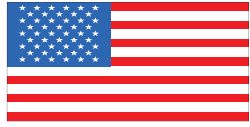




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## Post Commander, *John Hyde*

4th Proof

The Arizona summer is here and the heat is going up and as a result we lost one of our A/ C unit. This unit was the one that cooled the dance floor. We had the unit installed at a cost of \$ 5790.00 and we have four more on the roof that is about the same age. During the course of writing this newsletter the wall mounted A/C unit the cools our storage area in the kitchen went down. Cost \$700.00. We thank all those who have donated. Please see the list in this issue. I am asking for all who can please contribute to our building maintenance fund.

I want to thank all of the members who took the time to attend the election night. I also thank you for your vote of support. I will do my best to listen to the members and to guide the Post in the direction the members wish it to go. The list of Officers that were elected is listed in this newsletter. Please give them your support.

I also want to thank all the officers that were appointed. Dean Callahan- Boys State,-Bob Pierce –Service Officer,- Corey Bird-Finance Committee,-Ed Schroot,- Billy Martin Club Committee,- and the advisors, Barney Etzel, Carole Gingrich, Brian Sheahan, Queen of Hearts Commissioner Wayne Doer & Susie and Larry Gingrich.

We do have a great Post and you should be proud of what your Post has accomplished this year. We were elected into the Scottsdale Historical Hall of Fame, and our Post grew to 1071 Legion members, and approximately 400 Auxiliary members and about 200 Son's. The ALR 44 Riders also grew.

We also congratulate Maj. Neal Rodak who was promoted to Lt Col. LTC Rodak is Commanding Officer of our Adopted unit 91st CST. Col Rodak is a member our Post.

This newsletter will be our last full mailed newsletter. This will save us about \$1500.00 per month when it is fully implemented. We will mail to those beyond a 25 mile radius and all of the out state members. The newsletter will be available on the Post Web site [www.Post44.com](http://www.Post44.com) . You can also pick up a copy at the Post. We still do want your E- Mail address. This we will use for special notices and event.

To those who travel out of town, Maude and I wish all a very great and safe summer. We do hope that those who are in town, please bring your friends and neighbors to visit your Post for the great food and entertainment.

Please keep our troops and their families in your prayers. God Bless the USA.

"Duty, Honor, Country. These three hallowed words reverently dictate what you ought to be, what you can be what you will be"- General Douglas MacArthur.

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

## Newsletter Last Mail

This double issue of the Post 44 newsltter will be the last time we will mail to all members. Begining in Spetember, if you live within 25 miles of the post, you can either come by and pick one up, or go to our web site [www.post44.com](http://www.post44.com) Please help us lower cost by ensuring that we have your current mailing address. Thank you...□

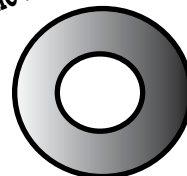


## American Bandstand

at Post 44

'At the hop"

"The Twist"



Saturday July 11

Dancin' starts at 6

**Sr. Vice Commander** – *Mike Hatounian*

In the summer months things start to get a little quiet here at our Post but we would like to keep moving forward with some new ideas and ventures. For starters now that we have our new overhead projector we are going to have our 1st “CLASSIC MOVIE NIGHT” on Wednesday July 15th and again on Wednesday August 12th. This will be in our banquet room starting at 6 PM with dinner and beverages available.

On Saturday July 11th we are going to have “AMERICAN BANDSTAND NIGHT” in the bar. Randy Thomas and I will be hosting this event and encourage our members, family and friends to dress for the occasion. So ladies get out those Poodle Skirts and guys get those Pompadours ready (I only have one strand left of mine) We have some special singers that will be entertaining and we will have prizes for the Best Costume, Dance, Trivia, Twist and more. I’m sure this will be an unforgettable evening.

On Friday August 7th Randy Thomas will be hosting “WESTERN THEME NIGHT” and on Friday August 21st “RHYTHM & BLUES NIGHT”. We have some special singers entertaining both those evenings so come on out and join the fun.

As always I try to introduce any new entertainers to our members that will be here for the first time. On Friday July 3rd we have Phil Hendricks a vocalist originally from Baltimore Maryland. Some people might remember Phil when he performed at “Chances Are” with a wide variety of styles and versatility.

