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Post Commander, *John Hyde*

January started off with a great New Year's Eve party. Maude and I hope that your New Year will be a safe and happy one. Please keep our troops in your prayers. What about the Christmas/New Year's decorations? They were great thanks to the Chairman Dee Hamilton.

I would like to remind all that your membership cards expired at the end of December. The 2014 cards will not be honored. Renew your membership for 2015 NOW. The club will be checking all membership cards so when you come in be proud to show your card. Thank you.

I do hope that you will continue to invite your family and friends to join our Post. We have a very good Post and I hope we have been able to make your Post a place that our members and guests are comfortable in attending.

The combined new member initiation will be held on 13 January at 5:00PM. We will have hors d'oeuvres. This includes the Auxiliary, Sons and the Legion. I hope all members who have never been initiated plan to attend. This is a very inspiring ceremony plus all the entities can see how the other initiates their members. This is a Tuesday so we will also have a break for the Queen of Hearts drawing.

We have a new Captain of our Honor Guard Mark Vanenglen and Mark is looking for some new members to carry out this important function of our Post. Please talk to him. All members do not have to march there are other functions that the honor Guard is involved with.

I am pleased to announce we have been selected by the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce to Scottsdale's Hall of Fame. We will be honored at the Twenty Third History Hall of Fame Dinner at the Chaparral Suite Hotel on April 15th 2015. This will be our Posts 80th birthday. We were chartered on 15 May 1935. We will also have a party planned to celebrate our birthday. More to follow in the February Newsletter.

The next General meeting will be 22nd of January 2015 at 6:00PM. I hope all will attend and voice their approval and or concern's. This is your Post. The Elected Officers are stewards of the Post you the members are the guides.

I think that we as members of the largest Veterans Service organization in the country, must remind all that thanks to our Troops we are able to exercise our rights according to the constitution, but we also have a responsibility to support the many men and women who guard our neighborhood's from evil elements that want to destroy our rights. I must remind all that, thanks to our troops, those who get up to go to work and put on a uniform and a flak vest need our support. I am talking about our Police Officers. This is one job that they live with twenty four seven. They are there to enforce the law. If you don't like the law change it, VOTE. Let's show them a little respect.

"There is a great deal of talk about loyalty from the bottom to the top. Loyalty from the top is even more necessary and much less prevalent"- General George S. Patton

Remember we have troop in harm's way say a little prayer for them, God Bless the U.S.A.

To all our Veterans "We'll leave the light on"

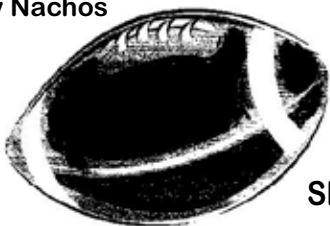
Super Bowl Party!

Specialty Nachos

Wings

Sliders

Hot dogs



Ind. Pizza

Burgers

Shot Specials

Sunday Feb. 1 2015 3 pm- 10 pm

Plan Ahead

Parada Del Sol

Breakfast 8 am -10am

Brats, Hotdogs, Pulled Pork, Brochettes
Parking lot Party 11 am - 3pm (live music)

Evening-Dinner Dance

5 pm - 11 pm

Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015



Sr. Vice Commander – *Mike Hatounian*

Well I hope everyone enjoyed their Holidays and so we look forward to the months ahead. On the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of January we are going to have Karaoke after our Queen of Hearts drawing. One of our own members Randy Thomas will be hosting this event so tune up your voice and let's sing.

I would like to continue to introduce some of our entertainers over the next few months. One of our regulars here at Post 44 is the very talented Jarad Howe. Jarad grew up in a small Midwestern town in Minnesota and started playing guitar at the age of 12 and shortly after added saxophone and keyboards to his instrumentation.

He regularly performs in restaurants and lounges in the Phoenix and Scottsdale area and can meet the musical needs of any age audience. I have personally found Jarad to be very funny and always has a great rapport with his audience. So if you're ready to have a wonderful musical evenings join us in January because he will get up on your feet or just sit back, relax and listen to the sounds of Jarad Howe.

Remember we are always looking for new members. If you meet someone that just moved into the area and qualifies to please ask them to come on down and see the "Best Damn Post in the West".

