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ISSUE 2

Post Commander, *John Hyde*

Welcome to all the winter visitors I hope you like the new colors in the Club. The trustees (Mike Schulz, Ron Ishen, Steve Tivnan) worked very hard while you were gone. We still could use some donations to offset the cost of the redecorating.

The month of February will be a busy one, we have the Super Bowl, the Parada Del Sol Rodeo Parade, Valentine's Day and Past Presidents/ Commanders dinner. I encourage all past Auxiliary Presidents and Past Commanders of the Legion and Son's to attend, this is a special dinner in honor of you.

The Post has always requested back up paper work for new members such as DD214/ Discharge paper work something that shows the service record. This is more important as the IRS has established procedures to check Post's records.

I know that some Veterans have lost/misplaced their paper work, if so here is a site that you can use to replace your paper work---<http://vetrecs.archives.gov>

Sully Truesdell has been tending to the membership records each week on the computer and she has also been writing articles in the AAA Highroads magazine (January issue) look on page 60 February 8th. June Moyer has taken on the job of updating our screens that show what is coming up and she has also been working on the post history wall in the card room. A great big Thank You to both of you.

Bud Brimhall has had a full house for his card table on Thursday, Thanks Bud. The more activities we have to bring in members the better the Post. We must let people know where we are and what we do. We are the oldest VSO in Scottsdale, let's be proud of this. We were established May 13th 1935.

The auxiliary has started bar bingo on Thursday nights from 6 to 8 Pm., Each unit (Legion. Auxiliary, Sons) has a night to call numbers, sell tickets and do the banks. I am asking Legion members to volunteer for this at least one night a month. We also need someone to Chair this event. If you are interested let me know.

Please remember our Troops who are in harm's way and all our Troops wherever they are stationed. General George Patton said- "if a man does his best, what else is there"

To all our Veteran's where ever they are. "We'll leave the light on"

Parada del Sol & Post 44



Dancin'

Eatin'

Drinkin'



Sat. Feb. 8, 2014 8 am breakfast buffet lunch & dinner

Past President's/ Past Commander's Dinner

Filet Frommage, w/ blue cheese or
Chicken Pesto breast
includes potatoes & seasonal vegetable
Desert- Chocolate Mouse



no host bar 5-6 pm
dinner 6:30 pm

\$25 each
reservations
required

Tuesday, Feb 11 2014

Sr. Vice Cmdr, Rodger Wells

We are continuing to receive 2014 dues payments and have received about 850 to this point. While we are pleased with this progress, we still have about 120 more until we hit our 2014 goal. Everyone should remain alert for new membership candidates and get applications in their hands. We will be sending a special mailing out to anyone who we have not heard from by February 1 and I could use a few volunteers for that effort. Contact me if you can help.

Jr. Vice Commander – Michael O’Neal

Well we eased in to 2014 in January. We are jumping in with both feet in February with a very busy month. We start off with a Super Bowl party on February 2 with the kick-off at 4:30 pm with special food and drink specials.

The following week, February 8th we have the Parado del Sol activities begininng with breakfast and lunch after the parade with our standard Saturday night dinner that night. There will be outside and inside activities that day..

February 11th we are hosting a Past President/ Commanders dinner. We will also be having some Valentines Day activities on Friday, February 14th. Please come out and support these February activities.

Auxiliary Community Service – Sue Fay

The Auxiliary’s Music Program at the Veterans’ Home the 2nd Monday of every month began January 13, with our faithful volunteers and musicians, John Kirkpatrick, Lois Collins, and Bob Lynn. The 20 residents who attended thoroughly enjoyed the upbeat music from John’s keyboard. John puts joy into the music and uplifts the spirit of those who attend. If you are looking for a fulfilling hour of volunteering, you will definitely enjoy being with the Veterans at the Music Program.(2nd Monday of each month at 10 a.m.) Call 602-944-6157 to volunteer.

The food from the RED BUCKET was delivered to “Project Hope” at the Salvation Army, valued at

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Bar Bingo
Every Thursday
6 pm - 8 pm
Kitchen Closes at 7 pm
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Auxiliary Community Service – Continued

\$115.00. We have some “Angels” here at Post 44 who donate every month to this worthy cause. They are the unsung heroes behind the scenes who make volunteering for this cause successful!! Thank You Very Much for canned goods and non-perishables.