Remember to join us from 6 pm to 9 pm on the 4th of July for the music of Jared Howe and please have a safe holiday weekend.

It is my pleasure and honor to be your Sr. Vice Commander for 2015-2016. Thanks to the second to none volunteer staff who make so much happen here. Thanks to the Ladies Auxillary, SUNS, ALR and to Paul England our Club Manager and his staff.

**Jr. Vice Commander** – *Don Shannon*

Well, the summer season is here, as is the slow season. Check your calendars as the exciting entertainment, good food and drinks and fellowship will continue throughout the summer. With all of the upgrades in the banquet room (flooring and audio visual equipment) your post is the perfect venue for your special events; no matter how small. I would like to congratulate Paul and his crew for a successful winter.

**Auxiliary Corner**, *President Ellen Etzel*



Summer is once again upon us and most of our winter residents have departed for various and sundry cooler locations. Dept. of AZ 2015 Convention, held in Carefree, was attended by eight of our Unit members. It is always a very informative and interesting affair.

BINGO, held each Monday at 3:00 p.m., and Bar Bingo, held each Thursday at 6:30 p.m., needs more players since our winter Bingo players are absent. If each member would commit to playing either regular Bingo or Bar Bingo just once a month for approximately two hours, it would help our attendance tremendously. This appeal to play Bingo is not just a call for support from our Auxiliary members, but also Legionnaires, Sons of Legion, and Legion Riders. Please help our Veterans by attending when you can!

A pre-meeting to “kick-off” our Unit 2015-2016 year is scheduled for Friday, August 7th, at 11:00 at the Post. This informal get-together helps us form committees and plan, in general, our goals for the year. Anyone who can attend is most welcome! All of us have unique talents and gifts. What each one of us can contribute to our Unit is unlike any other contribution. Each talent is different from other talents and they are all needed.

**YOU ARE ALL NEEDED!**

Our first meeting in September will be the third Monday, September 21st, at 6:00 p.m. **This is for the September meeting only. We will then return to the 2nd Monday of the month after that.**

For God & Country

**Auxiliary Community Service - Sue Fay**

No information as of publication date

**The following members of Post 44 have contributed to the building fund;**

Marlene Scott, Maire & John Hyde, Francine McClung, John & Karle Golde, Frank & Diane Franco, Mike O’Neal, R. C. Hazen, Eula Gooby, Gregory Meagher, Bob Kinghorn, Ed Schroot, Laura Lettieri, David Carlson, Mary & Vaughn Turner, David Taylor, Thomas Maher, Mary Zolper, Richard Mannes, Kevin Haegele, David & Rita Williams, Dean & Dee Hamilton, Peter Kronjevich, Dyvonne Brown, Larry & Carole Gingrich, Tom Hughes, Jack & Paula Schemer.

**SAL Commander** – Ed Wallace



Join the Sons of Squadron 44 for their Annual Steak Fry Fund-raiser on Sunday, September 6th at 5:00 pm. Tickets are \$14.00 and are available at the bar or from Ed Wallace and the Son's Officers. All proceeds support the Son's Charities. It's always a great time.

Again this year, we got an early jump on renewals so we exceeded our goal of 100% membership! Thank you to everyone who renewed or joined the SAL's this year. Let's continue this trend! The 2016 membership renewal cards are now available. Get your Early Bird stamp by renewing now and you'll be invited to the Early Bird Dinner in December.

There will not be a meeting in July. Meeting are the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next one will be August 18 at 7:00 pm. Come join us. God bless and hope you enjoy your summer!

**Annual S. A. L.  
Steak Fry**

**\$14 ea**



**Sunday, Sept 6 5 - 7 pm**

**Boy Scouts** - Bill Norling



What a great month to be in Troop 440! We ended April with a Court of Honor recognizing the rank advancements. We did a 15 mile training hike in early May. We started Memorial Day weekend with the annual Flag Placement event at National Veterans Memorial Cemetery then drove to the Grand Canyon. While part of the troop did a very muddy bike ride near the South Rim, five scouts hiked across the Canyon. Twenty two miles, 12,000 feet of elevation (down/up) and 14 hours later, they arrived at the North Kaibab trail head. Contact: Scoutmaster Bill Norling. 480-626-4915 -bnorling@hotmail.com

**Chaplain's Corner** - John Parrish

This is not only our last mail issue, it is also a double (July/August) issue. I guess some think it would be nice if we could just, in realty, skip these two months. My parents often said, "Don't wish your life away." OK, but some of us are able to go somewhere else and endure July and August in cooler climes.

