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Post Commander, *John Hyde*

We had our First annual golf tournament on 11 April. The chairman of this golf outing was Ron Ayers. I cannot thank Ron enough for the work he put into making a special event. Sun Devil Trophy donated ten trophies and Dixon Golf had a challenge on a hole on the course. The buffet Paul England put on was a topper. Next year will even be greater - watch the bulletin boards.

The Club will have another great Mother's Day buffet on 11th of May. Please bring your friends and neighbors, they will be pleased with the food. Maybe they will join our Post.

We are, at this writing at about 97.8% of our Membership Goal. Please ask around and see if any of our members have not renewed. I know that we will make our 100%

I am working with Brian Sheahan to have a really fun time for the welcome of our new Post 44 ALR Group 1 June 2014. Watch for details on the bulletin boards. I am also pleased that on the 12 of July we will host a picnic for Maj Neal Rodak and his 91st CST. This will be a get acquainted time to meet our adopted family.

I think it is nice to look back once in a while and see where we were. We have made great progress with our Post in the last three years. Going from a negative to a financially stable unit. This has enabled us to upgrade the service to our Veterans and the American Legion Programs. Most of all we have been able to bring our Legion family together. I thank YOU the members for this accomplishment. We do have the "Best Damn Post in the West".

The elections for our Post Officers are around the corner. 22 May at 6:00PM to be exact. I hope you all will attend this important meeting and vote.

I want to thank all who supported me this year; it has been a pleasure to serve the membership of Post 44. I have been asked by some members to run for another year. After talking with Maude I have decided to run again, if it is the wish of the Members. I would be honored to serve the membership one more year. The confidence you have placed in me is beyond my wildest expectations and I will do my best to honor your request. Thank you.

Please continue to say a prayer for all our Troops who are in harm's way and all our Veterans wherever they are. Continue to support our First Responders.

"There are no atheists in the foxholes of Bataan"- General Douglas MacArthur

To all our Veterans "We'll leave the light on.." and we will make our 100%.

Brunch at Post 44

eggs benedict Carving station
 Quiche roast beef & ham
 Omlets

Pastries
 Fresh fruit **\$16 ea**

Sun. May 11 10 am - 1 pm

Reservations Required

Memorial Day Services

McDonald Cemetary 8 am

Mon. May 26 -10 am
Civic Center
Chaplain's Statue

lunch 11 am-2 pm Bingo 3-5 pm

Post 44 says : "C'mon down"
We're open for good food & fun!
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Sr. Vice Cmdr, Rodger Wells

Our renewals for 2014 dues are still trickling in, but the slowdown is obvious. Latest records show we are at 953 Legion members. The disposition of the Post 100 transferred members (about 50) has not been finally determined. We are very close to our goal, but that means we only need to work harder to assure we reach it before the Arizona Convention at the end of June.

Anyone who has been holding off payment, please make every effort to get paid up! If there is some problem that has kept you from paying your dues, please contact John or me so we can help in any way. We really want to retain every member we have in Post 44.

Jr. Vice Commander – Michael O’Neal

Wow what a fast Spring. We have a few events coming up in May: May 3rd is our Kentucky Derby Day festivities, May 11 is our Mother’s Day Brunch and we have our Memorial Day Ceremonies on May 26th. Monday Bingo continues to have good attendance despite the fact that most of our out of town members are back home and the popularity of Bar Bingo on Thursdays continues to grow so come out and support these fun games.

Auxiliary Community Service

At press time we had no information from the Auxiliary Community Affairs Officer. Please check the bulletin board in the office. Thank you.

Honor Guard Volunteers

We are looking for a few good men who are willing to do more than just march!

There are numerous opportunities to serve in this group, including just being there to represent Post 44 in a variety of ways: including special event ceremonies, door or entry posts, and/or to accompany the Post Commander.

Please notify the office with a call at 480-941-0130

Chaplain’s Corner - John Parrish

May is for Mothers. It is also for Memorial Day. Yes there is a car race, and flowers to buy...however we are hopeful that you can get over to the Chaplain’s Statue at the Civic Center on Monday May 26 for the annual service. It begins at 10 am. This year’s host is the DAV, but we should still be there to honor all who have gone before us. If for some reason or other you are unable to attend, a moment of prayer is acceptable wherever you may be. At the conclusion we hope you will invite your friends to amble over to “our place” (Post 44), for some good food and good time, including bingo at 3.