SAL Commander – Ed Wallace

Thank you to all who have renewed. We are well on our way to meet our membership goal for 2014. Your support is what keeps the mission of the Son’s of the American Legiona alive.

Congratulations to those who were at the Initiation Ceremony on January 14. We are very proud to have you aboard.

Reminder that our meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00p. Also, come check out Bar Bingo on Thursday’s at 6:00pm. I guarantee it’s not your Momma’s Bingo. God bless.

Chaplain’s Corner - John Parrish

We are commanded to “love one another”. Please show your love for your family and friends by informing me, your Post Chaplain, of any folks whom you feel need prayer.

There is no such thing as too much prayer, and as your Post Chaplain that is something I can do for you. So please drop me a note in the office, “My sister is in the hospital, or my son lost his job...”whatever the situation is, I will add that to my personal prayer list. As your Post Chaplain, I am here for you my brothers and sisters of Post 44. Thank you.

***In Memorium**
The following members of Post 44 passed on in 2013
James Ardy Jerry Henson
Ann Corso John Holmes
Robert Grenner William Vanden Berg

and 4 time Post 44 Commander
"Bob" J Smith

*Based on information we received

Auxiliary Corner, *President Ellen Etzel*

Happy New Year to All!! It is hard to believe that we have entered into the second half of our Auxiliary year. May we continue to be as successful with the second half of the year as we were with the first half.

The Auxiliary, along with the Legion and SALs, had our combined Initiation Ceremony on January 14th. I am happy to report that we have 55 new members for 2013!!! Let's see if we can continue to enroll new members at this pace for 2014!!!

Following are the nine members who were initiated: Patti Note Davis, Susi Nicholson-Doerr, Carly Gellner, Carol Gingrich, Judith Lawrence, MaryLynn Martin, Rachel Phillips, Marlene Wallace, and Hazel Whitlow. It was a lovely ceremony and we wish that more could have attended.

Parada del Sol will be Saturday, February 8th this year. We are fortunate to have a Legion member who donates his time and antique Jeep so that the Auxiliary may participate in this parade. Please try and attend. It is really lots of fun!!



Bingo and Bar Bingo continue to be a success. Once again, if you are not doing anything on Monday afternoon or Thursday evening, we encourage you to come on in and play! Bar Bingo is very casual. You can play one game or you can play all nine. Remember that all proceeds from Bingo go to Veteran related charities. For God and Country.

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BINGO!
Mondays 3-5 pm
Open to the public

Lot's of Fun! Get a group

Proceeds to Auxiliary Charities

Boy Scouts - *Bill Norling, Scoutmaster*

Happy New Year! Troop 440 had scouts as students and staff in a Council Leadership Training over the holidays! Congratulations to the new youth leadership team elected this month! We're heading to Camp Navajo for the MLK weekend to do some mountain bike riding (very little snow up north) and visit the Lowell Observatory.

We have built the second sled and are training hard for both the Star Wars Klondike Derby next month and the Grand Canyon hike in March. The Troop is also rebuilding the Nature area display cases for Camp Raymond. Contact: Scoutmaster Bill Norling. 480-626-4915 -bnorling@hotmail.com.

Service Officer - *Bob Pierce*

We still have a few of the 2013 Federal Benefits for Veteran's, Dependents and Survivors booklets available.

Don't forget our upcoming Valentine Dinner Dance at the Post, Feb 14 your last chance to be a hero.

Many historical firsts occurred in February, including the first general Computer, at 60,00lbs, 10 ft. tall with 18,000 vacuum tubes! Also, there was the 22nd amendment passed that limits the president to 2 terms. In the world of sports, the US Hockey team won the Gold Medal, and the NY Yankees agreed to pay Joe Dimaggio \$90,000 for 1 year, in 1949, the highest salary in the Major leagues. Lastly, the US Marines land on Iwo Jima, Feb. 19,1945.

A reminder that when you joined Post 44, you became a part of our team! Please support your Post and tell others that Freedom is not Free!

