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Commander's Desk, Lenny Rosenbaum

Adjutant, Andy Jaime - Sr. Vice Cmdr.

Hi All

Let me first start off by saying I hope all enjoyed the Holidays, and the up and coming new year will find you all healthy and happy.

As I am sure most of you know by now, I have been absent from my Post duties due to a disagreement between my heart and my body regarding my future. Thanks to an excellent Medical staff I am back on feet, and in time I hope to be back to 100%. In my absence all the Officers of the Post did a great job in performing their jobs and helping with part of mine, for this I would like to thank them all. The one person I do not know how to thank is my Senior Vice, Andy, who preformed his work and all of mineA BIG BIG THANKS.

Everyone on the Staff, Lori our manager, Bartenders and Floor Staff were just great in up dating everybody on my progress, keeping my wife Tina who was understandably very upset from falling apart and all their support in a time of need.

Most of all I would like to thank Our members for all the cards, letters and their prayers. (I Know you all must have an in with the big guy up there). Thank you ALL so much.

With the New Year upon us, we are planning many new Events and Actives for our Post and welcome you all to join us and be part of American Legion Family.

Vice Cmdr /Bob Smith

Oh what a time to treat your Valentine to a great night. St Valentine's Day Eve, Wednesday, Feb. 13. For your Valentine, the Post will have a lovely dinner with Big Band Music. Your sweetheart will thank you for a night like those early dates. Remember the date – St. Valentine's Eve. The band will play your sweetheart's favorite songs.

And don't forget the 23rd of February Parada del Sol, the largest horse parade in the US. We will be featuring a country western band in the afternoon, Rodger Wade and at night will be Dallas Dan. We will have pulled pork sandwiches in the afternoon and Prime Rib at night.

Feb. 3 - Super Bowl
Feb 13 - Valentine's Celebration
Feb. 23 - Parada del Sol

The following is a listing of events that Post 44 will have in February:

- 1) Valentines Day will be celebrated one day early, on Wednesday, Feb. 13th, because that is the day we have a band playing. Bring your sweetheart.
- 2) Saturday, Feb. 23rd will be Post 44 Annual Parada del Sol celebration. There will be food, day and evening, as well as two bands. One will be providing entertainment during the day and the other in the evening. Western Dress highly recommended.
- 3) Feb. 3rd – Super Bowl Party – “Pot Luck” – bring a dish. Membership News: Frank Zingarelli is still at the V.A. Hospital, also Tony Lombardi. Tom Vermande, our Post Chaplin is still home recovering from his recent surgery. Harry Steel Price and Donald E (Buster) Brown passed away and will be remembered and missed.

Post 44 members that have renewed for 2008 year is currently at 1,060, with 170 that have yet to renew. Where are you? We need you!

Finally, I am happy to report that our Post Commander is slowly but steadily getting back to attending to duties of his office. I thank all of the Post 44 Legion family for your support during the Commander's absence. He must still face a couple of months of therapy. We all wish Lenny a full recovery.

Feb. Quote: “We learn to do by doing. We learn to be by being.” - H. Burke Petersen

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**2008 American Legion Dues
are due December 31
of each year.
Check your card
we need your support.**

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Andy Jaime: Adjutant

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Auxiliary President - *Bunny Hamilton*

Here we are – well into a brand new year! Is everyone keeping those resolutions?

A new year brings to mind the renewal of those Poppy Plates. Is your plate covered? The cost is only \$5.00 per year and your donation to the Auxiliary Poppy Fund is used only for the benefit of our veterans. So PLEASE renew those plates. Call me at 480-947-3993 or simply give your donation to the bartender. If you would like to start a plate – the cost is the same - \$5.00 per year.

February not only brings us Valentine's Day – but also Super Bowl on the 3rd. This is a great fun time at the Post, so come in – bring a dish for Pot Luck and join your friends for a really great party. Then, re-charge your batteries for the Parada del Sol on the 23rd. It starts with an early breakfast at the Club so Lori needs all the help she can get – all day long. Even a one or two hour stint helps a lot, so give me a call or let the bartender know how much time you can give.

This is also the time of year to start thinking about officers for 2008-2009. We will be appointing a nominating committee at the March meeting. Even if you have never held an office in the Auxiliary, I urge each and every one of you to earnestly consider running for an office this year. It is a very rewarding experience and I can promise you will never be sorry!

A very big Thank You to all of you for continuing your donations to our food basket in the lobby. This is an on-going project so please continue your generosity.

Our "Cheer Basket" is ready to go, but we will continue to accept donations. The proceeds will go to our Department Presidents Special Project – taking care of the homeless (including homeless veterans.) Thank you for your contributions!

It's great to see our Commander Lenny out and about. Keep up the good work of recuperating Lenny, we all miss you!! God Bless You All.

See A List Of Post 44 Charities On The Back Of The Menu

Auxiliary:

Community Service Report Many thanks for contributing food to the "Red Bucket" in the lobby. In November, we were able to deliver \$80.00 worth of food to Homeless Outreach. In December we collected way over \$100.00 worth of canned goods and food, yet to be delivered. The plea for used glasses, yielded 46 pairs of glasses for the Lions Club. Thank you for making a difference for less fortunate folks in our Community. Sue Fay

Thank You to all who donated to Sara's
Garden Plaque
Shirliz & Carl (the Kesslers)
Tom Paul
Andy Jaime

Auxiliary - Cheer Basket Raffle

To benefit homeless veterans and
others.

Tickets - 1 for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00.

Drawing will be held at
St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Super Bowl - February 3

Also a Pot Luck

Bring something to share.