We will be serving lunch from 11 - 2, it’s nearby, why not? See ya there!

Summer hours: June 1 thru August 31st
Mon 11 am - 7 pm
Tues 11 am - 8 pm
Wed thru Sat 11 am - 10 pm
Sun 10 am - 3 pm

Nominees Post 44 Officers

2014-15



Commander
John Hyde
Rodger Wells

Sr. Vice Cmdr
Steve Tivnan

Jr. Vice Cmdr
Bob Horkey

Finance Officer
Dean Hamilton

Chaplain
John Parrish

Historian
Sully Truesdell

Sgt. at Arms
Bob Procknow

Trustees
Ron Ishen
Mike Scholz
Mike O’Neal
Sandra Haugan
Blindhein

Elect 3

Exec. Committee
Corey Bird
Billey Estes
Jack Shemer
Ed Schroot
Dave Lindsey
Roman Dimeo

Elect 5

Elections

Next Gen Meeting

**Thursday
May 22, 2014
6 pm**

Auxiliary Corner, *President Ellen Etzel*

It is that time of year once again, and the following people were nominated for positions as officers at our April meeting for the 2014-2015 year: President, Ellen Etzel; 1st VP, Myra Shroot; 2nd VP, June Moyer/Sandy Sheridan; Secretary, Barbara Lesko; Treasurer, Maude Hyde; Historian, Theresa Estes; Sgt. at Arms, Carol Patterson; Chaplain, Marlene Wallace; Executive Board: Pat DiDomenico, Susie Nicholson-Doerr, Carole Gingrich, Danielle Haygood and Lylia Thomas. If there are any other people who wish to be nominated, please attend our Monday, May 12th meeting so we may add them to the slate.

May is Poppy month and Carole Gingrich, our Poppy Chairperson, and her committee, have many wonderful ideas to make this poppy season a huge success.

As summer is once again upon us, we will be needing volunteers for both Monday regular Bingo and Thursday Bar Bingo. If you can assist, please speak with Barb Lesko for Bar Bingo and Ellen Etzel for regular Monday Bingo.

The American Legion Convention is June 25th - 27th. Anyone wishing to attend can sign up at our May meeting.

For God and Country.

SAL Commander – *Ed Wallace*

Save the Date! The Son's 3rd Annual Steak Fry will be Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1st. More details will be coming.

Thanks to everyone who has renewed. We have met our membership goals for 2014 and are well on our way to 100%.

Reminder to all members of Squadron 44 that our meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. It is a privilege and honor to be able to support our veterans and troops. Come be part of the future of American Legion SAL Squadron 44.

The Post has added Queen of Hearts on Tuesday evenings. Don't know what it is? Stop by anytime and check out the board in the Pool Room. Tickets are \$1 each and the drawing is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm sharp. And . . . don't forget Bar Bingo on Thursday's from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Great way to meet people, have some fun with friends and maybe win a Bingo! See ya' there! God Bless.

Boy Scouts - *Bill Norling*, Scoutmaster

"Troop 440 is proud to welcome our newest Eagle Scout who recently led the delivery of an elevated house, platform and ramp for an African Leopard at a wildlife sanctuary in Scottsdale last month. We are planning to head to the Flagstaff Extreme adventure course and the Lava tubes this month.

Boy Scouts - *Continued*

The troop will be delivering the display cases we rebuilt over the winter to Camp Raymond in mid-month. Next month we will finish the NRA Basic Shotgun course we just started and return to Camp Raymond to paint the Crafts lodge.

Contact: Scoutmaster Bill Norling. 480-626-4915
bnorling@hotmail.com

Service Officer - *Bob Pierce*

Let's start with the "National Day of Prayer" Thursday, May 1; the first Thursday of May each year, as set by President Ronald Reagan in 1988, originally established by Congress in 1952. That is, unless somebody with elected authority cancels because it may offend some people.

Also, make sure your VA card is the updated card issued after September, 2013. The new cards do not have personal information that is available on the old VA cards. Remember to check the monthly menu at your Post 44, your Home away from Home. Stop in and say "Hello". We need you and miss you. We'll keep the lights on. Any questions, call me. Bob Pierce (602)-264-2500, your Service Officer.

