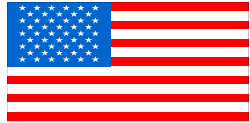




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## Post Commander, *John Hyde*

This year is really flying by. Here it is April. This month will be a historical month for our Post as we will officially be inducted into the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce Historical Hall of Fame. This will be on 15 April at 5 pm, at the Chaparral Suites.

We will have a Post 44 birthday party on 11 April. Mike Hataunian will have some great entertainment so please make your reservations early. Please remember that Easter is around the corner. We will have a great Easter brunch. Please say a special prayer for our Troops this Easter.

Please keep the building maintenance fund in your thoughts. The equipment, such as the bottle box, and the air conditioners are very old and costly to repair. The bottle box is rusted and will need to be replaced soon. Please donate whatever you can to this fund as most of this equipment is at least 20 years old.

I have been advised that Post 44 has again met our membership goals for this year. We are currently at 104.5% and climbing. This is the third year in a row that we have met our membership goals. Congratulations to ALL the members. You make us proud! The Post combined (AL- AUX-Sons ALR) membership will be close to 1500. What a great effort by you and all the members of Post 44.

The trustees and Larry Gingrich have completed the installation of the stage in the ballroom. Now you can see the band from the back of the ballroom. We have also been working on the sound system, which includes a new projector with Bluetooth capability in the ballroom, as well as sound for the entire building. This will all be completed by the time you receive your newsletter. This is a great addition to our ballroom and will definitely make it more appealing to rent.

I encourage all members to attend our monthly meetings. This is your post, and this is where you can bring in your ideas. This your opportunity to to assist your Post with new and better ideas. Our meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6 pm, and last less than one hour. The next meeting is 23 April. Please plan to attend.

The United States is a free country, and all that gave their all, assured us that we have the right to free speech. The Police who enforce our laws also should be thanked each day for all they do to protect this right.

“History does not long entrust the care of freedom to the weak or timid.” General Eisenhower.

Please keep our troops in your prayers. To all of our veterans, “We’ll leave a light on.”

## Easter Brunch

Omelet Station      Fresh fruit & cheeses  
Full breakfast buffet  
Carving Station      Pastires

**\$16 ea**

Sunday April 5 10 am 1 pm

## Post 44 Birthday Party



Music

Menu **\$18 ea**  
Salad  
Prime rib or  
Pesto Chicken  
Crab stuffed Cod  
Red Potatoes/veggies  
Strawberry chocolate  
cheesecake

Dinner at 6:10 pm

Entertainment  
**Wednesday, April 11th 5:00 pm**  
Limited seating-reservations reqd

**Sr. Vice Commander – Mike Hatounian**

On Saturday, April 11th Post 44 will be celebrating its 80th Birthday. I wanted to put together something special for this event so I asked some of the talent from a USO show I provided sound equipment for last year if they would entertain for us. Some of the entertainment will be (The Swing Kids)—Children of all ages singing and dancing to some of the great swing and patriotic songs from the WWII era. (The Gossip Girls)---These ladies had me laughing so hard I wanted to cry so bring some tissues because you probably will need them.

Please join us for a great variety of entertainment starting at 5:00 in the banquet room. After the show I will be providing dancing and listening music so stick around and let's enjoy the remainder of the evening. There will be music in the bar also.

On Thursday, April 23rd we will have our State Commander Andy Jaime's Homecoming and we look forward to a great turnout for this event. I will be entertaining and hope you will join us for this wonderful celebration.

# Welcome Home Andy!

**State Department Commander  
Andy Jaime homecoming!**

**Menu**

**Spring Mix Salad  
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Scalloped potatoes  
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**Thursday April, 23 5 pm**

**Jr. Vice Commander – Don Shannon**

March was a busy month and as always the club staff stood up to the task. So many events and each was a success! We ask you to consider our club for any of your events; be they personal or business related. The rates, food, location are the best in Old Town. Paul and Shawn are more than happy to assist you! We are revamping the way we take reservations for events so we can better serve the members. Any suggestions are appreciated!

**Auxiliary Corner, President Ellen Etzel**



April will be another very busy month at our post! Please plan to attend the following: April 5 - Easter Sunday Brunch; April 11 - Post 44 80th Anniversary Celebration (this is an all day affair); April 12 - Girls' State Baseball Game @ Chase Field; April 15 - Post 44 Honored Into Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame-dinner to be held at Chaparral Suites; & April 23 - Dept. Commander (Andy Jaime's) Home Coming. Wow!! April really is a very busy month for the post.

Girls' State Orientations for District 12 will be on Saturday, May 2nd, and Sunday, May 3rd. Anyone wishing to attend should get in touch with Jill Tiffany, our Girls' State Chairperson.

Carole Gingrich and I attended the District Meeting on March 15 @ Post 2 in Tempe. Our Unit was presented with a certificate for being number one in District 12 for meeting the National Membership Goal. A BIG thank you to all our members who have renewed in such a timely manner.

MANA House is in need if gently used pants/jeans, preferably size 34 or less. If anyone has any to donate, please see Theresa Estes.

At our April 13th meeting, we will be nominating officers for the 2015-2016 year. Nominations/Input from each and every one of you is very important. We can not run our Unit without everyone being involved.

Dept. Convention June 25 - 28th in Carefree.  
For God and Country,



## BINGO!

**Mondays 3-5 pm**

**Open to the public**

**LOL'S OF FUN? Get a group**

Proceeds to Auxiliary Charities



**SAL Commander – Ed Wallace**



What a great time of year to live in Arizona! What a great time of year to enjoy the patio at Post 44! Bring some friends for a relaxing evening, Bar Bingo or Queen of Hearts. Supporting our Post supports our charities. It is so rewarding to be part of an American Legion Family that works together to promote great causes.

