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Commander, Warren Moyer

I guess one of the duties of the Post Commander is to write something for the Newsletter each month. The first thing I want to say is Thank You Norm McLeod for a job Well Done on your watch. You have things going on the right path, and now all I have to do is follow up and keep things moving. We exceeded our Membership Goal by over 5% with a total membership of 1,185 paid members. At the State Convention this year membership was one of the prime topics, and will be for this year. One of my goals is to try and get at least 5% of the membership involved in some manner, even if it just attending meetings. !!!! We have a very strong Auxiliary this year as well as SAL group that is growing. I look forward to working with both groups and will keep them involved.

If I understand the meaning of a NEWSLETTER, it is to provide NEWS to the membership. Therefore I will keep my messages short and let the other Officers that have news share it with you. I want to thank all who voted for me (I know you didn't have a choice). I will sure try and do my best this year and if anyone has constructive suggestions, please feel free to visit with me.

Adjutant: Jerry Lennemann

Oo'ps, I goofed again. In the last Newsletter I showed a list of new Post 44 Officers, but I left out the Trustees. The Trustees are responsible for the grounds, building, all the property and equipment inside and outside of the building. It's up to them to keep the place running and looking nice. An important job and they do it well. Sorry, guys. The Trustees are **Bob Turner, Bob Lucke and Lum Houser.**

Did you know that you can receive your newsletter electronically through our Web Page. The address is www.post44.org. There is a lot of other good information on it. If you need help, call the office. Once you get used to using it, you may want to receive your newsletter on the web rather than through the mail, This will save us postage and printing costs. Give it a try.

A big thanks to Norm McLeod for a great job as Commander last term. He will be missed as Commander. Good luck to our new Commander Warren Moyer and he is starting off with a bang. Members who go to the meetings know that Warren questions everything and that is good.

Be sure and get your tickets early for the Hawaiian Luau. We know you will have a good time. There is a rumor that some of the ladies will show up in grass skirts and do a hula dance?

Hawaiian Luau Saturday - September 18

Dinner 5 - 7 PM
Dance 7 - 10 PM

Tickets if purchased by
Sept. 15 - \$12.00

Tickets at door
if not sold out - \$15.00

**Wear your Hawaiian clothes!
Have Fun**



EUCHRE NEWS

Just a reminder that the next Event for this group will be held Sat. Aug. 14, 2004 at the American Legion and following that on Sat. Sept 11, 2004 at the B.P.O. Elks. Come early - - Both have good food Bring a friend..

Auxiliary Corner - President Carol Dustin

Leaning upon the assistance of past presidents and other knowledgeable women from the Auxiliary, plans are underway for a fruitful year.

JUNE TRUNK SHOW - Sally Sullivan introduced me to Meggie, a wonderful woman in the field of fashion, and that introduction led to the first successful 2004-2005 fund raiser. Money received from the sale of designer clothing and jewelry, will go into our General Fund, to be used for various programs.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY – By the time you receive this Newsletter, our annual fundraiser for Girls State will be over and the Christmas tree put away for another year. Memories will remain, however, of our Legion family working together for a common good. Cooperation is once again the password of the Auxiliary, Post, and S.A.L.'s.

Arizona State Veterans Home – The temperature was up and the attendance down for our monthly “Reach Out With Music” program. Sue Fay, Prior Magnuson, Sara Palumbo, Ronnie Stirling, John Kirkpatrick, Larry Joiner and I held a 4th of July party for 21 Residents. Ronni made greeting cards and was put to work removing “Made In China” from the American flags we handed out. They loved the exercise balls and wallets given by the Auxiliary.

S.A.L. Howard MacDougall, Vice Commander

August marks the first anniversary of our efforts to revitalize the squadron, and we are happy to report some success. At the June 19 SAL Detach- ment meeting in Chandler, we had an enrollment of 44 paid members, 93.6 percent of our 47-member goal for the year. That's fine, but we can do better, and we're always looking for greater participation from those members.