Valentine's Day Dinner Dance



Family style four-course dinner

Appetizer: Baked Scampi	Desert- Pistachio & Chocolate
Mini Filet Mignon Roast	Cheese Cake w/ Rasperry Coulie
w/ Peppercorn Cream Sauce	
Garlic & Parsley Potatoes	
Broccoli Florets	

\$40 per couple \$25 single
Fri. Feb.14 6 pm

Reservations required

Calendar of Events for February

February

2	Sunday	Super bowl @ Post 44	4:30 pm
3	Mondays	Bingo (Every Monday)	3:00 - 5:00 PM
8	Saturday	Parada del Sol Parade	from 8:00 AM
10	Monday	Music @ Vets Hospital 4141 N 3rd St. Phx.	9:45 AM
11	Tuesday	Past Commanders Dinner	5:00 PM
13	Thursday	Post E-BOARD Meeting	6:00 PM
14	Friday	Valentines Dinner Dance	6:00 PM
17	Monday	Auxiliary E-BOARD	5:30 PM
17	Monday	Auxiliary General Meeting	6:00 PM
18	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	7:00 PM
27	Thursday	Post General Meeting	6:00 PM

Mondays - Bingo at 3:00 PM

Thursdays - Bar Bingo - 6 PM - 8 PM

NEXT - E-BOARD MEETING - 13 FEBRUARY 2014 - 6:00 PM

NEXT - GENERAL MEETING - 27 FEBRUARY 2014 - 6:00 PM

Welcome Trivia Players

Sundays Post 44 - 3 to 5 PM

2 Feb (2 Rounds) - Q&A / 9 Feb - Q&A

16 Feb Music / 23 Feb Q&A

Thank you Volunteer Bartender Tom Paul,
Chef Paul and Marion Kurwin

SAL Fundraisers

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MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

HANGOVER MENU
SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
SUNDAY BREAKFAST SERVED
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SOUP SERVED ALL DAY
MONDAY - SATURDAY

HAPPY HOUR
M-F 2-5PM




FEBRUARY 2014



LEGION POST #44
DINNER & SUNDAY BREAKFAST MENU

DINNER SERVED
WED, SAT 5:00 - 8:30 PM
TUES - THURS 5:00 - 7:00 PM
FRI FISH FRY 5:00 - 8:00 PM

CLUB HOURS
SUNDAY 10 AM - 6 PM
MONDAY 11 AM - 7 PM
TUES - SAT 11 AM - 10 PM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
WW						1 PRIME RIB Mahi Mahi w/ Mango Salsa DINNER MENU "Midnight Moon"
2 Super Bowl Personal Pizzas, Sliders, Wings, Happy Hr. Drinks Legion Bennie Trivia	3 French Onion Soup French Dips 1/2 Chef Salad "Bingo 3-5"	4 Sliders Menu Burgers & Appetizers	5 Filet Lamb Shanks Chicken Fried Steak "Swingtime"	6 Beef Stroganoff Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	7 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Palmer Howard"	8  Parada Del Sol Burgers, Brats, Hot Dogs, Cold Salads PRIME RIB DINNER MENU "Jared Howe" 12 to 3 PM "JR & Diane" 6 PM
9 Sweet Corn Fritata Huevos Rancheros Trivia	10 Beef Philly's Oriental Chicken Salad "Bingo 3-5"	 11 Past Commanders Dinner 6 pm	12 N.Y. Lennys Stuffed Pork Loin Meat Loaf "Swingtime"	13 Beef Pot Pie Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	14 <i>Valentine's Day Dinner Dance</i>  Family Style 4 course dinner "Jared Howe"	15 PRIME RIB Mustard Glazed Capeisan DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"
16 LOX & BAGEL SALMON OMLETTE Trivia	17 French Onion Soup Shrimp PO Boy 1/2 Cobb Salad "Bingo 3-5"	18 Personal Pizza Menu Burgers & Appetizers	19 Filet Chicken Alfredo Liver & Onions "Swingtime"	20 Lasagna Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	21 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Jeff Stephens"	22 PRIME RIB Langestino Scampi DINNER MENU "Mike Hatounian"
23 S.W. Bennie Blue Berry Pancakes Trivia	24 BLT's Chicken Caesar Wrap "Bingo 3-5"	25 10 Wing Type Menu Burgers & Appetizers	26 Ribeye Osso Buco Schnitzel "Swingtime"	27 Ribs Burgers & Appetizers	28 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "J.R. & Diane"	

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