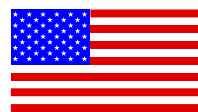
To those of us who are stuck here, where it is hotter than\_\_\_\_, we will suffer and survive. This also a scriptural piece, as we were told that we would suffer in this life and this place, but that we will survive and have eternal life in a decidedly cooler place! Amen to that! Be cool, and as the old song says, "See you in September..."

**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.



**FLAGS**

Post 44 will continue to accept flags that need to be formally retired. Due to Fire Department Rules all flags must be presented with a "Military Style Folding". We will show you how if necessary.

Thank you.



Mondays 3-5 pm open to the public

**Bar Bingo every Thursday 6:30 pm**

**Calendar of Events for July - August**

July	August		
6	3	Monday Bingo (Every Monday)	3:00 - 5:00 PM
3	5	Wednesday Music @ Vets Hospital 4141 N. 3rd St. Phx.	11:00 AM
6		Monday Club Committee	6:00 PM
20	17	Monday American Legion Riders Meeting	7:00 PM
	18	Tuesday SAL Meeting (no meeting in July)	7:00 PM

Aux E-Board / Aux General Meeting - No meeting this month  
 No meetings for July - August for Post 44 Legion

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

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

**NEXT - E-BOARD MEETING - 10 SEPT 2015 - 6:00 PM**

**NEXT - GENERAL MEETING - 24 SEPT 2015 - 6:00 PM**


**Trivia - Sundays**

**On vacation until September**

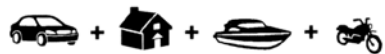
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#### **Post 44 Wellness Committee - Eric Kask**

In response to the recent scandals at the VA and the efforts by National to bring awareness to the epidemic of veteran suicide, will begin support group meeting on July 23rd at 6:00 pm in the meeting hall. All veterans, active service members and reservists, along with a spouse or other support person will be welcome to attend. A second meeting will be held on August 27th also at 6 pm. Being a Legion member is NOT required, although Legion membership cards as well as VFW, DAV, Fleet Reserve, DD214 and military ID's will all be accepted as proof of service.

Stress management is defined as any technique developed to help someone cope with or lessen the physical and emotional effects of everyday life pressure. Particular emphasis will be placed on those suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder(PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injury(TBI) and substance abuse. However, any current or former service members experiencing chronic stress due to physical or mental illness are encouraged to attend. It is important to note that many of our service members and veterans may never have had an official diagnosis or sought out help. If "things just don't seem right" please strongly consider attending. Also encourage those members and non-members you know that may require assistance to attend. We have lost more service members and veterans to suicide than both the Iraq and Afghanistan wars combined. This is unacceptable and your post has decided to do something about it and needs YOUR support!

#### **2015-16 Post 44 Officers**

Commander John Hyde  
Sr. Vice Commander Mike Hatounian  
Jr. Vice Commander Don Shannon  
Finance Officer Tom Hughes  
Chaplain John Parrish  
Historian Patricia Fite  
Sgt. at Arms Tom Redd