BINGO!
Mondays 3-5 pm
Open to the public
Lots of Fun! Get a group
Proceeds to Auxiliary Charities

Queen of Hearts Game
Tickets \$1 ea, no limit
One drawing
each Tuesday @6:30 pm
Payout: Jokers \$100
Face Cards/Aces \$50
all others \$20
Winner must be a current member of a V.S.O.

Bar Bingo
Every Thursday 6 pm - 8 pm
Kitchen Closes at 7 pm

Calendar of Events for May

May

7 ----- Mondays -----Bingo (Every Monday) -----3:00 - 5:00 PM
 8 ----- Thursday -----Post E-BOARD Meeting -----6:00 PM
 11 ----- Sunday -----Mother's Day Brunch ----- 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 12 ----- Monday -----Music @ Vets Hospital 4141 N 3rd St. Phx. ----- 9:45 AM
 12 ----- Monday -----Auxiliary E-BOARD -----5:30 PM
 12 ----- Monday -----Auxiliary General Meeting -----6:00 PM
 20 ----- Tuesday -----SAL Meeting -----7:00 PM
 22 ----- Thursday -----Post General Meeting -----6:00 PM
 26 ----- Monday -----Memorial Day at Civic Center ----- 10:00 PM

Mondays - Bingo at 3:00 PM

Thursdays - Bar Bingo - 6 PM - 8 PM

NEXT - E-BOARD MEETING - 8 MAY 2014 - 6:00 PM

NEXT - GENERAL MEETING - 22 MAY 2014 - 6:00 PM

Welcome Trivia Players

Sundays Post 44 - 3 to 5 PM Final Month

4 May - Q&A / 11 May - Q&A / 18 May - Music

Thank you Chef Paul England, Tom Paul, Shawn Smith,
Steven Tivnan and Betty Rose.

Players Resume 7 Sept 2014 - Enjoy the Summer.

SAL Fundraisers

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LUNCH SERVED 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

SUNDAY BREAKFAST SERVED
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SOUP SERVED ALL DAY
MONDAY - SATURDAY

HAPPY HOUR
M-F 2-5PM

MAY 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

HANGOVER MENU
SATURDAY 11:00 AM - 2 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
				1 Chicken & Mac & Cheese Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	2 ALL YOU CAN EAT FIS H FRY "Jared Howe"	3 PRIME RIB Shrimp Scampi DINNER MENU "Jeff Stephens"
4 Legion Bennie Triple Berry French Toast Trivia	5 French Onion Soup French Dips 1/2 Chef Salad "Bingo 3-5"	6 Burgers & Appetizers Beef Tips Sirloin Steak	7 Filet Lamb Shank Fried Pork Cutlet "Swingtime"	8 Salisbury Steak Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	9 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "JR & Diane"	10 PRIME RIB Blackened Swordfish DINNER MENU "Mike Hatounian"
11 Mother's Day Brunch 9 am - 1 pm Trivia	12 Pita Club 1/2 Cobb Salad "Bingo 3-5"	13 Burgers & Appetizers Hot Beef Sandwiches Sirloin Steak	14 N.Y. Lenny's Stuffed Pork Loin Liver & Onions "Swingtime"	15 Beef Pot Pie Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	16 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Jared Howe"	17 PRIME RIB Southern Fried Cat Fish DINNER MENU "Midnight Moon"
18 Lox & Bagel Salmon Omelete Trivia	19 French Onion Soup Western BBQ Burger Chicken Caesar Wrap "Bingo 3-5"	20 Burgers & Appetizers Beef Stroganoff Sirloin Steak	21 Filet Chicken Cordon Bleu Meat Loaf "Swingtime"	22 Ribs Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	23 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Midnight Moon"	24 PRIME RIB Salmon w/ Bearnaise Sauce DINNER MENU "JR & Diane"
25 S.W. Bennie Blueberry Pancakes	26 Memorial Day Civic Center Svc -10 am Lunch 11 am - 2 pm BLT's Salmon Salad "Bingo 3-5"	27 Burgers & Appetizers Spaghetti & Meat Balls Sirloin Steak	28 Ribeye Blackened Swordfish Chicken Fried Steak "Swingtime"	29 Kielbasa & Cabbage Burgers & Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	30 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Palmer Howard"	31 PRIME RIB Baked Cod DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"

Reservations please

We appreciate your patronage, however this is our busy season. So, if you plan to have dinner here on Wed., Fri. or Sat., please call in a reservation. This will alert our kitchen, so we can be of better service to you. Thank you!

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