Jr. Vice Commander – *Bob Horkey*

Welcome to a new year, 2014 was a great year for our post. 2015 will be even better. We hope everyone had a good and Merry Christmas and of course a safe and Happy New Years Eve.

Don't forget to show your 2015 membership cards. The bartenders and servers will be checking them.

Come in Mondays for bingo, Queen of Hearts on Tuesdays, Swing time on Wednesdays, then on Thursdays there is Bar Bingo, and of course live music on Fridays and Saturdays. While enjoying the entertainment please take advantage of our wonderful kitchen and the good food and service all week.

We hope you will be able to come in for the NFL playoff games and cheer on your favorite teams with friends.

Don't forget our troops. Like so many of you, we wouldn't have our freedom without them.

I hope everyone has a safe and prosperous New Year.

Auxiliary Corner, *President Ellen Etzel*



Happy, Healthy New Year to us all!!! It is difficult to believe that we are almost half way through our Unit 44 year and it has been packed with events with still many more to come. Our adopted unit, the 91st CST, had their Christmas party here at the post and the Auxiliary provided presents given by Santa to their children. It was great fun for all.

The Early Bird Dinner was also a success. Just a reminder: If you have not all ready paid your 2015 dues, please do so as soon as possible.

Please do not forget our annual Baby Shower to be held at our January 12th meeting. Even if you can't make the meeting, baby item donations are greatly appreciated.

Our combined initiation dinner is scheduled for Tuesday, January 13th. If you have not previously been initiated, please plan to attend.

For God and Country.

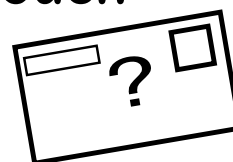
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Chaplain's Corner - *John Parrish*

A new year dawns. New beginnings, out with the old etc. I don't make resolutions, they are often broken before the month is over. So my resolution is, I resolve to not make any resolutions. However, if you do, allow me one suggestion. Forever, or never, is a very long time, or as the old saying goes, "never say never." Try the AA approach, like the song title, "One day at a time." You can do one day, "Just for today I won't..." That's doable. Here's hoping you have a great 2015, may it bring all of your hopes and dreams to reality.

Keep in Touch

Do we have your current mailing address? New phone number, or latest e-mail address? Please let us know when you make changes, so we can do a better job of staying in touch. Thank you!



Auxiliary Community Service - Sue Fay

The food donations for December in the RED BUCKET totaled \$200.00. We are very grateful to members of Post 44 who contribute canned goods and non-perishables to our Community Service program for delivery on the 2nd Monday of each month.

At the January Auxiliary Meeting, we will have a "Baby Shower" for wives of deployed veterans who are having babies. Unwrapped "new" Baby clothes and supplies are needed for newborns, and will be delivered to the VA Hospital during January.

The Auxiliary purchased \$500 worth of clothes and gifts for the VA Hospital's annual Christmas Shop which was open the first week in December. VA patients at the hospital were invited to shop for themselves and their spouses, free of charge at that time. Two of our members did the shopping, two of our members delivered the gifts, and three of our members worked at the VA Hospital Shop one day in the first week of December.

Here's to the New Year 2015!!



SAL Commander – Ed Wallace

The SONS of Squadron 44 hope you and your families had a very blessed Christmas season and enjoy a prosperous, healthy New Year.

The Squadron is currently at 50% of their membership renewal for 2015. Your membership supports our Post, the members of our Armed Services and their families. Please don't delay in renewing and jeopardize your years of continuous membership. Remember, 2014 cards are invalid after December 31st. Renewal dues can be dropped off at Post 44 with the bartender or in the office. Your card will be processed as soon as possible and can be mailed to you or picked up at the Post.

As a reminder, our meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We hope to see you there. ~ God Bless

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

Service Officer - Bob Pierce

Happy New year, make sure you have your VA Identification card, you never know when you will need it. Remember Post 44 is your family and we need to see you more often. WWII veterans should take advantage of the FREE round trip to the Memorials in Washington, D. C. Be sure to come to the Post for our great Super Bowl party on Sunday Feb. 1st We have some great menu and drink specials to make your party special, see you here!

Boy Scouts - Bill Norling



Troop 440 had a great month with a couple 25 mile bike rides (one before and one after the holiday). This including the Troop's first Annual Bag of Gravy Post Thanksgiving 25 mile Bike ride. We also did an intensive map and compass training exercise at the Papago Park Orienteering course to build/refresh these critical land navigation skills.