##### **Trustees:**

Billy Estes  
Ron Ishen  
Mike Scholz

##### **Executive Committee:**

Jack Schemer  
Ed Schroot  
Larry Gingrich  
Billy Martin  
Sully Truesdell



#### **4th of July**

**Cool off with  
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HAPPY HOUR  
M-F 2-5PM

# JULY 2015



LEGION POST #44  
DINNER & SUNDAY BREAKFAST MENU  
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**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 - 3 PM  
MONDAY 11 AM - 7 PM  
TUES 11 AM - 7 PM  
WED - SAT 11 AM - 10 PM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Filet Teraki Chicken Pork Cutlet "Swingtime"	2 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	3 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Phil Hendricks"	4 PRIME RIB Salmon w/Bearnaise DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"
5 Legion Benedict Apple Pie French Toast	6 French Onion Soup French Dip 1/2 Chef Salad "Bingo 3-5"	7 Chili Dogs Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM	8 N.Y. Lenny's Stuffed Pork Loin Meat Loaf "Swingtime"	9 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	10 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Diane & JR"	11 "American Bandstand Night" PRIME RIB Baked Cod DINNER MENU
12 Huevos Rancheros Broc & Cheddar Omelette	13 Dijon Burger Popcorn Shrimp Caesar "Bingo 3-5"	14 Macho Nacho Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts	15 Classic Movie Night Filet Chicken Cordon Bleu Chicken Fried Steak	16 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	17 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Swing Band"	18 PRIME RIB Southern Fried Catfish DINNER MENU "Jared Howe"
19 Sweet Corn Frittata Lox & Bagel	20 French Onion Soup Beef Philly Taco Salad "Bingo 3-5"	21 Chicken Pot Pie Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM	22 N.Y. Pesto Chicken Liver & Onions "Swingtime"	23 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	24 CAN EAT FISH FRY "Diane & JR"	25 PRIME RIB Scallop Stuffed Sole DINNER MENU "Denny & Dan"
26 Chorizo & Eggs Strawberry Pancakes	27 Shrimp PO Boy Oriental Salad "Bingo 3-5"	28 Been Fajitas Burgers Sirloin "Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts	29 Flat Iron Steak Scallopini Schnitzel "Swingtime"	30 Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo 6:30 pm - 8 pm	31 ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY "Randy Thomas"	

## 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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# AUGUST 2015



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Dress up for Theme Nights <i>1st wine, well or beer One Dollar</i>	<b>1</b> PRIME RIB Baked Cod DINNER MENU <i>"Midnight Moon"</i>
<b>2</b> S.W. Benedict Tripple Berry French Toast	<b>3</b> French Onion Soup French Dip 1/2 Chef Salad <i>"Bingo 3-5"</i>	<b>4</b> Burgers Chicago Dogs Sirloin <i>"Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM</i>	<b>5</b> Filet Chicken Parmesan Pork Cutlet <i>"Swingtime"</i>	<b>6</b> Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo <b>6:30 pm - 8 pm</b>	<b>7</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY & Barbecue <b>Western Theme Night with "Randy Thomas"</b>	<b>8</b> PRIME RIB Seafood Kabobs DINNER MENU <i>"Denny &amp; Dan"</i>
<b>9</b> Corn Beef & Swiss Omelett Huevos Rancheros	<b>10</b> Pita Club Blackened Beef Salad <i>"Bingo 3-5"</i>	<b>11</b> Burgers Macho Nachos Sirloin <i>"Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts</i>	<b>12</b> <b>Classic Movie Night</b> Pork Roulade Meat Loaf	<b>13</b> Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo <b>6:30 pm - 8 pm</b>	<b>14</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY <i>"Swing Band"</i>	<b>15</b> PRIME RIB Blackened Catfish DINNER MENU <i>"Jared Howe"</i>
<b>16</b> Pizza Frittata Southwest Quiche	<b>17</b> Western BBQ Burger Curry Chicken Salad <i>"Bingo 3-5"</i>	<b>18</b> Burgers Beef Pot Pie Sirloin <i>"Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM</i>	<b>19</b> Filet S.W. Chicken Medallions Liver & Onions <i>"Swingtime"</i>	<b>20</b> Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo <b>6:30 pm - 8 pm</b>	<b>21</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY <b>Rhythm &amp; Blues Theme with "Randy Thomas"</b>	<b>22</b> PRIME RIB Southern Fried Catfish DINNER MENU <i>"Denny &amp; Dan"</i>
<b>23</b> Lox & Bagel Salmon Omelette	<b>24</b> French Onion Soup Shrimp PO Boy Cajun Chicken Caeser <i>"Bingo 3-5"</i>	<b>25</b> Burgers Chicken Fajitas Sirloin <i>"Queen of Hearts" 6:30 PM Karaoke - After the Queen of Hearts</i>	<b>26</b> NY Stuffed Sole Chicken Fried Steak <i>"Swingtime"</i>	<b>27</b> Burgers Pizzas Appetizers Bar Bingo <b>6:30 pm - 8 pm</b>	<b>28</b> ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY <i>"Diane &amp; JR"</i>	<b>29</b> PRIME RIB Salmon w/ Dill Sauce DINNER MENU <i>"Jared Howe"</i>
<b>30</b> Chorizo & Eggs Chocolate Pancakes	<b>31</b> Fococia Sandwich Salmon Salad <i>"Bingo 3-5"</i>	<b>Reservations please</b> 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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