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Commander's Corner

Mike Zingarelli
Post Commander

I would like to start off with thanking all the volunteers for the volunteers who helped on Parada. The list is too long to mention everyone but the help is greatly appreciated and without you, the day would not have been a success.

John Ferguson made a great presentation on the marines at Iwo Jima. He also baked several cherry pies, all of which were consumed that very evening! We are all looking forward to St. Patrick's Day, the day everyone is Irish! Bill Clark will be serving Corned beef all day in the Club along with other specials. I would like to thank Will Bahnsen, visiting from Michigan, for conducting harmonica classes for our members.

Our webmaster, Mike Gannon, will be instructing free computer classes on some upcoming Saturdays. Mike has taught at Scottsdale, Gateway and Gilbert Community Colleges as well as with Senior.NET so he should be able to answer your questions. The exact dates and time will be posted, but if you are interested give us a call so we can sign you up and start to get a head count. ❖

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Open 10 AM to 10 PM Daily

Membership News

John Dunleavy
Sr. Vice Commander

The Post is doing a terrific job at keeping everyone involved in the various activities and events going on each month. One of the ways you can help is by making reservations for dinner events!

Each event is planned by estimating the number of attendees, which helps keep food and drink costs down. If you are planning to attend an event, please let us know by calling the Club at 480-941-9053 or sending an e-mail to **post44@post44.org** and give us the approximate time and number in your party.

Some of our events are an annual "sell out" but all the events are popular enough that we like to plan ahead to make sure everyone has a good time. Knowing the number of attendees allows us to make sure we can do just that!

Don't forget that the Club can also handle your personal party or banquet needs, or those of other organizations you wish to sponsor. Breakfast, luncheons or dinners; the Club will help you plan a memorable event!

You may also use the **post44@post44.org** e-mail address for general communication with the Post if you wish.

NEW MUSIC IN THE CLUB!

Wednesday and Sunday evenings.

Music with *Tony & Ike* !

Bring your friends
and enjoy the entertainment!

POST 44 CLUB

480-941-9053

Open 10 AM to 10 PM Daily

Sunday "Breakfast As You Like It"

St. Patrick's Day 11 AM to 8 PM "A Bit of Ireland"!
Irish Stew, Corned Beef and Cabbage
and Drink Specials for all!

March Dinner Specials

Monday	Chef's Choice	\$ 5.00
Tuesday	Top Sirloin Steak	\$ 6.00
Wednesday	Our Famous Filet Mignon	\$ 8.00
Thursday	Chef's Choice	\$ 5.00
Friday	Famous Fish Fry	\$ 6.95
	(Fish, Shrimp, Chicken, soup, salad!)	
Saturday	Prime Rib	\$ 8.95

Note: Good Friday (04/13/01) will have a fish menu and the Club will close at 9 PM instead of 10 PM.

Other menu items available, and always a full service bar.

Reservations: post44@post44.org

Euchre News

Warren Moyer & June
Post Card Sharks

The monthly Euchre Tourney was held at post 44 on February 10th. We had a record turn out of 24 teams!

Winners, DickW. & Lee King took top honors with their score of 86 but everyone had a great time.

Don't forget – our next tourney is at Elks Lodge 2148 on Saturday March 10th starting at 1:00 PM.

See you there!❖

Post News

Bob Smith
Jr. Vice Commander

Post 44 is going to busy this month and we hope to see many of you as we end 2000 and start off 2001! Some of the events we have scheduled are:

- March 11th – The Tremble Clefs
Come and be entertained from 3:00pm to 4:00pm this terrific musical group who uses their Parkinson's Disease as an asset for singing!
- March 17th – St. Patrick's Day
Join us at the Club as we celebrate the Luck of the Irish with drink specials, corned beef and cabbage and Irish stew!
- April 15th – Easter Sunday – Special Buffet Brunch
Make your reservations early for this annual event!

Technical Center

Mike Gannon
Webmaster

Ever wonder what is happening at the Post? Now you can check out our on-line calendar to get an up to date look at the events that are being scheduled.

From the web site at www.post44.org you can click on the large American Legion shield, at the top of the page to go to the calendar for the current month. This page is similar to the one sent in the newsletter but may have been updated since the newsletter was published.

