BREAST w/gravy \$12 Soup: NAVY BEAN with Ham	Lunch PATTY MELT! Try one today. Dinner CHICKEN QUESADILLA \$9 Soup: HEARTY VEGETABLE Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	Lunch FISH & CHIPS! Try one today. Dinner <i>Featuring</i> FISH & CHIPS \$11 and a full menu Soup: CLAM CHOWDER "Jimmy Snowden"	Lunch BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SERVED FROM 11 TO 8:30 Dinner PRIME RIB au jus \$14/\$16 Soup: ROASTED BUTTERNUT SQUASH "Jimmy Snowden"
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