Food will be put out
at Kick-Off Time.

Valentine's Day will be
celebrated on Wed. Feb. 13.

Special Meal and Jazz Band
in the big, no-smoking room.

Parada del Sol

February 23

We will have

Two Bands - Noon & Evening
BBQ Pork Sandwiches

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

Feb.	3	Sunday	Super Bowl and Pot Luck - Beginning - 4 - 4:30 PM
	4	Monday	SAL Meeting 6:30 PM
	11	Monday	Reach Out With Music - 9 AM meet @ Post to Car Pool
	13	Wednesday	Celebrate Valentines Day 6:00 PM (Food & Band)
	14	Thursday	E-Board Meeting 7:00 PM
	18	Monday	Auxiliary 6:00 E-Board - Gen Meeting 7:00 PM
	28	Thursday	Post General Meeting 7:00 PM

Mon. Thur. & Sat. - Euchre (Fun - Fun) - 1:30 PM

Wednesdays - Bridge - 1:00 PM - Call 480-991-4524

Trivia on Sundays @ 3:00 PM - (Wine Tasting in future - no date set)

No Trivia on Super Bowl Sunday

Historian – Sully

Anytime Legion Members would like to stroll down Memory Lane, the Legion History Books are stored in the Music Room bookcases clearly marked by the year. Flip through some pages while enjoying our Menu Offerings.

Trivia Players – our games resume Sunday, January 6, 2008 at 3:00 PM. Come a little early and find a seat at the bar. Give your brain a workout too and refresh your Facts & Fiction.
Roger Wells Music at Trivia - 1-2 times a month

Tax Tip 2008 – At age 70-1/2 you must take payments from your IRA. Failure to do so could result in heavy tax penalties.

EUCHRE & CARDS

We play Euchre here Mon. Thurs. & Sat. starting at 1:30

Come join us for the It is fun and it is a great way to meet other Legion members and make new friends. We don't play for money, just for fun.

We are also going to play some other card games such as Pitch if there is an interest. We also play Bridge on Wednesday afternoons, see more info above.

We will also have beginner classes every Saturday that will also start at 1:30. Bunny Hamilton, our Auxiliary President, learned how to play euchre the other day and we heard of some other members that are interested. So come and join us. Maybe some of you can teach us how to play other card games. With over 1,500 members, we expect to see new card players.

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LUNCH SERVED 11:00 TO 2:00
 MONDAY THRU SATURDAY
 SATURDAY BREAKFAST
 SERVED 10:00 AM - NOON
 SOUP SERVED ALL DAY
 MON-SAT

FEBRUARY 2008
LEGION POST #44 DINNER
AND
SUNDAY BREAKFAST MENU

DINNER SERVED MON 5:00 PM
 TUES, WED, THURS, SAT
 5:00 - 8:30 PM
 FRI FISH FRY 5:00 - 8:00 PM
 SUN BRUNCH 10 AM - 1 PM
 CLUB HOURS MON-SAT
 10 AM - 10 PM
 SUNDAY 10 AM - 6 PM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 FISH FRY RODGER	2 PRIME RIB COCONUT SHRIMP CHICK PARM MIKE
3 STAWBERRY CAKES EGGS BENNIE	4 LUNCH FOR DINNER	5 SIRLOIN STEAK BRATS & KRAUT	6 FILET STUFF OSCAR RASBERRY CHICK JAZZ	7 ROAST PORK	8 FISH FRY MIKE	9 PRIME RIB SALMON CHICK STIR FRY DAN
10 FRENCH TOAST SEAFOOD OMLETTE	11 LUNCH FOR DINNER	12 SIRLOIN STEAK CHICK FRIED STEAK	13 FILET SHRIMP ALA VODKA CHICK CORD BLUE VALENTINE CELEB. JAZZ	14 MEAT LOAF	15 FISH FRY DAVID - COUNTRY 6-9	16 PRIME RIB STUFF OSCAR PORK STIR FRY CARLOTTA
17 SOS EGGS BENNIE	18 LUNCH FOR DINNER	19 SIRLOIN CHICK DUMPLINGS	20 FILET LAMB SHANKS SHRIMP SCAMPI JAZZ	21 ROAST BEEF	22 FISH FRY MIKE	23 PRIME RIB CHICK CORD BUE FRIED CAT FISH RODGER 11-3 DAN @ NIGHT
24 PORK CHOPS & EGGS	25 LUNCH FOR DINNER	26 SIRLOIN STEAK SHRIMP BASKET	27 FILET COCONUT SHRIMP CHICK STIR FRY JAZZ	28 CABBAGE ROLLS	29 FISH FRY RODGER	

**JOIN US AT THE LEGION FOR A
 GOOD MEAL AND GREAT FRIENDS**

**MUSIC MOST WED'S,
 FRI'S & SAT'S**

Post 44 Charities for 2007

Military room at Sky Harbor, Terminal 2
US flags for school classrooms
Snacks for bingo at VA Hospital
Room for Joy (for terminally ill children)
Bell at Veterans National Cemetery
VA Hospital, for Returning Warriors'
Vista del Camino, Christmas Families
Dinners for Veterans at the VA Hospital
Boy's State
Needy Veterans, from Buddy Box

Over \$5,000 was donated to Charities by the Legion, plus Auxiliary and SAL's. These will be listed in the next newsletter.

Note by Editor, Jerry Lennemann:

We get a lot of suggestions from our members for articles to be placed in this newsletter. Unfortunately, we do not have room. Our newsletter is about events at our Post and its members. For other news read the Newspapers and watch TV news.