The squadron hosted a July 4 celebration cookout at the home of Dick White. More than 30 Legion-nares, auxiliary members and SALs enjoyed the fun and fellowship.

Squadron officers for 2004-2005, elected at the June 7 meeting, are:

Dick White Commander

Howard “Mac” MacDougall Vice Commander

Dan Bookhart Adjutant/Finance Officer

Phil Pace Sergeant-at-Arms

Our thanks to Terry Hendron, outgoing squadron commander, for his leadership throughout our initial efforts to revive SAL's role in assisting the Post and Auxiliary, and to Bob Procknow, Post advisor to the Squadron, who will continue in that role this year.

Congratulations to Warren Moyer, new Post Commander, and his staff of officers, and to Carol Dustin, new Auxiliary President, and her staff. We look forward to increasing the SAL's assistance to both organizations.

The following letter was received from one of the boys we were able to send to Arizona Boys' State

June 18, 2004

Mr. Russell,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the rest of your fellow legionnaires for the opportunity you presented me at Arizona Boys' State, held last week at NAU. The week that I spent with my fellow delegates was one of the finest of my life; although I began my experience with a serious aversion to politics, I left it feeling comfortable and confident in my country's governmental organization and policies.

Jargon aside, the week was great. I made my way up through the ranks from City Clerk of Luke City, Poston County, to Precinct Committee Chairman, to City Councilman, to Senator, and finally Senate Majority Leader; in what spare time I had, I campaigned for office, played in the band, and wrote for the newspaper. I ended my fantastic week with an invitation as First Alternate to Boy's Nation in Washington, D.C. None of this would have been possible without your support.

Thank you for granting me such a fine opportunity, and I wish you the best of luck when selecting next year's crop of delegates. Please pass along my comments to our fellow legionnaires.

Sincerely,

Alexander Haddad

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

Aug	2	SAL Meeting	6:30 PM
	2	Aux E-Board Meeting	7:00 PM
	9	Music Group to Vets Nursing Home	9:00 AM (Meet @ Post)
	12	Post E-Board Meeting	7:00 PM
	14	Euchre Tourney	1:00 PM @ Post 44
	16	Auxiliary Meeting	7:00 PM
	19	Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 PM
	26	Post General Meeting	7:00 PM
Sept	6	SAL Meeting	6:30 PM
	6	Aux E-Board Meeting	7:00 PM
	9	Post E-Board Meeting	7:00 PM
	11	Euchre Tourney	1:00 PM @ Elks
	13	Music Group to Vets Nursing Home	9:00 AM (Meet @ Post)
	16	Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 PM
	18	Hawaiian Luau - Dinner 5-7 - Dance 7-10	(See AD)
	20	Auxiliary Meeting	7:00 PM
	23	Post General Meeting	7:00 PM
Sun		Trivia Games Every Sunday	3:00 PM

Reoccurring Menu for August & September

Lunch - 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Monday through Saturday - \$3.50 & Up
- Daily Specials

Dinners Served from 5:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Sunday	<u>Breakfast</u> - 10:00 - 1:00 pm from \$2.50 (Bloody Mary \$1.00)
Monday	Hot Dogs - \$2.00 Sloppy Joes - \$2.50 (Glass of Beer .50 cents - 5:00 - Close)
Tuesday	Top Sirloin Steak & 2 other Entree \$7.00
Wednesday	Filet plus 2 other Entree \$9.00
Thursday	Chef's Choice \$5.00
Friday	Fish Fry - & other Entrees \$7.00
Starting in June the Fish Fry will be in the Lounge Same Fish Fry with our great salad bar.	
Saturday	Prime Rib (Plus 2 other Entrees) \$9.50
Hours: Mon - Sat - 10 AM - 10 PM - Sunday - 10 AM - 6 PM Soup served all day long	

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Meeting - 2nd Wednesday each month
American Legion Post 44.

Dinner at 6:30 PM - Meeting after dinner.

Assembly

3rd Wednesday each month
St. Daniel the Prophet Church