Have you renewed your SONS membership yet? We would like to have the remainder of the 2015 renewals submitted to state headquarters by April 25th. Stop by or mail your membership renewal to Post 44 or contact Ed at (480) 586-6284. Reminder to all members of Son's Squadron 44 that our meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. It is a privilege and honor to be able to support our veterans and troops. Come be part of the future of American Legion SONS Squadron 44.

**Boy Scouts - Bill Norling**



February saw the Troop hike to Tom's Thumb in the McDowell Mountains then spend a weekend at Picacho Peak State Park. After working on our knife and axe handling and fire building skills, we had a team reach the summit of Picacho Peak. We also revisited the Pima Air and Space Museum and looked at the World Famous Aircraft Boneyard. We wrapped up the month with an indoor climbing event at AZ on the Rocks. The Troop is growing with the addition of three new scouts! See you at the carwash April 25th! Contact: Scoutmaster Bill Norling. 480-626-4915 -bnorling@hotmail.com

**American Legion Riders, Post 44**

*Brian Sheahan, President*



It's already April, a quarter of the year gone! Sunday, May 3rd will bring the ALR District 12 meeting at 10am. As expected, all ALR motorcycles will be sure to park across the street to reserve parking spaces for those who need to park nearer to the building.

Our server is currently being built in preparation for our new network installation coming soon. The hall has since received a new projector and screen to use for meetings, events, or even a movie night! The possibilities are exciting.

Semper fidelis,

Brian Sheahan

President, ALR Post 44

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Post Technology Officer

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**Chaplain's Corner - John Parrish**

**Post 44 has recently established a Wellness Committee. What is wellness, you might ask? Wellness is the condition of good physical, mental and emotional health, especially when maintained by an appropriate diet, exercise, and other lifestyle modifications. As many of you are aware there is a current epidemic of suicide amongst our servicemen, woman and veteran populations. You may have seen some of the recent ads from National requesting funding for the American Legion to be more active in combating this insidious killer.**

**Keeping this in mind Post 44 will begin hosting peer support meetings for all members of our military family in the near future. (The military family is composed of active, reserve, veterans and their immediate families.) We will also be hosting training and speakers. Our kickoff event will be a screening of the documentary film "The Hidden Enemy", which explores the dangerous overuse of prescription drugs in treating PTSD. The screening will be on April 1st, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the meeting hall. We invite all members and their guests to attend.**

*Submitted by Eric Kask*

# Boy Scout Car Wash!

Saturday April 25th 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the Post

Your cash donations will help support the Troop activities throughout the year



Get your car washed and at the same time help us bring more quality outdoor adventures to our Scouts

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## Calendar of Events for April

### April

5	Sunday	Easter Brunch	10 AM - 1 PM
6	Monday	Bingo (Every Monday)	3:00 - 5:00 PM
6	Monday	Club Committee	6:00 PM
6	Monday	Auxiliary E-Board and General Meeting	5:30 - 6:00 PM
9	Thursday	E-Board Meeting	6:00 PM
11	Saturday	Post 44 - 80th Birthday Party	5:30 PM
14	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	7:00 PM
15	Wednesday	Chamber of Scottsdale - Post 44 - Induction Dinner at Chaparral Suites	5:00 PM
20	Monday	American Legion Riders Meeting	7:00 PM
23	Thursday	Welcome Home Andy - Dinner	5:00 PM
23	Thursday	Post General Meeting	6:00 PM

**Mondays - Bingo at 3:00 PM**

**Thursdays - Bar Bingo - 6:30 PM - 8 PM**

**NEXT - E-BOARD MEETING - 9 APR 2015 - 6:00 PM**

**NEXT - GENERAL MEETING - 23 APR 2015 - 6:00 PM**

### Trivia - Sundays

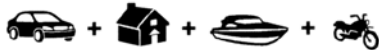
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**5 Apr. Happy Easter,  
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APRIL 2015



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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			1 Filet Lamb Shank Pork Cutlet "Swingtime"	2 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	3 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Jared Howe"	4 PRIME RIB Baked Cod DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"
5 Easter Brunch 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	6 French Onion Soup French Dip 1/2 Chef Salad "Bingo 3-5"	7 Chicago Dogs Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM	8 N.Y. Chicken Marinara Liver & Onions "Swingtime"	9 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	10 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Mike Hatounian"	11 Post 44 80th Anniversary Celebration See page 1 for menu
12 CB & Swiss Omelet Quiche Lorraine "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	13 French Onion Soup Western BBQ Burger Cajun Caesar "Bingo 3-5"	14 Macho Nachos Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts	15 Filet Pork Roulade Chicken Fried Steak "Swingtime"	16 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	17 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Midnight Moon"	18 PRIME RIB Southern Fried Catfish DINNER MENU "Midnight Moon"
19 Lox & Bagel Salmon Omelette "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	20 French Onion Soup Pita Club Green Goddess Salad "Bingo 3-5"	21 Beef Stir Fry Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM	22 NY Teriyaki Chicken Schnitzel "Swingtime"	23 Andy Homecoming See pg. 2 for menu Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	24 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Denny & Dan"	25 PRIME RIB Salmon w/ Bearnaise Sauce DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"
26 Huevos Rancheros Broccoli & Cheddar Omelet "Trivia 3pm -5pm"	27 French Onion Soup Shrimp PO Boy Salmon Salad "Bingo 3-5"	28 Chicken Fajitas Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts	29 Jack Daniel Flat Iron Steak Pesto Chicken Meat Loaf "Swingtime"	30 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>Fresh Homemade Soups Served Daily</p> </div>	

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