We had a family cookout and scout/adult volleyball game at Cactus Park. We're going to be camping at Cave Creek Regional Park before Christmas for some more outdoor skill practice. Happy Holidays to all! Contact: Scoutmaster Bill Norling. 480-626-4915 -bnorling@hotmail.com.

American Legion Riders, Post 44 -

Brian Sheahan, President



As of press time there was no information available from the Riders.

Golf Tournament
Saturday, March 13th, 8 AM
Shotgun start
Continental Golf Course

**New Members
Initiation**

Hors d'oeuvres
5:30 pm
Program
6:00 pm

Tuesday Jan. 13 2015 5:00pm

Calendar of Events for January

Jan

1-----Thursday-----New Years Day-----POST CLOSED
 5-----Monday-----Bingo (Every Monday)-----3:00 - 5:00 PM
 5-----Monday-----Club Committee-----6:00 PM
 8-----Thursday-----E-Board Meeting-----6:00 PM
 12-----Monday-----Music @ Vets Hospital 4141 N 3rd St. Phx.-----9:45 AM
 12-----Monday-----Auxiliary E-Board and General Meeting-----5:30 - 6:00 PM
 12-----Monday-----Knitting Club-----1:00 PM
 19-----Monday-----American Legion Riders Meeting-----7:00 PM
 20-----Tuesday-----SAL Meeting-----7:00 PM
 22-----Thursday-----Post General Meeting-----6:00 PM

Mondays - Bingo at 3:00 PM

Thursdays - Bar Bingo - 6 PM - 8 PM

NEXT - E-BOARD MEETING - 8 JAN 2015 - 6:00 PM

NEXT - GENERAL MEETING - 22 JAN 2015 - 6:00 PM

Trivia Players - Happy New Year

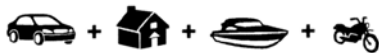
Happy Games: Sundays, 3 pm- 5 pm 2015

4 Jan., 11 Jan., 18 Jan., 25 Jan.

Thank you Marion K. & Tonya



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MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

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

SOUP SERVED ALL DAY
MONDAY - SATURDAY

HAPPY HOUR
M-F 2-5PM

JANUARY 2015



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 - 7:30 PM

HANGOVER MENU
SATURDAY 11:00 AM - 2 PM

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Happy New Year! Post Closed	2 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Midnight Moon"	3 PRIME RIB Baked Cod DINNER MENU "Midnight Moon"
4 Legion Benedict Triple Berry French Toast "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	5 French Onion Soup French Dips 1/2 Chef Salad "Bingo 3-5"	6 Chili Dogs Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts	7 Filet Chicken Cordon Bleu Chicken Fried Steak "Swingtime"	8 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	9 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Diane & JR"	10 PRIME RIB Florentine Roughy DINNER MENU "Mike Hatounian"
11 Sweet Corn Frittata Quiche Lorraine "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	12 Chicken & Avocado Sandwich Spring Roll "Bingo 3-5"	13 Burgers Macho Nacho Sirloin Steak "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM	14 Filet Roast Pork Loin Schnitzel "Swingtime"	15 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	16 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Jared Howe"	17 PRIME RIB Shrimp Scampi DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"
18 Lox & Bagel Salmon Omelete "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	19 French Onion Soup BLT's Curry Chicken Salad "Bingo 3-5"	20 Burgers Beef Stir Fry Sirloin Steak "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM	21 Filet Pesto Chicken Liver & Onions "Swingtime"	22 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	23 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Denny & Dan"	24 PRIME RIB Southern Fried Catfish DINNER MENU "Denny & Dan"
25 Corn Beef & Swiss Omelette Chocolate Pancakes "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	26 BBQ Burger Green Goddess Salad "Bingo 3-5"	27 Burgers Chicken Fajitas Sirloin Steak "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts	28 Jack Daniels Flat Iron Steak Scallopini Meat Loaf "Swingtime"	29 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6 pm - 8 pm	30 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Jared Howe"	31 PRIME RIB Salmon w/Bearnaise DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"

Feb 1st

Super Bowl
Sunday!

Reservations please
We appreciate your patronage, but we still need some idea of how much Prime Rib, Etc. to prepare. 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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