At the bottom of the page you will see a "drop down link" that permits you go to any of the calendars we have out there in case you want to "look ahead" a little bit.

Also at the bottom of the calendar page, you will see a link to "Post 44 Events" which will take you to our Event List at AZNeighbors. This area allows us to explain a little bit more about the different events and it provides us a method of "personalizing" information for you!

We recommend that each of you who enjoy using your computer, drop in at www.mycalendar.com and create an on-line calendar for yourself. You may have a "scheduler" program (i.e. Outlook) but this permits you to create on on-line that you can access from any computer anywhere. It will permit you to link your calendar to the Post Calendar by going to EVENT LIBRARY – COMMUNITY Local Events – AZ Civic/Volunteer Clubs and checking the box next to the American Legion Post 44 entry.

Items that appear in the "Post 44 Events" list will now be automatically included in your personal calendar at www.mycalendar.com !❖

Auxiliary News

Anne Stirling
Auxiliary President

WOW, what a great response we had to our Bake Sale. I offer my most grateful thanks to all of our members (and non-members) that donated baked goods or made cash donations. I also wish to thank all of our customers and workers. We raised \$950. This money will be used for our Children and Youth programs. We have already purchased two Spinoza Bears for critically ill children.

We will be having an initiation ceremony at our April meeting (April 16 at 7:00). If you have not yet been initiated please call Myra Anderson at 480-994-8294 and let her know that you will be attending. All members being initiated will receive an Auxiliary pin. If you have been initiated, please come to the meeting to meet and support our new members.

March 11th is our District 12 picnic. It will be held at Post 35 in Chandler from noon until about 4:00. Food, fun, and games will be provided. All members and their families are invited. The Chandler fire department will be there with a ladder truck, show car, and smoke house. The Chandler D.A.R.E. unit will also have a display.

We are looking for members that like to knit or crochet. We have a variety of patterns for items needed for patients at the VA hospital. We also have a pattern for slippers for our military personnel "Operation Toasty Toes". If you would like to use your talent, please call me (Anne) at 480-481-7661 and I can get the patterns to you.

We have finished our Tell-A-Friend save a life program (calling women to encourage them to have mammograms). I would like to thank Sue Faye for organizing the program. Remember, if you do not get an annual mammogram, PLEASE start now. Early detection is the best protection.

Marion Kirwan is continuing to update all the Poppy plates. If you would like a plate or need an update, please call Marion at 480-949-9796.

Carol Clark, our Music Chairman, visits the Arizona State Veteran's Home the second Monday of every month at 10:00 am. She leads a group of volunteers that provide a sing-a-long with the residents.

Don't forget what the www.post44.org web site offers:

- Free e-mail account
- Free classified ads
- Online calendar of Post 44 events
- Online newsletters

John "our piano player" accompanies her. He is now playing on a piano donated to the home by Carol in honor/memory of her niece. Additional volunteers are welcome. If you don't sing, don't worry. You can help the residents turn pages in the songbooks.

A gentleman by the name of Lundy was the winner of our Armed Forces pillow raffle. He selected the Army pillow. This money raised (\$105) will be donated to this year's Veteran's Creative Arts Festival. Thanks to all the ticket buyers and if you didn't win this time, there's always next time.

Mark your calendars... the third Monday of every month we have our meetings. Come and be involved in this great organization!

For God and Country❖

Music Notes

Carol Clark
Auxiliary Music Chairman

This past month has been a tight squeeze in the Music Room.

We've been sharing music with people from Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, Canada and other towns in Arizona.

People have joined in on the bass guitar, banjo, harmonica, and sax. We've had people singing soprano, mezzo soprano, alto, tenor, baritone, bass and some have yet to be categorized.

They sing ballads, oldies-but-goodies, show tunes, country-western, Irish melodies, patriotic songs, silly songs, happy and sad songs; John leads sing-a-longs; you like it, you got it.

The Music Room can be likened to the weather, give it time. It will change!

Thank You!

Will Bahnsen of Michigan

For dropping by to say hello at the Post,
and sticking around to entertain us
with his harmonica playing!

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Meeting - 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month
American Legion Post 44

Dinner at 6:30 p.m. - Meeting after dinner

Assembly - 3rd Wednesday each month

St. Daniel the Prophet Church
1000 N. Hayden Road